



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Environment and Natural Resources
PENRO Marinduque

August 6, 2021

MR. TEODORO G. BERNARDINO
President
MARCOPPER MINING CORPORATION (MMC)
Andrews Avenue, General Aviation Area
Domestic Airport Road, Pasay City

Sir:

We would like to inform you that pursuant to the provisions of **DENR Administrative Order (DAO) No. 2020-09**, specifically, **Section 7** thereof which states, in part, that:

Section 7. Procedures for the Management of Areas Covered with Cancelled/Terminated, Expiring, and Expired Tenurial Instruments.

Section 7.1 xxx a **notice** shall be issued to the tenurial instrument holder to **vacate** the area upon the expiration.

Based on records, the lease contract, **OTHER LAWFUL PURPOSES LEASE AGREEMENT – FMB No. 2**, covering a 17.655-hectare public land in Balogo, Sta. Cruz, Marinduque, of which your company was the lessee, expired on **December 31, 2020**.

In view thereof, we are giving you a period of thirty (30) days upon receipt of this notice, to vacate the area, and thereafter, the Asset Management Team (AMT) of our Office, pursuant to Section 7.3 of DAO No. 2020-09, will start to secure the area, prepare and implement a protection and management plan, and conduct a comprehensive assessment to determine the best land use in accordance with prevailing laws, rules and regulations.

We are hoping that you will give this matter your preferential and utmost attention and we expect your cooperation in the smooth transition hereof. Otherwise, we will be constrained to file appropriate charges against you in court to protect the interests of the government.

Truly yours,


IMELDA M. DIAZ
OIC – PENR Officer

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The Honorable Secretary, DENR

The Undersecretary for Field Operations, DENR

The Regional Executive Director, DENR MIMAROPA Region

The Director, Forest Management Bureau

The Regional Director, Mines and Geosciences Bureau - MIMAROPA Region

The Governor, Provincial Government of Marinduque

The Honorable Speaker, House of Representatives