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SUBJECT

BERONG NICKEL CORPORATION 4TH QUARTER 2022 NATIONAL GREENING PROGRAM PARTICIPATION

ANNUAL REPORT

Dear Mr. Briones:

Warm greetings!

This refers to your letter on the Berong Nickel Corporation (BNC) 4th quarter NGP accomplishment report covering the months of October to December 2022.

The established and maintained plantations are recognized realizing your responsibility to rehabilitate mined out areas within your area of operations. The attached report was reviewed and consolidated in our database of NGP sites established and developed by the mining sector as part of the Mining Rehabilitation Program.

In relation, may we request for digital copies of the reports, map with shapefiles of 752.42 hectares planted and geotagged photos to be e-mailed through <u>fred.rfrs@fmb.denr.gov.ph</u> and be furnished also to MIMAROPA Region for information processing and database updates.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

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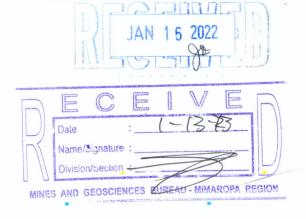
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Subject:

4th Quarter 2022 NGP Report

Dear Regional Director Noble:

We are pleased to submit to your good office the **Quarterly National Greening Program Report** of Berong Nickel Corporation (BNC) for the fourth Quarter of 2022 covering the months of October to December.

We hope that you find the document in order.

Sincerely,

RAMON MANUEL R. BRIONES

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National Greening Program (NGP) – Mines Sector Reporting System (From October to December of 2022)

1. NAME OF COMPANY : BERONG NICKEL CORPORATION

Location : Sitio Badlisan, Barangay Berong, Quezon, Palawan

Year Rehab was initiated : 2007 Year NGP was initiated : 2011

2. ACCOMPLISHMENTS

2.1 Nursery Operation:

Seedling Produced/Hardened

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Month	Qty	Species			
October	4,006	Acacia Auri, Agoho, Akle, Amatneg, Aripa, Bakhaw Babae/Lalaki & Tangal, Bonsikag, Borais, Langka,			
November	4,995	Mahogany, Malabayabas, Malada, Mt. Agoho, Narra, Nickel Tree, Palawan Cherry, Palomaria,			
December	29,557	Palyan Red, Pink Shower, Saramputi, Tamesan,			
Total, Qtr	38,558	Tongkat-Ali			

Wildlings Collection

Month	Qty	Species
October	11,660	Agoho, Batino, Cacao, Kamansi, Mahogany, Malakalumpit, Mt. Agoho, Narra, Palyan Red
November	4,748	Malakalumpit, Mt. Agono, Nana, Palyan Red
December	6,550	
Total, Qtr	22,958	

Seed Collection

Month	Qty	Species
October	-	Cacao, Langka
November	82	
December	-	
Total, Qtr	82	

Soil Media Production

Month	Carbonated Rice Hull, sack	Vermi Cast Produce, sack	Potted Soil
October	58	2	4,868
November	26	3	4,715
December	57	1	3,959
Total, Qtr	141	6	13,542

2.2 NGP Plantation

SEEDLING DONATION

Month	Qty	Total ha	Species	Remarks
October	2,998	6.14	Agoho, Akle, Cacao, Gmelina/Paper Tree, Langka, Mahogany, Mt.	 Support to Local Farmers and residents of
November	4,074	6.02	Agoho, Palawan Agoho, Palyan Red, Rubber/Para	Barangays Aramaywan,
December	45	0.02	Rubber, Tongkat-Ali	Berong and Alfonxo XIII Quezon.
Total, Qtr	7,117	12.18		 Support to LGU- Quezon Activity (ELCAC)

AGROFORESTRY PROJECT

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Month	Qty	Total ha	Species	Remarks
October		-		Support to
November	1,200	2.0	Gmelina/Paper Tree,	Agroforestry
December	**	-	Mahogany	project under SDMP
Total, Qtr	1,200	2.0		05

MINE REHABILITATION PROJECT - PLANTED

Month	Qty	Total ha	Species	Remarks
October	7,268	3	Acacia Auri, Agoho, Amatneg, Aripa, Batino,	 Planted at mine site Area 06, 07
November	8,565	3	Bonsikag, Borais/Malakalumpit,	Area 12A, 12B
December	2,310	3	Dingin, Korompi, Malada, Mt. Agoho, Palomaria, Palyan Red/Udling,	
Total, Qtr	18,143	9	Palyan White, Romarao, Saramputi	

ADOPT -A- MANGROVE FOREST PROJECT - REPLANTED

Month	Qty	Total ha	Species	Remarks
October				 Replanted on
November	22,960	2.29	Bakhaw Babae/Lalaki and	mangrove
December			Tangal	plantation in Bgys.
Total, Qtr	22,960	2.29		Panitian & Tabon in Quezon.

3. SOURCE OF PLANTING MATERIALS

Table 1. Seedling Inventory for the Year

No	o. of Seedling	S		eedlings lanted		
Seedlings produced for the previous Qtr (1st - 3rd)	Seedlings Produced this Qtr (4 th)	Total	Planted Replanted for the Year Year		No. of Seedlings Donated	Balance in Stocks
163,048	38,558	201,606	19,343	22,960	7,117	66,133

4. EXTENT OF PLANTED AREAS

Table 3. Total Area Planted by BNC-Environment Department

Plantation Year/s		Area Planted (ha)
Pre-NGP Plantations (2007-2010)	:	16.29
NGP Plantations	'	
Old Plantations (2011-2017)	:	252.93
Recent Plantations (2018-2021)	:	410.64
Latest Plantations (Jan-Dec 2022)	:	72.56
TOTAL AREAS PLAN	NTED	752.42

5. MAINTENANCE AND PROTECTION

5.1 Plantation Activities

Table 4. Seedlings Planted and Survival of BNC-Environment Department Reforestation Program

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Particulars	Old (2011-2017)	Recent (2018- 2021)	Latest (2022)	Total
No. of Seedlings Planted	445,031	1,049,320	143,739	1,638,090
No. of Seedlings Replanted	32,498	218,519	63,710	314,727
No. of Surviving Seedlings	424,400	1,039,000	137,368	1,606,617.3
Survival Rate	95.00	97.46	96.00	98.00

Note:

- For old plantation, consider four (4)-year old growth and above;
- For recent plantation, consider one (1)-year to three (3)-year old growth;

5.2 Number of Persons Involved

Table 5. Total Manpower of BNC-Environment Department

	Particulars	Number
1.	Environment Department Personnel	86
2.	MEPEO / PCO	1
3.	Environmental Officer/ Environmental Management Practitioner/s	2
4.	Forestry Practitioner/s	2
	TOTAL	86

5.3 Maintenance and Protection Activities

Table 6. Maintenance and Protection Activities

	Activity	Yes	No	Coverage (ha)
1.	Control of Forest Fires by establishment and construction of fire line/breaks/towers.	Χ		20
2.	Brushing, Weeding, Mulching, Pruning	Χ		40
3.	Fertilizer/Lime/Pesticide/Chemical Application	Χ		3
4.	Water Spraying		X	
5.	Control of Forest Pest and Diseases		X	
6.	Patrol Work/Patrolling	Χ		20
- 7.	Forest Law Enforcement		Х	160
8.	Other/s (Specify)			

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Photo Documentation











Adopt-A-Mangrove Forest Project in Bgy. Tabon, Quezon, Palawan





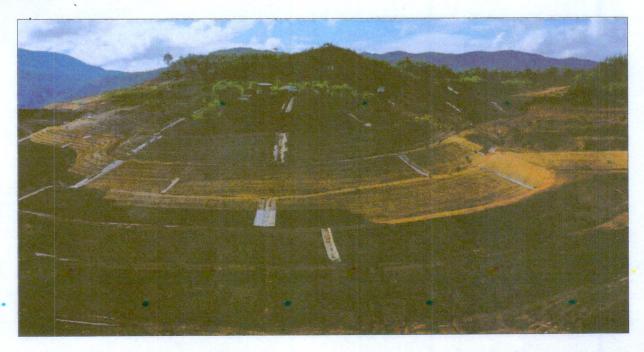




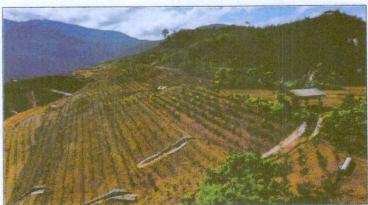


Adopt-A-Mangrove Forest Project in Bgy. Panitian, Quezon, Palawan

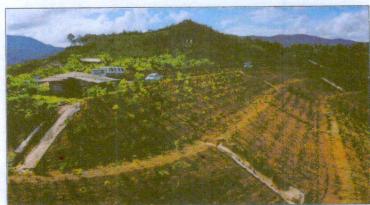
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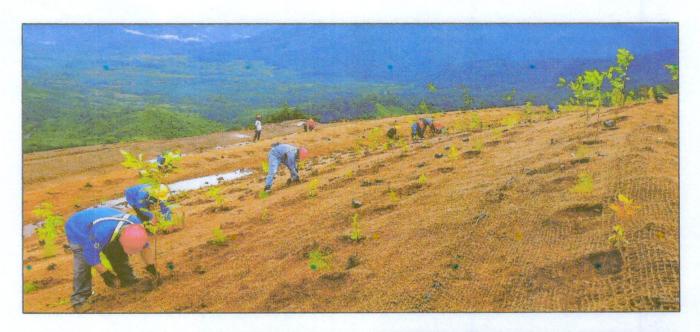








BNC Progressive Mine Rehabilitation - Drone Shot











Minesite Area 06 & Area 07 Progressive Rehabilitation (Tree planting Activity)









Minesite Area 12 Progressive Rehabilitation (Tree planting Activity)





Tree Planting during the 3Q 2022 MMT Validation / Inspection



Berong-Aramaywan Tribal Association (BATA) council's site visit/tour, as part of the company's Information, Education and Communication (IEC) campaign last October 15, 2022.



Local Journalists site visit to Berong Nickel Project's mine rehabilitation area last October 1, 2022

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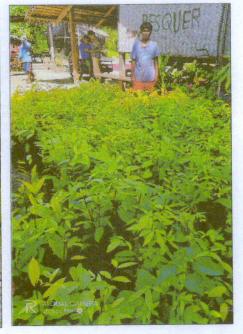












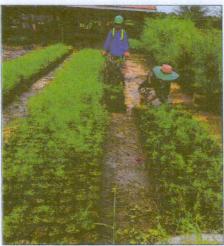
Agroforestry Project / Seedlings Donations



BNC Central Nursery



Carbonized Rice Hull Production



Propagation of indigenous forest trees including bamboo



Root Pruning of Planting Materials





BNC received a Certificate of Recognition from the Local Government Unit (LGU) of Quezon, Palawan in the recently concluded "Gawad Parangal para sa Kalikasan 2022" last December 14, 2022.

BNC Land Use Map (As of 4th Quarter 2022)

