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#### SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

### SEC FORM 17-C **CURRENT REPORT UNDER SECTION 17** OF THE SECURITIES REGULATION CODE AND SRC RULE 17.2(c) THEREUNDER

1. August 12, 2015 Date of Report

2. SEC Identification No.: 91447 3. BIR Tax Identification No.: 000-190-324-000

#### 4. SEMIRARA MINING AND POWER CORPORATION

Exact name of issuer as specified in its charter

5. Philippines

Province, country or other jurisdiction of incorporation

(SEC Use Only) Industry Classification Code:

7. 2/F, DMCI Plaza, 2281 Chino Roces Avenue, Makati City

Address of principal office

1231 Postal Code

8. (632) 888-3000/3055 Fax No. (632) 888-3955

Issuer's telephone number, including area code

9. Semirara Mining Corporation

Former name or former address, if changed since last report

10. Securities registered pursuant to Sections 8 and 12 of the SRC or Sections 4 and 8 of the RSA Number of Shares of Common Stock

Title of Each Class

(Outstanding) 1,068,750,000

**Common Shares** 

11. Indicate the item numbers reported herein: **Item 9**.

Previously we disclosed that the Department of Environment and Natural Resources-Environmental Management Bureau, Main Office (Quezon City) issued a Cease Desist Order dated July 21, 2015 suspending until further notice the Company's Environmental Compliance Certificate (ECC) for its East Panian Expansion Project (ECC-CO-9805-009-302A).

Today, we received an Order dated August 10, 2015 from DENR Main Office lifting the Suspension Order on the Company's ECC on the basis of its finding that there is no adverse effect or damage to the environment in relation to the landslide that occurred at the North edge of the Panian Mine and same is due to fortuitous event. Further in said Order, the DENR included additional conditions in the Company's ECC which effectively amended the same. A copy of the Order is hereto attached for your immediate reference.

## **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Regulation Code, the issuer has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

Issuer : Semirara Mining and Power Corporation

Signature and Title : JOHN R. SADULLO

VP-Legal & Corporate Secretary

Date : August 12, 2015

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ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT BUREAU

DENR Compound, EMB Building, Visayas Avenue 1ME 971 SiGN January, Quezon City

IN THE MATTER OF ADMINISTRATIVE CASE

EMB-EIA CASE NO. VI-00018-15

- versus -

IN RE: Violations of PD 1586 and its Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR)

SEMIRARA MINING CORPORATION

Respondent

ORDER

Before the undersigned for consideration is Respondent's commitment made in open session during a Technical Conference held on 04 August 2015 relevant to the Motion to lift Cease and desist Order (CDO) and Suspension Order filed on 27 July 2015.

Records will reveal that on July 21, 2015, an Order was issued by this Office suspending Respondent's Environmental Compliance Certificate (ECC), to wit:

"WHEREFORE, premises considered, the Environmental Compliance Certificate issued to Respondent for its East Panian Expansion Project (ECC-CO-9805-009-302A) on 27 November 2009 is hereby suspended until further notice."

A copy of the subject Order was personally served upon Respondent on 22 July 2015.

In its Motion to lift Cease and Desist Order (CDO) and Suspension Order, Respondent claimed that it did not violate any provision of its ECC citing the following explanation in support thereof:

- "1. It bears emphasis at the outset that the accidental collapse of the northern wall of the Panian Pit did not cause any damage or impact to the environment.
- 2. The implementation of stabilization and erosion control measures mentioned in Paragraph 1(c) above of the ECC conditions cited as basis of the questioned orders refers to control measures.
- 3. The benching inside the mining pit that were affected by the collapse of the wall in the instant case are not the "roads" contemplated in the ECC provision.

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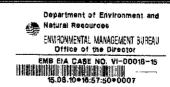
- 4. The accident that occurred in the mine site did not have any adverse impact on the environment.
- 5. The collapse of the wall was a fortuitous event beyond the control of Respondent."

On 28 July 2015, this Office convened the Environmental Impact Assessment and Review Committee (EIARC) on July 28, 2015 to review and evaluate the EIA Study as well as the ECC issued to Respondent on November 27, 2009. After evaluating the records as well as the the ECC issued, the following were recommended to be included as part of Respondent's ECC, viz:

- 1. The proponent shall submit proof of compliance (eg. certification from DOE) on an annual basis of the following:
  - a. Formulation and implementation of comprehensive monitoring program to monitor slope movements and groundwater conditions to ensure that the slope stability is always with the prescribed standard.
  - b. Compliance with coal mine safety rules and regulations as provided for under the ERDB, Circular 1, series of 1978 of the DOE.
- 2. Submit a detailed assessment on the cause of slope failure, probable mechanism of slope failure, performance of monitoring instruments such as piezometer, tilt meters and ground water level in open hole monitoring wells (if there is any). The assessment shall also include climate change considerations/ projections and hydrological/hydrogeological events on the stability as well as erodibility of the mine workings. Likewise, a finite element modelling is required for the assessment."
- 3. Conduct a hazard and operability (HAZOP) study within sixty (60) days. The HAZOP shall be updated every five (5) years thereafter, to ensure that hazards and risks are kept at a minimum. The report shall be submitted to EMB Central Office within sixty (60) days from the conduct of assessment.
- 4. Installation of automatic weather station.

Acordingly, a Technical Conference was held last 04 August 2015 to among others present and discuss the result of the reexamination of the EIA study as well as Respondent's ECC.

During the conference, Respondent expressed willingness to comply with recommended conditions to be included as part of its ECC. In fact it was manifested that most of the recommended conditions are already being done by the Respondent, which is being reported to the Department of Energy (DOE) consistent with their mandate to monitor its coal mining operation.



**WHEREFORE**, in view of the foregoing, the abovementioned conditions are deemed incorporated in the ECC.

Accordingly, the Suspension Order is hereby lifted.

The Regional Director is hereby directed to <u>serve and execute this Order</u> within seventy-two (72) hours from receipt hereof. A report shall likewise be submitted to the undersigned within forty-eight (48) hours from execution stating the proceedings taken therein.

SO ORDERED.

AUG 10 2015

ATTY. JUAN MIGUEL T. CUNA

DENR Assistant Secretary and Concurrent EMB Director

Attested by:

ATTY. MICHAEL DRAKE P. MATIAS OIC-Chief, EIA Management Division