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## ENERGY

### DOE introduces fuel-contingency and transition plans

Philippine Information Agency | 2026-10-09

DOE introduced oil-and-gas contingency and fuel-transition plans, including a weekly risk index and phased strategic-reserve ambitions. The plans guide future interventions and investment.

### Semirara challenges coal-mine bidding conditions

Power Philippines | 2026-10-07

SMPC says asset-surrender provisions could exclude it from Semirara's next operating-contract bidding and disrupt production after July 2027. These remain the incumbent's claims.

### PetroGreen secures Isabela solar financing

Power Philippines | 2026-10-06

BKS and RCBC signed financing up to PHP1.24 billion for Limbauan's roughly 40 MWdc/33 MWac solar project. The facility partially funds project development.

### DOE presents remote microgrid opportunities

The Philippine Star | 2026-10-09

DOE identified 369 unserved or underserved areas covering 101,468 homes, projecting up to PHP27 billion in microgrid investment. Competitive selection and financing remain necessary.

### DOE considers 1% sustainable aviation-fuel mandate

Power Philippines | 2026-10-09

DOE is discussing an initial 1% sustainable aviation-fuel requirement by 2030 through the National Biofuels Board. Officials expect three to four years of supply development.

### Retail-choice update counts 12,491 eligible firms

Power Philippines | 2026-10-09

An ERC forum update identifies 12,491 businesses with 3,645.91 MW demand eligible for retail power choice. Phase 4 covers 100-499 kW users; eligibility does not confirm switching.

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### DOE prepares for El Niño power-system risks

PTV / Philippine News Agency | 2026-10-07

Secretary Sharon Garin outlined demand-management and resilience preparations as El Niño threatens generation and raises electricity demand. The ministry also warned of price pressure.

### Floating-solar partners plan local manufacturing

Power Philippines | 2026-10-07

BOI, Northman Philippines and Solarion signed a cooperation letter of intent. Proposed factory and investment commitments remain subject to approvals and agreed terms.

## INFRASTRUCTURE

### Globe reports 1,245 network-theft incidents

Context.ph | 2026-10-05

Globe disclosed 1,245 cable and equipment theft incidents through September, seeking coordinated enforcement. It says replacement work diverts expansion funds and interrupts connectivity.

### Converge reports cable-failure redundancy response

Context.ph | 2026-10-05

Converge disclosed that alternative routes, chiefly Bifrost, limited disruption after a Philippines-Singapore cable failure on 2 October. The update reports resilience performance.

## INTELLIGENCE

### Baguio pilots zoning assistant and Rolly Bot

Context.ph | 2026-10-11

Baguio is piloting BIZ Checker for zoning assessments and Rolly Bot using official data. Government-property cases remain unresolved, with human assistance continuing during trials.