



REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
PHILIPPINE STATISTICS AUTHORITY BOARD

**PSA Board Resolution No. 18
Series of 2021**

**ENJOINING SUPPORT TO THE NATIONWIDE ADOPTION OF THE
PHILIPPINE STANDARD INDUSTRIAL CLASSIFICATION AND THE
PHILIPPINE STANDARD GEOGRAPHIC CODE IN THE UNIFIED
BUSINESS PERMIT APPLICATION FORM, GENERATION AND DATA
SHARING OF COMPARABLE MUNICIPAL LEVEL INDUSTRIAL
STATISTICS FROM THE BUSINESS PERMIT LICENSING SYSTEM**

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 10625 mandates the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) to develop and prescribe uniform standards and classification systems in the generation of official statistics in the Philippine Statistical System (PSS) to ensure harmonization of statistics in the country, at the local, national and international levels; and to coordinate to local government units (LGUs) on the promotion and adoption of statistical standards involving techniques, methodologies, concepts, definitions and classifications;

WHEREAS, standard classification systems are used to achieve uniformity and comparability of statistics generated at the national and international levels;

WHEREAS, two of the classification systems approved by the PSA Board are the Philippine Standard Industrial Classification (PSIC) and the Philippine Standard Geographic Code (PSGC) for adoption by the concerned government agencies and instrumentalities;

WHEREAS, PSIC is a detailed classification of all economic activities in the country which: 1) provides an effective mechanism for aggregating huge data being collected; 2) serves as a framework for data collection, processing, and compilation to ensure uniformity, consistency and comparability of data produced by both government and private sectors; 3) serves as a guide in the classification of establishments

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according to their economic activity useful for economic analysis; and
4) promotes comparability of data among members of the United Nations;

WHEREAS, PSGC is a systematic classification and coding of geographic areas in the country with four (4) well-established hierarchical levels of geopolitical units, namely, administrative region, province, city/municipality, and barangay. PSGC serves as: 1) a comprehensive geographic area frame in the conduct of censuses, surveys and market studies; 2) a basis in the updating of Philippine maps; 3) a guide in national and local development planning, reference in the development and updating of databases with geospatial references, and 4) facilitates comparability, interoperability, and integration of various statistical data and information generated by different government and private agencies with geographic reference;

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 11032, also known as the Ease of Doing Business and Efficient Government Service Delivery Act of 2018, prescribes the use of a single or unified business application form by LGUs in processing business permits and business renewals;

WHEREAS, the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), the Bureau of Internal Revenue (BIR), the Cooperative Development Authority (CDA), the municipal Business Permits and Licensing Offices (BPLOs), and the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) are implementing business registration system for processing business registration and permits;

WHEREAS, the Anti-Red Tape Authority (ARTA), the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG), the Department of Information and Communication Technology (DICT), the DTI and other concerned government agencies, issued Joint Memorandum Circular (JMC) No: 01 Series of 2021 - Guidelines for Processing Business Permits, Related Clearances and Licenses in All Cities and Municipalities, and Revised Joint Memorandum Circular (JMC) No: 01 - Streamlined Guidelines for the Processing Issuance of Business Permits, and related Clearances which prescribe for LGUs the use of the Unified Business Permit Application Form (UBPAF), national business one-stop shop (NBOSS) or automation of Business Permits and Licensing Systems (BPLS);

WHEREAS, the UBPAF includes the PSIC to classify the line of businesses for business permit application;

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WHEREAS, LGUs are still using different business permit application forms, so there is a need to provide support to LGUs to facilitate the adoption of the UBPAF with PSIC and PSGC in accordance with RA 11032 and ensure smooth transition of LGUs from using the 1991 Local Government Code classification into the Updated PSIC;

WHEREAS, the PSA has developed the PSA Android-based e-Classification mobile application and the PSA web-based classification systems which feature PSIC and PSGC as digital tools in the classification of all economic activities and geographic areas in the country by LGUs and the public.

WHEREAS, PSA has embarked on the capacity building on Standard Classification Systems but there is a need to continuously capacitate LGUs on the adoption of PSIC and PSGC for the generation of statistics to achieve uniformity and comparability of statistics at the local, national, and international levels;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that all departments, agencies, and instrumentalities of the national government, local government units, government owned or controlled corporations, the private sector, and the public at large are hereby enjoined to actively support the adoption of the Philippine Standard Industrial Classification (PSIC) and the Philippine Standard Geographic Code (PSGC) in the electronic and hard copies of the Unified Business Permit Application Form prescribed to be used in the Business Permit Licensing System (BPLS) under Republic Act No. 11032, otherwise known as, the Ease of Doing Business and Efficient Delivery of Government Services Act of 2018 and hereby requires:

1. National government agencies and LGUs in the PSS to promote and further strengthen partnership and data sharing to come up with a total picture of socio-economic development in the country for more informed decisions and more efficient delivery of government services;
2. ARTA and DICT to continue to include the PSIC and PSGC in the electronic UBPAF in the eBPLS and NBOSS being developed in order to generate harmonized and more granular industrial statistics;
3. DILG to issue a Memorandum Circular enjoining and encouraging LGUs to share their data to national government agencies, including

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PSA, towards mainstreaming the BPLS data into regular statistics being generated by the PSS;

4. the Department of Budget and Management (DBM), the Department of Finance (DOF), and the DICT, to support, provide, and mobilize resources in the PSS for the development of appropriate technology and acquisition of modern equipment to facilitate the adoption of PSIC and PSGC in UBPAF by all LGUs, in accordance with Republic Act No. 11032, towards the generation and data sharing of harmonized municipal level industrial statistics from BPLS; and
5. all member agencies in the PSS especially those implementing national and local business registration system to support the adoption of PSIC and PSGC in the country.

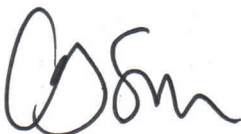
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