

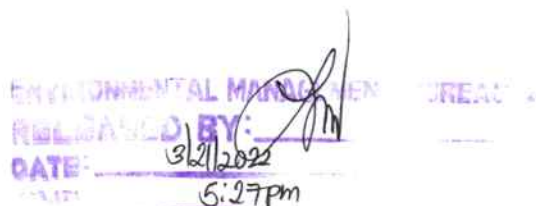


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Dear **Mr. Abrematea**:

Environmental Greetings!

This Office is writing upon the instance of your letter-complaint submitted to the Civil Service Commission, Regional Office No. VIII, docketed by the latter as **IRN-ARTU-08-031442-009**, alleging an illegal dolomite quarrying activity in Brgy. San Juan, Ormoc City, Leyte.

Pursuant to the said complaint, an initial determination has been made via the official records of this Office which reveals that an **Environmental Compliance Certificate (ECC)**, with Reference Code **ECC-OL-R08-2021-0112**, has been issued by this Office to **Concrete Stone Corporation** in Brgy. San Juan, Ormoc City, Leyte, the very same project described in your complaint. This is, ofcourse, without prejudice to the actual findings of an investigation which will be conducted sometime in the fourth week of (22-25) **March 2022** by a team of personnel from this Office on the subject area.

It is also worthy to note that the absence of an ECC Billboard within a specific project area cannot be automatically equated to the absence of an ECC. Instead, the absence thereof can be the proper subject of a violation as the installation of the same is a requirement under one of the conditions embodied on an ECC, assuming one is secured by the project proponent. The proponent's compliance with the said conditions shall be one of the subjects of the impending investigation.

Should you have any further queries/concerns, or where the question demands the special knowledge, experience and services of this Office, please be encouraged to direct the same before this Office in the exercise of the primacy of its jurisdiction over the matter. You may directly reach this Office by visiting the EMB Building located at the DENR Compound, Jones St. Tacloban City, Philippines, by calling **(053) 832-2319** or by sending an e-mail to [embr8\\_records@emb.gov.ph](mailto:embr8_records@emb.gov.ph).

For your information and guidance. Thank you for your cooperation.

Respectfully,

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