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PPA MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR
NO. 54 -90

TO : All Port District Managers
Port Managers, Shipowners
Ship Agents and All Concerned

SUBJECT : Supplemental Guidelines on the Basis of Berthing/
Anchorage or Usage Fees Charged Against Vessels
with Status Changed from Foreign to Coastwise or
Vice-Versa

Pursuant to Section 1 of P.D. 1064, dated 18 December 1976, and in order to further clarify the provisions of PPA Memorandum Circular No. 23-89 relative to the imposition of port charges on vessels with status changed from foreign to coastwise or vice-versa, the following supplemental guidelines are hereby issued:

- Section 1. The Philippine Ports Authority recognizes the Philippine Coast Guard (PCG) as the government agency vested with the exclusive authority over the registration and documentation of Philippine vessels. Thus, the following shall be observed:
- a. for a vessel engaged in international trade granted permanent authorization to engage in coastwise trade, the Certificate of Philippine Registry (CPR) and the Coastwise License issued by the PCG shall be required. The conversion of said vessel from foreign to domestic shall be reckoned from the date of issuance of the Coastwise License for purposes of determining the applicable port charges, specifically those relating to port dues, dockage/anchorage or usage fees;
 - b. for a Bareboat Charter, the Temporary Certificate of Philippine Registry (TCR) and the Coastwise License for the vessel's temporary conversion from foreign to domestic shall be submitted.

The conversion shall be reckoned from the date of issuance of the Coastwise License by the PCG to said vessel.

- Section 2. For a vessel engaged in international trade granted temporary authorization to trade coastwise, the Special Permit issued by the Maritime Industry Authority (MARINA) shall be required. The temporary conversion of said vessel shall be reckoned from the date of effectivity thereof for purposes of determining the applicable port charges.
- Section 3. For a domestic vessel temporary authorized to engage in foreign trade, the same Special Permit issued by MARINA shall be required. Its conversion from coastwise to foreign shall immediately commence from time said domestic vessel loads export cargoes at any local port. Provided, however, that if said domestic vessel does not load any cargo for export in any of its local ports of call, conversion of said vessel shall start from its last domestic port of call before it departs for a foreign port.
- Section 4. All PPA circulars, rules and regulations, memoranda, order or guidelines which are inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.
- Section 5. This circular shall take effect immediately.


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