

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



## NOTICE OF VIOLATION ONMENTAL MA

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953am DENR-PAB Case No. 08-000151-21-W

ASIA RENAL CARE (PHILIPPINES), INC.

Osmena St. Corner San Pablo St., Brgy 10 (Pob). Ormoc City, Leyte

Thru:

ANTHONY H. NAZARIO

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 **25 October 2021**, on your online application for wastewater Discharge Permit renewal filed last **19 October 2021**.

#### ACTS CONSTITUTING THE VIOLATION

Finding/s	Prohibited Act/s	
Operating a facility that discharges regulated water pollutants without the valid required wastewater <b>Discharge Permit</b> , since <b>07 October 2021</b> .	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,

NGR. REYNALDO B. BAI OIG-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

ASIA RENAL CARE (PHILIPPINES), INC. LOCATED AT

OSMEÑA ST. CORNER SAN PABLO ST., BRGY. 10

(POB.) ORMOC CITY, LEYTE.

DATE

25 OCTOBER 2021

#### BACKGROUND/ PROCEEDINGS

On 19 October 2021, ASIA RENAL CARE (PHILIPPINES), INC. filed an online application (Application No.157198) for the renewal of its Wastewater Discharge Permit. This desk review report was prepared on 25 October 2021 for the purpose of issuance of Notice of Violation for the said firm.

#### FINDINGS/OBSERVATIONS

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

- ASIA RENAL CARE (PHILIPPINES), INC. has been issued a Discharge Permit on 06 October 2020, with Permit No. DP-R08-20-04428 which was only valid until 06 October 2021. Copy of the said discharge permit is attached;
- ASIA RENAL CARE (PHILIPPINES), INC. is represented by Anthony H. Nazario (561-3023/09178094197)) as the Pollution Control Officer;
- Apparently, ASIA RENAL CARE (PHILIPPINES), INC. has been in operation without a valid Discharge Permit since 07 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;

- 3. 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.
- One of the Permit Conditions provided for under the expired Discharge Permit issued to ASIA RENAL CARE (PHILIPPINES), INC. requires the permit holder to renew the discharge permit at least one (1) month before expiry date;
- 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 ASIA RENAL CARE (PHILIPPINES), INC. 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.

Reviewed by:

EE/C. SILLEZ

EMS II

Concurred by:

HENNENCY G. HAYAG, PME.

OIC-Chief, AWPS

Approved by:

MARIBEL B. MUNSAYAC

Chief. CPD

Noted by:

REYNALDO B. BARRA, PME.

OIC, 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-R08-20-04428

New

### 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 **Asia Renal Care (philippines)**, **Inc** with office address at Osmeña Street Corner San Pablo Street, Barangay 10 (Pob.), Ormoc City, Leyte for its establishment:

Asia Renal Care (philippines), Inc

Osmeña Street Corner San Pablo Street Barangay

TIN No. 200-547-897-008

10 (Pob.) ORMOC CITY

To discharge Commercial Wastewater subject to the following conditions:

- 1. The discharge volume of the wastewater generated shall not exceed 14.1 m3/day.
- Institute measures on the operation of your Wastewater Treatment Facility (WTF) Septic Tank so as to have Zero Discharge.
- The maximum wastewater generation of <u>5.3</u> m3/day shall be from the process wastewater.
- 4. The maximum wastewater generation of 1.4 m3/day shall be from the washing/cleaning activities.
- 5. The maximum wastewater generation of 3.9 m3/day shall be from the domestic wastes.
- The maximum wastewater generation of 3.5 m3/day shall be from the other activities.
- Submit Self-Monitoring (SMR) based on the following schedule: (Online submission at https://iis.emb.gov.ph/smr)

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.

- Channel your wastewater generation (process, washing/cleaning, domestic, and others) into your WTF

   Septic Tank.
- Submit Certificate of desludging/siphoning of the Septic Tank and treatment of the same by an accredited service provider.
- 10. Submit Certificate of PCO Accreditation within six (6) months from the date of issuance of this permit. Make sure that the managing head had already attended the required eight (8) hours training on environmental management covering the basic environmental laws, rules and regulations and the duties and responsibilities of the PCO.
- 11. Allow the entry of our duly authorized representative(s) to conduct inspection within your premises.
- 12. 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.

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