

May 3, 2018

#### SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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ATTENTION : DIR. VICENTE GRACIANO P. FELIZMENIO, JR.

Markets and Securities Regulation Department

via PSE EDGE

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

ATTENTION : MR. JOSE VALERIANO B. ZUÑO III

OIC - 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 : MS. ERIKA GRACE C. ALULOD

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.

Bv:

MANUEL ALBERTO R. COLAYCO

Corporate Secretary<sup>RCL</sup>



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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, 2018												
	Date of Report (Date of earliest event	reported)											
2.	SEC Identification Number <u>CEO2536</u>	3.	BIR TIN <u>003-8</u>	28-269-V									
4.	ABOITIZ EQUITY VENTURES, INC.												
	Exact name of registrant as specified in	n its charter		_									
5.	<u>Philippines</u>	6.											
	Province, country or other jurisdiction of incorporation		Industry Classifica	tion Code									
7.	32 <sup>nd</sup> Street, Bonifacio Global City, Tag	Manila, Philippines	ippines 1634										
	Address of principal office			Postal Code									
8.	(02) 886-2800												
	Registrant's telephone number, includ	ling area code											
9.	N.A.												
	Former name or former address, if cha	anged since last re	eport										
10.	Securities registered pursuant to Sections 4 and 8 of the RSA												
	Title of Each Class	r of Shares of Comm											
	Outstanding and Amount of Debt Outstanding												
	Common Stock P1 Par Value		5,633,792,557										
	Amount of Debt Outstanding (Decem	<del>P</del> 2762,	013,440,585.00										
11.	Indicate the item numbers reported herein: 9												
	Item 9: Other Events												
	Please see attached Press Release.												

## 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<sup>RCL</sup>

Date: May 3, 2018



# PRESS RELEASE 3 May 2018

## AEV first quarter net income up 3%

Aboitiz Equity Ventures, Inc. (AEV) grew its first quarter consolidated net income by 3% to P4.8 billion from P4.7 billion last year due to lower one-off losses representing net unrealized foreign exchange losses.

Power accounted for 64% of total income contributions, followed by Banking & Financial Services (30%), Food (6%), Land (1%), and Infrastructure (-2%).

"Our diversified portfolio gives us the resilience to sail through varying business cycles. The underlying strength of our core operations and a vibrant economy keep us optimistic on our long-term fundamentals," Erramon I. Aboitiz, AEV President and Chief Executive Officer, said.

Aboitiz Power Corporation's net income contribution to AEV decreased by 9% YoY from P3.4 billion to P3.1 billion, even as core net income rose by 4% to P5.2 billion from P5 billion, due to higher unrealized foreign exchange losses.

Meanwhile, Union Bank of the Philippines' first quarter income contribution to AEV increased by 32% YoY, from P1.1 billion to P1.4 billion, driven by higher revenues.

Pilmico Foods Corporation and its subsidiaries reported a net income of P264 million for the first quarter of 2018, 10% lower than 2017's P292 million, due mostly to the higher cost of raw materials and operating expenses.

Aboitiz Land, Inc. and other subsidiaries reported a net income of \$259 million for the first quarter of 2018, down 18% YoY due to increased borrowing expenses for the funding of developments.

On the other hand, Republic Cement and Building Materials, Inc.'s income contribution to AEV decreased 140% YoY from a P202 million net income to a net loss of P82 million, mainly due to energy input costs, which were higher compared to the same period last year.

#### **About Aboitiz Equity Ventures**

Aboitiz Equity Ventures, Inc. (AEV) is the public holding company of the Aboitiz Group with major investments in power, banking and financial services, food, infrastructure, and land. Today, AEV is recognized as one of the best-managed companies in the Philippines and in the region, consistently cited for its commitment to good corporate

governance and corporate social responsibility. With five generations of Aboitiz Group business success behind it, AEV continues to drive change for a better world by advancing business and communities.

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