

August 3, 2017

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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ATTENTION : **MR. JOSE VALERIANO B. ZUÑO III**
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ATTENTION : **MS. VINA VANESSA S. SALONGA**
Head, Issuer Compliance and Disclosures Department

Gentlemen:

Attached is 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:



MAILENE M. DE LA TORRE
Assistant Corporate Secretary

COVER SHEET

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S.E.C. Registration Number

A B O I T I Z E Q U I T Y V E N T U R E S , I N C .

(Company's Full Name)

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C I T Y , T A G U I G C I T Y , M E T R O M A N I L A

P H I L I P P I N E S

(Business Address: No. Street City / Town / Province)

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Month Day

Fiscal Year

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FORM TYPE

3rd Monday of

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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

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Domestic

Foreign

To be accomplished by SEC Personnel concerned

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SECURITIES & EXCHANGE COMMISSION

SEC FORM 17-C

CURRENT REPORT UNDER SECTION 17
OF THE SECURITIES REGULATION CODE (SRC)
AND SRC RULE 17.2(c) THEREUNDER

1. **August 3, 2017**
Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)
2. SEC Identification Number **CE02536** 3. BIR TIN **003-828-269-V**
4. **ABOITIZ EQUITY VENTURES, INC.**
Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter
5. **Philippines** 6. 
Province, country or other jurisdiction of incorporation Industry Classification Code
7. **32nd Street, Bonifacio Global City, Taguig City, Metro Manila, Philippines** **1634**
Address of principal office Postal Code
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 |
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| Common Stock ₱1 Par Value | 5,633,792,557 |
| Amount of Debt Outstanding (March 31, 2017) | ₱259,135,524,000.00 |

11. Indicate the item numbers reported herein: 9

Item 9: Other Events

Please see attached Press Release.

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:



Mailene M. de la Torre
Assistant Corporate Secretary

Date: August 3, 2017

PRESS RELEASE
3 August 2017

Aboitiz InfraCapital consolidates water investments

The Aboitiz Group has consolidated all its water investments under its infrastructure unit Aboitiz InfraCapital, Inc., (AIC). The group recently announced AIC's acquisition of LiMA Water Corporation (LWC) in Batangas, and it took a minority stake in Balibago Waterworks System, Inc. (BWSI) in Pampanga.

On August 1, AIC acquired LWC from affiliate Aboitiz Land, Inc., the land business unit of the Aboitiz Group and took full operational control of LWC on the same day.

LWC provides industrial and potable water with a daily capacity of 8,700 cubic meters and a full capacity of 40,000 cubic meters from its own deep well sources and reservoirs and ensures the 24-hour availability and sufficiency of water supply.

In addition, AIC acquired on August 3 for about P275 million an 11.14% minority stake in BWSI previously held by San Fernando Electric Light & Power Co. This minority stake will allow AIC to be a part of an established water market participant.

BWSI provides running water to over 150,000 households in its franchise areas. After 54 years in public service, the National Water Resources Board currently considers BWSI the largest and most efficiently operated provincial privately owned waterworks system in the country. Through AIC's investment in BWSI, AIC will partner with an established market player in the water sector operating over 50 water distribution franchise areas throughout the country.

"These acquisitions will enable AIC to establish its position as a provider of water and wastewater-related services to residential, commercial and industrial customers. These steps are key for AIC to achieve its goal of building franchises across the entire water value chain." said Erramon I. Aboitiz, AEV President and Chief Executive Officer and AIC Chairman.

The Aboitiz Group's first infrastructure venture, Apo Agua Infraestructura, Inc., is a bulk water project that will provide Davao City with 300 million liters per day. Apo Agua, a joint venture between AEV and J.V. Angeles Construction Corporation, had previously signed an agreement with the Davao City Water District to build one of the country's largest private bulk water supply projects. Upon completion, the facility will have a capacity of 300 million liters per day of potable water sourced from the Tamugan River to benefit Davao City's one million residents.

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About Aboitiz InfraCapital

Aboitiz InfraCapital (AIC) undertakes all of the infrastructure and infrastructure-related investments of the Aboitiz Group. Aside from AIC, the Aboitiz Group's other

infrastructure units include Republic Cement and Building Materials, Inc., Aboitiz Equity Ventures, Inc.'s (AEV's) partnership with CRH plc, and Apo Agua Infraestructura, Inc., a joint venture between AEV and J.V. Angeles Construction Corporation that will build one of the country's largest private bulk water supply projects.

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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