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**MEMORANDUM**

**FOR :** The Regional Executive Director  
DENR – MIMAROPA Region

**FROM :** The Officer-In-Charge  
This Office

**SUBJECT :** Request of Rio Tuba Nickel Mining Corporation (RTNMC) for Permit to Cut and Earth-Ball Trees of Various Species Within MPSA No. 114-98-IV Amended I Located in Brgys. Rio Tuba and Taratak, Bataraza, Palawan.

This respectfully refers to the Memorandum dated 29 September 2023 which was received by this Office on 03 October 2023 requesting for various documents in relation in the abovementioned subject.

This Office shall respectfully forward the digital copies of the following documents:

1. Approved Three-Year Development/Utilization Work Program for CY 2020-2022;
2. Location Map of MPSA No. 114-98-IV Amended I with STCEP applications denominated as Block Nos. 01, 02, 03, 04 and 05 and its corresponding digital shapefiles;
3. Environmental Protection and Enhancement Program;
4. Final Mine Rehabilitation and/or Decommissioning Plan;
5. Contingent Liability and Rehabilitation Fund Steering Committee (CLRFSC) Resolution No. 2021-06;
6. CLRFSC Certificate of Approval No. 194-2021-19; and
7. RTNMC Transmittal Letter dated 25 June 2021.

Please be informed that this Office do not have records on the requested data under item no. 4.b regarding the area covered with STCEP No. RIVB-15-2021. Those are internal block denominations utilized by RTNMC in its operations.

Per letter dated 03 April 2023 from the MGB Central Office, MPSA No. 114-98-IV Amended I remains valid and existing, awaiting final action of NCIP in RTNMC's application. However, RTNMC was reminded to refrain from conducting mining operations within the ancestral domains of the Palaw'an ICCs/IPs not covered by a Memorandum of Agreement executed by and between RTNMC, Palaw'an ICCs/IPs concerned, and NCIP.

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For the Regional Executive Director's consideration and further instruction.

By Authority of the Regional Director:

  
**EDWIN M. MOJARES, PhD**  
Chief, Geosciences Division *f*

Enc'l: As stated

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**Dear Mr. A. C. Milaor:**

We would like to acknowledge your Letter dated March 28, 2023 providing this Office of the action(s) taken by Rio Tuba Nickel Mining Corporation (RTNMC) in connection with the submission of the National Commission on Indigenous Peoples' (NCIP) Certification, as one of the conditions in the Order dated December 02, 2021 of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources approving the renewal of Mineral Production Sharing Agreement (MPSA) No. 114-98-IV-Amended I.

In view of the recent developments in the NCIP Certification of RTNMC, MPSA No. 114-98-IV-Amended I remains valid and existing, awaiting final action of NCIP in RTNMC's application. However, please be reminded that RTNMC shall refrain from conducting mining operations within the ancestral domains of the Palaw'an ICCs/IPs not covered by a Memorandum of Agreement executed by and between RTNMC, Palaw'an ICCs/IPs concerned, and NCIP as mentioned in our Letters dated October 19, 2022 and February 10, 2023.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,



**ATTY. DANILO U. UYKIENG**  
Officer-In-Charge, Director

c.c.:

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