

January 10, 2020

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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

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Head, Disclosure Department

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PHILIPPINE DEALING & EXCHANGE CORP.

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ATTENTION : **ATTY. MARIE ROSE M. MAGALLEN-LIRIO**

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.

By:

MALENE M. DE LA TORRE Assistant Corporate Secretary

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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

11.	Amount of Debt Outstanding (Septem Indicate the item numbers reported he)	P 308,529,580,608.00								
	Common Stock P1 Par Value	5,632,792,557										
	Title of Each Class	of Shares of Common Stock and Amount of Debt Outstanding										
10.	Securities registered pursuant to Sections 4 and 8 of the RSA											
9.	N.A. Former name or former address, if cha	nged since la	st r	eport								
8.	(02) 8 886-2800 Registrant's telephone number, includi	ng area code		·								
7.	32 nd Street, Bonifacio Global City, Tagu Address of principal office	uig City, Metr	ro N	Manila, Philippines 1634 Postal Code								
5.	Philippines Province, country or other jurisdiction of incorporation	6	-	Industry Classification Code								
4.	ABOITIZ EQUITY VENTURES INC. Exact name of registrant as specified in	its charter										
2.	SEC Identification Number <u>CEO2536</u>	3		BIR TIN 003-828-269-V								
1.	January 10, 2020 Date of Report (Date of earliest event r	eported)										

Item 9: Other Matters

Aboitiz Equity Ventures Inc. ("AEV") announced that following the fixed income investor meetings and conference calls in HongKong, Singapore, and London, it had successfully set the terms of a US dollar-denominated Regulation S-only senior unsecured notes, at an aggregate principal amount of USD400 million and a tenor of 10 years (the "Notes"). AEV International Pte. Ltd. ("AEVI"), a wholly owned subsidiary of AEV based in Singapore, will issue the Notes. The Notes are unrated, have a fixed coupon rate of 4.2% payable semiannually, and are unconditionally and irrevocably guaranteed by AEV as the guarantor. Upon issuance, the Notes will be listed on the Singapore Exchange. The settlement date for the Notes is expected to be on January 16, 2020.

The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Limited Singapore Branch, Standard Chartered Bank, DBS Bank Ltd., Mizuho Securities (Singapore) Pte. Ltd. and MUFG Securities Asia Limited Singapore Branch will act as joint lead managers and The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Limited and Standard Chartered Bank will act as joint global coordinators. BDO Capital & Investment Corporation, BPI Capital Corporation and China Bank Capital Corporation will act as co-managers.

Proceeds will be used for reimbursement of funding AEVI received for the Gold Coin Group acquisition, proposed offshore investments, and for general corporate purposes.

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:

Mailene M. de la Torre

Assistant Corporate Secretary

Date: January 10, 2020

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PRESS RELEASE 10 January 2020

AEV raises \$400M for offshore expansion in maiden dollar bond issue

Tapping the international bond market for the very first time, Aboitiz Equity Ventures Inc. ("AEV") priced \$400 million in fixed-rate, US dollar-denominated Regulation S-only senior unsecured notes (the "Notes") to be issued by its wholly-owned subsidiary, AEV International Pte Ltd. ("AEVI"). Upon issuance, the Notes will be listed on the Singapore Exchange.

Following fixed income investor meetings and conference calls in Hong Kong, Singapore, and London, the Notes priced at par, will be issued with a coupon rate of 4.2% per annum and a tenor of 10 years.

The Notes on issuance will be unrated, payable semi-annually, and are unconditionally and irrevocably guaranteed by AEV. The settlement date for the Notes is expected to be on January 16, 2020.

"This bond issuance reflects our optimism in the strength of our fundamentals and the healthy appetite among foreign investors today. We look forward to availing of the international market to fund further growth and enable us to advance business and communities," said Sabin M. Aboitiz, AEV President and Chief Executive Officer.

Final demand for the offering was over USD 1.0 billion, equivalent to an oversubscription of over twice the issue amount, from over 80 investors. In terms of investor breakdown by geography, over 50% was allocated to Asia (ex-Philippines), approximately one-third to onshore Philippine accounts, and over 10% to Europe, the Middle East and Africa.

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Proceeds from this maiden issuance will be used for reimbursement of funding AEVI received for the Gold Coin Group acquisition, proposed offshore investments, and for general corporate purposes.

The Gold Coin acquisition, completed in 2019, is the largest investment of the Aboitiz Group via Pilmico International (a wholly-owned subsidiary of AEV International) in the Asia-Pacific region. The said acquisition has expanded Pilmico International's footprint in 11 Asian countries.

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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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