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PRIORITIZATION OF ELECTRIC VEHICLE QUALIFICATIONS FOR TRAINING REGULATIONS (TR) DEVELOPMENT

WHEREAS, Item (B), Section 14 of Republic Act No. 7796 mandates that TESDA shall develop and establish a national system of skills standardization, testing and certification, and conduct research and development on various occupational areas in order to recommend policies, rules, and regulations for effective and efficient skills standardization, testing and certification system in the country;

WHEREAS, TESDA shall focus its efforts and resources on priority qualifications/skills identified by partner-industry bodies and associations on the basis of the following:

- 1. Priority needs of the industry-sector;
- 2. Nationwide application in terms of public interest/welfare;
- 3. Employment generation and investment opportunities; and
- 4. The criteria for skills standardization and certification, to wit:
 - Requiring relatively long period of education or training;
 - Performance of the competency affecting and endangering people's lives and limbs; and
 - Competency involving the handling of complex equipment, tools and supplies.

WHEREAS, in addition to the abovementioned criteria, support for the development of skills/qualifications shall also be prioritized based on existing laws of the sector/industry governing the promotion of competitiveness and promoting Filipino workers and the development thrusts of the government, among others;

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 11697 or the Electric Vehicle Industry Act, stipulates the following provisions:

Section 2 hereby declared the policy of the State to:

 Provide an enabling environment for the development of electric vehicles including options for micromobility as an attractive and feasible mode of transportation to reduce dependence on fossil fuels (b);

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- o Promote inclusive and sustainable industrialization while recognizing the role of the private sector in order to support the transition to new technologies, generate jobs, spur small and medium enterprise growth, attract investments, grow globally competitive and innovative industries, and upgrade the country's participation in regional and global value chains, consistent with the Philippine Development Plan and the country's international obligations under the United Nations Sustainable Development Agenda (f); and
- Generate employment opportunities for our local skilled workforce to sustain their livelihood (a):
- Section 6 of the Comprehensive Roadmap for Electric Vehicle Industry (CREVI) includes the human resource development component which includes skills and capacity-building of needed personnel;
- Section 10(d) states that the human resource development component of the CREVI should be developed and updated regularly by TESDA and other relevant government agencies:

WHEREAS, in response to the aforementioned law and other relevant policies governing the electric vehicle industry and given the existence of electric vehicles, there is a need to train workers in the industry that have the requisite skills;

WHEREAS, during the 44th Direction Setting Committee meeting on 28 May 2024, the skills requirements for Electric Vehicle, including future emerging skills based on the value chain, have been favorably endorsed to the TESDA Board for prioritization for TR development. This prioritization shall cover all related programs that will be identified within the value chain vis-à-vis the Philippine Qualification Levels I-V. Provided, further, that the disposal and recycling of batteries are included in the competency standards in consultation with concerned government agencies such as the Department of Environment and Natural Resources.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the TESDA Board in its meeting today, 13 November 2024, at 1:00 P.M. approves the prioritization of Electric Vehicle qualifications for TR development;

BE IT RESOLVED FINALLY, that copies of this Resolution be disseminated to all concerned offices for their information and guidance.

Adopted this 13th day of November 2024.

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