



Republic of the Philippines
DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

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To : Anonymous Email Sender
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Subject : Prevent the Bypass of the Philippine Energy Contracting Round (PECR)


To whom it may concern,

This refers to your email message to the Department of Energy (DOE), received by Secretary Alfonso G. Cusi on 27 November 2016, stating therein a request to prevent the bypass of PECR. In view of the matter, Secretary Cusi has instructed the undersigned to respond to your concern and provide you the following clarifications:

1. Applications for Petroleum Service Contracts are only accepted during the conduct of PECRs. The recent contracting round (PECR5) was launched last 09 May 2014 and its application period ended on 30 June 2015;
2. DOE has opted not to offer areas for petroleum exploration in the Mindanao Region, specifically those localities under the purview of the proposed Bangsamoro Basic Law (BBL), in light of the ongoing discussions for the passing of the BBL;
3. The conduct of the next PECR is yet to be announced. Interested parties may however access the recent PECR5 guidelines, maps and other relevant information/resources through the DOE-PECR microsite at www.doe.gov.ph/pecr5 for convenient reference.

Please rest assured that the DOE, in its thrust to effectively promote energy resource exploration and development, employs and will continue to employ all transparent and competitive means to achieve its objectives and provide a level playing field to all interested parties with the end in view of realizing energy self-sufficiency for the country.

We hope that we have adequately shed light to your concern. Please feel free to coordinate with our office through Mr. Guillermo H. Ansay, Chief of the Petroleum Resources Development Division (PRDD), at telephone numbers (02) 812-4016 or (02) 479-2900 local 237 should you require further information on the matter.

Very truly yours,

Donato D. Marcos
Undersecretary

Cc: Secretary Alfonso G. Cusi

(Attachment)

ANONYMOUS EMAIL MESSAGE TO SECRETARY CUSI

> ----- Forwarded Message -----

> From: 58ce2i+f3paizxe8id14@guerrillamail.com

> To: "alfonso cusi" <alfonso.cusi@doe.gov.ph>

> Sent: Sunday, November 27, 2016 12:30:10 AM

> Subject: Prevent the Bypass of the PECR

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> Dear Dr. Cusi,

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> We, concerned citizens, hope that you will remain steadfast in upholding the spirit of fairness, and continue the fight against corruption in the government.

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> We all know that the primary purpose of the Philippine Energy Contracting Round (PECR) is to provide equal opportunity to all players, big or small, in the energy sector.

> For the record (confidential information), there has been ongoing talks between a "private company" and officials from the Town of Jolo, Sulu seeking to obtain a Service Contract Area near SC 56, and "bypass" the PECR.

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> We absolutely understand the fact that the Philippines, especially Mindanao, is still currently energy-deficient, however, we believe that this situation does NOT give the right to the Energy Department to give out Service Contracts in favor just to a particular company or town officials without going through the PERC as a legal "bidding" process.

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> We, concerned citizens, pray for your guidance from the Almighty God that you may be firm in your resolve.

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