

August 1, 2022

MEMORANDUM

FOR : The Regional Executive Director

ATT'N : The Assistant Regional Director for Management Services
The Assistant Regional Director for Technical Services

FROM : The OIC, PENR Officer

SUBJECT : **COPY OF CHRONOLOGY OF EVENTS PERTAINING TO THE
ALTAI PHILIPPINES MINING CORPORATION**

This is in reference to the phone call request of ARDMS Donna Mayor-Gordove to the TSD Chief Malvin R. Rocero, to send copy of chronology of events pertaining to the ALTAI Philippines Mining Corporation.

We are respectfully furnishing you a copy of the aforementioned subject received by this office from the Mines and Geosciences Bureau MIMAROPA. Attached also is the copy of the initial agreements and proposed activities/program for the Stakeholders' Forum on Mining in Sibuyan Island, Romblon tentatively scheduled on August 24, 2022.

For information and record.


ARNOLDO A. BLAZA, JR.

Stakeholders' Forum on Mining in Sibuyan Island, Romblon
Committees and initial agreements

Particulars	Office/personnel concerned	Remarks
Program	MGB	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> coordinate with PENRO Romblon re: final date and venue <p>Tentative: August 24 @ Cajidiocan/ San Fernando Multi-purpose Hall</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> finalize names of resource persons per agency for confirmation of physical attendance of RED and RDs
Invitation/coordination with agencies/ stakeholders	RSCIG, MGB, PENRO Romblon	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> RSCIG to draft invitation letters, RED as signatory for Session 4 (Stakeholders' perspective), coordinate with at least one representative/ resource person to present for each sector in consideration of venue capacity and health protocols concerned agencies to provide authorized representative/s for media briefing/interview during the event
Secretariat	PENRO Romblon	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> provide contact details of focal person/s for Secretariat, food arrangements
Food arrangements	MGB	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> in coordination w/ PENRO for canvass and no. of pax
Venue arrangements	LGU	<p>c/o Mayor</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> coordinate venue capacity, internet connectivity, security arrangements
Technical (audio-visual arrangements)	LGU	<p>c/o Mayor</p>

Stakeholders' Forum on Mining in Sibuyan Island, Romblon
Proposed Topics/Resource Persons

Tentative date and venue: August 24, Cajidiocan/San Fernando Multi-Purpose Hall

	Topics	Resource Person/s
1	Mining 101 <i>This session centers on the major requirements and activities for every stage of mining pursuant to Republic Act No. 7942 and other relevant mining laws, rules, and regulations. It shall also clarify issues concerning activities or structures within the approved tenement area of the contractor/permittee/permit holder.</i> Duration: 20 minutes	MGB MIMAROPA (MMD, MSESDD)
2	Environmental laws on the protection and conservation of biological diversity and ecosystems <i>This session highlights relevant laws and issuances such as the Expanded National Integrated Protected Areas System (E-NIPAS) Act of 2018, and other forestry laws.</i> Duration: 15 minutes	DENR MIMAROPA / PENRO Romblon
3	Environmental management related measures for environmentally critical projects (mining and quarry projects) <i>This session centers on the regulation on the processing and issuance of Environmental Compliance Certificate for any environmentally critical projects.</i> Duration: 15 minutes	EMB MIMAROPA
4	Stakeholders' perspective on mining and quarrying activities in the Province of Romblon Duration: 30-45 minutes	Representative/s from: 1. CSOs 2. Church 3. LGUs 4. Academe
5	Issues and concerns on mining in the Province of Romblon a. Status of mining tenements in Romblon b. Results of the investigation conducted into mining-related complaints in Romblon c. Other issues and concerns on mining in Sibuyan Island d. Updates from PENRO Romblon Duration: 15 minutes	DENR MIMAROPA MGB MIMAROPA EMB MIMAROPA PENRO Romblon
6	Open forum Duration: At least one hour	

**Stakeholders' Forum on Mining in Sibuyan Island, Romblon
Proposed Program**

Time	Topic/Activity
8:00 am – 8:30 am	Registration
8:30 am – 8:50 am	Preliminaries <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prayer • Philippine National Anthem Opening Messages <i>Glenn Marcelo C. Noble</i> Regional Director Mines and Geosciences Bureau MIMAROPA Region <i>Joe Amil M. Salino</i> Regional Director Environmental Management Bureau MIMAROPA Region <i>Lormelyn E. Claudio, CESO IV</i> Regional Executive Director Department of Environment and Natural Resources MIMAROPA Region
8:50 am – 9:10 am	Session 1 Mining 101 <i>Mines and Geosciences Bureau MIMAROPA Region</i>
9:10 am – 9:25 am	Session 2 Environmental laws on the protection and conservation of biological diversity and ecosystems <i>Department of Environment and Natural Resources MIMAROPA Region / PENRO Romblon</i>
9:25 am – 9:40 am	Session 3 Environmental management related measures for environmentally critical projects (mining and quarry projects) <i>Environmental Management Bureau MIMAROPA Region</i>
9:40 am – 10:25 am	Session 4 Stakeholders' perspective on mining and quarrying activities in the Province of Romblon
10:25 am – 10:40 am	Session 5 Issues and concerns on mining in the Province of Romblon
10:40 am – 10:50 am	Break
10:50 am – 11:50 am	Open Forum
11:50 am – 11:55 am	Closing Message <i>Arnoldo A. Blaza, Jr.</i> OIC PENRO Provincial Environment and Natural Resources Office Romblon
11:55 am – 12:00 nn	Closing

Altai Mining Philippines Corp.

MPSA NO. 304-2009-IVB

Basic Information

Date Filed	21 May 1996
Date Endorsed to CO	03 January 2008
Date Granted	23 December 2009
Date Registered	22 June 2010
Area Applied/ Approved	1,854.44 hectares/1,580.8010 hectares
Location	San Fernando, Sibuyan Island
Commodity	Nickel, iron, cobalt, chromite and other associated mineral deposits

Area Status and Clearance from the OSS



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Environment and Natural Resources
MIMAROPA - REGION
3rd Floor, L. & S. Bldg., 1515 Roxas Blvd., Manila

ONE-SHOP STOP COMMITTEE

AREA STATUS AND CLEARANCE

APPLICANT : **ALTAI PHIL. MINING CORP. (APMC)**
AREA LOCATION : **AMA-IVB-25, España, San Fernando, Romblon**
AREA APPLIED : **1,854.44 Hectares**

AREA STATUS :

1. Portion of the area enclosed in brown color falls within Alienable and Disposable Lands per LC Map No. 628 dated December 18, 1926.
2. Portions of the area enclosed in green color fall within Unclassified Public Forest per LC Map No. 17 of Romblon and LC Map No. 628.
3. Portion of the area enclosed in yellow color falls within the area of approved CHFM Project of Masayang Magsasaka at Mangagawa Multi-purpose Cooperative.
4. Portion of the area enclosed in violet color falls within MPDA of Masayang Romblon Mining Corporation and
5. Portions shaded in pink color fall within proposed PLTP's of Mt. Rey Hendenberg, Armin Marin and Domingo Marin.

Verified by:

JARVIS L. VALENCIA
Engineer II

COMMENTS/RECOMMENDATION:

The applicant (APMC) should secure a waiver of consent to Masayang Romblon Mining Corporation for the affected portion of the latter's area and to the affected CHFM Cooperative (MMMMC).

ARMANDO P. RUTACULO
Regional Technical Director

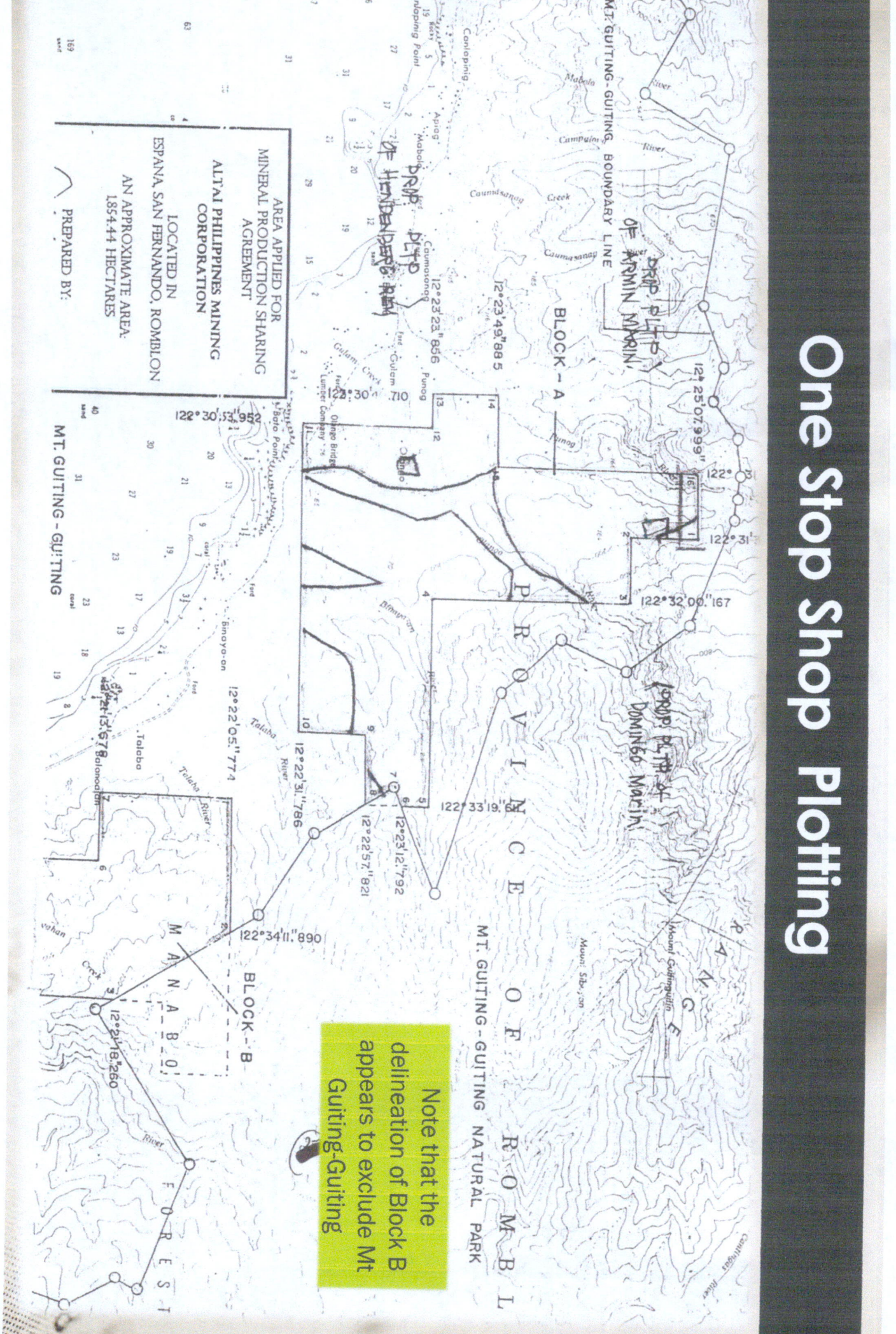
SUMMARY
Application for Mineral Agreement No. AMA-IVB-025
Proponent : **ALTAI PHILIPPINES MINING CORPORATION**
Location : **Bay, España, San Fernando, Sibuyan Island, Romblon**
Area : **1,854.44 Hectares**

21 May 1996 - Application for Mineral Production Sharing Agreement denominated as AMA-IVB-025 of Altai Philippines Mining Corporation (Altai) was filed with the office of Mines and Geosciences Bureau (MGB), Region IV. The said application was the conversion of old mining lease contracts of Sta. Barbara Development Corporation which were assigned to the proponent under the agreement "Assignment of Mining Rights" dated March 19, 1996.

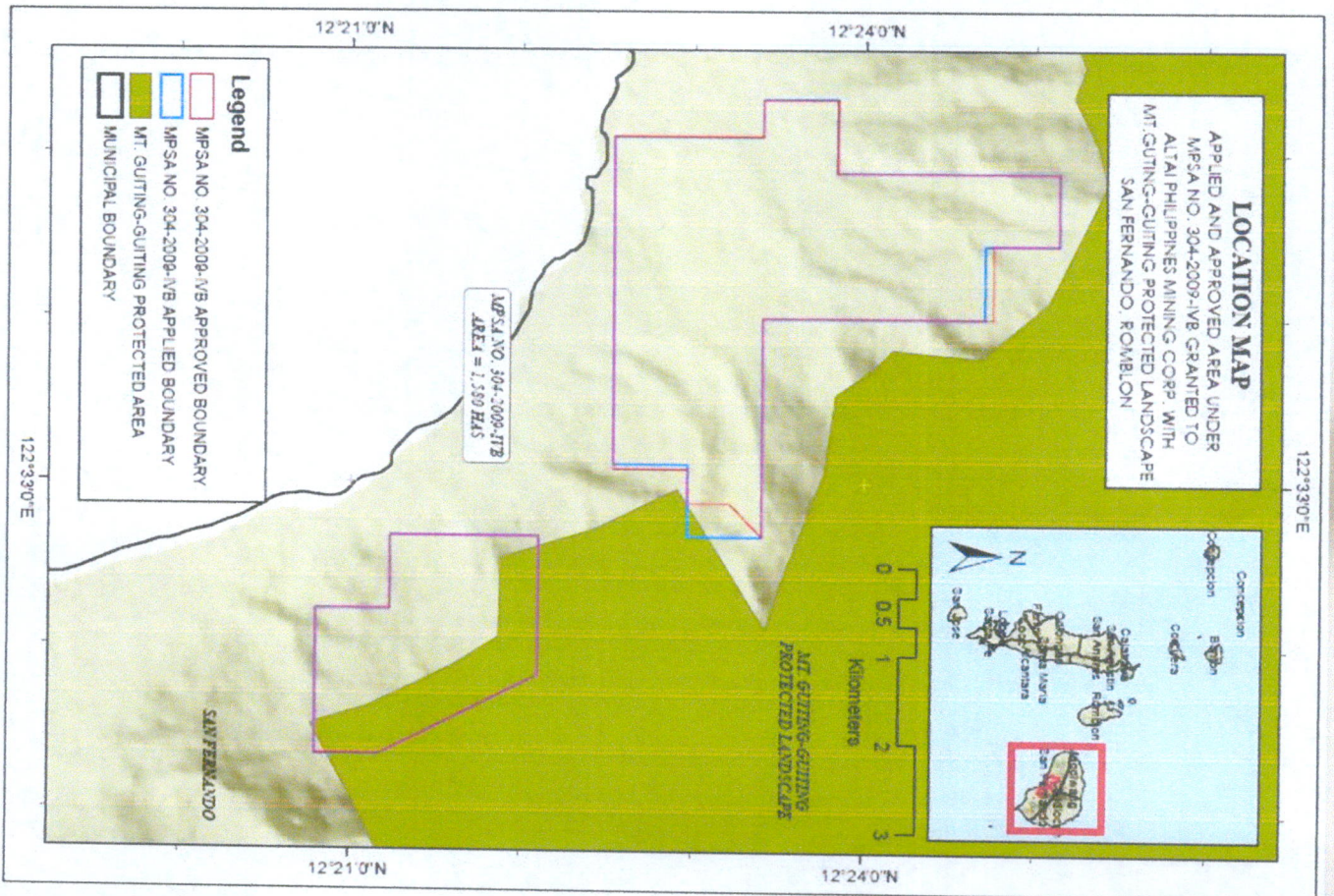
**Clearance Fee paid on
9 February 1995**

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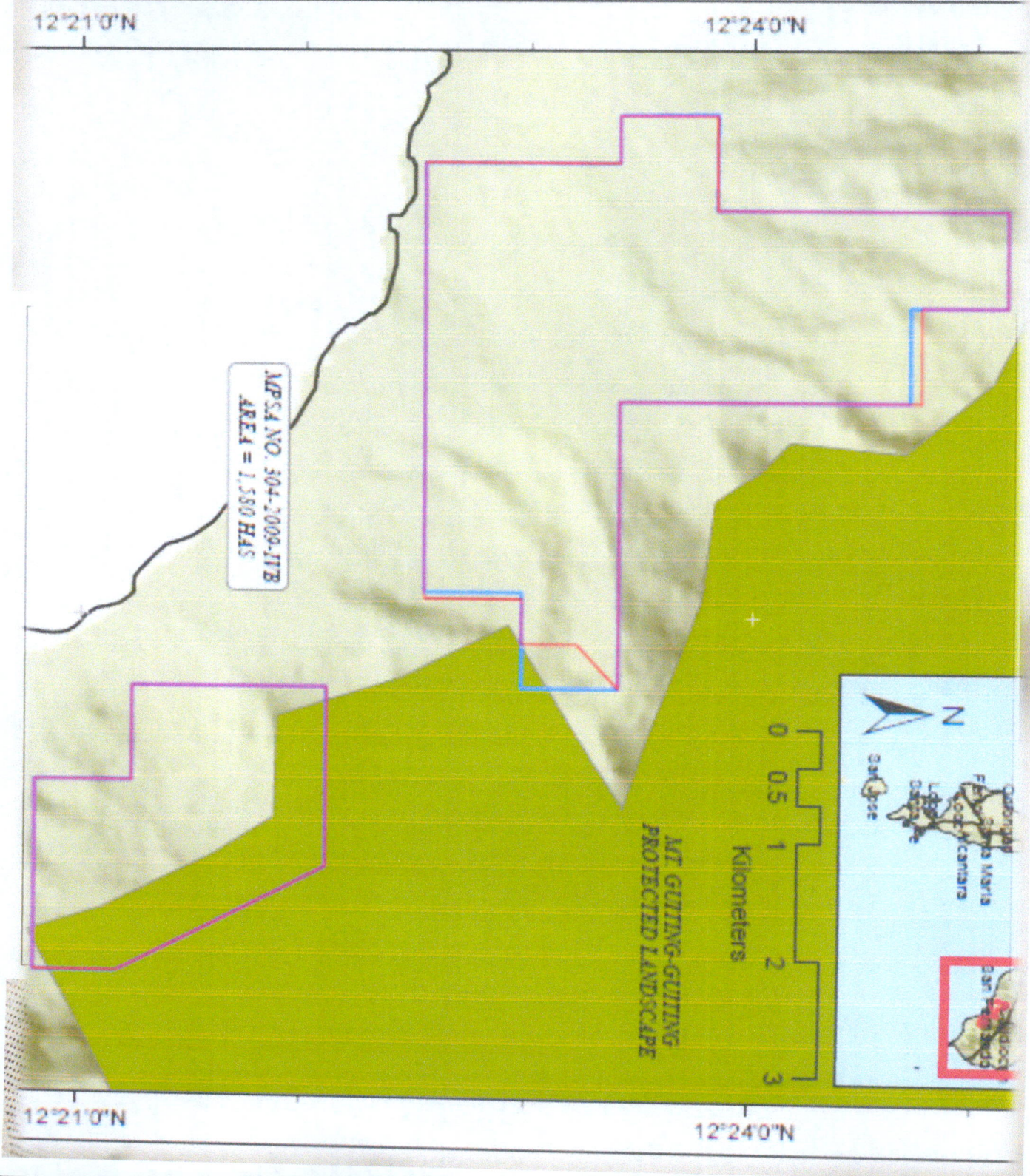
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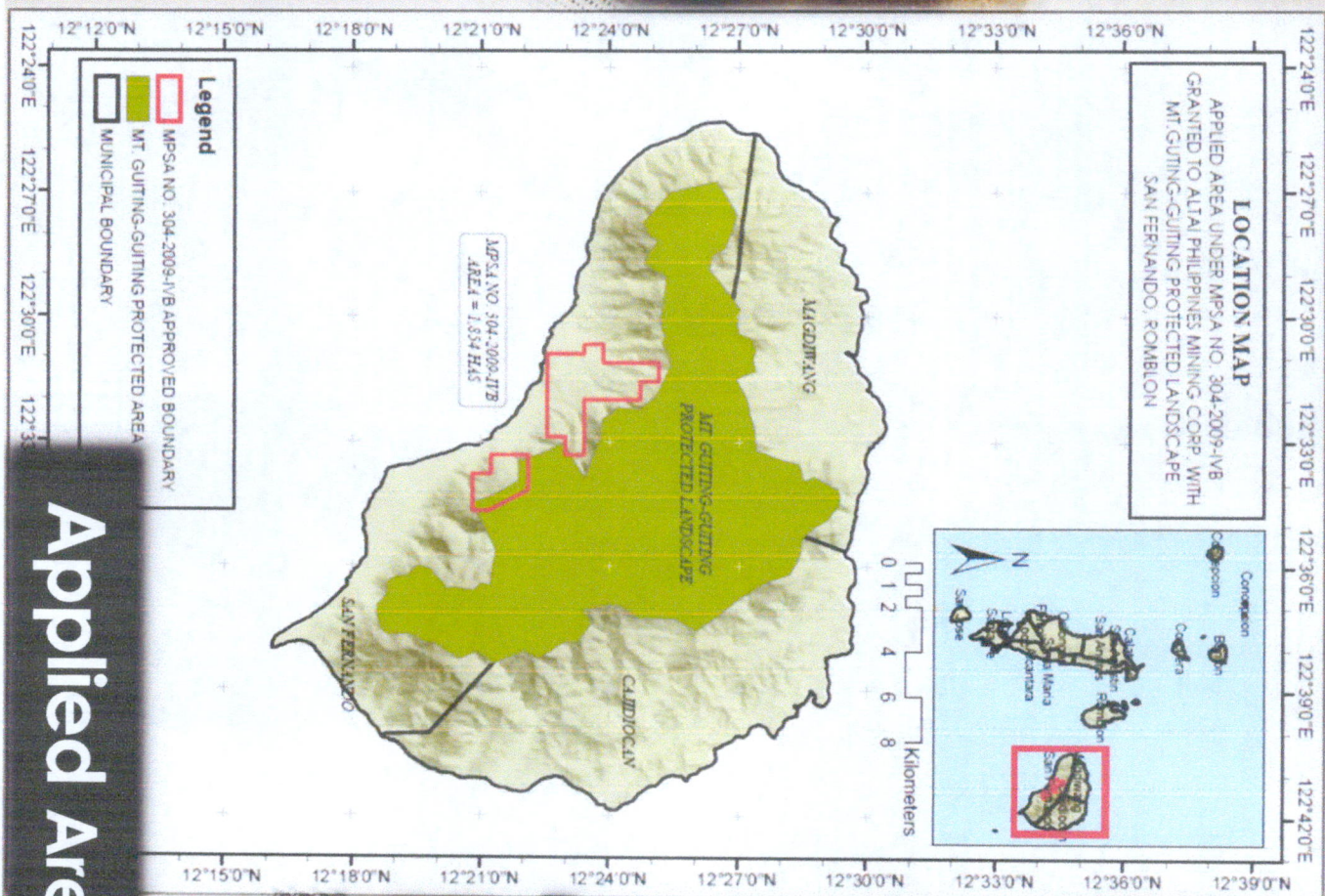
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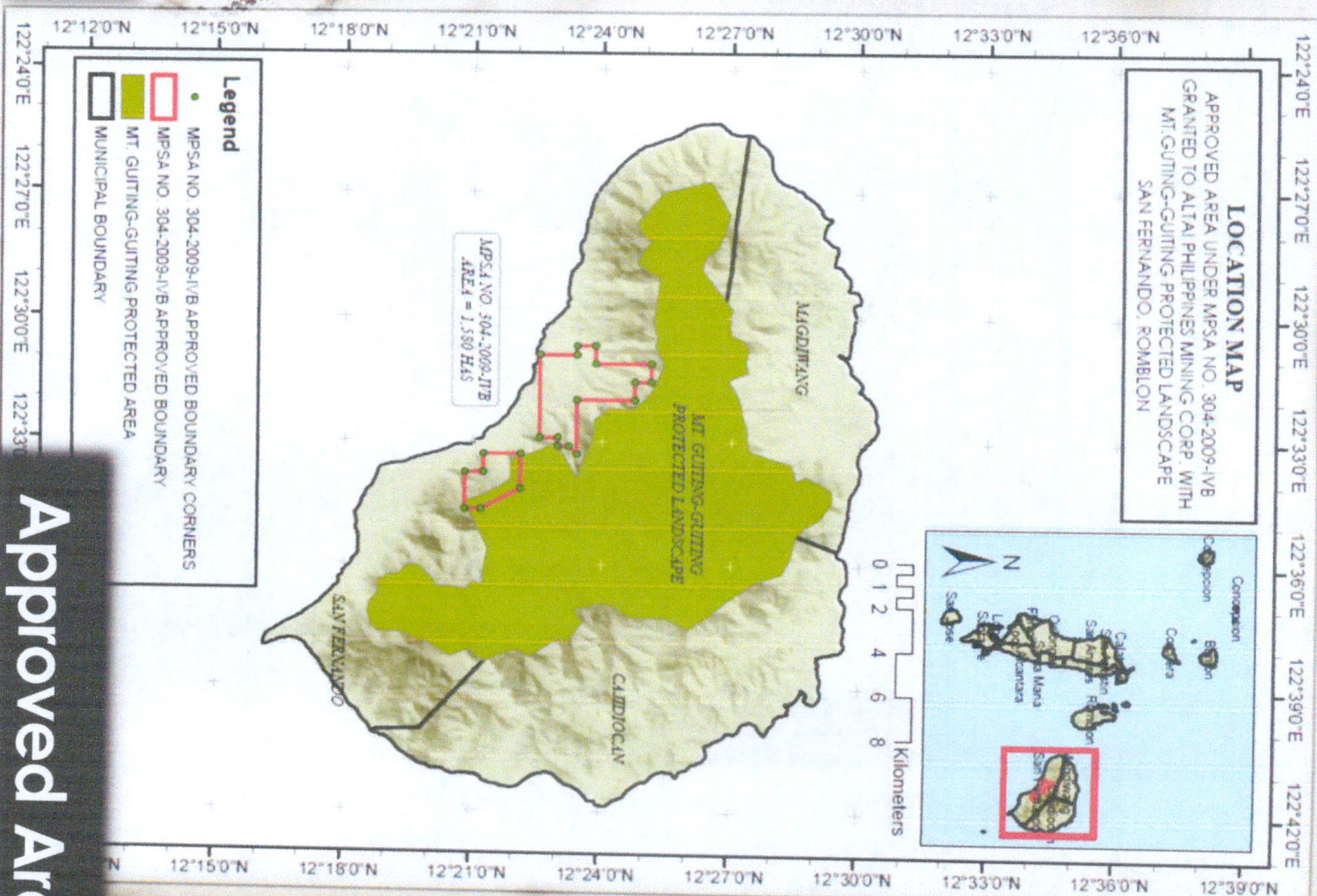
Map showing the applied vs the approved



Applied vs Approved Area



Applied Area



Approved Area

NCIP Certification



Republic of the Philippines
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
NATIONAL COMMISSION ON INDIGENOUS PEOPLES
2nd Flr. N. dea Merced Bldg., Corner West & Quezon Ave., Quezon City
Tel Nos. 373-9534 • 373-9578 Tel. Fax 373-9765
Website: www.ncip.gov.ph

CERTIFICATION

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

THIS CERTIFIES that the applied site/s for certification precondition located at

(site/s) TAOLOBO and ESPAÑA
(barangay/s)

SAN FERNANDO SIBUYAN ISLAND, ROMBLON REST OF LUZON
(Municipality/ies/City/ies) (province/s) (ethnographic region)

covering an aggregate area of One Thousand Five Hundred Seventy-nine and 6119 hectares (1,579,6119) more or less, and its surrounding impact areas is not within ancestral domains nor populated by Cultural Communities/Indigenous Peoples based upon the findings and results of the Field-Based Investigation headed by

Ms. Rosaura Hernandez CDO-III, Team Leader of NCIP Regional Office
(name of staff) (position)

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(name of staff) (position)

Regional Office IV

Ancestral Domains Office

Handwritten:
No. = 79-76
April 10, 1940
Parangay Espinal
Quincy, N.Y.
San Fernando, Pinaros

Ministry of the Philippines
Environment and Natural Resources, Inland Water, Forest
and Geosciences Bureau
Diliman, Quezon City

RATION WORK PROGRAM

ACTION

Altai Philippines Mining Corp.

: 78 Visayas Avenue,
Quezon City, Metro Manila

: Mr. Pio C. Fortunato
President

: 927 - 4122

:(02) 927 - 4122

2.1 PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Iliippines Mining Corporation are located at Barangay nando, Sibuyan Island, Province of Romblon. The nates in the following areas to wit: Area 1) 122°-30'-Easting and 122°-22'-31.786" to 122°-25'-07.999" -19,611" to 122°-34'-39.713" Easting; and 12°-39'99" Northing.

3119 (+/-) hectares.

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Background/Status

CDO issued	19 September 2011 (MGB CO)
CDO lifted	09 September 2021 (DENR CO)
Present Status	Exploration Period (EP) renewed
EP renewal coverage	12 July 2021 to 12 July 2024
Performance Bond	PhP8,807,000.00 To guarantee faithful performance of its obligation in connection with the Exploration Period renewal

DETAILS OF CEASE AND DESIST ORDER

- Issued on 19 September 2011 due to the 13 September 2011 letter-complaint of the Mayor of San Fernando, Romblon

- Alleged legal and environmental issues

September 19, 2011

MR. PIO C. FORTUNO

President

Altai Philippines Mining Corporation

Level 15, Tower I, The Enterprise

Center, 6766 Ayala Ave.

corner Paseo de Roxas

Makati City

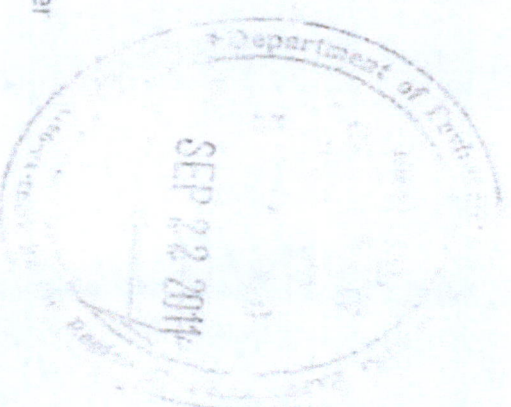
Dear Mr. P. C. Fortunio:

Subject : Cease-and-Desist Order

This refers to the Letter dated September 13, 2011 of the Honorable Dindo Coronel Rios, Mayor of the Municipality of San Fernando, Province of Romblon, appealing for the stoppage of mineral exploration activities of "Altai Pacific (sic) Mining Corporation," in view of certain alleged legal and environmental issues. Attached is a copy of the said Letter for your ready reference.

The Honorable D. C. Rios is apparently referring to the mineral exploration activities under the Mineral Production Sharing Agreement (MPSA) No. 304-2009-IVB granted on December 23, 2009 to Altai Philippines Mining Corporation and covering the contract area of 1,580,8010 hectares situated in the Municipality of San Fernando in Sibuyan Island, Province of Romblon.

We note that the allegations speak of serious threats, such as to "severely endanger the rivers and streams of Sibuyan," to "kill whatever dreams we have for a better life," and to "kill the main selling point of the island, that the rivers and streams of the island are drinking water!"



EVENTS AFTER CDO ISSUANCE

Investigation conducted on 04 November 2011 revealed that:

- No exploration or related mining activity was observed;
- Altai ceased its operation on 20 September 2011;
- Mayor of San Fernando alleged that:
 - The application has no endorsement from the SB San Fernando;
 - No Business Permit was issued to the company by the Municipal Government of San Fernando;
 - No public consultation and no prior informed consent from ancestral people in the subject locality;

REQUEST OF ALTAI TO LIFT THE CDO

Filed at MGB CO on 03 October 2011 :

Grounds:

1. The CDO violates Altai's right to due process;
2. The MPSA has not been violated as to allow the valid issuances of a CDO;
3. Altai's prospective exploration activities will not damage the environment; and
4. The moratorium declared by the Provincial Government of Romblon is invalid.

Appeal filed at the Office of the President by Altai on 03 April 2013

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
MALACAÑAN PALACE

City of Manila

SIBUYAN NICKEL PROPERTIES
DEVELOPMENT
CORPORATION, Attorney-in-Fact
of ALTAI PHILIPPINES MINING
CORPORATION,

Appellant,

-Versus-

OP Case No. 12-G-160

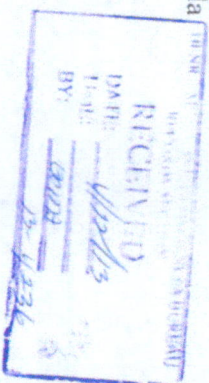
MINES AND GEOSCIENCES
BUREAU-DEPARTMENT OF
ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL
RESOURCES and MAYOR
DINDO CORONEL RIOS,

Appellees.

MOTION

Appellant, by counsel, respectfully reiterates its earlier motion for early resolution dated January 30, 2013 on the basis of the pleadings filed by it.

Also, appellant respectfully requests in the interim for the issuance of an order staying the execution of the Decision dated June 11, 2012 of appellee Mines and Geosciences Bureau-Department of Environment and Natural Resources ("MGB-DENR") pursuant to Section 9 of Administrative Order No. 22, otherwise known as the Rules Governing Appeals to this Honorable Office.



REASONS OF APPELLANT

1. The exploration activity is not a serious threat to the rivers and streams of Sibuyan Island;
2. The moratorium imposed by then Mayor Dindo Coronel Rios against mining activities cannot supersede the Philippine Mining Act;
3. Complaint is without evidence;
4. The complaint of CBCP became moot and academic upon the issuance of MPSA in favor of Altai;
5. Lack of due process; and
6. No violation of the terms and conditions of the MPSA.

Declaratory Relief

- Petition filed by Altai on 26 April 2012
- For the nullity of
 - EO No.001, S 2011 issued by the Provincial Governor and
 - Joint Municipal Resolutions both dated 20 August 2010 (Cajidiocan, Magdiwang, and Romblon)
- Declaratory Relief Resolution by the RTC-Romblon dated 17 January 2013, dispositive portion:

“WHEREFORE, Executive Order No. 1, Series of 2011, issued by respondent Eduardo C. Firmalo in his capacity as the Provincial Governor is hereby declared UNCONSTITUTIONAL.”

Motion to Recall the Appeal to lift the CDO filed at the DENR by Altai on 12 October 2020

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES, 9:50 AM
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES
Office of the Secretary

DENR Building, Visayas Avenue, Diliman, Quezon City

ANNEX 'C'

SIBUYAN NICKEL PROPERTIES
DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION,
Attorney-in-Fact of ALTAI
PHILIPPINES MINING
CORPORATION,

Appellant,

-versus-

DENR Case No.

OP Case No. 12-G-160

MINES AND GEOSCIENCES
BUREAU-DEPARTMENT OF
ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL
RESOURCES and MAYOR DINDO
CORONEL RIOS,

Appellees.

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MOTION TO RECALL THE APPEAL TO LIFT THE CEASE AND DESIST ORDER

APPELLANT, by the undersigned Counsel, and unto the Honorable
Secretary of Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),
respectfully alleges that:

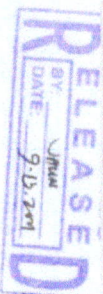
1. On September 19, 2011, a Cease and Desist Order (CDO)¹ was issued
by the DENR-Mines and Geosciences Bureau (MGB) against Altai
Philippines Mining Inc which was issued a Mineral Production Sharing
Agreement (MPSA) with the Republic of the Philippines on December
23, 2009. SIBUYAN NICKEL PROPERTIES DEVELOPMENT
CORPORATION is the assentee of Altai Philippines Mining Inc per

REASONS OF ALTAI

- 1. Altai has approved Work Programs;**
- 2. Altai has favorable endorsements from Barangays Taclobo and Espana, and the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Romblon pursuant to DENR Memorandum Order No. 2004-09;**
- 3. Exploration activities have very minimal disturbance as it only involves assessment/delineation of nickel ore by drilling operation and possible construction of access road going to the exploration site;**
- 4. The planned exploration activities will not adversely affect the surrounding environment including the tourist spot in Cantingas River;**
- 5. The activities implemented were in conformity with the approved Work Programs;**
- 6. Altai did not violate any of the terms and conditions of the MPSA**

LEGAL ISSUES RAISED BY ALTAI

- 1. Lack of due process; the CDO was issued without first hearing the side of Altai against the allegations made by then Mayor Dindo C. Rios;**
- 2. Altai did not violate any of the terms and conditions of the MPSA, and**
- 3. The imposition of moratorium on metallic mining for an indefinite time in the Province of Romblon is unconstitutional**



Republic of the Philippines

Department of Environment and Natural Resources
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Visayas Avenue, Diliman, Quezon City

SIBUYAN NICKEL PROPERTIES
DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION,
Attorney-in-Fact of ALTAI
PHILIPPINES MINING
CORPORATION,

Appellant,

-versus-

DENR Case No. 10218

MINES AND GEOSCIENCES
BUREAU - DEPARTMENT OF
ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL
RESOURCES, and MAYOR
DINDO CORONEL RIOS,

Appellees.

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DECISION

Before this Office is a Motion to Recall the Appeal and Lift the Cease-and-Desist Order dated October 13, 2020.¹ The Mines and Geosciences Bureau (MGB) issued the Cease-and-Desist Order (CDO) against Appellant Sibuyan Nickel Properties Development Corporation, Attorney-in-Fact of Altai Philippines Mining Corporation (Altai) in relation to its activities being carried out under Mineral Production Sharing Agreement (MPSA) No. 304-2009-IVB. The pertinent portion of the CDO reads:

In view of the foregoing, Altai Philippines Mining Corporation is hereby enjoined to cease and desist from conducting mining operations in the contract area under MPSA No. 304-2009-IVB pending investigation of the matter and resolution of the issues.

CDO Lifted by the DENR on 09 September 2021

the said assignment considering that the former and Altai has executed a MOA; and

2. Altai/Sibuyan Nickel should secure the approval of the renewal of the Exploration Period under MPSA No. 304-2009-IVB taking into account that an intensive information, Education and Communication Campaign shall be incorporated in the Community Development Program for the two (2)-year renewed term that may be granted.

SO ORDERED.

QUEZON CITY, PHILIPPINES, SEP 09 2021

By Authority of the Secretary:

ATTY. ERNESTO D. ADOBO JR., CESO I
Undersecretary for Legal, Administration,
Human Resources and Legislative Affairs

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REASONS FOR CDO LIFTING

1. The MPSA of Altai is merely in the Explorative Phase, meaning that the full-scale mining project is still subject to another application and assessment for Declaration of Mining Project Feasibility, the grant of which is contingent on whether or not the project is technically, socially, environmentally, and financially feasible and compliant.
2. The activities of Altai are limited only to activities to determine the feasibility of the project and is not a full-scale mining operation, and any disturbances that may happen to the environment are properly addressed in Altai's 23 December 2009-approved Environmental Work Program.
3. The records of MGB-MIMAROPA Region showed that the activities performed by Altai prior to the 19 September 2011 CDO was found to be in accordance with the terms and conditions of its 23 December 2009-approved Exploration Work Program.

CONDITIONS UNDER THE CDO LIFTING

CONDITIONS	COMPLIANCE
Secure approval of the Deed of Assignment from Altai to Sibuyan Nickel Properties Development Corporation	Application for the Deed of Assignment by Altai and Sibuyan Nickel withdrawn on 09 November 2021
Renewal of the Exploration Period taking into account that an intensive Information, Education and Communication Campaign (IEC) shall be incorporated in the Community Development Program (CDP), which shall be submitted within 6 months from the approval of the Exploration	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Exploration Period approved by MGB CO• IEC is ongoing as reported by complainants

Renewal of Exploration Period - 12 July 2022



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Department of Environment and Natural Resources
MINES AND GEOSCIENCES BUREAU
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July 12, 2022

Mr. Hanniel T. Ngo
President
Altai Philippines Mining Corporation
1901 Tycoon Center, Pearl Drive
Ortigas Center, San Antonio
Pasig City

Dear Mr. H. T. Ngo:

This refers to the application for renewal of the Exploration Period under Mineral Production Sharing Agreement (MPSA) No. 304-2009-IVB granted to Altai Philippines Mining Corporation (APMC) on December 23, 2009 for the exploration, development and utilization of nickel, iron, cobalt, chrome and other associated mineral deposits existing within the 1,580,801-hectare contract area situated in San Fernando, Romblon, Sibuyan Island.

After evaluation of the pertinent documents, this Office hereby grants the first renewal of the Exploration Period under MPSA No. 304-2009-IVB pursuant to the pertinent provisions of Department of Environment and Natural Resources Administrative Order (DAO) Nos. 2010-21 and 2021-12, to take the effect starting this date, subject to the following conditions:

1. Such renewal of the Exploration Period shall represent the 3rd and 4th years of the Exploration Period under MPSA No. 304-2009-IVB as provided for under Section 5.1 thereof and that it shall not constitute an extension of the 25-year term of MPSA No. 304-2009-IVB.
2. A negative variance of at least twenty percent (20%) in the implementation of the Exploration Work Program (EWP) and the corresponding expenditures shall be subject to the prior approval of the Director.
3. This grant requires the full implementation of the approved ExWP and Environmental Work Program (EWP), as well as compliance with the terms and conditions of the MPSA and the applicable provisions of DAO Nos. 2010-21 and 2021-12.

Please be guided that:

- a. The implementation of the approved ExWP and EWP by APMC is subject to periodic auditing/monitoring by this Office and the Mines and Geosciences Bureau (MGB) MIMAROPA Region.
- b. A copy of the approved ExWP and EWP should be furnished by APMC to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Romblon, and

Resolving for a Contingent Department of Environment and Natural Resources Administrative Order for the implementation of the approved ExWP and EWP by APMC is subject to periodic auditing/monitoring by this Office and the Mines and Geosciences Bureau (MGB) MIMAROPA Region.

- c. The status reports on compliance with the approved ExWP and EWP should be submitted to MGB MIMAROPA Region, copy furnished this Office.

It is understood that failure to comply with the above requirement shall also constitute a breach of the MPSA. Attached is a copy of the approved EWP for your compliance.

4. APMC shall secure the approval of the Community Development Program and Safety and Health Program in MGB MIMAROPA Region within 60 days from receipt hereof.

5. APMC shall submit within 15 days from receipt hereof the following:

- a. Amended **PERFORMANCE BOND** No. 27191 issued by Milestone Guaranty and Assurance Corporation extending the expiry of the said Bond from July 05, 2024 to July 12, 2024.
- b. Revised EWP, taking into consideration the comments dated May 04, 2022 of the Mine Safety, Environment and Social Development Division of this Office, a copy of which is attached; and

- c. Revised ExWP, taking into consideration the comments of even date by the Mining Tenements and Management Division of this Office, a copy of which is attached.

In the interim, APMC may implement the proposed ExWP and EWP pending the approval of its revision.

Failure to submit the said documents within the deadline shall constrain this Office to withdraw the grant of this renewal of the Exploration Period under MPSA No. 304-2009-IVB.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

ENGR. JUANCHO PABLO S. CALVEZ
Officer-in-Charge, Office of the Director

Engr. Glenn Marcelo C. Noche
Regional Director
Mines and Geosciences Bureau
MIMAROPA Region
7/F, 1315 DEVA Building
Roxas Boulevard, Iloilo
6100 Marikina

CONDITIONS OF THE RENEWAL OF THE EXPLORATION PERIOD

1. Implementation of the Work Programs (Exploration and Environmental) is subject to the periodic audit/monitoring of the MGB;
2. Furnish the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Romblon a copy of the approved Work Programs;
3. Submission of status reports of the approved Work Programs to the MGB;
4. Secure approval of the Community Development Program and Safety and Health Program in MGB MIMAROPA Region within 60 days from receipt of the approval;
5. Submit the following within 15 days from receipt:
 - a. Amended Performance Bond extending the expiry from 05 July 2024 to 12 July 2024;
 - b. Revised Work Programs taking into consideration the comments from MGB CO;
6. Implement the proposed WPs pending the approval of its revision.

ISSUES AND CONCERNS

- Complaint on the illegal mining activities by Altai
- Investigation conducted on 27 June 2022 by the PENRO Romblon
- Findings:
 1. No evidence of cutting of mangroves in the vicinity where the proposed road is located during the conduct of investigation. The site has already flattened.
 2. The area where the bunkhouses are located have been in the vicinity since 2012.
 3. Both areas are already enclosed with barbwire having a sign that says "No Entry, Private Property."

MEMORANDUM

FOR : The Regional Executive Director
DENR MIMAROPA Regional Office

THRU : Assistant Regional Director for Technical Services
DENR MIMAROPA Regional Office

FROM : OIC, PENR Officer

SUBJECT : **INDORSEMENT OF INVESTIGATION REPORT REGARDING THE REPORTED CONSTRUCTION OF A ROADWAY ADJACENT TO A COASTAL AREA LOCATED AT BRGY. TACLOBO, SAN FERNANDO, ROMBLON, CONSTRUCTION OF BUNKHOUSES, DESTRUCTION OF VEGETATION, AND CLEARING OF THE SITE AS REPORTED THRU AN EMAIL BY A CERTAIN HELLY Y. ASOY, A CONCERNED CITIZEN**

DATE : July 6, 2022

Respectfully indorsing is the investigation report conducted on June 27, 2022 in the vicinity of Altai Philippines Mining Corporation or Altai Mining as known in the locality of Brgy. Taclobo, San Fernando, Romblon following the report made by a certain Helly Y. Asoy.

Output of the recently conducted investigation are as follows:

1. No evidence of cutting of mangroves in the vicinity where the proposed road is located during the conduct of investigation. The site has already been flattened
2. The areas where the bunkhouses are located have been in the vicinity since 2012
3. Both areas are already enclosed with barbwire having a sign that says. "No Entry, Private Property

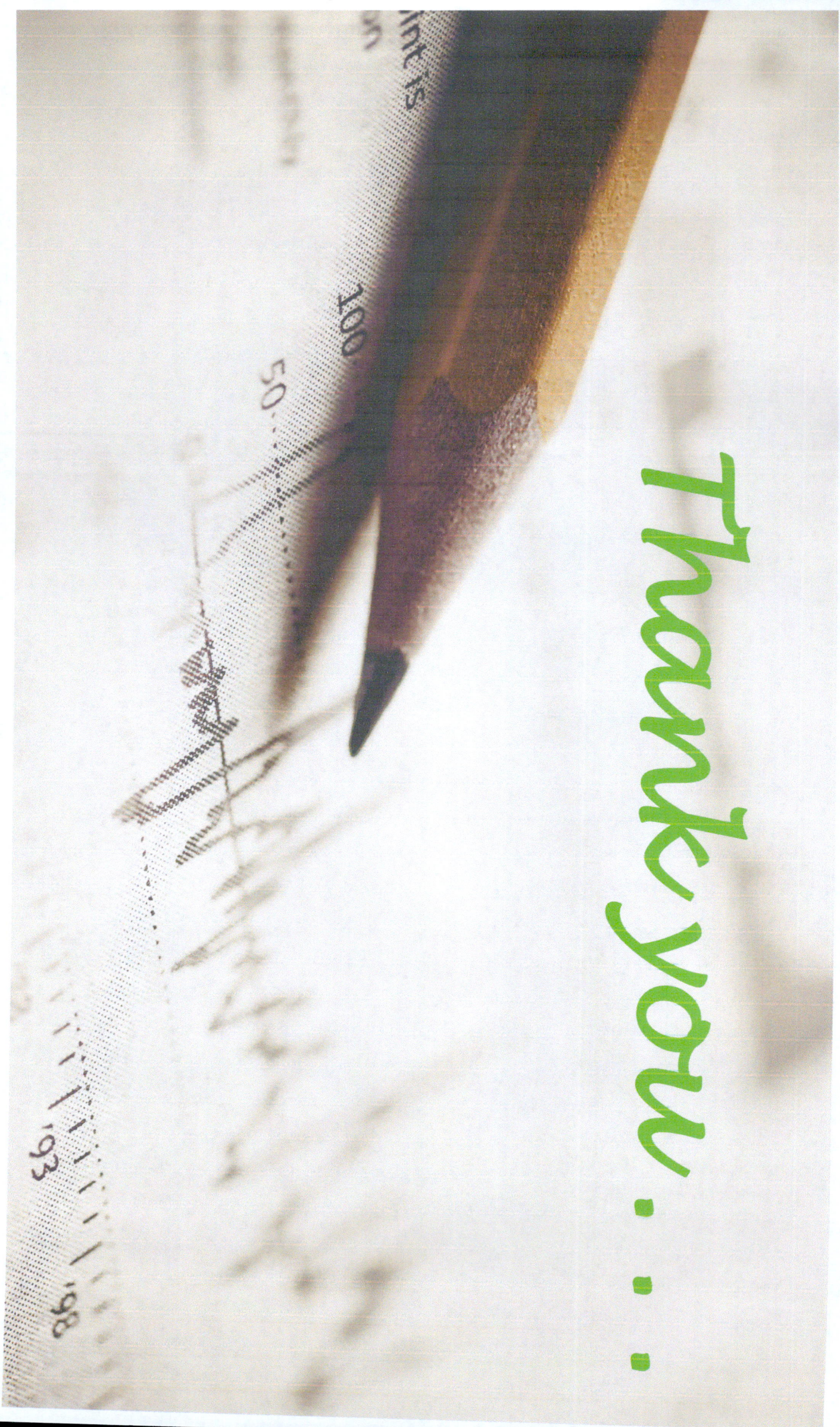
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RECENT LGU RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTIONS	TITLE	ISSUED BY	DATE
Sangguniang Panlalawigan Resolution No. 07-2022-20	A Resolution Opposing and Prohibiting All Forms of Environmentally Destructive and Irresponsible Mining in the Province of Romblon, Ensuring Hereto the Rights of its Constituents to a Safe and Healthy Environment	Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Romblon	15 July 2022
Sangguniang Bayan Resolution No. 83, series of 2022	A Resolution Strongly Opposing the Mineral Production Sharing Agreement of Altai Philippines Mining Corporation in San Fernando, Romblon; Requesting President Rodrigo Roa Duterte and Incoming President Ferdinand Romualdez Marcos, Jr. and the Congress of the Philippines to Declare Sibuyan Island Free from Metallic Mining and Revoke All Mining Permits and Applications in Sibuyan Island	Sangguniang Bayan of San Fernando	06 June 2022
Sangguniang Barangay Resolution No. 19, series of 2022	Pagpapahayag ng Mariing Pagtutol o Pagsalungat sa Napipintong Pagbubukas ng Minahan sa Nasasakupang Lugar ng Barangay Taclobo, San Fernando, Romblon sa Ilalaim ng Altai Philippines Mining Corporation	Sangguniang Barangay of Taclobo	30 May 2022
Sangguniang Barangay Resolution No. 29, series of 2022	Resolution Declaring Barangay España as a No to Mining Area in the Municipality of San Fernando	Sangguniang Barangay of España	20 June 2022

Thank you...



Mt. Guiting- Guiting Natural Park

- Presidential Proclamation No. 746 dated 20 February 1996
- Submitted to PMS Library on 15 March 1996

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

PROCLAMATION NO. 746

DECLARING AS PROTECTED AREA A CERTAIN PARCEL OF LAND OF PUBLIC DOMAIN TO BE KNOWN AS THE MOUNT GUITING-GUITING NATURAL PARK EMBRACED AND SITUATED IN THE MUNICIPALITIES OF CAJIDIOCAN, MAGDIWANG AND SAN FERNANDO, IN THE ISLAND OF SIBUYAN, PROVINCE OF ROMBLON

Upon recommendation of the Secretary of Environment and Natural Resources, and pursuant to the powers and authority vested in me by law, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, do hereby withdraw from sale, settlements, exploitation and exploration, and set aside and declare, for the benefit and enjoyment of Filipino people, and in order to protect the area from destructive activities pursuant to the Republic Act No. 7586 (The NIPAS Law), as Protected Area of the terrestrial ecosystem found on a certain parcel of land of the public domain to be known as the Mount Guiting-Guiting Natural Park, subject to private rights, if any there be, embraced and situated in the Municipalities of Cajidiocan, Magdiwang, and San Fernando, Island of Sibuyan, Province of Romblon, which tract of land is more particularly described as follows:

Bounded on the North by unclassified public forest, Municipality of Magdiwang; on the East by unclassified public forest, Municipality of Cajidiocan; and on the South