

2014 CIAP & its Implementing Boards Accomplishment Report

Industry Policy Development

- The CIAP continued to formulate and/or implement policies, programs and measures to support the development of the industry which are necessary to be able to come up with an overall strategy for the industry's sustainable growth. Policy research and analysis were conducted for the following initiatives to address major/ critical issues:
 1. Qualification of Nominees to the vacant position of a chairman of Philippine Contractors Accreditation Board (PCAB) to the Office of the President - [CBR. No. 1, S. 2014];
 2. Amendments to the Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of RA 4566 (Contractors License Law) for Endorsement to the Office of the President - [CBR No. 2.s 2014];
 3. Denial of the appeal for reconsideration of the decision of Philippine Contractors Accreditation Board (PCAB) on the Special License Application filed by Frey-Fil Corporation in Joint Venture with EEI Corporation - [CBR No. 3.s 2014];
 4. Endorsing amendments to the Constructors Performance Evaluation System implementing guidelines to the National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA) Boards Committee of Infrastructure (INFRACOM) for Approval – [CBR No. 4.s 2014]
 5. Qualification of nominees for Appointment to the Vacancy in the Philippine Contractors Accreditation Board (PCAB) – [CBR No. 6, s. 2014];
 6. Inclusion of the Contractors Code of Ethics in the Proposed Amendments to the IRR of R.A. 4566 - [CBR No.7,s. 2014];
 7. Authorizing the incumbent chairman and members of the Philippine Overseas Construction Board [POCB] to continue discharging their duties and functions in a hold-over capacity – [CBR No.8, s. 2014];
 8. Directing the PCAB to study the mechanics in increasing the imposition of penalties – [CBR No.9,s.2014].

Establishment of CIAP Windows in the DTI Regional offices

- CIAP opened its service windows in collaboration with the DTI Regional Offices, in the following regions: 2011- (pilot tested in Region XI (Davao) and Region VII (Cebu); 2012 – Region I (La Union) and Region V (Legaspi); and 2013 - Region X (Cagayan de Oro City), Region III (Pampanga) and Cordillera Region (Baguio City). Bringing a total of 7 CIAP windows. These windows are currently being maintained and improved.

Implementation of the CIAP Information Systems Strategic Plan

- The following applications systems developed under the 1st phase of the ISSP Program are: 1) Contractors Licensing and Registration System (CLiRS); 2) Constructors Performance Information System (CPIS); 3) Contractors General Information System (CGIS), 4) Cashiering System (CS) and 5) CIAP Website. CIAP Website is already accessible to the public since December 2014.
- The deployment of on-line services and integration of the system in the CIAP Portal has yet to be completed by March 2015.

Contractors Licensing and Registration

- The PCAB approved 9,126 applications for all types: new licenses, renewal, license amendments & upgrading, special licenses covering CFY 2013-2014

and CFY 2014-2015). The bulk of approvals consisted of 68.4% of renewals, 13.4% of new entrants, 7.8% of license amendments and 10.5% special license. Likewise, PCAB was able to register 2,797 contractors that are allowed to undertake government projects.

- Processing time of applications for renewal of contractors' license and registration remained at 10 days.
- Moreover, contractors found guilty of violating the licensing law were subjected to disciplinary actions in the form of revocation or suspension of their licenses and blacklisting of Authorized Managing Officer (AMO) or proprietor. As of 31 December 2014, 7 contractors' licenses were suspended; 7 licensing cases dismissed, and 4 licenses denied. 5 cases were also referred to OLA.
- Two (2) seminars were conducted on the ASEAN Economic Community (AEC) 2015 and its Impact on construction-related services were conducted in Manila (21-January 2014 at the Philippine Trade and Training Center) and in VisMin (10 March 2014 VUDU Crossroads, Banilad, Cebu City).

Overseas Construction Promotion and Market Development

- Philippine Overseas Construction Board (POCB in collaboration with the private sector led by the Philippine Constructors Association, Inc. (PCA), conducted construction missions to Cambodia and Myanmar on 21-.25 October 2014 and to Timor Leste on 19-21 February 2014. The construction missions aimed to explore business and investment opportunities in construction, engineering consulting, oil and gas, and other sectors, in these countries. In fact, it also paved the way to one POCB registered contractor to bag a US\$30 million road project contract in Timor Leste.
- POCB participated in 2014 Worldbex and Philconstruct trade exhibits. This event promoted the capabilities of Filipino contractors and the various projects undertaken by them in the international contracting field. It also prepared and disseminated to contractors 1 issue of POCB Newsletter and 6 country profiles.
- Held the 3rd Philippine Overseas Construction Symposium 20-21 November 2014, with the theme, " ASEAN Economic Community 2015 (AEC 2015) and its Impact to the Construction Industry and Exploring Opportunities in our non-ASEAN trading partners".

Domestic Construction Development

Construction Performance Evaluation System (CPES)

- The CIAP through the PDCB promoted the implementation of CPES in government infrastructure/tendering agencies.
- In 2014, 107 applications for new and renewing CPEs accreditation were processed, bringing the total number of accredited CPEs to **989** from **34** government agencies.
- PDCB has partnered with construction industry associations/professionals, particularly the Philippine Institute of Civil Engineers (PICE) and the Philippine Constructors Association (PCA) in its promotional activities on the CPES.
- Conducted CPES Accreditation Seminar for the Provincial Government offices of Davao del Norte on May 20-22, 2014 in Tagum City, National Irrigation Administration (NIA) Region XI on July 1-3, 2014 in Davao City, PRMF-Aklan 28-30 Oct. 2014 and DOH-Pampanga, 2-5 Dec. 2014;
- Conducted the 2nd National Convention of ACC-CPES Evaluators of the Philippines on 25 Nov. 2014, where 10 government engineers were awarded Best Performer CPES Evaluators.

Construction Contract Dispute Resolution

- 50 Arbitration cases with a total sum in dispute (SID) of PhP 4.33 Billion which were awarded on the merits, were resolved within 6 months from TOR signing/approved time extensions.
- In addition, eight (8) cases with a total SID of PhP68.3 Million were settled; and one (1) cases with SID of PhP309,581.59 were dismissed; and one (1) case with a total SID of PhP47.96 Million was withdrawn.
- Two (2) mediation cases involving a total SID of PhP8.92 million were settled and six (6) were dismissed involving a total SID of PhP45.10 Million. One (1) case from 2013 docket involving a total SID of PhP32.17 Million was also dismissed. Another case from the 2013 docket involving a total SID of PhP31.9 Million was settled and an award was rendered based on Compromise Agreement.