February 8, 2023

MS. ANTONIA YULO-LOYZAGA Secretary Department of Environment and Natural Resources Visayas Avenue, Diliman Quezon City

Dear Secretary Yulo-Loyzaga:

The Committee on Economic Affairs, jointly with the Committee on Trade and Industry, of the House of Representatives will conduct a virtual meeting on **February 21, 2022 (Tuesday)** at **10:00 AM** via the Zoom videoconferencing platform with **Meeting ID: 950 9144 1476 and Passcode: 232499** to discuss/approve the following House Bills:

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LOCAL BILLS

- a. "Marinduque Special Economic Zone Act"
 - i. **House Bill No. 33**, entitled "An Act Establishing a Special Economic Zone in the Municipality of Santa Cruz, Province of Marinduque, Creating for the Purpose the Marinduque Special Economic Zone Authority, Appropriating Funds Therefor and for Other Purposes" by Representative Lord Allan Jay Q. Velasco
- b. "Surigao City Special Economic Zone and Freeport Act"
 - i. **House Bill No. 98,** entitled "An Act Establishing the Surigao City Special Zone and Freeport, Providing Funds Therefor and Other Purposes" by Representative Robert Ace S. Barbers
- c. "Bohol Island Special Economic Zone (BISEZ) Act of 2022"
 - i. House Bill No. 605, "An Act Establishing a Special Economic Zone in the Municipalities of Tubigon, Calape, Loon and Maribojoc in the Province of Bohol to be Known as the Bohol Island Special Economic Zone (BISEZ), Creating for the Purpose the Bohol Island Special Economic Zone Authority (BISEZA), Appropriating Finds Therefor and for Other Purposes" by Representative Edgar M. Chatto
- d. "Cagayan de Oro Special Economic Zone Act"
 - i. **House Bill No. 1459,** "An Act Establishing The Cagayan De Oro Special Economic Zone in Barangay Balubal, Cagayan De Oro City, Province of Misamis Oriental, Creating for the Purpose the Cagayan De Oro Special Economic Zone Authority, and Appropriating Funds Therefor" by Representative Rufus B. Rodriguez
- e. "Southern Leyte Economic Zone and Freeport Act of 2017"

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i. **House Bill No. 2378**, "An Act Establishing the Economic Zone and Freeport in the Province of Southern Leyte Creating for the Purpose the Southern Leyte Economic Zone and Freeport Authority, Appropriating Funds Therefor and for Other Purposes" by Representative Luz V. Mercado

f. Special Economic Zones in Iligan

- i. "Iligan Special Economic Zone Act"
 - 1. House Bill No. 3471, "An Act Establishing the Iligan Special Economic Zone in the Area Occupied and Utilized by the National Steel Corporation Located at Barangay Suarez, Iligan City, Lanao Del Norte, Creating for the Purpose the Iligan City, Lanao Del Norte, Creating for this Purpose The Iligan Special Economic Authority (ISEZA), and Appropriating Funds Therefor" by Representative Celso G. Regencia

ii. "NSC Special Economic Zone Act"

1. House Bill No. 5737, "An Act Establishing a Special Economic Zone in the City of Iligan, Province of Lanao Del Norte, to be known as the "NSC Special Economic Zone," and Appropriating Funds Therefor" by Representatives Yedda Marie K. Romualdez and Jude A. Acidre

g. "Camarines Sur Special Economic Zone Act"

i. House Bill No. 3681, "An Act Establishing the Camarines Sur Special Economic Zone in the Province of Camarines Sur, Creating for Such Purpose the Camarines Sur Special Economic Zone Authority, Appropriating Funds Therefor and Other Purposes" by Representatives Luis Raymund "Lray" Villafuerte, Jr., Miguel Luis R. Villafuerte, Tsuyoshi Anthony G. Horibata and Nicolas C. Enciso VIII

h. "Occidental Mindoro Special Economic Zone and Freeport Authority Act"

i. House Bill No. 3696, "An Act Establishing a Special Economic Zone in the Municipalities of Abra De Ilog, Sta. Cruz and Mamburao Province of Occidental Mindoro, Creating for the Purpose the Occidental Mindoro Special Economic Zone and Freeport Zone and Freeport Authority (OMSEZA), and Appropriating Funds Therefor" by Representative Leody F. Tarriela

i. "Municipality of Sarangani Special Economic Zone Act"

- i. **House Bill No. 3748**, "An Act Establishing a Special Economic Zone in the Municipality of Sarangani, Davao Occidental, Creating for that Purpose the Municipality of Sarangani Special Economic Zone Authority, Appropriating Funds Therefor and For Other Purposes" by Representative Claude P. Bautista
- j. "The Maguindanao and Cotabato City Special Economic Zone Act"

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- i. **House Bill No. 3855**, "An Act Establishing Special Economic Zones in the Municipalities of the District of Maguindanao and in The City of Cotabato, and Appropriating Funds Therefor" by Representative Bai Dimple I. Mastura
- k. "Misamis Occidental Economic Zone Act"
 - i. **House Bill No. 5236,** "An Act Establishing the Misamis Occidental Special Economic Zone in the Second District of the Province of Misamis Occidental and Appropriating Funds Therefor" by Representative Sancho Fernando "Ando" F. Oaminal
- I. "West Aklan Special Economic Zone Act"
 - i. House Bill No. 7032, "An Act Establishing The West Aklan Special Economic Zone in West Aklan, Province of Aklan, Creating for the Purpose the West Aklan Special Economic Zone Authority, and Appropriating Funds Therefor" by Representative Teodorico "Nonong" T. Haresco, Jr.

NATIONAL BILL

- m. Proposed Amendment to Republic Act No. 9728, or the "Freeport Area of Bataan (FAB) Act of 2009"
 - i. **House Bill No. 7058**, "An Act Strengthening Further the Powers and Functions of the Authority of the Freeport Area of Bataan (AFAB), Amending for the Purpose Republic Act No. 9728, Otherwise Known as the "Freeport Area of Bataan (FAB) Act of 2009, as Amended by Republic Act No. 11453" by Representative Albert S. Garcia

Copies of said bills and the agenda for the meeting are attached herewith for your perusal.

In this regard, we cordially invite you or your representative to participate in the meeting as a resource person and convey the comments and recommendations of your agency or office on the above-mentioned measures.

We would appreciate receiving your <u>comment/position paper</u> on the matter **on or before February 16, 2022** to give the Secretariat ample time to study the issues. For queries and confirmation of attendance, you may reach the Committee Secretariat through the contact details indicated above. Thank you.

Very truly yours,

For the Chairperson:

HON. GERARDO P. VALMAYOR, JR.

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OIC – Committee Secretary