

## APPENDIX VI



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**ECC Reference No. 1006-0021**

**MR. FERDINAND M. PALLERA**

President  
Citinickel Mines and Development Corporation  
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Makati City

**Subject: Amendment of Environmental Compliance Certificate (ECC Ref. No. 1006-0021) for the Toronto Nickel Mining Project of Citinickel Mines and Development Corporation (CMDC)**

Dear Mr. Pallera:

This refers to your request and the submitted revised Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the above subject project located in San Isidro, Narra, Palawan with ECC issued on September 09, 2010.

Based on the project description, that request is to increase the current mining annual production rate of 1,200,000 dry metric tons (DMT) of nickel ore utilizing the overburden /cut off grade ore which were previously classified as low grade or no commercial value. Likewise, you committed through the revised EMP to implement the following:

1. Comprehensive Annual Environmental Protection and Enhancement Program (AEPEP) to address the impact of the proposed increase in mineral production;
2. Delimit the working areas within the mineral production sharing agreement (MPSA) area of seven hundred sixty eight (768) hectares;
3. Protect and preserve the natural drainage;
4. Comprehensive reforestation and re-vegetation program (in response to the call of government for mass reforestation);
5. Proper disposal of mine wastes (i.e. backfilling, etc);
6. Provision of additional silt ponds and silt dams on top of the existing seventy three (73) silt dams and ponds;
7. Proper solid wastes disposal programs (establishment of materials recovery facility, composting, etc.);
8. Mine rehabilitation program/back filling of stripped overburden from stockpiles in the mined out areas) or restoration of the original vegetative cover;
9. Mine safety and health plans not only for the workers but also including the nearby communities;



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10. Dust control activities (water sprinkling of roads, etc.) and proper maintenance of all heavy equipment and machineries;
11. Prevent unnecessary disturbance which may result to noise during operations such as:
  - a) Schedule specific time of working hours (predictability) ;
  - b) Training for the drivers and operators of equipment and machineries;
  - c) Use of noise pollution control devices on identified noise sources.
12. Provide and ensure personal safety of the workers (masks, first aid training course to employees, etc.);
13. Comprehensive social development program including an information and education campaign within the company and nearby affected communities.

In view of the above and the submitted compliance reports on ECC condition nos. 2 on the implementation of IEC program, 5 on the establishment of GHG program, 6 on the conformance to environmental laws, 7 on the conformance to Philippine Mining Act, the request to increase the mining production is hereby granted. Hence, the ECC Project Description, specifically the portion on production is hereby amended and shall now be stated as: ***"The project with an annual mine production of 2,000,000 Dry Metric Tons of nickel ore ..."***.

Please be advised that all conditions of the ECC including the revised EMP, condition numbers 1 and 3 of EMB's letter dated April 20, 2012 and recommendations of the Mines and Geosciences Bureau on the geologic study in relation to the proposed expansion of mine production rate utilizing the overburden low grade ore shall be complied with prior to project's implementation.

Very truly yours,

BY AUTHORITY OF THE SECRETARY:

ATTY. JUAN MIGUEL T. CUNA  
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