

PRESS STATEMENT

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Re: PCC opens formal investigation on Dito complaints vs Globe Telecom and Smart Communications

The Philippine Competition Commission (PCC) found reasonable grounds to open a preliminary inquiry into the complaints filed by Dito Telecommunity against Globe Telecom and Smart Communications.

The PCC Enforcement Office (CEO) will look into the allegations in the complaints for possible violations of Section 15 of the Philippine Competition Act (PCA) pertaining to abuse of dominance. The CEO will also study whether other violations of the PCA pertaining to anti-competitive agreements have been committed.

As it proceeds with the investigation, the PCC will coordinate and consult with the National Telecommunications Commission and other relevant authorities for regulatory and technical considerations.

The PCC takes complaints of anti-competitive behavior very seriously. Without prejudging the outcome of the CEO's investigation, the PCC reminds players with substantial market power, not only in the telecommunications industry but across sectors, of their responsibility to compete fairly and to adhere to the principles of competition.

—Philippine Competition Commission

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