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**Report Highlights:**

On July 17, 2025, the Department of Energy (DOE) issued DOE Advisory No. 2025-07-001 announcing the suspension of the 4 and 5 percent biodiesel blend (B4) mandates respectively scheduled for October 1, 2025, and October 1, 2026. The decision addresses to the National Biofuels Board (NBB) concerns regarding the anticipated significant increase in biodiesel pump prices and its potential inflationary impact to the Philippine economy.

**DOE Advisory No. 2025-07-001**

On May 29, 2025, the National Biofuels Board (NBB), through Resolution No. 2025-01, Series of 2025, agreed to suspend the implementation of the 4 percent biodiesel blend (B4) scheduled for October 1, 2025, and the 5 percent biodiesel blend (B5) mandate planned for October 1, 2026. According to the NBB, the decision addresses the anticipated significant increase in biodiesel pump prices and its potential inflationary effects to the Philippine economy.

Following the NBB recommendation on July 17, 2025, the Department of Energy (DOE) issued [DOE Advisory No. 2025-07-001](#) suspending the implementation of the B4 and B5 mandates. The DOE Advisory also emphasized NBB's commitment to regularly assess market conditions and recommend appropriate interventions to stabilize biodiesel and coconut oil prices. As market conditions stabilize, the DOE, upon recommendation from the NBB, may issue a corresponding directive to resume B4 and B5 mandates.

**Attachments:**

No Attachments.