May 3, 2018

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Secretariat Building, PICC Complex
Roxas Boulevard, Pasay City, 1307

ATTENTION : DIR. VICENTE GRACIANO P. FELIZMENIO, JR.
Markets and Securities Regulation Department

via PSE EDGE
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PSE Tower, 28th Street, cor. 5th Avenue,
Bonifacio Global City, Taguig City

ATTENTION : MR. JOSE VALERIANO B. ZUÑO III
OIC - Head, Disclosure Department

via electronic mail
PHILIPPINE DEALING & EXCHANGE CORP.
Market Regulatory Services Group
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ATTENTION : MS. ERIKA GRACE C. ALULOD
Head - Issuer Compliance and Disclosures Department

Gentlemen:

Please see attached the SEC Form 17-C (Current Report) of Aboitiz Equity Ventures, Inc. filed in compliance with the Securities Regulation Code, its 2015 Implementing Rules and Regulations, the Revised Disclosure Rules of the Philippine Stock Exchange (PSE), and the Issuer Disclosure Operating Guidelines of the Philippine Dealing Exchange Corp. (PDEx).

Kindly acknowledge receipt hereof.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

ABOITIZ EQUITY VENTURES, INC.
By:

MANUEL ALBERTO R. COLAYCO
Corporate Secretary

NAC Tower, 32nd Street, Bonifacio Global City, 1634 Taguig, Metro Manila, Philippines
**COVER SHEET**

**ABOITIZEQUITYVENTURES, INC.**

(Company’s Full Name)

32NDSTREET, BONIFACIOGLOBAL

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MANUEL ALBERTO R. COLAYCO

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3rd Monday of

Month Day

Annual Meeting

N/A

Secondary License Type, if Applicable

SEC

Dept. Requiring this Doc

N/A

Amended Articles Number/Section

Total No. of Stockholders

Domestic

Foreign

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May 3, 2018
Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

ABOITIZ EQUITY VENTURES, INC.
Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter

32nd Street, Bonifacio Global City, Taguig City, Metro Manila, Philippines
Address of principal office

(02) 886-2800
Registrant’s telephone number, including area code

N.A.
Former name or former address, if changed since last report

Common Stock $1 Par Value
Title of Each Class

5,633,792,557
Number of Shares of Common Stock Outstanding

Amount of Debt Outstanding (December 31, 2017)

P2762,013,440,585.00
Amount of Debt Outstanding

Item 9: Other Events

Please see attached Press Release.
Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Regulation Code, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

ABOITIZ EQUITY VENTURES, INC.
By:

Manuel Alberto R. Colayco
Corporate Secretary

Date: May 3, 2018
PRESS RELEASE
3 May 2018

AEV first quarter net income up 3%

Aboitiz Equity Ventures, Inc. (AEV) grew its first quarter consolidated net income by 3% to ₱4.8 billion from ₱4.7 billion last year due to lower one-off losses representing net unrealized foreign exchange losses.

Power accounted for 64% of total income contributions, followed by Banking & Financial Services (30%), Food (6%), Land (1%), and Infrastructure (-2%).

“Our diversified portfolio gives us the resilience to sail through varying business cycles. The underlying strength of our core operations and a vibrant economy keep us optimistic on our long-term fundamentals,” Erramon I. Aboitiz, AEV President and Chief Executive Officer, said.

Aboitiz Power Corporation’s net income contribution to AEV decreased by 9% YoY from ₱3.4 billion to ₱3.1 billion, even as core net income rose by 4% to ₱5.2 billion from ₱5 billion, due to higher unrealized foreign exchange losses.

Meanwhile, Union Bank of the Philippines’ first quarter income contribution to AEV increased by 32% YoY, from ₱1.1 billion to ₱1.4 billion, driven by higher revenues.

Pilmico Foods Corporation and its subsidiaries reported a net income of ₱264 million for the first quarter of 2018, 10% lower than 2017’s ₱292 million, due mostly to the higher cost of raw materials and operating expenses.

Aboitiz Land, Inc. and other subsidiaries reported a net income of ₱59 million for the first quarter of 2018, down 18% YoY due to increased borrowing expenses for the funding of developments.

On the other hand, Republic Cement and Building Materials, Inc.’s income contribution to AEV decreased 140% YoY from a ₱202 million net income to a net loss of ₱82 million, mainly due to energy input costs, which were higher compared to the same period last year.

About Aboitiz Equity Ventures

Aboitiz Equity Ventures, Inc. (AEV) is the public holding company of the Aboitiz Group with major investments in power, banking and financial services, food, infrastructure, and land. Today, AEV is recognized as one of the best-managed companies in the Philippines and in the region, consistently cited for its commitment to good corporate
governance and corporate social responsibility. With five generations of Aboitiz Group business success behind it, AEV continues to drive change for a better world by advancing business and communities.

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