

Republic of the Philippines Department of Environment and Natural Resources ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT BUREAU DENR Compound, Jones St. Tacloban City, Philippines



NOTICE OF VIOLATION

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DENR-PAB Case No. 08-000153-21-W

HILONGOS FUEL OPERATING & MANAGEMENT CORPORATION/ SHELL GASOLINE STATION

National Highway, San Juan, Hilongos, Leyte

Thru:

EDUARDO L. BOSQUE

Pollution Control Officer

Sir/Madame:

This notice is being served upon you for alleged violation of <u>R.A 9275</u> otherwise known as the **Philippine Clean Water Act of 2004**, based upon the desk review/evaluation conducted by the Clearance and Permitting Division – Air Water Permitting Section (CPD-AWPS) last 19 October 2021, on your online application for wastewater Discharge Permit renewal filed last 13 October 2021.

ACTS CONSTITUTING THE VIOLATION

Finding/s	Prohibited Act/s	
Operating a facility that discharges regulated water pollutants without the valid required wastewater Discharge Permit , since 07 October 2021 .	Violation of Section 27 (c) of R.A 9275 in relation to Section 28 of the same Act, and in relation further to Pollution Adjudication Board Resolution No. 01, Series of 2019.	

Pursuant to Pollution Adjudication Board Resolution No. 02, Series of 2020, otherwise known as the Interim Guidelines of the Pollution Adjudication Board during the Public Health Emergency due to COVID-19, you are hereby required to explain in writing, duly subscribed before a Notary Public, within fifteen (15) days from receipt hereof, your defense/position to the alleged violation which is punishable by a fine of Nineteen Thousand Five Hundred Pesos (P19,500.00) for every year of violation of the above cited prohibited act and to show cause why no Order should be issued against you, directing immediate cessation of the project operation

Please submit a hard copy of your written explanation to this Office, as well as an electronic copy of the same to **embr8_records@emb.gov.ph**, copy furnished **legalunitembr8@gmail.com**, to expedite the submission.

Please be informed that failure to submit the position paper on or before the period prescribed above shall mean a waiver of your right to contest the findings of the report and present evidence on your defense and the case may be decided based on evidence on record.

Please be guided accordingly.

Very truly yours,

ENGR. REYNALDO B. BARRA OIC-Regional Director



Republic of the Philippines Department of Environment and Natural Resources ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT BUREAU

Regional Office No. VIII

DENR Compound, Jones St., Tacloban City, Philippines



FOR

THE DIVISION CHIEF

Clearance and Permitting Division

FROM

THE UNDERSIGNED STAFF

Air & Wastewater Permitting Section

SUBJECT

DESK REVIEW REPORT INVOLVING THE

HILONGOS FUEL OPERATING & MANAGEMENT CORP. / SHELL GASOLINE STATION LOCATED AT NATIONAL HIGHWAY, SAN JUAN, HILONGOS, LEYTE

DATE

19 OCTOBER 2021

BACKGROUND/ PROCEEDINGS

On 13 October 2021, HILONGOS FUEL OPERATING & MANAGEMENT CORP. / SHELL GASOLINE STATION filed an online application (Application No. 155619) for the renewal of its Wastewater Discharge Permit. This Desk Report is prepared on 19 October 2021 for the purpose of recommending for the issuance of Notice of Violation for the said firm.

FINDINGS/OBSERVATIONS

Based on the aforementioned application, the following findings were observed:

- HILONGOS FUEL OPERATING & MANAGEMENT CORP. / SHELL GASOLINE STATION has been issued a Discharge Permit on 6 October 2020, with Permit No. DP-R08-20-04429 which was only valid until 6 October 2021. Copy of the said discharge permit is attached;
- HILONGOS FUEL OPERATING & MANAGEMENT CORP. / SHELL GASOLINE STATION is represented by EDUARDO L. BOSQUE (0935-6256480 / hilongosfuel@hotmail.com) as the Pollution Control Office.
- Apparently, HILONGOS FUEL OPERATING & MANAGEMENT CORP. / SHELL GASOLINE STATION has been in operation without a valid Discharge Permit since 7 October 2021;

REMARKS

 Section 14 of Republic Act No. 9275 or the Philippine Clean Water Act of 2004 provides that the Department shall require owners or operators of facilities that discharge regulated effluents pursuant to the same Act to secure a permit to discharge;

- In relation thereto, Rule 14.1 of DENR Administrative Order No. 2005-10
 explicitly provides that any person that shall discharge in any manner into
 Philippine Waters and/or Land shall secure a Discharge Permit;
- This is further reiterated in a Memorandum dated 20 June 2018 issued by the EMB Director which clarifies that in the implementation and issuance of Discharge Permits, all establishments must secure a Discharge Permit regardless of volume of wastewater.
- Paragraph (c) of Section 27, R.A 9275 or the Philippine Clean Water Act of 2004 prohibits the operation of facilities which discharges regulated water pollutants without the valid required permits, as in this case, the Wastewater Discharge Permit;
- Any establishment found to have violated the foregoing provisions shall be liable under Section 28 of Republic Act 9275, in relation to Pollution Adjudication Board Resolution No. 01, Series of 2019.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- To issue a Notice of Violation against HILONGOS FUEL OPERATING & MANAGEMENT CORP. / SHELL GASOLINE STATION for operating without a valid Discharge Permit, in violation of Paragraph (c), Section 27 of R.A 9275 which, IF found guilty, shall be liable under Section 28 of R.A 9275, in relation to Pollution Adjudication Board Resolution No. 01, Series of 2019;
- Pursuant to PAB Resolution No. 01-2019, to defer from the issuance of a Discharge Permit until resolution of the case or payment of the corresponding fine, if warranted;

3. For further appropriate actions as may be determined after due process.

Prepared by

LAURENCE G. DENZON

Engineer IV

Concurred by:

HENNENCY & HAYAG, PME

Chief, AWPS

Approved by:

MARIBEL B. MUNSAYAC

Chief, CPD

Noted by:

REYNALDO B. BARRA, PME

Olo Regional Director





Republic of the Philippines Department of Environmental and Natural Resources ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT BUREAU

Region VIII

DENR Compound, Jones Street, Barangay 2, Tacloban City
Tel No: (053) 832-10-88

Date: Oct 06, 2020

Permit No.: DP-R08-20-04429

Renewal

WASTEWATER DISCHARGE PERMIT

Pursuant to Section 14, Article 2, of the RA 9275 otherwise known as the "Philippine Clean Water Act of 2004", this permit is hereby granted to Hilongos Fuel Operating And Management Corporation / Shell Gasoline Station with office address at National Highway, San Juan, Hilongos, Leyte for its establishment:

Hilongos Fuel Operating And Management Corporation / Shell Gasoline Station National Highway San Juan HILONGOS

TIN No. 282-032-754-000

To discharge **Domestic Sewage** to the **wastewater treatment facility (WTF)** subject to the following conditions:

- 1. The discharge volume of the wastewater generated shall not exceed 3.0 m3/day.
- 2. The maximum wastewater generation of _____ m3/day shall be from washing/cleaning activities.
- 3. The maximum wastewater generation of ______ m3/day shall be from domestic wastes.
- The maximum wastewater generation of ______ m3/day shall be from other sources (i.e gardening, leaks etc.).
- 5. Submit Self-Monitoring (SMR) based on the following schedule:

Quarter	Coverage	Submission	Quarter	Coverage	Submission
First	Jan-Mar	1-15 Apr.	Third	Jul-Sep.	1-15 Oct.
Second	Apr-Jun.	1-15 Jul.	Fourth	Oct-Dec.	1-15 Jan.

- Submit Certificate of desludging/siphoning of the Septic Tank and treatment of the same by an accredited service provider.
- 7. Allow the entry of our duly authorized representative(s) to conduct inspection within your premises.
- 8. This permit, together with the corresponding Official Receipts of Payment, shall be adequately framed and posted in a conspicuous place at the plant/establishment
- The application for renewal of this permit shall be filed no less than thirty (30) days prior to its expiration.

This permit is valid up to Oct 06, 2021, unless revoked or suspended by this Office in writing.

Non-compliance with the above conditions and/or any pertinent provisions of RA 9275 otherwise knows as "Philippine Clean Water Act of 2004", a corresponding penalty in the amount of P10,000-P200,000 per violation shall be imposed.

Recommended by:

Approved by:

Chief, Clearance and Pennitting Division

Regional Director

