

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

Regional Office No. VIII
DENR Compound, Jones St. Tacloban City, Philippines



15 December 2021

THE COMPLAINANT/S

Re: TBK Manufacturing Corporation

Brgy. 74, Nula-Tula, Tacloban City, Philippines

E-mail: affectedresidentsoftbk@gmail.com

ENVIRONMENTAL MARINE SELECTION SELEC

Dear Sir/Madame,

Environmental Greetings!

This is in relation to an electronic mail you have submitted with the Pollution Adjudication Board Secretariat on **07 November 2021**, a copy of which has been furnished to this Office, the Civil Service Commission Regional Office No. VIII, the DENR Regional Office No. VIII, and the Office of the Secretary of the DENR Central Office, seeking for the Board to apprise you of the status of the case involving TBK Manufacturing Corporation located in Nula-Tula, Tacloban City, Philippines.

In connection thereto, this Office would like to take this opportunity to inform you that your request has been formally endorsed to the Board Secretariat for its appropriate action by way of a letter dated 10 December 2021 from this Office. It can be recalled that this Office has found a *prima facie* case for violation of Paragraph (a), Section 13, Rule XXV, Part VII of DENR Administrative Order No. 2000-81, Implementing Rules and Regulations of R.A 8749 or the Philippine Clean Air Act of 1999 against TBK Manufacturing Corporation for the act of allegedly emitting fugitive particulates due to insufficient precautionary measures in place for handling and storing of ash and rice hulls.

Pursuant to **Section 47** of **R.A 8749**, a fine of not less than Ten Thousand Pesos (P10,000) but not more than One Hundred Thousand Pesos (P100,000) or six (6) months to six (6) years imprisonment or both shall be imposed for violations of all other provisions provided in the Act and of the rules and regulations thereof. The power to impose the same falls within the original and exclusive jurisdiction of the Pollution Adjudication Board.

Henceforth, when this Office issued the Decision dated **04 September 2020** finding a *prima facie* case against the respondent TBK Manufacturing Corporation, it merely resolved to endorse the case to the PAB there being a sufficient ground to warrant the endorsement of the same and on the basis of Section 47, R.A 8749. In a memorandum dated **15 October 2020** from this Office to the Board, the case has been formally endorsed and the same is now pending for the disposition of the latter.

At any rate, this Office continues to monitor the compliance of the subject establishment and shall not hesitate to enforce the necessary consequences as provided for by law whenever a violation/s is/are found to any of the provisions of the environmental laws mandated of this Office.

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

Respectfully,

ENGR. REYNALDO B. BARRA OIC- Regional Director