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MR. CLARO S. ZAPATA

President

Bluemax Tradelink, Inc.

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Dear Mr. C. S. Zapata:

This refers to the annual compliance monitoring of the terms and conditions of Mineral Processing Permit (MPP) No. 001-2017-MGBMIMAROPA granted to Bluemax Tradelink, Inc. (BTI) conducted on 02-04 July 2021 at Barangay Malawaan, Municipality of Rizal, Province of Occidental Mindoro.

Based on the findings, BTI should:

1. Submit within 30 days:
 - a. an explanation why the company has not commercially operated since the MPP was granted;
 - b. a clarification on the relationship between BTI and City Pacific Group Inc. (CPGI) as the presence of CPGI personnel was noted during the monitoring;
 - c. proof of additional source of materials as all nine CSAGP source areas have expired in CY 2019 and only one ISAGP source area remain valid;
 - d. proof of payment of fines for the non-submission of Reportorial Requirements for CY 2019 amounting to PhP138,430.00 pursuant to Section 271 of DAO No. 2010-21;
 - e. all the lacking Reportorial Requirements for CY 2020, as follows:

REPORTORIAL REQUIREMENT	REPORT PERIOD
Quarterly Monitoring Report of Investment and Employment	3Q-4Q 2020

- f. an amendment to the following reports which reflects the corrected sales volume:

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IN SUSTAINING WEALTH CREATION AND IMPROVED QUALITY OF LIFE."**

REPORTORIAL REQUIREMENT	REPORT PERIOD
Annual Status Report	2020
Integrated Annual Report	2020
Quarterly Status Report	1Q 2021

2. Conduct a quarterly/semi-annual volumetric survey of the stockpiled materials on the plant site and stockyard area to compute the actual volume of raw aggregates and each classified processed material which shall have a corresponding survey plan/topographic plan and volumetric report. The inventory of classified materials processed by the crushing plant shall be separated from the inventory of screened SAG materials. The said reports shall likewise be available and open for verification by this Office;
3. Facilitate the nomination of the Mine Rehabilitation Fund Committee members in order to fast-track the approval of its Environmental Protection and Enhancement Program and Final Mine Rehabilitation and/or Decommissioning Plan; and
4. Continue filing and keeping books of accounts, reports and correspondences in both head and field offices which shall always be opened for verification by this Office.

Note that the penalties amounting to **Php35,050.00** for the late/non-submission of reportorial requirements for CY 2020 (computation of fines attached) was not imposed. This is due to the 15 June 2021 Memorandum of MGB Central Office stating that:

"In view of the issuance of Proclamation Nos. 929, S. 2020 and 1021, S. 2020 by the Office of the President on March 16, 2020 and September 16, 2020, respectively, re: "DECLARING THE STATE OF CALAMITY THROUGHOUT THE PHILIPPINES DUE TO CORONA VIRUS DISEASE 2019", and due to the continuous rise of COVID-19 infections in the country, the imposition of penalties/surcharges on the late/non-submission of reports and payment of occupation fees for CYs 2020-2021 is hereby temporarily suspended; and the deadline on the submission of reportorial requirements and proof of payment of Occupation Fees of Permittees/Contractors/other holders of mining tenement is also extended until the said declaration of state of calamity has been lifted."

Aside from the imposition of fines, Section 271 of DAO No. 2010-21 provides that "non-submission of said reports shall be a ground for denial of the renewal application."

The company is reminded to observe the following in the preparation and submission of reportorial requirements:

- The report templates must be completely filled out.
- The units of measurement must be specified.
- The production and sales figures indicated in the monthly reports must tally with the figures indicated in the Annual and Quarterly Status Reports and the Integrated Annual Report.
- Copies of the official receipts indicated in Part 6. "Fiscal Obligations" of the Annual and Quarterly Status Reports per Annex 3 of Regional Memorandum Order No. 2019-02 must be attached.
- All reports to be submitted must be certified by the highest-ranking official at the plant site/head office.
- The submission of all digital reports must be in accordance with this Office's prevailing policy on digital submissions.

Please be guided accordingly. Thank you.

Very truly yours,


ENGR. GLENN MARCELLO C. NOBLE
Regional Director

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