

March 5, 2018

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Secretariat Building, PICC Complex, Roxas Boulevard, Pasay City, 1307

ATTENTION : DIR. VICENTE GRACIANO P. FELIZMENIO JR.

Markets and Securities Regulation Department

via PSE EDGE

PHILIPPINE STOCK EXCHANGE, INC.
PSE Tower, 28th Street cor. 5th Avenue,
Bonifacio Global City, Taguig City

ATTENTION : MR. JOSE VALERIANO B. ZUÑO III

OIC - Head, Disclosure Department

via electronic mail

PHILIPPINE DEALING & EXCHANGE CORP.

Market Regulatory Services Group 37/F, Tower 1, The Enterprise Center 6766 Ayala Avenue corner Paseo de Roxas, Makati City

ATTENTION : MS. ERIKA GRACE C. ALULOD

Head – Issuer Compliance and Disclosures Department

Gentlemen:

Attached is the SEC Form 17-C (Current Report) of Aboitiz Power Corporation filed in compliance with the Securities Regulation Code, its 2015 Implementing Rules and Regulations, the Revised Disclosure Rules of the Philippine Stock Exchange (PSE), and the Issuer Disclosure Operating Guidelines of the Philippine Dealing Exchange Corp. (PDEx).

Kindly acknowledge receipt hereof.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

ABOITIZ POWER CORPORATION

By:

MANUEL ALBERTO R. COLAYCO

Corporate Secretary

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SECURITIES & EXCHANGE COMMISSION

SEC FORM 17-C

CURRENT REPORT UNDER SECTION 17 OF THE SECURITIES REGULATION CODE (SRC) AND SRC RULE 17.2(c) THEREUNDER

1.	March 5, 2018												
	Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)												
2.	SEC Identification Number <u>C199800134</u>	3.	BIR TIN 200-65	2-460-000									
4.	ABOITIZ POWER CORPORATION												
	Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter												
5.	Philippines	6	j.										
	Province, country or other jurisdiction	ndustry Classificat	ssification Code										
	of incorporation												
7.	32 nd Street, Bonifacio Global City, Taguig City, N	/letro M	lanila. Philippines	1634									
	Address of principal office			Postal Code									
8.	(02) 886-2800												
	Registrant's telephone number, including area code												
9.	N.A.												
	Former name or former address, if changed since last report												
10.	Securities registered pursuant to Sections 4 and	8 of the	RSA										
	Title of Each Class		Number of Share	es of Common Stock									
		Outst	anding and Amou	int of Debt Outstanding									
	Common Stock P1 Par Value			7,358,604,307									
	Amount of Debt Outstanding (As of September	<u>30, 201</u>	7)	P222,237,327,000.00									
11.	Indicate the item numbers reported herein: <u>5</u>												
	Item 5: Legal Proceeding												
	Please see attached.	Please see attached.											

SIGNATURE (S)

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Regulation Code, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

ABOITIZ POWER CORPORATION

By:

Manuel Alberto R. Colayco

Corporate Secretary

Dated: March 5, 2018

ABOITIZ POWER CORPORATION DISCLOSURE: [Update – 1] Legal Proceedings

Subject of the Disclosure	:	The Regional Trial Court of Lucena City, Branch 57 (the "Court") extended the temporary restraining order (TRO) against the implementation of the Cease and Desist Order dated February 27, 2018 (the "CDO") issued against Pagbilao Energy Corporation (PEC) from 72 hours from February 28, 2018 to 20 days from February 28, 2018.
Background/Description of the Disclosure		PEC advised Aboitiz Power Corporation (AboitizPower) that the Court extended the effectivity of the TRO issued on February 28, 2018 from 72 hours to 20 days (counted from the date of the original issuance of the TRO).
Name of the court or agency in which the proceedings are pending	:	Regional Trial Court of Lucena City, Branch 57 For: Injunction and Declaration of Nullity of the Sangguniang Bayan Resolution Nos. 177, Series of 2016 and 27 and 31, Series of 2018
Date Instituted	:	February 28, 2018
Docket Number	:	Civil Case No. 2018-21
Principal Parties	:	Pagbilao Energy Corporation; and The Municipality of Pagbilao, Quezon, and Hon. Shierre Ann Portes-Palicpic, in her capacity as the Municipal Mayor of the Municipality of Pagbilao
Nature and description of the legal proceedings	:	During the course of PEC's application for a business permit for calendar year 2018 from the Municipality of Pagbilao, the municipality required PEC to execute a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) implementing its corporate social responsibility (CSR) programs for an amount above the company's approved budget for CSR. The municipality refused to issue the business permit without the executed MOA, and instead issued the CDO. PEC therefore filed the application for Injunction and obtained the TRO to prevent the municipality from implementing what PEC believes to be an unwarranted cease and desist order. PEC maintains that the execution of the MOA is not part of the published and legal requirements for the issuance by the municipality of a local business permit. The PEC plant has received all the necessary endorsements required from the relevant local government units - the Quezon provincial government, the municipality of Pagbilao, and the host barangay of Ibabang Polo. All clearances and endorsements from national government agencies, such as the Department of Energy, and the Department of Environment and Natural Resources, among others, have also been secured.

		PEC filed the Petition for Injunction with prayer for TRO with the Regional Trial Courts of Lucena City. In its Order dated February 28, 2018, the <u>Court</u> issued a temporary restraining order and ordered the municipal mayor of Pagbilao, Quezon to cease and desist from implementing the assailed CDO.
		On March 2, 2018, after due notice and hearing, the Court extended the effectivity of the TRO issued on February 28, 2018 from 72 hours to 20 days (counted from the date of the original issuance of the TRO).
		PEC is a joint venture company between Therma Power Inc. and TPEC Holdings Corporation. Therma Power, a wholly owned subsidiary of AboitizPower, is the holding company of AboitizPower's investments in non-renewable energy.
The effect(s) on the Issuer's business or operations, if any	:	The potential delay in the commercial operations of PEC's power plant would render PEC unable to perform its commitments to its suppliers, customers, and to the Luzon Grid.
Other relevant Information	:	Copy of the March 2, 2018 Order from the Court is attached.

REGIONAL TRIAL COURT
Fourth Judicial Region
BRANCH 59
Lucena City

PAGBILAO ENERGY ENERGY

Plaintiff,

-versus -

THE MUNICIPALITY OF PAGBILAO, QUEZON, AND HON. SHIERRE ANN PORTES-PALICPIC, in her capacity as the Municipal Mayor of the Municipality of Pagbilao,

CIVIL CASE No. 2018-21
For: Injunction and
Declaration of Nullity of
Sangguniang Bayan
Resolution Nos. 177,
series of 2016, and 27
and 31, series of 2108

Defendants.

ORDER

Present at today's hearing on the application for issuance of a temporary restraining order are plaintiff's counsel Atty. Vladi Miguel Lazaro, defendant's counsel Atty. Anna Charisse M. Bajas and the Municipal Mayor of Pagbilao, Quezon, Hon. Shierre Ann Portes-Palicpic.

Upon inquiry by the Court, the parties amplified their respective positions on the question of whether or not the 72-hour TRO should be extended.

After a careful evaluation of the complaint and the evidence attached thereto, as well as the arguments and issues presented by the parties today, it appears to the Coupty at this juncture, that the questioned PAG3 on the Pagbilao Energy Corporation from operating PAG3 on the basis of the ATTY. KRISTINE D. PABICO

Resolutions, and not an Ordinance, adopted by the sangguniang Bayan of Pagbilao containing as they do a requirement for the execution of a Memorandum or Term of Agreement between the plaintiff and defendant Municipality as condition for the issuance of a business permit to be an unreasonable encroachment on the plaintiff's property rights and guarantee of due process law. To be sure, the end cannot justify the means.

Likewise, this Court is convinced that there is an extreme urgency in this case considering the pronouncement of the Department of Energy itself that withdrawing the output of PAG3 from the Luzon Grid will create more instability since the power situation in Luzon for the summer peak months of March up to June is precarious due to thin reserves (Exhibit "S", reserved as for the plaintiff).

As such, the Court finds it imperative to extend the 72-hour TRO to a full-term of 20 days until the application for a writ of preliminary injunction has been resolved.

WHEREFORE, the plaintiff's prayer that the 72-hour TRO be extended to 20 days is hereby GRANTED. Defendant Municipality of Pagbilao, Quezon and the Hon. Shierre Ann Portes-Palicpic, in her capacity as Municipal Mayor, and any and all persons acting for and on their behalf are ENJOINED and RESTRAINED from implementing the CEASE and DESIST Order dated February 27, 2018 for 20 days from issuance hereof, inclusive of the 72-hour TRO, and effective under the same cash bond in the amount of P500,000.00 posted by the plaintiff.

Set this case for hearing on the application for preliminary injunction on March 7 and 8, 2018 both at 8:30 in the morning.

All the parties present today are notified in open court.

Furnish immediately the defendant Municipality of Pagbilao, Quezon and the Home Phierre Unit Portes Palicpic,

ATTY KRASTINE D. PABICO

Municipal Mayor, Municipality of Pagbilao, Quezon with a copy of this Order.

SO ORDERED.

Given in Open Court.

Lucena City, March 2, 2018.

ROMEO S. BUENAVENTURA

Presiding Judge

CERTIFIED TRUE COPY ATTY KRISTINE D. PABICO