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Coast Guard welcomes modernization bill

By GHIO ONG

The Philippine Coast Guard welcomed the proposal of Sen. Bong Go to modernize the agency and "enhance its capabilities to better protect the Philippines' maritime domain."

Senate Bill 2112, authored by Senate committee on national defense vice chairman Go, would "allow the PCG to reduce, if not eradicate, maritime accidents and speed up its response time during search and rescue operations," according to the PCG.

It would also "strengthen the PCG's maritime patrol capabilities toward securing the country's exclusive economic zone."

The proposal would also "enhance Coast Guard capabilities in addressing environmental threats, such as oil spills, that damage the country's rich marine resources."

Go in his bill also "emphasized the need to develop PCG's training and capacity-building programs to professionalize its workforce and ensure they are well-trained in conducting a wide array of Coast Guard operations."

PCG commandant Admiral Artemio Abu said Go's bill "would help the PCG swiftly acquire state-of-the-art assets and resources for maritime law enforcement, maritime security, maritime safety, maritime search and rescue and marine environmental protection."



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IN BRIEF

COA also audits PH's solid waste production

DESPITE the passage of the Solid Waste Management Law, the Philippines' annual production of solid waste has been increasing over the years due to inconsistent policies and a lack of waste facilities and landfills, the Commission on Audit (COA) lamented.

In its performance audit of the country's Solid Waste Management Program released last May 3, the COA noted that waste management continued to be a concern, adding that the country's solid waste reached 16.63 million metric tons in 2020, rising to 19.76 million metric tons in 2030, and 24.50 million metric tons by 2045.

"After two decades of implementation, the program may not be seen as progressively achieving its goals and objectives, as manifested by the steadily increasing volume of generated solid waste, including the many gaps noted in the program implementation. Instead of reducing solid waste generation, it steadily increased through the years," the COA said.



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EARLY CELEBRATION – Mothers, together with their young daughters, dance using their hula-hoops at the Manila Baywalk Dolomite Beach on Roxas Boulevard in Manila, May 13, 2023, a day before Mother's Day. (Arnold Quizol)



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Republic of the Philippines
Department of Environment and Natural Resources
NATIONAL WATER RESOURCES BOARD
8th Floor NIA Bldg., EDSA, Quezon City, Philippines 1100

FIRST PEAK RESOURCES AND TECHNOLOGIES, INC.
Applicant.

Case No. 23-3606

NOTICE OF HEARING

This is an application for Certificate of Public Convenience to operate and maintain a waterworks system within The Loop North Tower Condominium, Barangay Lapasan, Cagayan de Oro City, province of Misamis Oriental, with the following proposed rates:

PROPOSED TARIFF

Residential and Institutional

Pipe Size	0-5 m3 (min)	6-10 m3	11-20 m3	21-30 m3	31-40 m3	Over 40 m3
½"	P 715.00	153.00	154.50	168.30	185.10	266.60
¾"	P 1,144.00	244.80	247.20	269.30	296.20	426.60
1"	P2,288.50	489.60	494.50	538.50	592.40	853.20

Residential and Commercial

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Commercial and Industrial

Pipe Size	0-15 m3 (min.)	16-30 m3	31-500 m3	501-1000 m3	Over 1000 m3
½"	P 4,506.00	327.40	533.20	752.50	752.50
¾"	P 7,210.50	523.90	853.10	1,204.00	1,204.00
1"	P 14,421.00	1,047.70	1,706.30	2,408.00	2,408.00

This application will be initially heard by the Board on **29 May 2023**. The hearing will start at **9:00 o' clock in the morning** at the NWRB-WUD Conference Room, 8th Floor, NIA Building, EDSA, Quezon City, at which time applicant shall present its evidence.

At least **fifteen (15) days prior to the scheduled hearing**, applicant shall publish this notice once in a newspaper of general circulation in the province of **Misamis Oriental** and serve by personal delivery or registered mail a copy of the (i) application and its attachments, and (ii) this notice, to all affected parties appearing on page 2 hereof.


Parties opposed to the granting of the application must file their written opposition supported by documentary evidence on or before the above scheduled date of hearing, furnishing a copy of the same to the applicant.

Failure on the part of any person affected to file its opposition on time and to appear at the hearing will be construed as a waiver of their right to be heard. The Board will proceed to hear and decide the application based on the evidence submitted.

Likewise, failure by the applicant to appear at the hearing shall amount to lack of interest on its part and the instant application shall be dismissed accordingly.

Witness the Honorable Executive Director of the National Water Resources Board this 18th day of April 2023.

By Authority of the Board:


Dr. SEVILLO D. DAVID, Jr., CESO III
Executive Director

Affected Parties:

The Secretary
Sangguniang Panlungsod
Cagayan De Oro City
Misamis Oriental

The Barangay Chairman
Barangay Lapasan
Cagayan De Oro City
Misamis Oriental

The Homeowners Assn. President
The Loop North Tower Condominium
Barangay Lapasan, Cagayan De Oro City
Misamis Oriental

The General Manager
Cagayan De Oro City Water District
Corrales Avenue, Cagayan de Oro City 9000

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

On the ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT (EIS) REPORT of the proposed **SUNTRUST ASCENTIA** project, a mixed-use high-rise building of **SUNTRUST PROPERTIES, INC.** to be located in New Panaderos St., Sta. Ana, Manila.

Notice is hereby given to all parties who wish to give their opinion regarding the implementation of the proposed **SUNTRUST ASCENTIA PROJECT** to attend the PUBLIC HEARING on:

Date	Time	Venue
19 MAY 2023 (Friday)	10:00 AM	Jollibee-Sta. Ana 2422 Pedro Gil, Sta. Ana, Manila

The Public Hearing is being conducted in connection with the review of the EIS Report of the aforementioned project by the Environmental Management Bureau-National Capital Region of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources.


The following are the project details:

Project Name	SUNTRUST ASCENTIA
Project Location	New Panaderos St., Brgy. 885, Sta. Ana, Manila
Project Size (Gross Floor Area)	89,451.95 square meters
Project Rationale	The project will provide reasonable commercial, residential, condominium units and amenities to interested buyers. It will also offer an alternative place for people who work within San Juan, Makati, Manila, travelers, tourist, overseas contract workers, among other due to its proximity to the business centers, tourist area among others.
Project Components	37-Storey Building including basement, roof deck, podium & towers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Basement ■ Eight (8) Storey Podium ■ Three (3) 28-Storey Towers
Proponent	SUNTRUST PROPERTIES, INC.

All interested parties who wish to attend or participate in this Public Hearing should preferably confirm their attendance/participation or give their opinion(s) in concise position paper to the EIA Section of this Office through mail or through email at cpd.eia.embnrc@gmail.com at least three (3) days before the Public Hearing Schedule. Those who will not able to register or submit their written positions may be given opportunity to share their issues on the day of the hearing itself.

The Project's EIS Report and Executive Summary for the Public are downloadable at our website: ncr.emb.gov.ph. (Kindly access the Notice of Public Hearing link found in our website).

For more details, please contact the EIA Section of Clearance and Permitting Division of this Office at telephone number 8931-1331 local 1111 through the project casehandler Ms. Riza C. Arjona.


ATTY. MICHAEL DRAKE P. MATIAS
Regional Director