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**Philippine Solar and Storage Energy Alliance (PSSEA)
Leader Associates**

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On behalf of the Energy Regulatory Commission (ERC), I extend my warmest greetings to the officers and members of the Philippine Solar and Storage Energy Alliance (PSSEA) and your global partner Leader Associates on your 3rd Annual ASEAN Solar + Energy Storage Congress & Expo 2018.

The active participation of PSSEA in propagating the use of solar and energy storage exhibits the positive outcome of a partnership between the public and private sector in adopting cleaner energy. The Solar and Energy Storage Market has rapidly grown over the years due to the innovations in technology.

The market for solar is not only limited to commercial scale installations. There is also a market in distributed generation or those operating and/or owning the distributed energy resources (DER) that covers the installations for net-metering and self-generation. This changes the landscape of the electric power industry giving birth to the term "prosumer" or the consumers producing electricity for their own consumption.

I commend PSSEA and Leader Associates in promoting solar and energy storage as a means for sustainable development. Development should prioritize what will be beneficial for the public. PSSEA can be a vital agent in providing assistance to poor and off-grid communities that are still without access to electricity.

May the gathering reinforce teamwork and unity as you keep up with the solar and energy storage development around the world. The ERC will always support your endeavors towards this end. Let us work together to enable the delivery of long-term benefits that contribute to sustained economic growth and an improved quality of life.

I wish you all a productive and meaningful assembly.


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