May 3, 2019

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
PHILIPPINE STOCK EXCHANGE, INC.
PSE Tower, 28th Street, cor. 5th Avenue,
Bonifacio Global City, Taguig City

ATTENTION : MS. JANET A. ENCARNACION
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 : ATTY. JOSEPH B. EVANGELISTA
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
COVER SHEET

S.E.C. Registration Number

ABOITIZ EQUITY VENTURES INC.

(Company's Full Name)

32ND STREET, BONIFACIO GLOBAL CITY, TAGUIG CITY, METRO MANILA

(PHILIPPINES)

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

MANUEL ALBERTO R. COLAYCO

Contact Person

(02) 886-2338

Company Telephone Number

1231

Month Day

Fiscal Year

17-C

FORM TYPE

0422

Month Day

4th Monday of April

Annual Meeting

N/A

Secondary License Type, if Applicable

SEC

Dept. Requiring this Doc

N/A

Amended Articles Number/Section

X

Domestic Foreign

Total No. of Stockholders

To be accomplished by SEC Personnel concerned

File Number

LCU

Document I.D.

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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. **May 3, 2019**
   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. Industry Classification Code

7. **32nd Street, Bonifacio Global City, Taguig City, Metro Manila, Philippines 1634**
   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**

    5,632,792,557

    **Amount of Debt Outstanding (December 31, 2018)**

    P285,305,308,057.00

11. Indicate the item numbers reported herein: 9

**Item 9: Other Matters**

In relation to the application of Aboitiz Equity Ventures Inc. ("AEV" or the "Company") for the shelf registration of its proposed fixed rate bonds in the aggregate principal amount of Php30 billion (the "Bonds"), the Philippine Ratings Services Corporation ("PhilRatings") assigned an issue credit rating of "PRS Aaa" with a Stable Outlook to first tranche of the Bonds, equivalent to Php3 billion with an oversubscription option of up to Php2 billion.

According to PhilRatings, obligations rated "PRS Aaa" are of the highest quality with minimal credit risk, an indication of the extremely strong capacity of the obligor to meet its financial commitment on the obligation. A Stable Outlook is defined as "The rating is likely to be maintained or to remain unchanged in the next 12 months." The rating and outlook were assigned based on the following key considerations: (i) AEV’s highly experienced management team; (ii) the company’s sustainable profitability and liquidity;
and (iii) its continuously growing asset and investment portfolio, supported by conservative leveraging.

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:

Manuel Alberto R. Colayco
Corporate Secretary

Date: May 3, 2019