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Ms. NIÑA GONZALES

Complainant

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Dear Miss Gonzales:

Isang makakalikasang araw!

This letter pertains to your complaint coursed thru the DENR Presidential Anti-Corruption Commission and DENR Aksyon Kalikasan with reference numbers **DENR-PACC 2021-11-19-001** and **ACK20211111-14**. The complaint was submitted in representation of several other petitioners relative to the alleged illegal quarrying and reclamation activities being conducted in Coron, Palawan. Stated in the letter is that the said activities have endangered the health and safety of the residents since extractive and infrastructure development activities have resulted to flooding. The same also is a threat to the natural resources and environmental assets of Coron.

Please be informed that an investigation was already conducted last 13 November 2021 in coordination with the personnel from the DENR CENRO Coron and embedded personnel of the Mines and Geosciences Bureau MIMAROPA Region in CENRO Coron. Per their report, several quarries are recommended for the issuance of a Notice of Violation (NOV) for operating without an Environmental Compliance Certificate (ECC). While one project, owned by Bella C. Tiotanco and operated by the 428 Hi-tech Group Inc., was recommended for issuance of an NOV for violating conditions of their ECC issued 14 October 2009 with reference number ECC-R4B-0910-0033.

Copies of the NOV's that will be issued against the above-mentioned quarry projects will likewise be sent to you and you or your authorized person will also be invited to attend the Technical Conferences to be conducted.

We thank you for raising this matter and we hope that this response has been able to provide clarification on the issue at hand. Should you have further queries, you may communicate with us through our official email address: embmimaropa@emb.gov.ph.

Very truly yours,


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