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November 17, 2022

MEMORANDUM

FOR

The Regional Executive Director

DENR- MIMAROPA Region

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THRU

The OIC, Assistant Regional Director for Technical Services

FROM

The Provincial Environment And

Natural Resources Officer

SUBJECT

LETTER REQUEST OF IPILAN NICKEL CORPORATION FOR ADDITIONAL PLANTING AREAS IN LINE WITH THE COMPANY'S COMPLIANCE WITH THEIR SPECIAL TREE CUTTING AND EARTH-BALLING PERMIT NO. DENR-IV-B-

MIMAROPA-2016-14

Respectfully forwarded is the Memorandum of CENRO Brooke's Point, Palawan dated November 11, 2022 re: above-cited subject.

Please be informed that per inspection and validation conducted by the NGP Coordinator of the subject CENRO, there is potential area for adoption of the company with regards to the above mentioned subject. It is a graduated NGP site which was established in CY 2012 located at Barangay Maasin, Brooke's Point, and Palawan with an area of One hundred Seventy-One (171) hectares. However, said area did not reach the required/passing survival rate of 85%.

For information, consideration and further instruction on the matter.

DENR-PALAWAN

"For the PENRO"

DNIE B. GANDEZA DMO IV/OIC-Chief TSD

In-Charge office of the PENRO

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COMMUNITY ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES OFFICE

Brooke's Point, Palawan

November 11, 2022

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The Regional Executive Director

DENR MIMAROPA Region

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Barangay 668, Ermita, Manila

THRU

The Provincial Environment and

Natural Resources Officer

Sta. Monica, Puerto Princesa City

FROM

The Community Environment and

Natural Resources Officer/Hearing Officer

SUBJECT

LETTER REQUEST OF IPILAN NICKEL CORPORATION FOR ADDITIONAL PLANTING AREAS IN LINE WITH THE COMPANY'S COMPLIANCE WITH THEIR SPECIAL TREE CUTTING AND EARTH-BALLING PERMIT NO. DENR-IV-B-

MIMAROPA-2016-14

Respectfully forwarded/endorsed herewith are the letter requests of Ipilan Nickel Corporation (INC) dated September 5, 2022 and October 14, 2022 respectively concerning the above-cited subject.

As stated in the aforementioned letters, the Company had already rehabilitated and enriched all available open and denuded areas within its MPSA with a total of 97.40 hectares covered in compliance with their Special Tree Cutting and Earth-Balling Permit (STCEP) Condition No. 6 stating that "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%". Accordingly, the Company is requesting for additional planting area/s where they could extend their plantations to further fast tract its commitment.

In connection therewith, it is informed that per inspection and validation conducted by the NGP Coordinator of this Office, there is a Graduated NGP project adjacent to the Mine Site of Ipilan Nickel Corporation situated at Barangay Maasin, Brooke's Point, Palawan. This NGP Project was established in CY 2012 with Site Code No. 12-175306-0176-0173 and with a total area of 171 hectares; unfortunately the required/passing survival rate of 85% had not been attained on this site. In this regard, said identified area is recommended as potential area for adoption of the Company as its contribution to the National Greening Program so as to continue/restore previous rehabilitation efforts/initiatives in the area.

For information, consideration and approval.

DENR-CENRO BROOKE'S POINT

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INC-EMS-MEMO-MEPEO-2022-0068

October 14, 2022

CONRADO M. CORPUZ

Community Environment and Natural Resources Officer CENRO Brooke's Point M. Rodriguez St. Poblacion I, Brookes Point, Palawan, 5305 DATE: DET 14 2027
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Dear CENRO Corpuz,

Environmental Greetings!

We would like to follow up our request letter denominated by INC-EMS-MEMO-MEPEO-2022-0057 received by your office last September 5, 2022.

In the aforementioned letter, INC requested if your office can provide additional planting areas since the available open and denuded areas inside INC's MPSA were already planted as compliance to the Special Tree Cutting and Earth-balling permit issued by DENR last 2016.

Attached herewith is the copy of INC-EMS-MEPEO-2022-0057 and a google earth image of the extent of the planting areas inside our MPSA.

Very truly yours.

ENGR. SEGUNDO A. VILLANUEVA

Assistant Resident Mine Manager





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INC-EMS-MEMO-MEPEO-2022-0057

September 2, 2022

CONRADO M. CORPUZ

Community Environment and Natural Resources Officer CENRO Brooke's Point M. Rodriguez St. Poblacion I, Brookes Point, Palawan, 5305 SEP 05 2022

Dear CENRO Corpuz,

Environmental Greetings!

This pertains to the Special Tree Cutting and Earth-balling Permit (STCEP) No. DENR-IV-B-MIMAROPA-2016-14 of Ipilan Nickel Corporation.

As of this date, Ipilan Nickel Corporation under the Mine Environment, Protection and Enhancement Office had already Rehabilitated and Enriched all available open and denuded areas within its MPSA. A total of 97.40 hectares were covered by such activities in compliance of STCEP Condition No. 6.

In this regard, may we request from your good office an area where we could extend our plantations to further fast track our commitment.

Your utmost response on this matter is highly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

ALEX C. ARABIS

OIC Resident Mine Manager

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