

22 September 2021

MIMAROPA Region
Department of Environment and Natural Resources
DENR By the Bay, 1515 L & S Building
Roxas Boulevard, Ermita, Manila

Attention: MARIA LOURDES G. FERRER, CESO III

Regional Executive Director

Re: Forest Land Use Agreement for Tourism Purposes No.

DENR IV-MIMAROPA-11302030-0005

Dear Ms. Ferrer:

We refer to your letter to **Ten Knots Philippines, Inc.** ("**TKPI**") dated 13 July 2021 in relation to the Forest Land Use Agreement for Tourism Purposes No. DENR IV-MIMAROPA-11302030-0005 covering an area of 4.87 hectares of forest land in Miniloc Island, Barangay Bebeladen, El Nido, Palawan("**FLAGT**"), and which letter was received by TKPI on 17 September 2021.

Please be advised that TKPI has already fulfilled the payment for the Annual Government Share ("AGS") for its FLAGT covering Calendar Year (CY) 2021, as evidenced by Official Receipt No. 0105628 dated 18 November 2020 and attached hereto as Annex "A". The Official Receipt expressly indicates that TKPI's payment for AGS covers the period December 2020 through December 2021.

Since TKPI has fully paid the applicable AGS rate for 2021 as early as 18 November 2020, TKPI is therefore fully compliant with the provisions of Section 1 of DENR Department Administrative Order No. 2021-02, which provides that the AGS shall be paid annually on or before March 31 of the succeeding year. Thus, please be clarified that the demand on TKPI for payment of the AGS for CY 2021 in your letter is without basis. On the other hand, the AGS pertaining to CY 2022 is, as of this time, not yet due and demandable.

Given the foregoing, we would like to request your good office to kindly update its records to correctly reflect the current status of TKPI as having fulfilled its obligation with respect to the payment of the applicable AGS for the present period.

Thank you for the prompt attention on this matter.

Very truly yours.

President



Cc:

PENRO Palawan

Brgy. Santa Monica, Puerto Princesa City, Palawan

CENRO Taytay

Poblacion Taytay, Palawan

The Undersecretary for Field Operations and Environment

DENR Central Office, Visayas Avenue, Diliman, Quezon City



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