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Re: Pre-Field Based Investigation
Conference scheduled on 19 April
2022

Dear Regional Director Pascua and Provincial Officer Jontila:

As this Honorable Office is aware, Ten Knots Philippines, Inc. ("TKPI") has clearly and categorically submitted to the Certification Precondition ("CP") process and/or the Free Prior and Informed Consent ("FPIC") process. TKPI has submitted the required documents and participated in the Pre-Field Based Investigation ("Pre-FBI") Conference on 8 April 2022 in Puerto Princesa, Palawan.

TKPI respectfully requests that the continuation of the Pre-FBI Conference scheduled on 19 April 2022 at 9:00 AM, through videoconference, proceed in accordance with Administrative Order No. 3, series of 2012 and the 2021 NCIP Citizen's Charter. Thus, for orderly and smooth proceedings, we humbly request that only the FBI Team, the proponent (TKPI), and NCIP officers be present at said Pre-FBI Conference.

We believe that this is for the best interest of all affected parties. The CP and/or FPIC processes will determine, among other matters, the rights and corresponding obligations of those concerned. Other issues, such as the Cease and Desist Order that has already been referred to the Commission *en banc*, are not legal impediments for the FPIC process to progress to its lawful conclusion.

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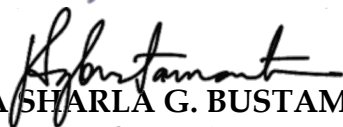
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