



Republic of the Philippines  
Department of Environment and Natural Resources  
MIMAROPA Region  
**COMMUNITY ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES OFFICE**  
Brooke's Point, Palawan

February 8, 2022

**MR. CARLO A. MATILAC**  
Vice President  
Ipilan Nickel Corporation

**Thru: ENGR. VICENTE P. MALUBAG**  
Resident Mine Manager  
Ipilan Nickel Corporation

Dear Sir;

Environmental Greetings!!!

This pertains to the Memorandum signed by Regional Executive Director Maria Lourdes G. Ferrer dated December 23, 2021.

We regret to inform you that the issued Certification dated November 11, 2021 was disagreed by RED despite the submission of commitment and work and financial plan (WFP) due to the following reasons:

1. Non-fully compliance of Terms and Conditions stated in Special Tree Cutting and Earth Baling Permit (STCEBP) specifically Item No. 6
2. On-going pending case filed in court with Criminal Case No 20-00576-BPT

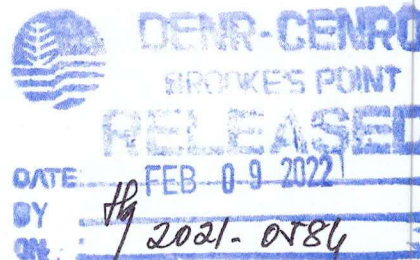
In view hereof, we are re-calling the issuance of Certification until such time that you have completely complied the conditions stipulated in STCEBP No. DENR IV-B MIMAROPA-2016-014. Copy of memorandum hereto attached for your reference.

Very Truly Yours;

**CONRADO M. CORPUZ**  
CENRO

Copy furnished:

✓ The RED, DENR MIMAROPA  
The PENRO, Palawan  
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**MEMORANDUM**

**TO :** The PENRO  
Palawan

**ATT'N. :** The CENRO  
Brooke's Point

**FROM :** The Regional Director

**SUBJECT :** **SUBMISSION OF COMMITMENT/WORK AND FINANCIAL  
PLAN AND REQUEST FOR A CLEARANCE OF IPILAN  
NICKEL CORPORATION (INC)**

DENR PENRO  
PALAWAN RECORDS  
RECEIVED

BY: *[Signature]*  
DATE: 01-14-2022 22-0334

This is to acknowledge receipt of your memorandum dated November 15, 2021, forwarding the memorandum dated November 8, 2021 of CENRO Brooke's Point and its enclosures regarding the above subject.

Based on the report of the concerned CENRO, the INC is not yet fully compliant to the Terms and Conditions set under the Special Tree Cutting and Earth-Balling Permit (STCEBP) No. DENR IV-B MIMAROPA-2016-014 issued on May 26, 2016 by then RD Oscar C. Dominguez, specifically, item No. 6, as quoted *"Each tree to be cut/earth-balled shall be replaced with 100 seedlings of indigenous species to be planted by the permittee within the non-minable areas of the company (such as on the strip twenty (20) meters wide on both sides of creeks or rivers bordering or traversing the subject area for stream bank protection), mined out areas and other areas, identified jointly by the CENR Officer concerned and the permittee as contribution to the National Greening Program (NGP) and climate change initiatives of the government. The planted seedlings shall be maintained by the permittee for a period of three (3) years with a survival rate of at least (80%)."*

Record also shows that there is a pending case filed in court with Criminal Case No. 20-00576-BPT against the said company for cutting and removing of trees outside the approved STCEBP which is a violation of Section 77 of PD 705, as amended.

Premises considered, this Office disagrees on the issuance of Clearance/Certification as to its completion of the prescribed requirements, as there are still activities yet to be undertaken and/or complied with, as stated above.

For information and guidance.

*[Signature]*  
**MARIA LOURDES G. FERRER, CESO III**

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