



CORPORATE GOVERNANCE AND FINANCE DEPARTMENT

CGFD Order No. 131
Series of 2020

In the matter of:

For: SUSPENSION OF CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY TO OPERATE AS A LENDING COMPANY FOR VIOLATION OF RULE 3(e) OF THE IMPLEMENTING RULES AND REGULATIONS OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9474 OR THE LENDING COMPANY REGULATION ACT OF 2007

UNIRAPID LENDING TECHNOLOGY INC.
(Company Reg. No. CS201901812)
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ORDER

The records of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "*Commission*") show that **UNIRAPID LENDING TECHNOLOGY INC.** (the "*Company*"), registered with the Commission on 01 February 2019 under SEC Registration No. **CS201901812** and with Certificate of Authority to Operate as a Lending Company No. **2883** (the "*CA*"), failed to commence operations within one hundred twenty (120) days from the grant of its CA in violation of Rule 3(e) of the Implementing Rules and Regulations of Republic Act No. 9474, otherwise known as the Lending Company Regulation Act of 2007 (the "*LCRA IRR*").

Rule 3(e) of the LCRA IRR provides that a lending company that has been duly registered and granted a CA shall commence operations within one hundred twenty (120) days from grant thereof, thus:

RULE 3. Requirements for Organization

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(e) A corporation/company that has been duly registered and granted a Certificate of Authority to Operate as a Lending Company shall commence operations within one hundred twenty (120) days from date of grant of such authority.

Failure to commence operations within said period shall be a ground for the suspension of its CA. (Emphasis supplied)

On 13 February 2020, the Corporate Governance and Finance Department (hereinafter the "*CGFD*" or the "*Department*") sent a letter directing the Company to, among others, submit proof that it operated within 120 days from the issuance of its CA in compliance with Rule 3(e) of the LCRA IRR.

On 16 March 2020, the Company sent a letter response informing the Department that as of that date, the Company was not yet in operation, citing various reasons such as financial technology, operational, and workload issues.

After finding that the Company's response was unmeritorious, the CGFD directed the Company to show cause why its CA should not be suspended for its failure to commence operations within 120 days from the issuance of the said CA through a Show Cause Letter dated 23 June 2020 (the "Show Cause Letter"). The Show Cause letter was sent via registered mail to its last known principal office address per official Commission records¹ on 21 September 2020.


However, the Show Cause Letter was returned unserved. On 3 November 2020, the CGFD obtained a Certification from the Makati Central Post Office indicating that the Show Cause Letter was returned to sender on 07 October 2020 for the reason that no one received the letter in the Company's principal address.

Thus, in view of the previous ruling of the CGFD finding that the Company's response lacks merit, and in light of the fact that the Company was sufficiently notified and given opportunities to explain its position, the CGFD hereby finds that the suspension of the Company's CA is in order, pursuant to Rule 3(e) of the LCRA IRR.

WHEREFORE, in view of the foregoing, **UNIRAPID LENDING TECHNOLOGY INC.**'s Certificate of Authority to Operate as a Lending Company No. 2883 is hereby **SUSPENDED** for **sixty (60) days**, or until the Company proves that it is ready to commence its operations, whichever comes later.

SO ORDERED.

03 December 2020. Pasay City, Philippines.


RACHEL ESTHER J. GUMTANG-REMALANTE
Director

¹ Per Respondent's 2020 General Information Sheet: 6/F Salcedo One Center 170 Salcedo Street, Legaspi Village, Makati City