(Unofficial Translation)

Council of Engineers Regulation on Registration of Registered Foreign Professional Engineer (RFPE) According to ASEAN Mutual Recognition Arrangements on Engineering Services

B.E. 2562 (2019)

Whereas it is appropriate to stipulate the Council of Engineers Regulation on Registration of Registered Foreign Professional Engineer (RFPE) according to ASEAN Mutual Recognition Arrangements on Engineering Services.

By virtue of Section 8 (6) and Section 8 (7) of Article 7 (8) of the Engineer Act B.E. 2542 (1999), combining with Ministerial Regulation allowing other activities pertaining to The Council of Engineers' objectives, The Council of Engineers by approval of the Council of Engineers General Assembly B.E. 2560 (2017) on July 6, B.E. 2560 (2017), and with consent of Special President of the Council of Engineers, therefore, issues the regulation as follows,

Article 1. This regulation shall be called "Council of Engineers Regulation on Registration of Registered Foreign Professional Engineer(RFPE)According to the ASEAN Mutual Recognition Arrangements on Engineering Services, B.E. 2562 (2019)".

Article 2. This regulation shall be enacted on and from the day following its publication date in the Royal Gazette.

Article 3. In this regulation,

"ASEAN CharteredProfessional Engineers(ACPE)" refers to individual who have ASEAN Charter Professional Engineer (ACPE) registered according to the ASEAN Mutual Recognition Arrangements on Engineering Services.

"Registered Foreign Professional Engineer (RFPE)" refers to an ASEAN Charter Professional Engineer (ACPE) who wish to practice engineering profession or regulated engineering profession in Thailand and has registered with the Council of Engineers as a Registered Foreign Professional Engineer according to the ASEAN Mutual Recognition Arrangements on Engineering Services.

Section 1 Qualifications and Prohibited Qualifications of Registered Foreign Professional Engineer

Article 4. An individual who wish to register as Registered Foreign Professional Engineer (RFPE) shall have following qualification and prohibited qualification,

- (1) have nationality of ASEAN member states
- (2) is an ASEAN Charter Professional Engineer (AECP)
- (3) is an extra-ordinary member of The Council of Engineers
- (4) never been revoked from registration of Registered Foreign Professional Engineer (RFPE).

Section 2 Rules and Procedures for Registration of Registered Foreign Professional Engineer (RFPE)

Article 5. Individual who wish to register as Registered Foreign Professional Engineer (RFPE) shall submit designated application, forms and required documents, together with application fee to the Council of Engineers.

The above mentioned required documents consist of

- (1) Work plan of Registered Foreign Professional Engineer (RFPE) issued and signed byjuristic person, a holder of regulated professional engineer license, that specify applicant's name, job position and duration of professional practice.
- (2) A copy of applicant's passport
- (3) A copy of ASEAN Chartered Professional Engineer (ACPE) Certificate
- (4) A copy of license or certificate for engineering professional practice issued by the country of origin.

Article 6. Board of the Council of Engineers is authorized to register a Registered Foreign Professional Engineer (RFPE) certificate on behave of the Council of Engineers when the application meets prescriptive requirements for qualification and prohibited qualification of Registered Foreign Professional Engineer (RFPE).

Article 7. Upon granting approval by the Board of the Council of Engineers or otherwise not approval, The Council of Engineers Office shall notify the Board's decision to applicant within sixty days since decision date.

The mentioned notification letter can also be in electronics form.

The applicant shall pay registration fee for Registered Foreign Professional Engineer (RFPE) certificate within sixty days since the receiving date of notification letter from the council of engineers. In case of applicant does not pay registration fee within the specified period, the Council of Engineers shall consider termination of the registration.

Once the applicant pays for registration fee, the Council of Engineers Officeshall issue the Registered Foreign Professional Engineer (RFPE) certificate to the applicant.

The Registered Foreign Professional Engineer (RFPE) certificate shall be in designated format approved by the Council of Engineers with validity of one year since the issued date.

Article 8. A Registered Foreign Professional Engineer (RFPE) who wish to renew the RFPE certificate, shall submit application for RFPE renewal of together with renewal fee to the Council of Engineers Office within ninety days prior to the RFPE certificate expiry date. Once the application for RFPE renewal is submitted to the Council of Engineers Office, the applicant is allowed to extend RFPE certificate until board of the Council of Engineers consider termination of RFPE certificate.

Documents specified in Article 7 paragraph one, two, and three is allowed to use as attached document to notification letter for renewal of RFPE certificate

Once the applicant has paid for the renewal fee, the Council of Engineers Office shall issue renewed RFPE certificate to the applicant.

The renewed RFPE certificate shall be in designated format approved by the Council of Engineers with validity of one year since the RFPE certificate expiry date.

Section 3 Rules and Conditions of Engineering Professional Practice or Regulated Engineering Professional Practice for RFPE

Article 9. Registered Foreign Professional Engineer (RFPE) shall abide to rule and law of Thailand and the ASEAN Mutual Recognition Arrangements on Engineering Services and shall not practice engineering profession independently. The RFPE shall work together with juristic person, a holder of regulated professional engineer license and a regulated professional engineer licensee employed by that juristic person according to RFPE work plan.

Article 10. In case that a RFPE wish to independently practice regulated engineering profession, the RFPE must obtain regulated engineering professional license from the council of Engineers.

Article 11. In case of changing in RFPE work plan and juristic person differs from submitted RFPE work plan, the RFPE shall submit requisition for changing of RFPE work plan within sixty days from the changed date, otherwise the RFPE certificate is terminated.

Section 4 Termination and Revoke of Registration

Article 12. The registration of RFPE certificate shall be terminated in case that one of the following incident is taken place onto the RFPE.

- (1) Death
- (2) Certificate is not renewed according to regulation
- (3) RFPE certificate is expired.
- (4) Board of the Council of Engineers decides to terminate the registration.
- (5) Requisition for changing in RFPE work plan is not complied to the article 11 of this regulation.

Article 13. Board of the Council of Engineers is authorized to revoke the RFPE registrationin case that one of the following incident is taken place onto the RFPE.

- (1) Lack of qualification or have the prohibited qualification prescribed in the regulation.
- (2) Presenting fraud statement or documents essentially relating to RFPE application or renewal of the RFPE certificate.
- (3) Any action that violates or does not comply to rule and conditions of engineering professional practice or regulated engineering professional practice as prescribed in this regulation or the ASEAN Mutual Recognition Arrangements on Engineering Services.
- (4) Any action or professional misconduct that cause to severe effect of professional ethics.

In the case of revoke of RFPE registration according to para one, the Council of Engineers Secretary General shall promptly present the case to Board of the Engineering Council for decision.

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