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The Energy Regulatory Commission Resolution No. 23, series of 2010, which took effect, last January 23, 2011 provides that **ELIGIBLE SENIOR CITIZENS** are entitled to the 5% discount, *to wit:*

1. Only eligible senior citizens whose monthly consumption **DOES NOT EXCEED 100** (kWh) are entitled to a 5% discount in their electricity bill. Should the consumption exceed 100 (kWh) for a particular month, the eligible senior citizen shall have **NO** discount for that month;
2. A senior citizen may avail of the discount for **ONE** residence only where he **ACTUALLY RESIDES** and provided that the meter has been registered under his name for at least one year already;
3. The discount is per household regardless of the number of senior citizen residing therein;
4. The 5% discount will apply to the following bill components only: GENERATION charge, TRANSMISSION charge, SYSTEM LOSS charge, DISTRIBUTION charge, SUPPLY PER KWH charge, METERING PER KWH charge, lifeline discount and loan condonation;
5. The remaining bill components, such as government taxes and universal charges, members' contribution on capital expenditures (MCC) and other ERC mandated adjustments are **NOT** subject to the discount;
6. The senior citizens' discount is computed **AFTER** the lifeline discount has been applied;
7. Discounts may vary on a monthly basis depending on the rates for the month.

Excerpts from the Implementing Rules and Regulation (IRR) of RA 9994 (Expanded Senior Citizens Act of 2010) that took effect July 6, 2010

Article 12. Utility Discounts

Section 1. The grant of a minimum of five percent (5%) discount relative to the monthly utilization of water and electricity supplied, by the public utilities: *Provided,* That the individual meters for the foregoing utilities are registered in the name of the senior citizen residing therein: *Provided, further,* That the monthly consumption does not exceed one hundred kilowatt hours (100 kWh) of electricity and thirty cubic meters (30 m³) of water: *Provided, furthermore,* That the privilege is granted per household regardless of the number of senior citizens residing therein."

Section 2. Fifty (50%) Discount – The grant of 50% discount on all electricity, water, telephone consumption for DSWD-accredited senior citizens center and residential care institutions or group homes that are government-run or organized and operated by non-stock, non-profit domestic corporation, primarily for the purpose of promoting the well being of abandoned, neglected, unattended or homeless senior citizens.

Such senior citizens and residential care of group homes must have been in operation for at least six (6) months and must have a separate meter for said utilities/services.

Section 3. DSWD shall issue the necessary guidelines within (30) days from the affectivity of this rule for the accredited senior citizens center and residential group homes willing to avail of the utility discounts.

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