#### SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

### SEC FORM 17-LC (COVID 19)

#### NOTIFICATION OF INABILITY TO FILE SEC FORM 17-A OR 17-Q

#### **GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS**

- 1. This is a special Form that may be filed during the period while a state of national public health emergency is in effect.
- 2. It shall be signed by an executive officer of the issuer or by any other duly authorized representative. The name and title of the person signing the form shall be typed or printed beneath the signature. If the this Form is signed on behalf of the issuer by an authorized representative other than an executive officer, a statement evidencing the representative's authority to sign on behalf of the issuer shall be filed with the Form.
- 3. A PDF or image copy of this Form shall be uploaded through the PSE EDGE, for Publicly Listed Company (PLC) or sent via email to <a href="mailto:msrd\_covid19@sec.gov.ph">msrd\_covid19@sec.gov.ph</a>, for non- PLC. However, the Commission reserves the right to require the company to submit a hard copy of this Form at a later date after the lifting of any home restriction under the community quarantine order.

\*\*\*\* End of Instruction Part \*\*\*\*

# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION SEC FORM 17-LC (COVID 19) NOTIFICATION OF INABILITY TO FILE SEC FORM 17-A OR 17-Q

#### Check One:

	SEC Form 17-A [X] SEC Form 17-Q[]
Pei	riod/Ended Date of required filingDecember 31, 2019
Dat	te of this report <u>April 8, 2020</u>
No	thing in this Form shall be construed to imply that the Commission has verified any information contained herein.
1. 8	SEC Identification Number <u>11341</u>
3.	BENGUET CORPORATION  Exact name of issuer as specified in its charter
4.	Metro Manila, Philippines
5.	Industry Classification Code: (SEC Use Only)
6.	7 <sup>th</sup> Floor Universal Re-Building, 106 Paseo de Roxas, Makati City
7.	8812-1380 / 7751-9137

Former name, former address, and former fiscal year, if changed since last report.
9. Are any of the issuer's securities listed on a Stock Exchange?
Yes[X] No[]
If yes, disclose the name of such Stock Exchange and the class of securities listed therein:
The Company's Common Class "A", Convertible Preferred Class "A" and Common Class "B" shares of the Company are listed on the Philippine Stock Exchange (PSE).
PART I - REPRESENTATIONS
If the subject report could not be filed <b>due to COVID19</b> and the issuer seeks relief from SRC Rule 17-1, the following should be completed. (Check box if appropriate)
(a) The operation of the Company is. [X] Domestic Only [] Domestic and Foreign
(b) The subject annual report on SEC Form 17-A [ X ] and/or the subject quarterly report on SEC Form 17-Q [ ] will be filed within the period prescribed in SEC MC 5, series of 2020 or in any amendment thereto. <sup>1</sup>
PART II- OTHER INFORMATION
(a) Name, address and telephone number, including area code, and position/title of person to contact in regard to this notification
(b) Have all other periodic reports required under Section 17 of the Code and under Sections 25 and 177 of the Revised Corporation Code, during the preceding 12 months, or for such shorter period that the issuer was required to file such report(s), been filed? If the answer is no, identify the report(s).
Yes [X] No [] Reports:
(c) The indicative date the company would convene the Annual Stockholders' Meeting:
Under the amended By-Laws of the Company, its regular stockholders' meeting is to be held on the first Wednesday of November of each year, or on such other day in November as may be determined by the Board of Directors. For this year, the same will fall on November 4, 2020.
SIGNATURE
Pursuant to the requirements of the SRC Rule 17-1, the issuer has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.
BENGUET CORPORATION.  Registrant's full name as contained in charter  MAX D. ARCEÑO  Vice President – Finance & Treasurer.  Signature and Title  DateApril 8, 2020.

8. .....N/A.....

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> For PLC with domestic operation only, the filing of 17\_A or 17-Q is extended until 30 June 2020. For PLC with foreign operation, the filing of said reports is extended until 30 June 2020 or 60 days from that date of lifting of travel restrictions/ban by the concerned government authorities, whichever comes later.



## CERTIFICATION

I, MAX D. ARCEÑO, is a duly authorized representative of BENGUET CORPORATION with SEC Registration Number 11341 and with principal office at 7<sup>th</sup> Floor Universal Re-Building, 106 Paseo de Roxas, Makati City, do hereby certify and state that:

- Benguet Corporation will comply with the guidelines for the alternative filing of reports and/or documents through electronic mail with the Securities and Exchange Commission through Corporate Governance and Finance Department (CGFD) issued on 18 March 2020 in light of the imposition of an Enhanced Community Quarantine and Stringent Social Distancing Measures over Luzon to prevent the spread of the 2019 Coronavirus Disease (COVID-2019).
- 2. The information contained in the Company's SEC Form 17-LC (COVID 19) Notification of Inability to File SEC Form 17-A (2019 Annual Report) are true and correct to the best of my knowledge.
- 3. On behalf of Benguet Corporation, I hereby undertake to a) submit hard or physical copies of the Company's SEC Form 17-LC (COVID 19) with proper notarization and certification, b) pay the filing fees (where applicable) c) pay the penalties due (where applicable) d) other impositions (where applicable, within ten (10) calendar days from the date of the lifting of the Enhanced Community Quarantine period and resumption of SEC's normal working hours.
- 4. I am fully aware that non-submission of hard/physical copies of reports as well as certification that they refer to one and the same document submitted online, within ten (10) calendar days from the lifting of the Enhanced Community Quarantine period and resumption of SEC's normal working hours, shall invalidate the reports, applications, compliance, requests and other documents submitted via email. Hence, the corresponding penalties under existing rules and regulations of the Commission shall apply without prejudice to the imposition of penalties under Section 54 of the Securities Regulation Code and other applicable existing rules and regulations for failure to comply with the orders of the Commission.

I am executing this Certification on April 8, 2020 to attest to the truthfulness of the foregoing facts and for whatever legal purpose it may serve.

BENGUET CORPORATION

By:

MAX D. ARCEÑO

Vice President – Finance & Treasurer Govt. ID: SSS ID No. 03-8205668-8