

## Republic of the Philippines

# **Department of Environment and Natural Resources**

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#### CERTIFICATION

### To Whom This May Concern:

This is to certify that Benguet Corporation (BC) is the operator/applicant of valid and subsisting mining tenements as of this date, as follows:

Project	Mining Contract/ Application	Status/Remarks
Pantingan Copper Gold Project	Mineral Production Sharing Agreement (MPSA) No. 154-2000- III granted to Balanga Bataan Minerals Corporation (BBMC)	<ol> <li>BC holds an Operating Agreement with BBMC.</li> <li>In Exploration Period.</li> </ol>
Benguet Gold Operation; Antamok Gold Operation; Ampucao Copper- Gold Project	MPSA application denominated as APSA No. 009-CAR	<ol> <li>BC is the applicant.</li> <li>Denied by the Mines and Geosciences Bureau (MGB) Cordillera         Administrative Region (CAR) on February 08, 2011.</li> <li>Motion for Reconsideration (MR) was filed in MGB CAR on March 03, 2011, which was subsequently denied on April 05, 2011.</li> <li>Appeal was filed in this Office on June 14, 2011, which was denied on February 01, 2016.</li> <li>With MR filed on February 19, 2016, which was denied on July 02, 2019.</li> <li>Filed an Appeal in DENR on July 18, 2019.</li> </ol>





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Zamboanga Gold Prospect	MPSA application denominated as APSA No. 000015-IX of Oreline Mining Corporation (OMC)	<ol> <li>BC holds an Operating Agreement with OMC.</li> <li>Denied by the MGB Regional Office (RO)         No. IX on May 12, 2010.</li> <li>MR was filed in MGB RO         No. IX on May 27, 2010,         but was denied on         January 16, 2013.</li> <li>With Appeal filed on         January 30, 2013, which         is undergoing evaluation         by this Office.</li> </ol>
Ilocos Norte Prospect	Financial or Technical Assistance Agreement application denominated as AFTA- 000003-I	BC is the applicant;     undergoing evaluation by     this Office.

This Certification is issued upon the request of Mr. Reynaldo P. Mendoza, Officer-In-Charge/Senior Vice-President, Legal Services, BC, per its Letter dated January 03, 2020.

Issued this **JAN 2 3 2020** at Quezon City, Philippines.

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ATTY. WILFREDO G. MONCANO

Acting Director M

Certification fee paid per Official Receipt No. <u>3763858 B</u> dated <u>JANUARY 22, 202</u>0