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## Widus Hotel and Casino Clark promotes sustainable tourism, switches to AboitizPower's Cleanergy



**SUSTAINABLE TOURISM.** By choosing AboitizPower's Cleanergy, Widus International Leisure Inc. (WILI) is not only a provider of world-class leisure and entertainment, but also a steward of sustainability.

Owner and operator of a premier leisure destination at Clark Freeport Zone in Pampanga, Widus International Leisure Inc. (WILI), has taken a significant leap in promoting sustainable tourism. The company partnered with AboitizPower to supply the Widus Complex with Cleanergy, the AboitizPower brand for clean and renewable energy.

"As a thriving metropolis, Clark is teeming with exciting activities and places of interest. Since it opened in 2008, Widus has become a leading destination for its topnotch facilities and world-class entertainment offerings. But apart from being known for our signature warmth and hospitality, we are proud to be a company that values sustainability," Neki A. Liwanag, WILI Assistant Vice President for Corporate Planning and Compliance, said. The partnership was established in 2018 when WILI made the switch to Cleanergy by signing up with AboitizPower for a 1.5-megawatt (MW) energy requirement, which has since increased to 2.5 MW. The energy supply is being sourced from one of AboitizPower's renewable plants, the MakBan Geothermal Power Plant that spans across the provinces of Batangas and Laguna.

Liwanag also added that their efforts for Widus to be more sustainable are in line with the vision for Clark Freeport Zone to become a modern and premier estate that boasts of industrial, commercial, and tourist facilities, among others.

"With the rapid development of Clark, we, as a locator, must continue to meet the changing demands of our market. We also want for Widus to remain competitive and we believe going renewable and having a dependable partner can do just that," Liwanag said.

WILI signed a power supply agreement with AboitizPower under the Retail Competition and Open Access (RCOA) scheme, which allows businesses and institutions with a monthly average peak demand of 750 kilowatts (KW) to source their energy supply from a Retail Electricity Supplier. In the retail electricity market, customers are given the opportunity to choose the supplier and rate that will allow for savings and security from market volatility.

Emmanuel V. Rubio, AboitizPower Chief Operating Officer, said it is an honor for AboitizPower to be the renewable energy partner of WILI.

"There are a lot of energy companies in the Philippines, so we are really honored to be the preferred partner of Widus in its journey toward sustainability. With AboitizPower's proven track record in the industry, as well as adequate capacity of Cleanergy, we are confident that we will be able to support the current and future energy needs of Widus," Rubio said.

Together with its partners, AboitizPower currently has around 1,200 MW of Cleanergy capacity from its hydro, geothermal, and solar power plants all over the country.

Felino M. Bernardo, Chief Operating Officer of AboitizPower Generation Group, also said that in addition to having enough capacity, the company strives to optimize its power plants for the ultimate benefit of the consumers.

"With innovation as among our core values at AboitizPower, we are committed not only to developing more power plants, but also to improving our existing facilities to ensure that we deliver power supply to our customers reliably and responsibly," Bernardo said.

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AboitizPower and Widus International Leisure Inc. celebrate their partnership through a ceremonial awarding of the Cleanergy plaque on July 3, 2019 at Widus Hotel and Casino in Clark, Pampanga.

## 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, geothermal and solar power generation facilities. It also has thermal 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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