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Depositors of Rural Bank of Sta. Elena (Camarines Norte), Inc. have until October 2, 2020 to file deposit insurance claims

The Philippine Deposit Insurance Corporation (PDIC) announced that depositors of the closed Rural Bank of Sta. Elena (Camarines Norte), Inc. have until October 2, 2020 to file their deposit insurance claims.

Based on latest PDIC data, deposit insurance claims for 533 deposit accounts with aggregate insured deposits amounting to PhP2.2 million have yet to be filed by depositors. Data also showed that as of July 31, 2020, PDIC had paid depositors of the closed Rural Bank of Sta. Elena (Camarines Norte), Inc. the total amount of PhP25.1 million, corresponding to 90.0% of the bank's total insured deposits amounting to PhP27.9 million.

Depositors are advised to file their claims either online via electronic mail (e-mail) at <u>pad@pdic.gov.ph</u> or through postal mail or courier addressed to the PDIC Public Assistance Department, 6th Floor, SSS Bldg., 6782 Ayala Avenue corner V.A. Rufino Street, Makati City.

Claims may also be filed personally at the PDIC's Public Assistance Center in Makati City on a per appointment basis. To make an appointment, depositors may call the Public Assistance Hotline at (02) 8841-4141 or at Toll Free number 1-800-1-888-7342 or 1-800-1-888-PDIC, send an e-mail to pad@pdic.gov.ph, or send a private message at PDIC's official Facebook account, www.facebook.com/OfficialPDIC.

When filing claims through e-mail, scanned copies or photo images of the signed and accomplished Claim Form, evidence of deposit (i.e., savings passbook, certificate of time deposit, etc.), and one valid photo-bearing ID with the depositor's signature should be attached to the e-mail. Scanned copy or photo image of the first and last page of the passbook, or the front and back portion of the certificate of time deposit should be sent as e-mail attachments.

For claims filed personally or via postal mail or courier service, depositors are advised to enclose the accomplished and signed Claim Form, original Savings

Passbook and/or Certificate of Time Deposit and photocopy of one (1) valid photo-bearing ID with depositor's signature.

The depositors are further advised that additional documents and/or original copy of documents submitted via e-mail may be required by PDIC, as necessary, in the course of evaluation and processing of claims.

The Claim Form can be downloaded from the PDIC website http://www.pdic.gov.ph/files/New PDIC Claim Form.pdf. The Claim Form is free and there is no fee for filing deposit insurance claims.

Depositors who are below 18 years old should mail or submit either a photocopy of their Birth Certificate issued by the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) or a duly certified copy issued by the Local Civil Registrar. Representatives of claimants are required to mail or submit an original copy of a notarized Special Power of Attorney of the depositor or parent of a minor depositor. The Special Power of Attorney template may be downloaded from the PDIC website.

Depositors who have been notified of their documentary deficiencies through official letters from PDIC are requested to comply with the indicated requirements. The <u>procedures and requirements for the filing of depositinsurance claims</u> are posted in the PDIC website.

The last day for filing deposit insurance claims was moved to October 2, 2020 from August 3, 2020 to allow the depositors more time to prepare the required documents before filing their claims, and to ensure that affected depositors are not disenfranchised because of the enhanced community quarantine.

Under the PDIC Charter, depositors are given two years from bank takeover to file deposit insurance claims with the PDIC. Rural Bank of Sta. Elena (Camarines Norte), Inc. was taken over by the PDIC on August 3, 2018 after it was ordered closed by the Monetary Board of the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas on August 2, 2018.

Depositors who will not be able to file their deposit insurance claims with PDIC on or before October 2, 2020 may file a claim against the assets of the bank with the Regional Trial Court - Branch 64, Labo, Camarines Norte where the Petition for Assistance in the Liquidation (PAL) of Rural Bank of Sta. Elena (Camarines Norte), Inc. is pending under Sp. Proc. No. 19-0319. Payment of these claims shall be subject to availability of assets of the closed bank, legal priority and approval of the Liquidation Court.

Depositors who have outstanding loans or payables to the bank will be referred to the duly designated Loans Officer prior to the settlement of their deposit insurance claims.

For more information, depositors may call the PDIC Public Assistance Hotline at (02) 8841-41-41, or the Toll-free hotline 1-800-1-888-PDIC or 1-800-1-888-7342 during office hours. Depositors may also send an e-mail to the PDIC Public

Assistance Department at <u>pad@pdic.gov.ph</u> or private message at the official PDIC Facebook account, <u>www.facebook.com/OfficialPDIC</u>.

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The Philippine Deposit Insurance Corporation (PDIC) was established on June 22, 1963 by Republic Act 3591 to provide depositor protection and help maintain stability in the financial system by providing deposit insurance. Effective June 1, 2009, the maximum deposit insurance coverage is PhP500,000 per depositor. All deposit accounts by a depositor in a closed bank maintained in the same right and capacity shall be added together. A joint account shall be insured separately from any individually-owned deposit account.

PDIC news/press releases and other information are available at the website, www.pdic.gov.ph.

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