March 8, 2018

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

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

via PSE EDGE
PHILIPPINE STOCK EXCHANGE, INC.
9th Floor, PSE Tower, Bonifacio Global City
28th Street, cor. 5th Avenue, BGC, Taguig City

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

via electronic mail
PHILIPPINE DEALING & EXCHANGE CORP.
Market Regulatory Services Group
37/F, Tower 1, The Enterprise Center
6766 Ayala Avenue corner Paseo de Roxas, Makati City

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
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1. **March 8, 2018**
   Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

2. SEC Identification Number **CEO2536**

3. BIR TIN **003-828-269-V**

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

5. **Philippines**
   Province, country or other jurisdiction of incorporation

6. **1634**
   Industry Classification Code

7. **32nd Street, Bonifacio Global City, Taguig City, Metro Manila, Philippines**
   Address of principal office

8. **(02) 886-2800**
   Registrant’s telephone number, including area code

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

10. Securities registered pursuant to Sections 4 and 8 of the RSA

    **Title of Each Class**
    **Number of Shares of Common Stock Outstanding and Amount of Debt Outstanding**

    **Common Stock P1 Par Value**
    **5,633,792,557**

    **Amount of Debt Outstanding (September 30, 2017)**
    **P272,128,645,062.00**

11. Indicate the item numbers reported herein: **9**

**Item 9: Other Events**

In a special meeting held today, the Board of Directors of Aboitiz Equity Ventures, Inc. (AEV) approved the following:

(1) Declaration of regular cash dividends in the amount of **One Peso and Twenty Eight Centavos (P1.28)** per share taken out of the Company’s unrestricted retained earnings as of December 31, 2017, to all stockholders of record as of the close of business hours on March 22, 2018, payable on April 12, 2018.
SIGNATURE (S)

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:

[Signature]

Manuel Alberto R. Colayco
Corporate Secretary

Date: March 8, 2018