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Mrs. Divine Bautista
JCBB Construction
Barangay Samarinihana
Brooke's Point, Palawan

Dear Mrs. D. Bautista:

Please be informed that CENRO – Brooke's Point confirmed that you have been conducting sand and gravel operation Barangay Samarinihana, Brooke's Point, Palawan without a valid mining permit.

The above-cited extraction and disposition of sand and gravel materials without a mining permit is equivalent to theft of minerals pursuant to Section 103 of Republic Act (RA) No. 7942¹, **which provides that:**


"Theft of Minerals – Any person extracting minerals and disposing the same without a mining agreement lease, permit, license, or steals mineral or ores or the products thereof from mines or mills or processing plants..xxx"

Hence, you are hereby ordered to immediately **CEASE AND DESIST** from conducting sand and gravel activities without a valid mining permit. This is without prejudice to the filing of appropriate charges against you with the proper court for violation of the applicable provisions of RA No. 7942.

Please be guided accordingly. Thank you.

Very truly yours,

By authority of the Regional Director:


EDWIN M. MOJARES, Ph.D.
Chief, Geosciences Division
OIC, Office of the Regional Director

cc: **The Regional Executive Director**
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MIMAROPA Region

The PENRO and Concurrent Acting PMRB Chairperson
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Department of Environment and Natural Resources
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The Mayor – Brooke's Point
Office of the Mayor
Brooke's Point, Palawan

The CENRO – Brooke's Point
Department of Environment and Natural Resources
Brooke's Point, Palawan

The PG-ENRO, Palawan
Provincial Government of Palawan
Puerto Princesa City, Palawan

The Punong Barangay – Samarinihana
Barangay Samarinihana
Brooke's Point, Palawan

¹ The Philippine Mining Act of 1995

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

