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( Business Address : No./ Street / City Town / Province )

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| <b>RICARDO M. PILARES III</b> |
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Contact Person

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| <b>8888-0888</b> |
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Company Telephone Number

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**METRO PACIFIC INVESTMENTS CORPORATION**

15 March 2023

**PHILIPPINE STOCK EXCHANGE**

PSE TOWER  
28<sup>th</sup> Street corner 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
BGC, Taguig City

**SECURITIES & EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

7907 Makati Avenue, Salcedo Village  
Barangay Bel-Air  
Makati City, 1209

Attention: **MR. JOSE VALERIANO B. ZUÑO**  
OIC – HEAD, Disclosure Department

**DIR. VICENTE GRACIANO P. FELIZMENIO, JR.**  
Markets and Securities Regulation Department

**RE: SEC FORM 17-C**  
**METRO PACIFIC INVESTMENTS CORPORATION (“MPIC”)**

Metro Pacific Investments Corporation (“MPIC”) submits the attached SEC Form 17-C containing MPIC’s response to the Securities and Exchange Commission’s letter dated March 14, 2023 in relation to the news article entitled “MVP mulls retirement” published in the Philippine Star on March 13, 2023.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "R. Pilares III", written over a faint horizontal line.

**RICARDO M. PILARES III**

Vice President for Legal/Compliance Officer

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. **15 March 2023**  
Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)
2. SEC Identification Number **CS200604494**
3. BIR Tax Identification No. **244-520-457-000**
4. **METRO PACIFIC INVESTMENTS CORPORATION**  
Exact name of issuer as specified in its charter
5. **METRO MANILA, PHILIPPINES**  
Province, country or other jurisdiction of incorporation
6.  (SEC Use Only)  
Industry Classification Code:
7. **9<sup>th</sup> Floor, Tower 1, Rockwell Business Center, Ortigas Avenue, Pasig City**  
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Address of principal office  
1604  
Postal Code
8. **(632) 8888-0888**  
Issuer's telephone number, including area code
9. **NA**  
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

| Title of Each Class           | Number of Shares of Common Stock Outstanding and Amount of Debt Outstanding |
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| <b>COMMON SHARES OF STOCK</b> | <b>28,695,934,752*</b>  |

*\*as reported by the stock transfer agent as of 15 March 2023.*

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

## Item 9. Other Items

We write in response to your letter dated March 14, 2023 in relation to the above-captioned news article (the “**SEC Letter**”). In the SEC Letter, you directed Metro Pacific Investments Corporation (the “**Company**”) to perform the following:

1. Immediately cause the posting in the PSE EDGE before the start of trading on Wednesday, 15 March 2023 of the pertinent confirmation or denial of the above news article as to each of the following salient points:
  - a. The contemplation of Manuel V. Pangilinan’s retirement and the search of new CEOs for the conglomerate;
  - b. The statement “may soon welcome a strategic investor”, and
  - c. The delisting from the market.
2. To file the Company’s reply through SEC Form 17-C to the Commission on or before 5:00 PM, Wednesday, 15 March 2023.

We provide our reply to each item below:

1. Mr. Pangilinan did not announce that he is retiring, or that he has retired, from the Company. In the interview Mr. Pangilinan stated that he is making plans for his eventual retirement, to ensure leadership succession. He was quoted in the Philstar.com article as stating, “[i]t is staring me in the face. I know I only have X years to go in my useful life. And I’m planning for that (retirement).” The news article refers to a succession plan that Mr. Pangilinan is putting in place, consistent with the Company’s Succession Planning Policy. Mr. Pangilinan will remain to be the Company’s Chairman and President and CEO for the foreseeable future.
2. As stated in the Company’s PSE Form 4-13 (Clarification of News Reports) filed on January 12, 2023, as the leading infrastructure company with a very attractive portfolio of assets, MPIC receives as lot of interest from investors. The Company considers all offers for the benefit of the Company and its shareholders, but to date, it has not entered into any definitive agreement for an acquisition by any party of a substantial interest in the Company, and neither is the Company aware of any definitive agreement entered into by its principal shareholders. In the Philstar.com article, the Company’s Chief Finance Officer, Ms. June Cheryl Cabal-Revilla also clarified that nothing is final yet, meaning that the Company has not entered into any definitive agreement relating to the entry of a strategic investor. Based on the foregoing, there has been no transaction which requires the filing of a disclosure with the Philippine Stock Exchange (“PSE”) and the Honorable Commission.
3. Finally, the Company also stated in its PSE Form 4-13 (Clarification of News Reports) filed on January 13, 2023, regarding a news article on the delisting of the Company, that the Company discusses several options for the benefit of the Company and its stakeholders, and among the options that were considered is the delisting of the Company’s shares from the PSE. However, while delisting has been discussed as an option, no final decision has been made to date. This remains true to date, and no event has occurred to date which requires a disclosure to the PSE and the Honorable Commission.

Pursuant to the PSE's recent policy of requiring any disclosure under SEC Form 17-C to be filed first with the Honorable Commission before it is posted in PSE EDGE, we are submitting this to the Commission prior to filing with the PSE. We will comply with the Honorable Commission's order to file this letter in PSE EDGE prior to the open of trading hours on March 15, 2023.

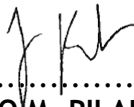
We trust that this sufficiently addresses your concerns. Rest assured that the Company will comply with the requirements of the Implementing Rules and Regulations of the Securities Regulation Code and the PSE's Listing and Disclosure Rules upon the occurrence of any event requiring disclosure for the benefit of the trading participants and the investing public.

### 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 hereunto duly authorized.

**METRO PACIFIC INVESTMENTS CORPORATION**  
MPIC or Issuer

**15 March 2023**  
Date



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**RICARDO M. PILARES III**  
Vice President for Legal/Compliance Officer

**From:** [MSRD COVID19](#)  
**To:** [MPIC Compliance](#)  
**Cc:** [Ricardo M. Pilares III](#); [Mary Adelaine S. Reyes](#); [Vicente Graciano P. Felizmenio Jr.](#); [Marlon G. Facun](#); [Jennifer D. Bingil](#); [CATHERINE E. GALIZA](#); [cgfd cgd](#)  
**Subject:** Re: MSRD Letter\_Metro Pacific Investment Corporation\_News Clarification  
**Date:** Wednesday, March 15, 2023 9:32:46 AM

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Gentlemen:

We acknowledge receipt of your email and its attachments.

Thank you.

Regards,

**MARKETS AND SECURITIES REGULATION DEPARTMENT**  
**PHILIPPINE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**The SEC Headquarters, 7907 Makati Avenue, Salcedo Village,**  
**Barangay Bel-Air, Makati City 1209**

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On Wed, Mar 15, 2023 at 9:24 AM MPIC Compliance <[compliance@mpic.com.ph](mailto:compliance@mpic.com.ph)> wrote:

Dear MSRD,

Please see attached SEC Form 17C containing our response to your request for clarification.

Kindly acknowledge receipt of this email.

Thank you!

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**From:** MSRD COVID19 <[msrd\\_covid19@sec.gov.ph](mailto:msrd_covid19@sec.gov.ph)>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 14, 2023 2:33 PM  
**To:** MPIC Compliance <[compliance@mpic.com.ph](mailto:compliance@mpic.com.ph)>; Ricardo M. Pilares III <[rmpilares@mpic.com.ph](mailto:rmpilares@mpic.com.ph)>; Mary Adelaine S. Reyes <[asreyes@mpic.com.ph](mailto:asreyes@mpic.com.ph)>  
**Cc:** Vicente Graciano P. Felizmenio Jr. <[vgpfelizmenio@sec.gov.ph](mailto:vgpfelizmenio@sec.gov.ph)>; Marlon G. Facun <[mgfacun@sec.gov.ph](mailto:mgfacun@sec.gov.ph)>; Jennifer D. Bingil <[jdbingil@sec.gov.ph](mailto:jdbingil@sec.gov.ph)>; CATHERINE E. GALIZA <[cegaliza@sec.gov.ph](mailto:cegaliza@sec.gov.ph)>