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## MS. JANET A. ENCARNACION

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Re: Clarification to the September 25, 2018 Manila Bulletin (Internet Edition) News Article

Dear Ms. Encarnacion:

This refers to your letter requesting us to confirm the veracity of the information contained in the Manila Bulletin (Internet Edition) news article dated September 25, 2018 entitled "Aboitiz 'likely buyer' of Ayala's \$1-B coal plant assets", the relevant portion of which is quoted hereunder:

"Listed firm Aboitiz Power Corporation is inching closer as the "likely buyer" of the US\$1.0 billion worth of asset representing 50-percent equity that has been set on sell-down by the Ayala Group on its coal-fired power facilities.

Sources from the banking community who are familiar with the developments on the transaction indicated that 'negotiations are true' and one Aboitiz family member and key executive of the company 'has been leading the acquisition deal.'

The anticipated merger and acquisition, according to sources, 'will likely be concluded in the next few weeks.'

. . . . ."

We confirm that Aboitiz Power Corporation is in discussions with AC Energy, Inc. and we will file the necessary disclosures if and when disclosure is warranted.

We trust the foregoing is to your satisfaction.

Very truly yours,

**ABOITIZ POWER CORPORATION** 

By:

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