

May 3, 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.

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ATTENTION : MR. JOSE VALERIANO B. ZUÑO III

OIC - Head, Disclosure Department

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PHILIPPINE DEALING & EXCHANGE CORP.

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ATTENTION : MS. ERIKA GRACE C. ALULOD

Head – Issuer Compliance and Disclosures Department

## Gentlemen:

Please see attached 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:

MAILENE M. DE LA TORRE Assistant Corporate Secretary

# **COVER SHEET**

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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.	May 3, 2018											
	Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)											
2.	SEC Identification Number <u>C199800134</u>	3.	BIR TIN <b>200-65</b>	2-460-000								
4.	ABOITIZ POWER CORPORATION											
	Exact name of registrant as specified in its charte	er		-								
5.	Philippines											
	Province, country or other jurisdiction	Industry Classification Code										
	of incorporation		ŕ									
7.	32 <sup>nd</sup> Street, Bonifacio Global City, Taguig City, Metro Manila, Philippines 1634											
	Address of principal office			Postal Code								
8.	(02) 886-2800											
	Registrant's telephone number, including area co	ode										
9.	N.A.											
	Former name or former address, if changed since	e last	t report									
10.	Securities registered pursuant to Sections 4 and	8 of t	the RSA									
	Title of Each Class		Number of Share	s of Common Stock								
		Ou	utstanding and Amou	nt of Debt Outstanding								
	Common Stock P1 Par Value			7,358,604,307								
	Amount of Debt Outstanding (As of December 3	31. 20	017)	<del>P</del> 205,996,054,000.00								
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11.	Indicate the item numbers reported herein: 9											
	Item 9: Other Events											
	Please see attached Press Release.											

# 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** 

Ву:

Mailene M. de la Torre Assistant Corporate Secretary

Dated: May 3, 2018



#### **PRESS RELEASE**

### 3 May 2018

## AboitizPower ends first quarter 2018 with P4 billion profit

Aboitiz Power Corporation ("AboitizPower" or the "Company") recorded for the first quarter of 2018 a 9% year-on-year (YoY) decrease in its consolidated net income, from P4.4 billion (bn) to P4.0 bn. The Company recognized non-recurring foreign exchange losses on the revaluation of dollar denominated liabilities amounting to P1.2 bn (versus a non-recurring loss of P577 million (mn) during the first quarter of 2017) resulting from the movements in the peso-dollar exchange rates. Without the one-off adjustments, AboitizPower's core net income for the first quarter of 2018 amounted to P5.2 bn, 4% higher YoY. The Company also recorded an 11% YoY increase in consolidated earnings before interest, tax, depreciation and amortization (EBITDA) for the first quarter of 2018, from P10.7 bn to P11.9 bn.

"Despite the one-off adjustments we had to incur in the quarter, we continue to see modest growth of the group in both our generation and distribution businesses. On the positive note, we continue to see improvements in plant reliability and availability which has resulted in significant financial contributions. Our DU (distribution utility) business also continues to grow, thanks to growing regional economies," Antonio R. Moraza, AboitizPower President and Chief Operating Officer, said.

"We look forward to further improving the operation of our power plants, while investing in technology to improve the services in the DUs. We are also looking forward to completing several power plant projects this year which will give us opportunities to contract and contribute to the growing economy," Moraza added.

## **Results of Operations**

Generation and Retail Electricity Supply

Fresh EBITDA from Pagbilao Energy Corporation's (PEC) newly operating 400-MW Pagbilao Unit 3, increase in EBITDA from GNPower-Mariveles Coal Plant Ltd. Co from higher plant availability and higher contracting levels at our retail electricity suppliers, offset by lower EBITDA from the Company's hydro units due to lower hydrology, led to P10.1 bn EBITDA from the Company's generation and electricity supply business. This is a 12% increase from last year. After taking into account interest, depreciation and taxes, core net income at the end of the first quarter is P4.6 bn, which is 2% higher than last year. Due to foreign exchange losses recognized on the restatement of dollar-denominated debt, non-recurring losses amounted to P715 mn during this period (versus last year's non-recurring loss of P307 mn) bringing the generation and retail electricity supply net income contribution to P3.8 bn, which is 7% lower than last year.

For the period, AboitizPower's capacity sold increased by 22% YoY, from 2,630 megawatts (MW) to 3,215 MW, primarily driven by the new capacity of PEC and an increase in the number of contracts in place compared to the same period last year.

#### Distribution

First quarter 2018 consolidated EBITDA for the distribution business was P1.8 bn, up 4% from the same period in 2017. Higher electricity sales across all customer segments drove the increase in EBITDA. Net income contribution increased by 9% compared to the same period in 2017, from P908 mn to P992 mn.

As a result of the lag in the recovery of purchased power costs, the distribution business' gross margin remains flat from last year's P1.59 per kWh.

AboitizPower's attributable sales in the distribution group for the first quarter of 2018 was 1,298 gigawatt-hours (GWh), a 7% increase from the same period last year.

### **About AboitizPower**

AboitizPower is the holding company for the Aboitiz Group's investments in power generation, distribution, and retail electricity services. It advances business and communities by providing reliable and ample power supply at a reasonable and competitive price, and with the least adverse effects on the environment and host communities.

The company is one of the largest power producers in the Philippines with a balanced portfolio of assets located across the country. It is a major producer of Cleanergy, its brand for clean and renewable energy with several hydroelectric and geothermal power generation facilities. It also has various fossil-fired power plants in its generation portfolio to support the baseload and peak energy demands of the country.

The company also owns distribution utilities that operate in high-growth areas in Luzon, Visayas, and Mindanao, including the second and third largest private utilities in the country.

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