



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Environment and Natural Resources
ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT BUREAU
Regional Office No. VIII
DENR Compound, Jones St. Tacloban City, Philippines

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Ms. Eleuteria G. Holanda
Barangay Caraycaray, San Miguel, Leyte

Subject: ECC Relief/Cancellation

ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT BUREAU
RELEASED BY: [Signature]
DATE: 5/04/2022
TIME: 9:01am

Dear Sir/Madame:

This is with reference to the Environmental Compliance Certificate (ECC), with No. ECC-OL-R08-2020-0023, issued by this Office last **February 14, 2020** to **MS. ELEUTERIA G. HOLANDA** for its **INDUSTRIAL SAND AND GRAVEL EXTRACTION (WITHOUT CRUSHER) PROJECT** located at **Tahawili River, Barangay Caraycaray, San Miguel, Leyte**.

An on-site project validation conducted by technical staff of this Office revealed that an original ECC of the area was previously issued to Mr. Francisco L. Laboga, said proponent however, failed to operate in the area for seven (7) years. Ms. Eleuteria Holanda entered the same area and applied for the new ECC. As per barangay official present during the inspection, the proponent is having a road right of way issue thus no operation still up to this time on the site. Also, the operation of the project would adversely affect a nearby NIA irrigation project. This issue is yet to be settled by the proponent. The ECC, however, remains to be valid and subsisting, and your compliance with the conditions and restrictions laid down thereunder continues to bind your office, unless otherwise a request for ECC Relief is submitted by the proponent of the project to this Office.

Under **Figure 2.5, Flowchart on Request for Relief of ECC, EMB Memorandum Circular No. 002, Series of 2007** or the **Revised Procedural Manual for DENR Administrative Order No. 2003-30¹**, proponents of projects which has been completed and/or had stopped its operation must prepare and submit a letter request to this Office containing the details of the project, the basis for requesting the relief, including an abandonment, rehabilitation, and/or decommissioning plan, which will be submitted for the approval of this Office. Upon approval thereof, the project proponent carries out the plan and this Office shall thereafter verify the compliance with such plan. Upon conclusion of the verification, this Office shall issue an Order relieving the proponent from compliance with the ECC Commitments or denies the request for relief until the requirement is satisfactorily completed.

On this premise, you are hereby directed to submit a letter-request for ECC Relief, including your abandonment, rehabilitation, and/or decommissioning plan for the project to this Office **within thirty (30) days from receipt hereof**. Please be informed that your failure to do so and to secure a relief from ECC Commitments shall not affect the validity of the ECC. Accordingly, by reason thereof, you are under obligation to comply with the conditions and restrictions. Otherwise, a corresponding legal liability arises in view of any failure to comply with the same.

For your immediate compliance and guidance.

Respectfully,

ENGR. REYNALDO B. BARRA
OIC- Regional Director

¹ Implementing Rules and Regulations of the Philippine Environmental Impact Statement System