

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES  
ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT BUREAU

MIMAROPA Region

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**ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATE**

**ECC-4B-052-RO-2140-2006**

The Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR)-Environmental Management Bureau (EMB), MIMAROPA Region hereby grants this **Environmental Compliance Certificate (ECC)** to the **PROPOSED SMALL SCALE NICKEL ORE MINING PROJECT** of **SUNPACIFIC RESOURCES PHILIPPINES, INC.** located at **Sitio Cabitangahan, Brgy. Taclobo, San Fernando, Romblon** after complying with the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) requirement as prescribed in the promulgated guidelines implementing Section 3 (b) of P.D. 1121, Section 4 of P.D. 1151, Section 2 of P.D. 1586, Presidential Administrative Order No. 42 dated 02 November 2002 and DENR Administrative Order No. 30 Series of 2003.

This Certificate is being issued subject to conditions stated hereunder. Non-compliance with any of the conditions will be sufficient grounds for the cancellation or suspension of this certificate and/or a fine in an amount not to exceed **Fifty Thousand Pesos (Php 50,000.00)** for every violation thereof, at the discretion of the DENR pursuant to Section 9 of PD 1586 and Section 16, Article IV of DENR Administrative Order No. 2003-30.

**I. GENERAL PROVISION**

1. That permits/clearances from other concerned agencies shall be secured **prior** to project implementation to be submitted to this Office;
2. That any expansion from the existing approved operation and project area shall be subjected to a separate EIA requirements;
3. That the transfer of ownership of this project carries the same conditions in the ECC of which a written notification shall be made to EMB -MIMAROPA within fifteen (15) days from such transfer;
4. That any false information, misrepresentation or omission of material facts in the submitted documents shall be sufficient ground for the cancellation of this ECC;

**II. OPERATION PHASE**

5. That this ECC is valid **ONLY** for the **Small-Scale Nickel Ore Mining Project of Sunpacific Resources Philippines, Inc.** covering a total area of **One Hundred Fifty Five Thousand Eight Hundred (155,800.00) Square Meters**. It is bounded by the coordinates 12° 20' 33" to 12° 20' 47" north latitude and 122° 34' 06"; 122° 34' 12"; 122° 34' 18" and 122° 34' 24" east longitude;
6. That the boundaries of the claimed project area as showed in the survey plan of the project shall be properly marked;
7. That the volume of run-of-mine nickel ore to be extracted shall not exceed 50,000 metric tons per year;

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8. That the project shall conform with **RA 6969 – Toxic Hazardous and Nuclear Waste Control Act; RA 9275 – Clean Water Act; RA 8749 – Clean Air Act and RA 9003 – Solid Waste Management Act;**
9. That a **quarterly Self Monitoring Report (SMR)** shall be submitted;
10. That renovation/maintenance of roads utilized during the hauling operation shall be done regularly and/or when necessary;
11. That the **Monitoring Trust Fund (MTF)** shall be initiated by the contractor/permit holder for the exclusive use in the monitoring program approved by the Mine Rehabilitation Fund (MRF) Committee. The MTF shall not be less than the amount of **Fifty Thousand Pesos (Php 50,000.00)** per quarter to cover maintenance and other operating budget for the transportation and travel expenses;
12. That a **Pollution Control Officer (PCO) / Environmental Officer** for the project shall be appointed, and the name and bio-data of the same shall be submitted to this Office for accreditation;
13. That the proponent shall enforce and implement proper handling and disposal of solid and liquid wastes i. e. used oils and these shall conform with RA 9003 and RA 6969 and its implementing rules and regulations;
14. That an **Environmental Protection and Enhancement Program (EPEP)** pursuant to Section 169 (a), DAO 96-40 shall be submitted to the MGB – MIMAROPA Region thirty (30) days upon receipt hereof;
15. That an **Annual Environmental Protection and Enhancement Program (AEPEP)** shall be submitted to the MGB – MIMAROPA Region at least thirty (30) calendar days prior to the beginning of every calendar year.
16. That stockpiling of uneconomically ore materials shall be safely and strategically located inside the applied area and not along or near the natural drainage system of the area;
17. That conditions regarding proper maintenance of spoil and ore stockpiles shall be applied during mine operation;
18. That should the implementation of the project cause adverse environmental impact and pose nuisance to public health and safety as determined by the DENR-EMB, Region-IV, Island Provinces, the operation shall be temporarily suspended after prior notice and due process until such time that appropriate remedial measures are effected and any damages resulting from the same are properly compensated;
19. That desilting of Cabitangahan River shall be effected to avoid flooding of affected areas during heavy down pour;
20. That proper benches shall be maintained at the pit area as part of slope stabilization measures during mine operation;
21. That a "Permit to Cut" trees shall be secured from the concerned DENR Office;

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22. That at least 5-meter buffer zone shall be established from the perimeter of the project site;
23. That the proponent shall undertake continuing Information Education and Communication (IEC) campaign to inform and educate the populace in the locality the benefit that the project will impart;
24. That any authorized DENR-EMB Region IV-B personnel can initiate an on-the-spot inspection and monitoring even without prior notice;
25. That the Final Mine Rehabilitation and Decommissioning plan shall be submitted to the MGB – MIMAROPA Region within sixty (60) days upon receipt hereof;
26. That the maximum capitalization shall not exceed **Ten Million Pesos (Php 10,000,000.00)** during the effectivity of the original contract and its renewal;
27. That this Certificate should be posted in a conspicuous location clearly visible to the public and shall be adequately framed or otherwise protected against damage.

Given this APR 18 2006

Recommending Approval:

  
**BUENA FE A. RIOFLORIDO**  
OIC, EIAM Division

Approved by:

  
**ESTER A. OLAVIDES**  
OIC, Regional Director

Conforme:

**STEVE L. TAULE**  
Proponent

CC: The RED DENR Region IV-B  
The PENRO – Romblon  
The CENRO – Odiongan