NOTICE AND AGENDA OF ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS

VIVANT CORPORATION

9th Floor, Oakridge IT Center 3, Oakridge Business Park, A.S. Fortuna Street, Brgy. Banilad, Mandaue City, Cebu

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Annual Stockholders' Meeting of VIVANT CORPORATION will be held virtually on **September 11, 2020 Friday at 10:00 in the morning via <u>www.zoom.us</u>. Due to restrictions on mass gatherings imposed by the government resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic, there will be no physical venue for the meeting.**

The Annual Stockholders' Meeting shall have the following Agenda:

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Proof of Notice and Determination of Quorum
- 3. Reading and Approval of Minutes of the Annual Stockholders' Meeting held on June 20, 2019
- 4. Annual Report of Officers
- 5. Approval of the 2019 Annual Report and Financial Statements
- 6. Appointment of External Auditor for 2020
- 7. Election of Directors (including Independent Directors)
- 8. Amendment of the By-laws to:
 - a. amend the notice requirements for the Stockholders' Meetings;
 - b. amend the quorum and voting requirements to allow Stockholders to participate and vote through remote communication or in absentia;
 - c. to amend the composition of the Board to conform with the minimum number of Independent Directors;
 - d. amend the quorum and voting requirements for meetings of the Board of Directors to include participation and voting through remote communication; and
 - e. amend the modes of sending Notices of Board Meetings.
- 9. Ratification of all Acts and Resolutions of the Board of Directors and Management Adopted for Fiscal Year 2019
- 10. Ratification of the Amendment of the Articles of Incorporation Change of Address
- 11. Other Matters that may properly be brought before the meeting
- 12. Adjournment

Only stockholders of record at the close of business as of August 14, 2020 are entitled to notice and to vote at this meeting.

Stockholders intending to participate by remote communication are required to pre-register through this e-mail address <u>corporatesecretary@vivant.com.ph</u> on or before 5:00 P.M. on 28 August 2020 and submit the following requirements:

For Individual Stockholders

- 1. A scanned copy of the stockholder's valid government-issued ID showing photo, signature, and personal details, including residential address (in JPG format). The file size should not be larger than 2MB.
- 2. A valid and active email address and contact number.

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For Corporate Stockholders

- 1. A Secretary's Certificate attesting to the authority of the representative of the corporate stockholder to attend and vote at the stockholders' meeting (in JPG format). The file size should not be larger than 2MB.
- 2. A scanned copy of the valid government-issued ID of the authorized representative of the corporate stockholder showing photo, signature, and personal details, including residential address (in JPG format). The file size should not be larger than 2MB.
- 3. A valid and active email address and contact number.

For Stockholders under PCD Participant/Brokers account

- 1. A broker certification on the stockholder's number of shareholdings (in JPG format). The file size should not be larger than 2MB.
- 2. A scanned copy of the stockholder's valid government-issued ID showing photo, signature, and personal details, including residential address (in JPG format). The file size should not be larger than 2MB.
- 3. A valid and active e-mail address and contact number.

Qualified stockholders who have successfully registered for the meeting will receive a confirmation of their verified status and an electronic invitation (e-invite) through their registered email addresses. The e-invite will include a complete guide on how to join the meeting and how to cast votes *in absentia* through the online voting portal or by proxy.

Should you be unable to attend the virtual meeting, we encourage you to vote by downloading and executing a proxy form in favor of a representative and by following the instructions on the voting instruction form, both of which are found on www.vivant.com.ph. In accordance with the Amended By-Laws of the Company, scanned copies of the proxies must be submitted for inspection, validation and record at least seven (7) days prior to the opening of the Stockholders' Meeting, or on or before September 4, 2020 to the Office of the Corporate Secretary at corporatesecretary@vivant.com.ph.

Should you have questions regarding the conduct of the Meeting, you may submit your queries to corporatesecretary@vivant.com.ph.

Pursuant to SEC Notice dated April 20, 2020, a copy of the Notice of the meeting, Definitive Information Statement, minutes of the previous meeting of the stockholders, and other documents related to the meeting may be accessed through the Company's website at www.vivant.com.ph.

There will be audio and virtual recording of the Annual Stockholders' Meeting a copy of which shall be made available to a stockholder upon request.

Mandaue City, July 21, 2020.

FOR THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

JESS ANTHONY N. GARCIA

Corporate Secretary

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AGENDA DETAILS AND RATIONALE

- 1. **Call to Order.** The Chairman of the Board of Directors, Mr. Ramontito E. Garcia, will call the meeting to order and preside over the same.
- 2. **Proof of Notice and Determination of Quorum.** The Corporate Secretary, Atty. Jess Anthony N. Garcia, will certify that pursuant to SEC Notice dated April 20, 2020, Notice of the meeting was published in the business section of two (2) newspapers of general circulation on August 13 and August 14, 2020. A copy of the Notice of the meeting, together with the Definitive Information Statement, minutes of the previous meeting of the stockholders, and other documents related to the meeting were made accessible through the Company's website at www.vivant.com.ph. The Corporate Secretary will also certify, based on the number of shares owned by Stockholders voting *in absentia*, or by proxy, or participating remotely in the meeting, whether quorum exists for the valid transaction of business at the meeting. Finally, the Corporate Secretary will explain the rules for the orderly conduct of the meeting.
- 3. Reading and Approval of Minutes of the Annual Stockholders' Meeting held on June 20, 2019. Copies of the draft Minutes are available for examination during office hours at the Office of the Corporate Secretary and the website of Vivant Corporation at www.vivant.com.ph. Stockholders will be asked to approve the draft Minutes and acknowledge the completeness and accuracy thereof. The text of the proposed resolution is as follows:

"WHEREAS, that the Stockholders of Vivant Corporation (the "Corporation") have reviewed the Minutes of the previous Annual Stockholders' Meeting;

RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved, that Stockholders of the Corporation approve the Minutes of the Annual Stockholders' meeting held on June 20, 2019."

- 4. **Annual Report of Officers.** The President will present the overview of Vivant Corporation's financial performance in 2019 and the highlights of the Corporation's performance in the first quarter of 2020. He will also present the challenges and highlights of 2019, and the outlook for 2020. Finally, he will provide an update on new policies of the Corporation and regulatory matters.
- 5. Approval of the 2019 Annual Report and Financial Statements. The Audited Financial Statement (the "AFS") of Vivant Corporation for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2019 contained in the Corporation's 2019 Annual Report and Information Statement, will be presented to the Stockholders for approval. The Chairman, President, any member of the Audit Committee, or any representative of the Company's external auditors, Sycip Gorres Velayo & Co. will respond to questions submitted by any stockholder regarding the Corporation's AFS for the fiscal year December 31, 2019.

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6. **Appointment of External Auditors for 2020.** Stockholders will be asked to approve the appointment of Sycip Gorres Velayo & Co. as Vivant Corporation's external auditors for 2020-2021. The external auditors will be tasked with the preparation of the annual audited statements. The text of the proposed resolution is as follows:

"WHEREAS, the Stockholders of the Corporation have the right to participate in key corporate governance decisions, such as the right to appoint the External Auditors;

RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved, that the Stockholders of the Corporation appoint SyCip Gorres Velayo & Co. as the External Auditors for 2020."

7. **Election of Directors (including Independent Directors).** For 2020, the candidates for the Board of Directors are the following:

MR. EDGAR JOHN A. GARCIA

MR. EMIL ANDRE M. GARCIA

MR. GIL A. GARCIA II

MR. CHARLES SYLVESTRE A. GARCIA

MR. RAMONTITO E. GARCIA

MR. ARLO A. G. SARMIENTO

MR. JOSE MARKO G. SARMIENTO

MR. CARMELO MARIA LUZA BAUTISTA (Independent Director)

MR. ROGELIO Q. LIM (Independent Director)

AMB. RAUL CH. RABE (Independent Director)

ATTY. JESUS B. GARCIA, JR. (Independent Director)

The profiles of the candidates to the Board are found on pages 18 to 21 of this Information Statement. For further reference and examination of the Stockholders, a summary of the business, professional experience for the past five (5) years are also provided in the Information Statement.

Stockholders will be given the opportunity to elect directors for 2020 individually through the cumulative voting process. Stockholders will be asked to cast their votes *in absentia* through the online voting portal or by proxy.

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- 8. Amendment of the Amended By-laws:
 - **8.1** Amend the notice requirements for the Stockholders' Meetings. The amendments are proposed to align the Notice of Meetings requirements with Section 49 of the Revised Corporation Code, which is to send out the Notices at least twenty-one (21) days before the meeting) and to facilitate sending out notices to stockholders through electronic mail or any form of messaging service or by posting through the website.

As proposed, Article II Section 4 will read as follows:

"Section 4. Notice of Meeting – Notices for the regular or special meetings of the stockholders may be sent by the <u>Corporate</u> Secretary either by personal delivery, <u>by private courier</u>, by mail - <u>postal or electronic</u>, <u>or by any form of messaging service</u>, <u>addressed to the physical or electronic address</u>, <u>or contact detail of</u> each stockholder of record or by publication in a newspaper of general circulation <u>or by posting on the website of the Corporation at least twenty-one</u> (21) days prior to the date of the meeting. The notice shall be deemed to have been given at the time when delivered personally or deposited with the post office or private courier, or sent by messaging service or by electronic mail to the address or contact detail provided by the stockholder, or published in a newspaper of general circulation, or posted on the website of the Corporation.

The notice of the meeting shall state the date, time and place of the meeting, a statement of the matters to be transacted at the meeting, and no business other than that specified in the notice shall be transacted at such meeting.

- **8.2** Amend the quorum and voting requirements to allow Stockholders to participate and vote through remote communication or in absentia. The amendments are proposed to to align the Quorum requirements with Section 23 of the Revised Corporation Code, and the manner of voting with Section 57 of the Revised Corporation Code to allow stockholders to vote through remote communication or in absentia, subject to the rules and regulations that may be issued by the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) from time to time.
 - 8.2.1 As proposed, Article II Section 5 will read as follows:

"Section 5. Quorum – Unless otherwise provided by law, in all regular or special meetings of stockholders, a majority of the outstanding capital stock must be present or represented in order to constitute a quorum. Stockholders participating through remote participation or in absentia, electronically or otherwise, shall be deemed present for the purpose of determining the existence of a quorum.

If no quorum is constituted, the meeting shall be adjourned until the requisite amount of stock shall be present.

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8.2.2 As proposed, Article II Section 7 will read as follows:

"Section 7. Proxies – Stockholders may vote in person, through remote participation, in absentia or by proxy in all meetings of the stockholders of the corporation. A proxy shall be in writing, signed by the stockholder or his duly authorized representative and filed with the office of the Corporate Secretary three (3) working days before the scheduled meeting. The Corporate Secretary shall only accept original copies of proxies. Only proxies bearing the signature of the duly authorized stockholder signatory(ies) on file with the corporation's transfer agent shall be recognized by the Secretary of the Meeting. A proxy is valid only for the meeting for which it is intended unless the proxy-giver grants a longer period which however should not be longer than five (5) years at any one time."

8.3 Amend the composition of the Board to conform with the minimum number of Independent Directors. The amendments are proposed to align the minimum number of Independent Directors with the requirements of law and as prescribed by the Securities and Exchange Commission.

As proposed, Article III Section 2 will read as follows:

"Section 2. <u>Composition of the Board</u>, Election and Term. The Board of Directors <u>shall have Eleven (11) members</u>, <u>who shall be</u> elected <u>by Corporation's the stockholders who shall be entitled to vote at the annual meeting</u> of the stockholders, and shall hold office for one (1) year and until their successors are elected and qualified <u>in accordance with these Bylaws</u>.

As a corporation publicly listed with the Philippine Stock Exchange, the Corporation shall conform with the minimum number of Independent Directors as may be required by law and prescribed by the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), and with the procedures for the nomination and election of Independent Directors as may be prescribed by law and issuances of the SEC."

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- **8.4** Amend the quorum and voting requirements for meetings of the Board of Directors to include participation and voting through remote communication. The amendments are proposed to align the modes of participation in board meetings with Section 52 of the Revised Corporation Code, which allows directors who cannot physically attend or vote to participate through remote communication.
 - 8.4.1 As proposed, Article III Section 4 will read as follows:

Section 4. Meetings – Regular meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held once every quarter of the year on such dates and at such times and places as the Chairman of the Board, or in his absence, the President, or upon the request of a majority of the directors and shall be held at such places as may be designated in the notice.

Directors who cannot physically attend or vote at board meetings can participate and vote through remote communication such as videoconferencing, teleconferencing, or other alternative modes of communication that allow them to participate.

8.4.2 As proposed, Article III Section 6 will read as follows:

Section 6. Quorum – A majority of the number of directors as filed in the Articles of Incorporation shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of corporate business, and every decision of at least a majority of the directors present at a meeting at which there is a quorum shall be valid as a corporate act, except for the election of officers which shall require the vote of a majority of all the members of the Board. <u>Directors participating through remote communication such as videoconferencing, teleconferencing, or other alternative modes of communication shall be deemed present for the purpose of determining the existence of a quorum</u>

8.5 Amend the modes of sending Notices of Board Meetings. The proposed amendments are proposed to align the Notice of Meetings requirements with the Revised Corporation Code and facilitate sending out notices to directors through electronic mail or any form of messaging service or application.

As proposed, Article III Section 5 will read as follows:

Section 5. Notice – Notice of the regular or special meeting of the Board, specifying the date, time and place of the meeting, shall be communicated by the Secretary to each director personally, or by telephone, telex, telegram, or by written, <u>electronic</u>, oral <u>or by any form of messaging service</u>. A director may waive this requirement, either expressly or impliedly.

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- 9. Ratification of all Acts and Resolutions of the Board of Directors and Management Adopted for Fiscal Year 2019. The Stockholders will be asked to ratify and confirm all acts, transactions and resolutions of the Board of Directors and Management in connection with the performance and operations of the Corporation.
- 10. Ratification of the Amendment of the Articles of Incorporation Change of Address. The stockholders will be asked to ratify the Amendment of the Articles of Incorporation to reflect the change of address. The amendment reads as follows:

THIRD: That the place where the principal office of the Corporation is to be established at:

9th Floor, Oakridge IT Center 3, Oakridge Business Park, A.S. Fortuna Street, Barangay Banilad, Mandaue City, Cebu, Philippines.

- 11. Other Matters that may properly be brought before the meeting. Stockholders may raise other relevant matters not included as an item in the Agenda. If such matters may be properly taken up in the meeting, Stockholders may be requested to consider the same.
- 12. **Adjournment.** After all business to be conducted at the Meeting has been considered, the Chairman will declare the Meeting concluded.

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PROXY FORM

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

existi and a in-fac the u	undersigned, a stockholder of VIVANT Congunder and by virtue of the laws of the point or at and proxy, with power of substitution, undersigned stockholder, at Vivant's Ally at 10:00 A.M. and any adjournment/	e Republic of the Phi r, in his absence, the C to represent and vot Annual Stockholders	lippines, do hereby name, constit Chairman of the meeting, as attorn e all shares registered in the nam	tute <i>ney-</i> e of
The a	bove-named proxy is to vote as follows:			
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2.	Approval of the 2019 Annual Report a Yes No	and Financial Statemo		
3.	Appointment of the External Auditors Yes No	s for 2020	n	
4.	Election of the Non-Independent Men 2021. Vote my shares as follows: Equally to all seven (7) nominees for all seven (7) nominees Distribute or cumulate my shares to be voted for each nominee*):	or non-independent for non-independen	members of the Board of Director t members of the Board of Director	ors
	Emil Andre M. Garcia	Yes	Abstain	
	Gil A. Garcia II	Yes	Abstain	
	Charles Sylvestre A. Garcia	Yes	Abstain	
	Arlo A. G. Sarmiento	Yes	Abstain	
	Ramontito E. Garcia	Yes	Abstain	
	Jose Marko Anton G. Sarmien	toYes	Abstain	
	Edgar John A. Garcia	Yes	Abstain	
	*Total votes cast should not exceed number of board seats (7) for non-inde	•	your name multiplied by the	
5.	Election of the Independent Member 2021. Vote my shares as follows: Equally to all four (4) nominees for Abstain for all four (4) nominees for Distribute or cumulate my shares to be voted for each nominee**):	r independent memb or independent mem	ers of the Board of Directors bers of the Board of Directors	ares
	Carmelo Maria Luza Bautista	Yes	Abstain	
	Rogelio Q. Lim	Yes	Abstain	
	Raul Ch. Rabe	Yes	Abstain	
	Jesus B. Garcia, Jr.	Yes	Abstain	
	*Total votes cast should not exceed number of board seats (4) for independ		our name multiplied by the	

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6.	Amendment of the Amended By-laws as follows:							
	7.1	Amend the notice	requirements for t	the Stockholders' Meet	ings			
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	7.2 Amend the quorum and voting requirements to allow Stockholde							
		bsentia.						
		○Yes	○ No	○ Abstain				
	7.3 Amend the composition of the Board to conform with the minimum number							
		of Independent Di	rectors					
		○Yes	○No	○ Abstain				
	7.4	·		uirements for meeting				
		Directors to includ	e participation and	d voting through remot	e communication.			
		○Yes	○ No	○ Abstain				
	7.5	Amend the modes	of sending Notice	s of Board Meetings.				
		○Yes	○ No	○ Abstain				
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		and Signature of			 Date			
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Securities & Exchange Commission SEC Form 20-IS

Information Statement Pursuant to Section 20 of the Securities Regulation Code

1. Check the appropriate box:

 $(\sqrt{})$ Preliminary Information Statement:

Definitive Information Statement: ()

2. Name of Registrant as specified in its charter: **VIVANT CORPORATION**

3. Province, country or other jurisdiction of Incorporation or

organization:

Cebu, Philippines

4. SEC Registration Number: 17522

5. BIR Tax Identification Code: 242-603-734-000

6. Address of Principal Office: 9th Floor, Oakridge IT Center 3,

> Oakridge Business Park, A.S. Fortuna Street, Brgy. Banilad, Mandaue City, Cebu 6014

7. Registrant's Telephone Number, including area code: +63 32 234-2256

+63 32 234-2285

8. Date, Time and Place of meeting of the security holders

Date: September 11, 2019 Friday

Time: 10:00 A.M.

Place: Virtual, through www.zoom.us

9. Approximate date on which the Information Statement is

first to be sent or given to security holders:

August 13, 2019

10. Securities registered pursuant to Sections 8 and 12 of the SRC or Sections 4 and 8 of the RSA:

Authorized Capital Stock:

Php 2,000,000,000.00

Title of Each Class	Par Value	No. of Shares	Authorized Capital Stock
Common	Php 1.00	2,000,000,000	Php 2,000,000,000.00

No. of Shares Outstanding as of December 31, 2019

1,023,456,698

11. Are any or all of the Registrant's securities listed in a Stock Exchange? Yes ($\sqrt{\ }$) No ()

The common stock of Vivant is listed at the Philippine Stock Exchange.

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INFORMATION REQUIRED IN INFORMATION STATEMENT

A. GENERAL INFORMATION

Item 1. Date, time and place of meeting of security holders.

Date : September 11, 2020 (Friday)

Time : **10:00 A.M.**

Place : Virtual, through <u>www.zoom.us</u>

Name, Complete Address and Contact

Numbers of Registrant:

VIVANT CORPORATION

9th Floor, Oakridge IT Center 3, Oakridge Business Park, A.S. Fortuna Street, Brgy. Banilad, Mandaue City, Cebu 6014

+63 32 234-2256 +63 32 234-2285

Approximate date when the Information Statement is first to be sent or given to security holders:

August 13, 2019

Item 2. Dissenters' Right of Appraisal.

There are no matters or proposed actions included in the Agenda of the Meeting that may give rise to a possible exercise by stockholders of their appraisal rights. Generally, however, the stockholders of Vivant Corporation (hereinafter referred to as "Vivant" or the "Company" or the "Registrant") have the right of appraisal in the following instances: (a) in case any amendment to the articles of incorporation has the effect of changing or restricting the rights of any stockholder or class of shares, or of authorizing preferences in any respect superior to those of outstanding shares of any class, or of extending or shortening the term of corporate existence; (b) in case of sale, lease, exchange, transfer, mortgage, pledge or other disposition of all or substantially all of the corporate property and assets as provided in the Revised Corporation Code; (c) in case of merger or consolidation; and (d) investment of corporate funds in another corporation or business or for any purpose other than the primary purpose for which it was organized (Sections 41 and 80 of the Revised Corporation Code).

With respect to any matter to be acted upon at meetings of stockholders of Vivant which may give rise to the right of appraisal, in order that a dissenting stockholder may exercise his appraisal right, such dissenting stockholder shall, within thirty (30) days after the date of the stockholders' meeting at which such stockholder voted against a corporate action, make a written demand on Vivant for the value of his shares. The procedure to be followed in exercising the appraisal right shall be in accordance with Sections 80 to 85 of Republic Act No. 11232 or the Revised Corporation Code.

The appraisal right may be exercised by any stockholder who shall have voted against the proposed corporate action, where appraisal rights are applicable, by making a written demand on Vivant within thirty (30) days after the date on which the vote was taken, for payment of the fair value of his shares; provided, that failure to make the demand within such period shall be deemed a waiver of the appraisal right. If the proposed corporate action is implemented or effected, Vivant shall pay to such stockholder, upon surrender of the certificate(s) of stock representing his shares, the fair value thereof as of the day prior to the date on which the vote was taken, excluding any appreciation or depreciation in anticipation of such corporate action.

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If within a period of sixty (60) days from the date the corporate action was approved by the stockholders, the withdrawing stockholder and Vivant cannot agree on the fair value of the shares, it shall be determined and appraised by three (3) disinterested persons, one (1) of whom shall be named by the stockholder, another by Vivant and the third by the two (2) thus chosen. The findings of the majority of the appraisers shall be final, and their award shall be paid by Vivant within thirty (30) days after such award is made; provided, that no payment shall be made to any dissenting stockholder unless Vivant has unrestricted retained earnings in its books to cover such payment; provided, further, that upon payment by Vivant of the agreed or awarded price, the stockholder shall forthwith transfer his shares to Vivant.

Item 3. Interest of Certain Persons in or Opposition to Matters to be Acted Upon

- (a) No current director or officer of, or nominee for election as director of Vivant, or any associate of any of the foregoing persons, has any substantial interest, direct or indirect, by security holdings or otherwise, in any matter to be acted upon in the stockholders' meeting, other than the election of the members of the Board of Directors.
- (b) No director has informed Vivant in writing that he intends to oppose any action to be taken by Vivant at the meeting.

B. CONTROL AND COMPENSATION INFORMATION

Item 4. Voting Securities and Principal Holders Thereof

(a) Class of Voting Shares as of June 30, 2020:

Class of Voting Shares	No. of Shares Entitled to Vote		
	Filipino	Foreign	
Common	1,023,265,804	190,894	
TOTAL	1,023,4	56,698	

Every stockholder shall be entitled to one vote for each share of stock held as of the established record date.

(b) Record Date

All stockholders of record as of August 14, 2020 are entitled to receive notice of and to vote at Vivant's Annual Stockholders' Meeting.

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(c) Election of Directors and Cumulative Voting Rights

With respect to the election of directors, a stockholder may vote such number of shares for as many persons as there are directors to be elected. He may also cumulate said shares and give one (1) candidate as many votes as the number of directors to be elected, or distribute the shares on the same principle among as many candidates as he shall see fit, provided, that the total number of votes cast by the stockholder shall not exceed the total number of shares owned by him as shown in the books of Vivant, multiplied by the number of directors to be elected.

Section 7, Article II of the Amended By-Laws of Vivant provides that voting upon all questions at all meetings of the stockholders shall be by shares of stock and not per capita. Likewise, Section 7 of the same Article states that stockholders may vote at all meetings either in person or by proxy duly given in writing and presented to the Secretary for inspection, validation and record at least seven (7) days prior to the opening of said meeting.

As condition precedent to the exercise of the cumulative voting rights, no delinquent stock shall be allowed to vote. No discretional authority to cumulate votes is solicited.

(d) No proxy solicitation is being made.

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Security Ownership of Certain Record and Beneficial Owners and Management

(1) Security Ownership of Certain Record and Beneficial Owners (more than 5%) as of June 30, 2020

Title of class	Name and address of record owner and relationship with issuer	Name of Beneficial Ownership and Relationship with Record Owner	Citizenship	No. of Shares Held	Percentage
Common Shares	MAI-I Resources ¹ Corporation 375-G Acacia St., Lahug, Cebu City Stockholder	MAI-I Resources Corporation	Filipino	464,831,568	45.42%
Common Shares	JEG Development Corporation ² Blue Garden Commercial Complex, Wilson St., Lahug, Cebu City Stockholder	JEG Development Corporation	Filipino	311,524,642	30.44%
Common Shares	Global Business Power Corporation 22nd Floor, GT Tower International 6813 Ayala Avenue corner H.V. dela Costa Street 1227 Makati City, Philippines Stockholder	Global Business Power Corporation	Filipino	116,555,553	11.39%
Common Shares	PCD Nominee (Filipino) Participants are stockholders of the Company ³	Various PCD participants	Filipino	68,930,342	6.74%

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¹ Either Edgar John A. Garcia, Mr. Gil A. Garcia, II or Mr. Charles Sylvestre A. Garcia, Directors of MAI-I Resources Corporation (MRC) will vote for the shares of MRC in Vivant in accordance with the directive of the MRC Board of Directors.

² Either Mr. Ramontito E. Garcia or Mr. Jose Marko Anton G. Sarmiento, Chairman and Chief Operating Officer of JEG Development Corporation (JDC), respectively, will vote for the shares of JDC in Vivant in accordance with the directive of the JDC Board of Directors.

³ Each beneficial owner of shares, through a PCD participant, is the beneficial owner of such number of shares he owns in his account with the PCD participant. Vivant has no record relating to the power to decide how the shares held by PCD are to be voted. As advised to the Company, none of the beneficial owners under a PCD participant owns more than 5% of Vivant's common shares.

(2) Security Ownership of Management as of June 30, 2020 (Record and Beneficial)

Title of Class	Name of Beneficial Owners and Position	Owners and # of Shares and Nature of Ownership		Citizenship	% Own
Common	Dennis N.A. Garcia ⁴	Direct	1	Filinina	0.0%
Shares	Former Chairman of the Board and CEO	Indirect	0	Filipino	0.0%
Common	Ramontito E. Garcia ⁵	Direct	30,100	Filipino	0.0%
Shares	Chairman of the Board and CEO	Indirect	0	Filipilio	0.0%
Common	Edgar John A. Garcia ⁶	Direct	1	Filipino	0.0%
Shares	Vice Chairman	Indirect	0	Filipilio	0.0%
Common	Arlo A.G. Sarmiento ⁷	Direct	86,800	Filipino	0.0%
Shares	President	Indirect	0	rilipilio	0.0%
Common	Emil Andre M. Garcia ⁸	Direct	1	Filining	0.0%
Shares	Director; Sr. VP – Power	Indirect	0	Filipino	0.0%
Common	Gil A. Garcia II	Direct	1	Filining	0.0%
Shares	Director	Indirect	0	Filipino	0.0%
Common	Charles Sylvestre A. Garcia	Direct	1	Filtra in a	0.0%
Shares	Director	Indirect	0	Filipino	0.0%
Common	Jose Marko Anton G. Sarmiento	Direct	28,501	Filipina	0.0%
Shares	Director	Indirect	0	Filipino	0.0%
Common	Carmelo Maria Luza Bautista	Direct	100	Filipina	0.0%
Shares	Independent Director	Indirect	0	Filipino	0.0%
Common	Rogelio Q. Lim	Direct	1	Filipina	0.0%
Shares	Independent Director	Indirect	0	Filipino	0.0%
Common	Raul Ch. Rabe	Direct	1	Filipina	0.0%
Shares	Independent Director	Indirect	0	Filipino	0.0%
Common	Jesus B. Garcia, Jr.	Direct	1	Filipina	0.0%
Shares	Independent Director	Indirect	0	Filipino	0.0%
	Minuel Carmela N. Franco ⁹	Direct	0		0.0%
Common	Treasurer, Sr. VP – Corporate and	Indirect	0		0.0%
Shares	Shared Services, Group Chief			Filipino	
Sildres	Finance Officer, Chief Risk Officer,				
	and Compliance Officer				
	Jess Anthony N. Garcia ¹⁰	Direct	12,200		0.0%
Common	Corporate Secretary,	Indirect	0	Filipino	0.0%
Shares	Sr. VP – Infrastructure, and Chief			illipilio	
	Information Officer				

⁴ In a disclosure dated April 3, 2020, the Company informed the SEC of the demise of Mr. Dennis N.A. Garcia.

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⁵ Pursuant to the By-laws of the Corporation, the vacancy in the position of the Chairman due to the demise of Mr. Dennis A. Garcia was filled by a majority vote of the remaining members of the Board at a special meeting called for that purpose on April 3, 2020. Mr. Ramontito E. Garcia was elected as the new Chairman and CEO effective April 6, 2020.

⁶ Pursuant to the By-laws of the Corporation, the vacancy in the members of the Board of Directors due to the demise of Mr. Dennis A. Garcia was filled by a majority vote of the remaining members of the Board at a special meeting called for that purpose on July 9, 2020. Mr. Edgard John A. Garcia was elected as a member of the Board of Directors and the Vice Chairman effective on the same date.

⁷ At the Special Meeting of the Board of Directors on April 3, 2020, Mr. Arlo Angelo G. Sarmiento was elected as President of the Corporation effective April 6, 2020.

⁸ In a disclosure dated July 9, 2020, the Company informed the SEC of the appointment of Mr. Emil Andre M. Garcia as the Sr. VP – Power effective on the same date.

⁹ In a disclosure dated July 9, 2020, the Company informed the SEC of the change in the designation of Ms. Minuel Carmela N. Franco from Treasurer, SVP – Corporate and Shared Services, Chief Finance Officer, Chief Risk Officer, and Compliance Officer to Sr. VP – Corporate and Shared Services, Group Chief Finance Officer, Chief Risk Officer, and Compliance Officer effective on the same date.

¹⁰ In a disclosure dated July 9, 2020, the Company informed the SEC of the change in the designation of Mr. Jess Anthony N. Garcia from Corporate Secretary, General Counsel, SVP – Business Development Infrastructure and Innovation, and Chief Information Officer to Corporate Secretary, Sr. VP – Infrastructure, and Chief Information Officer.

Title of	Name of Beneficial Owners and	# of Shares	and Nature	Citi	%
Class	Position	of Ownership		Citizenship	Own
Common	Joan A. Giduquio-Baron	Direct	0	Filining	0.0%
Shares	Assistant Corporate Secretary	Indirect	0	Filipino	0.0%
Common	Maria Cielita C. Añiga ¹¹	Direct	0	Filinino	0.0%
Shares	VP – Human Resources	Indirect	0	Filipino	0.0%
Common	Maria Victoria E. Sembrano	Direct	0	Filipino	0.0%
Shares	Sr. AVP - Controllership	Indirect	0	FIIIDIIIO	0.0%
Common	Grant Clark ¹²	Direct	0		0.0%
Shares	AVP- Administration and IT, and	Indirect	0	Filipino	0.0%
Silaies	Data Protection Officer				
Common	Catherine S. Bringas	Direct	0	Filipino	0.0%
Shares	AVP – Legal	Indirect	0		0.0%
Common	Shem Jose W. Garcia ¹³	Direct	0	Filipino	0.0%
Shares	AVP- Corporate Communications	Indirect	0	Filipilio	0.0%
Common	Brigette Cecile N. Garcia	Direct	0	Filipino	0.0%
Shares	AVP- Corporate Planning	Indirect	0	Filipilio	0.0%
Common	Ronnel Vergel E. De Leon ¹⁴	Direct	0	Filipino	0.0%
Shares	AVP – Treasury	Indirect	0	Filipilio	0.0%
Common	Carlos F. Bargamento, Jr. 15	Direct	4,530	Filipino	0.0%
Shares	AVP – Internal Audit	Indirect	0	Filipilio	0.0%
Common	Dyan Ramona S. Olegario ¹⁶	Direct	0	Filipino	0.0%
Shares	AVP – Accounting	Indirect	0	rilipilio	0.0%
Common	Ellen S. Baladya ¹⁷	Direct	0	Filining	0.0%
Shares	AVP – Water Infrastructure	Indirect	0	Filipino	0.0%
	TOTAL	Direct	162,238		0.0%
	IOIAL	Indirect	0		0.0%

(3) Voting Trust Holders of 5% or more of Equity

No person holds more than 5% of Vivant's common equity under a voting trust or similar agreement.

(4) Changes in Control

There are no arrangements that had resulted in a change in control of Vivant during the period covered by this report.

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¹¹ In a disclosure dated February 6, 2020, the Company informed the SEC of the appointment of Ms. Maria Cielita C. Añiga as the VP – Human Resource effective January 27, 2020.

¹² In a disclosure dated July 9, 2020, the Company informed the SEC of the change in the designation of Mr. Grant Clark from AVP – Information Technology, Administration and Business Development Innovation, and Data Privacy Officer to AVP – Administration and IT, and Data Privacy Officer effective on the same date.

¹³ In a disclosure dated July 9, 2020, the Company informed the SEC of the change in the designation of Mr. Shem Jose W. Garcia from AVP – Corporate Communications and Business Development Innovation to AVP – Corporate Communications effective on the same date.

¹⁴ In a disclosure dated February 6, 2020, the Company informed the SEC of the appointment of Mr. Ronnel Vergel E. De Leon as the AVP – Treasury effective February 1, 2020.

¹⁵ In a disclosure dated March 30, 2020, the Company informed the SEC of the promotion of Mr. Carlos F. Bargamento, Jr. as the AVP – Internal Audit effective April 1, 2020.

¹⁶ In a disclosure dated March 30, 2020, the Company informed the SEC of the promotion of Ms. Dyan Ramona S. Olegario as the AVP – Accounting effective April 1, 2020.

¹⁷ In a disclosure dated July 9, 2020 the Company informed the SEC of the appointment of Ms. Ellen S. Baladya as the AVP – Water Infrastructure effective July 6, 2020.

Item 5. Directors and Executive Officers

(1) (a) Directors for 2020 - 2021

Below is a list of Vivant's nominee-directors for 2020 - 2021 with their corresponding ages, citizenship, positions, periods of service and offices held for the past five (5) years. The directors will assume their directorship during Vivant's Annual Stockholders' Meeting in 2020, for a term of one (1) year.

RAMONTITO E. GARCIA Director Chairman and CEO Member – Executive Committee Member – Audit Committee Member – Finance Committee	62 years old, Filipino, has been a Director and member of the Executive Committee of the Company since December 20, 2002. He assumed the role of the Chairman and CEO of the Company in April 6, 2020. Prior to this, he held the position of President from December 2002 to April 2020. He is also a member of the Finance Committee and the Audit Committee of the Company. Other positions currently held are as follows: Chairman - Vivant Energy Corporation, Visayan Electric Company, Inc., Hijos de F. Escaño, Inc., Vivant Isla Inc., Vivant Renewable Energy Corporation, and Minergy Power Corporation; Chairman and President - JEG Development Corporation; and Director — Vivant Integrated Generation Corporation, Vivant Isla Inc., Vivant Geo Power Corporation, Inc., Vivant Malogo Hydropower, Inc., Vivant Infracore Holdings Inc., Vivant Hydrocore Holdings Inc., Vivant Transcore Holdings Inc., Abovant Holdings, Inc., and JEGVEG Realty, Inc.; He is also the Board of Trustee of Vivant Foundation, Inc.
EDGAR JOHN A. GARCIA	69 years old, Filipino, has been the Director and Vice Chairman of
Director	the Company since April 9, 2020. He concurrently holds the
Vice Chairman	position of President of MAI-I Resources Corporation. Mr. Garcia has a degree in Mechanical and Electrical Engineering.
GIL A. GARCIA II	65 years old, Filipino, has been a Director and a member of the
Director	Executive Committee of the Company since September 30, 2004.
Member – Executive	He is also a member of the Finance Committee. Mr. Garcia was
Committee	the Treasurer of the Company from 2004 to 2014. Other
Member – Finance Committee	positions presently held include: Director - Visayan Electric Company, Inc. and Director, Chief Finance Officer and Treasurer of MAI-I Resources Corporation.
CHARLES SYLVESTRE A.	59 years old, Filipino, is a Director of the Company and Member
GARCIA	of the Company's Executive Committee since September 30,
Director	2004. He is also a member of Related Party Transaction
Member – Executive	Committee. Mr. Garcia also sits in the board of Visayan Electric
Committee	Company, Inc. since 2007.
Member- Related Party	
Transaction Committee	

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ARLO A. G. SARMIENTO

Director President Member – Audit Committee

44 years old, Filipino, has been the Director and member of the Executive Committee of the Company since 2003. He assumed the role of the President in April 6, 2020. Prior to this, he held the position of Executive Vice President from 2003 to April 2020. Mr. Sarmiento is a member of the Finance Committee, and concurrently holds the following positions: Chairman - 1590 Energy Corporation, Vivant Malogo Hydropower Inc., Vivant Integrated Generation Corporation, Isla Norte Energy Corporation formerly Vivant Powercore Active Inc., Vivant Infracore Holdings, Inc., Vivant Transcore Holdings, Inc., Vivant Corporate Center, Inc., Vivant Realty Ventures Corporation, Vivant Integrated Diesel Corporation, Vivant Isla Inc., Southern Holding Corporation, Amberdust Powercore Holding Corporation, Vivant Renewable Energy Corporation, Vivant Enercore Integrated, Inc. and Vivant Hydrocore Holdings, Inc.; Vice-Chairman – Lunar Powercore Inc. and Global Luzon Energy Development Corporation; Director and President & CEO - Vivant Energy Corporation; Director and Vice President for External Relation and Monitoring of Visayan Electric Company, Inc.; Director and Treasurer - Abovant Holdings, Inc. and JEGVEG Realty, Inc.; Director and Vice-President - Vivant Geo Power Corporation; Director and Chief Executive Officer - JEG Development Corporation; Director – Delta P., Inc., Calamian Islands Power Corporation, ET-Vivant Solar Corporation, Hijos De F. Escaño, Inc., Cebu Energy Development Corporation, Minergy Power Corporation and Watermatic Philippines Corporation; Board of Trustee and President of Vivant Foundation, Inc. Mr. Sarmiento holds a degree in Bachelor of Arts in Social Sciences from the Ateneo de Manila University.

JOSE MARKO ANTON G. SARMIENTO

Director
Member – Executive
Committee
Member – Board Risk
Oversight Committee
Member – Finance Committee

42 years old, Filipino, has been a Director and Member of the Executive Committee of the Company since 2008. Mr. Sarmiento is also a member of the Board Risk Oversight Committee and Finance Committee of the Company. He is also a Director (since 2005) and is the Chief Operating Officer of JEG Development Corporation (since 2009) and of JEGVEG Realty, Inc. (since 2009). Prior to this, he was the Treasury Manager of JEG Development Corporation and was the Vice President for Manufacturing at Detalia Aurora, Inc. Mr. Sarmiento holds a degree in Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from Methodist University in North Carolina, USA. He obtained his Advanced Professional Training in Innovation Management in Product Development from Inwent in Bonn, Germany in 2004.

JESUS B. GARCIA, JR.

Independent Director
Chairman – Audit Committee
Member – Corporate
Governance Committee
Member – Finance Committee
Member – Board Risk
Oversight Committee
Member- Related Party
Transaction Committee

75 years old, Filipino, has been the Independent Director and concurrently, the Chairman of the Audit Committee and a member of the Finance Committee, Corporate Governance Committee, Related Party Transaction Committee and Board Risk Oversight Committee of the Company. Mr. Garcia was the Secretary of the Department of Transportation and Communications of the Republic of the Philippines for the period 1992 to 1996. Other positions currently held are as follows: Chairman - SunStar Publishing, Inc., Pan Arts Corporation, SunStar Management, Inc.; President, Jesever Realty Corporation, and Madre Realty Corporation.

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EMIL ANDRE M. GARCIA

Director
Sr. VP – Power
Member – Executive
Committee

42 years old, Filipino, has been a Director of the Company since 2009. He assumed the role of Senior Vice President – Power in July 2020. Prior to this, he held the Assistant Vice President position for Corporate Planning and Development of the Company from February 2011 to December 2011. He was Vice President for Operations from December 2012 to February 2019 before transferring to Vivant Energy Corporation as its Executive Vice President and Chief Operation Officer. Other positions currently held are as follows: Executive Vice President and Chief Operation Officer of Vivant Energy Corporation; Vice President, Treasurer and Director of Visayan Electric Company, Inc. since 2010; Chairman - ET-Vivant Solar Corp., Culna Renewable Energy Corp. and Sabang Renewable Energy Corp., Calamian Islands Power Corporation and Delta P, Inc.; Director, President and Chief Executive Officer for Vivant Geo Power Corporation, 1590 Energy Corporation, Vivant Enercore Integrated, Inc., Isla Norte Energy Corporation formerly Vivant Powercore Active, Inc., Southern Powercore Holding Corporation, Vivant Integrated Diesel Corporation, Vivant Integrated Generation Corporation, Renewable Energy Corporation, Vivant-Malogo Hydropower Inc., Vivant Isla Inc. and Amberdust Holding Corporation; President – Hijos De F. Escano, Inc.; Director -Minergy Power Corporation, Vivant Realty Ventures Corporation and Vivant Corporate Center, Inc.; Director and Vice President -Global Luzon Energy Development Corporation and Lunar Powercore Inc.; Vice Chairman – Cebu Private Power Corporation; Director and Chief Finance Officer of EMAG Resources and Development Corporation. He was also the President of Christ Company in 2009 to 2011. Mr. Garcia graduated from Velez College in 1998 with the degree in Bachelor of Science in Medical Technology.

RAUL Ch. RABE

Independent Director Chairman – Board Risk Oversight Committee Member – Corporate Governance Committee Member – Audit Committee 80 years old, Filipino, has been the Independent Director of the Company since 2003. He is the Chairman of the Board Risk Oversight Committee and a member of the Audit Committee and the Corporate Governance Committee. Other positions currently held or held in the past are the following: Director – Cagayan Electric Power and Light Co. (Cagayan de Oro), up to present; Director - Minergy Power Corporation (Cagayan de Oro), Counsel of the Law Firm of Rodrigo, Berenguer & Guno (Makati City); Corporate Secretary - Manila Economic & Cultural Office (MECO) since 2001; Director - the Bank of Commerce, KGL-Negros Navigation, Pet Plans, Inc. (Makati City); Foreign Service Officer of the Department of Foreign Affairs (1968 to 1999); Third to Second Secretary in London (1972 to 1975); First Secretary in Bucharest (1975 to 1979); Chief Deputy of Protocol of the Department of Foreign Affairs (1979 to 1981); Minister Counselor in Jeddah (1981 to 1982); Minister and later Deputy Chief of Mission in Washington D.C., (1982 to 1984 and 1986 to 1989, respectively); Consul General in Honolulu (1984 to 1986); Assistant Secretary of the American Affairs (1989 to 1992); Ambassador to Seoul (1992 to 1993); Ambassador to the United States (1993 to 1999); Special Envoy of the President of the Philippines for the Americas and OIC Countries in 2001.

ROGELIO Q.LIM

Independent Director Chairman – Corporate Governance Committee; Chairman – Related Party Transaction Committee

78 years old, Filipino, has been the Independent Director of the Company since June 2017. He is also the Chairman of the Corporate Governance Committee and the Related Party Transaction Committee, and a member of the Board Risk Oversight Committee and Audit Committee of the Company. Other positions held in the past are the following: Director, President and CEO – East Asia Utilities Corp.; Senior Vice President and General Manager – Cebu Private Power Corp.; Senior Vice President - Aboitiz Power Corp. (Oil Group); Director and Vice Chairman - Metro Cebu Water District; Director -Mactan Cebu International Airport Authority, American Chamber of Commerce Cebu Chapter; President and Director - Cebu Business Club; Manufacturing and Operations Consultant -Hercules and Ultramarine; Director Digital Products Engineering - Timex Corp.; Far East Manufacturing Manager - Timex F E; President and General Manager - TMX Philippines, Inc.; Vice President for Manufacturing – Comptronics Philippines, Inc.; Vice President and General Manager – Intron Industries Sinderian Berhad; Asst. Corp Q/A Manager and head of Applications Engineer – Union Carbide Philippines, Inc.; Project Engineer – US Army Topographic Command Department of Geodesy; Airways Engineer – Civil Aeronautics Administration; Director and Private Sector Representative - Regional Tripatite Wage and Productivity Board; Private Sector and Committee Chair - Regional Development Council, Region VII.

CARMELO MARIA LUZA BAUTISTA

Independent Director Chairman – Finance Committee¹⁸ 62 years old, Filipino, has been the Independent Director of the Company since June 2017 and is the current Chairman of the Finance Committee. He assumed the role of Director and President of GT Capital in 2011. Prior to his election, Mr. Bautista joined FMIC in April of 2008 as Executive Director and was appointed as Chairman of the Risk Management Committee. He later assumed the position of Head of its Investment Banking Group in 2009. Mr. Bautista has been in the Banking and Financial Services sector for 39 years. Some highlights of his previous scope of responsibilities over this period include: Program Director at Citibank Asia Pacific Banking Institute; Vice President and Head of the Local Corporate and Public Sector Groups Citibank-Manila; Vice President-Real Estate Finance Group, Citibank N.A.-Singapore branch; Vice President-Structured Finance, Citibank N.A.-Singapore Regional Office; Country Manager, ABN AMRO Bank-Philippines; and President and CEO, Philippine Bank of Communications. Mr. Bautista has a Master's Degree in Business Management from the Asian Institute of Management where he graduated in the Dean's Citation List. He also has a Bachelor's degree, Major in Economics, from the Ateneo de Manila University. Mr. Bautista has no directorships in other listed companies aside from GT Capital, however, he is currently serving as Director of Federal Land, TMP, PCFI, and GT Capital Auto Dealership Holdings, Inc. He is also an Adviser to the Board of Trustees of GT Foundation, Inc.

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¹⁸ In a disclosure dated July 9, 2020, the Company informed the SEC of the appointment of Mr. Carmelo Maria Luza Bautista as the Chairman of the Finance Committee.

Nominees for Election as Directors

The following are nominees for election as Directors for 2020-2021:

- 1. Ramontito E. Garcia
- 2. Emil Andre M. Garcia
- 3. Gil A. Garcia II
- 4. Charles Sylvestre A. Garcia
- 5. Arlo A. G. Sarmiento
- 6. Jose Marko Anton G. Sarmiento
- 7. Edgar John A. Garcia
- 8. Atty. Jesus B. Garcia, Jr. (Independent Director)
- 9. Amb. Raul Ch. Rabe (Independent Director)
- 10. Rogelio Q. Lim (Independent Director)
- 11. Carmelo Maria Luza Bautista (Independent Director)

Mr. Rogelio Q. Lim is the Chairman of the Corporate Governance Committee, and Messrs. Raul Ch. Rabe and Atty. Jesus B. Garcia, Jr. are its members.

Nominations for Independent Directors and Procedure for Nomination

Compliance with SRC Rule 38 (Guidelines on the Nomination and Election of Independent Directors)

The procedure for the nomination and election of the independent directors is in accordance with Rule 38 of the Securities Regulation Code (SRC Rule 38) and the Nomination and Election Policy of the Company. The By-Laws of Vivant have not been amended to incorporate the requirements of SRC Rule 38. The Corporate Governance Committee conducted a nomination of independent directors. It has pre-screened the qualifications of all nominated candidates, resulting in the following final list of candidates with their respective nominating stockholders and all pertinent information, who have been nominated by Messrs. Emil Andre M. Garcia and Ramontito E. Garcia. Messrs. Mr. Emil Andre M. Garcia and Ramontito E. Garcia have no relationship to their nominees.

No nominations for independent director shall be accepted at the floor during the stockholders' meeting at which such nominee is to be elected. However, independent directors shall be elected in the stockholders' meeting during which other members of the Board are to be elected. Ambassador Raul Ch. Rabe, Atty. Jesus B. Garcia, Jr. Mr. Rogelio Q. Lim and Mr. Carmelo Maria Luza Bautista are the nominees for Independent Directors of Vivant. They are neither officers nor employees of the Company or any of its affiliates, and do not have any relationship with the Company which would interfere with the exercise of independent judgment in carrying out the responsibilities of an independent director. Attached as Exhibits "A-1", "A-2", "A-3", and "A-4" are the sworn Certifications of Qualifications of Atty. Jesus B. Garcia, Jr., Amb. Raul Ch. Rabe, Mr. Rogelio Q. Lim, and Mr. Carmelo Maria Luza Bautista.

To the knowledge and/or information of Vivant the above-named nominees have not been involved in criminal, bankruptcy or insolvency investigations or proceedings for the past five (5) years up to the latest date that are material to evaluation.

To the knowledge and/or information of Vivant the said persons have not been convicted by final judgment or any offense punishable by the laws of the Republic of the Philippines or of the laws of any other nation/country, including being subject to any order, judgment or decree, not subsequently reversed, suspended or vacated, of any court of competent jurisdiction, domestic or foreign, permanently or temporarily enjoining, barring, suspending or otherwise limiting his involvement in any type of business, securities, commodities or banking activities for the past five (5) years up to the latest date.

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To the knowledge and/or information of Vivant said persons have not been found by a domestic or foreign court of competent jurisdiction (in a civil action), the Commission or comparable foreign body, or a domestic or foreign Exchange or other organized trading market or self-regulatory organization, to have violated a securities or commodities law or regulation for the past five (5) years up to the latest date.

The shareholdings of the above-nominees for independent directors of Vivant are merely qualifying shares and, individually or added together, does not exceed five percent (5%) of Vivant's outstanding shares. Vivant does not have any commitment to the nominees with respect to the issuance of the new common shares of Vivant.

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Attendance of Directors in Board Meetings in 2019

For the year 2019, Vivant held six (6) regular meetings of the Board, specifically, on January 30, 2019, April 11, 2019, May 15, 2019, June 20, 2019, August 14, 2019, and November 13, 2019. There were nine (9) special meetings of the Board. The following summarizes the attendance of the Board of Directors:

Director	Designation	Board Meetings	Annual
			Stockholders'
			Meeting
DENNIS N. A. GARCIA [†]	Chairman – Board of Directors	5 out of 6 regular board	Present
	Chairman – Finance Committee	meetings;	
	Member – Executive Committee	9 out of 9 special meetings	
	Member – Audit Committee		
	Member – Board Risk Oversight		
DAMAGNITITO E GARGIA	Committee		
RAMONTITO E. GARCIA	Director President	6 out of 6 regular board	Present
	Member – Executive Committee	meetings; 9 out of 9 special meetings	
	Member – Executive Committee Member – Audit Committee	9 out of 9 special meetings	
	Member – Finance Committee		
GIL A. GARCIA II	Director	6 out of 6 regular board	Present
	Member – Executive Committee	meetings;	
	Member – Finance Committee	9 out of 9 special meetings	
CHARLES SYLVESTRE A.	Director	6 out of 6 regular board	Present
GARCIA	Member – Executive Committee	meetings;	
	Member- Related Party	9 out of 9 special meetings	
	Transaction Committee		
ARLO A. G. SARMIENTO	Director	6 out of 6 regular board	Present
	Executive Vice President	meetings;	
	Member – Audit Committee	9 out of 9 special meetings	
JOSE MARKO ANTON	Director	6 out of 6 regular board	Not Present
G. SARMIENTO	Member – Executive Committee	meetings;	
	Member – Board Risk Oversight	9 out of 9 special meetings	
	Committee		
EMIL ANDRE M.	Member – Finance Committee Director	6 out of 6 regular board	Present
GARCIA	Member – Executive Committee	meetings;	Present
GANCIA	Wiember - Executive Committee	9 out of 9 special meetings	
JESUS B. GARCIA, JR.	Independent Director	4 out of 6 regular board	Present
52565 Di Grandin 1, 5111	Chairman – Audit Committee	meetings;	resent
	Member – Corporate	9 out of 9 special meetings	
	Governance Committee	·	
	Member – Finance		
	Committee		
	Member – Board Risk Oversight		
	Committee		
	Member- Related Party		
	Transaction Committee		
RAUL CH. RABE	Independent Director	6 out of 6 regular board	Present
	Chairman – Board Risk Oversight	meetings;	
	Committee	9 out of 9 special meetings	
	Member – Corporate		
	Governance Committee		
	Member – Audit Committee		

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Director	Designation	Board Meetings	Annual Stockholders' Meeting
ROGELIO Q. LIM	Independent Director Chairman – Corporate Governance Committee; Chairman – Related Party Transaction Committee	5 out of 6 regular board meetings; 9 out of 9 special meetings	Present
CARMELO MARIA LUZA BAUTISTA	Independent Director Chairman – Finance Committee ¹⁹	4 out of 6 regular board meetings; 9 out of 9 special meetings	Present

(1) (b) Officers for 2020-2021

Below is a list of Vivant officers for 2020-2021 with their corresponding positions and offices held for the past five (5) years. Unless otherwise indicated hereunder, the officers will assume their positions during Vivant's annual organizational meeting in 2020 for a term of one (1) year.

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RAMONTITO E. GARCIA ²⁰	62 years old, Filipino, has been a Director and member of the
Director	Executive Committee of the Company since December 20,
Chairman and CEO	2002. He assumed the role of the Chairman and CEO of the
Member – Executive Committee	Company in April 6, 2020. Prior to this, he held the position of President from December 2002 to April 2020. He is also a member of the Finance Committee and the Audit Committee of the Company. Other positions currently held are as follows: Chairman - Vivant Energy Corporation, Visayan Electric Company, Inc., Hijos de F. Escaño, Inc., Vivant Isla Inc., Vivant Renewable Energy Corporation, and Minergy Power Corporation; Chairman and President - JEG Development Corporation; and Director — Vivant Integrated Generation
	Corporation, Vivant Isla Inc., Vivant Geo Power Corporation, Inc., Vivant Malogo Hydropower, Inc., Vivant Infracore Holdings Inc., Vivant Hydrocore Holdings Inc., Vivant Transcore Holdings Inc., Abovant Holdings, Inc., and JEGVEG Realty, Inc.; He is also the Board of Trustee of Vivant Foundation, Inc.
EDGAR JOHN A. GARCIA ²¹	69 years old, Filipino, has been the Director and Vice Chairman
Director	of the Company since April 9, 2020. He concurrently holds the
Vice Chairman	position of President of MAI-I Resources Corporation. Mr. Garcia has a degree in Mechanical and Electrical Enginering.

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¹⁹ At a Special Meeting of the Board of Directors on July 9, 2020, Mr. Carmelo Maria Luza Bautista was appointed as the Chairman of the Finance Committee.

²⁰ At a Special Meeting of the Board on April 3, 2020. Mr. Ramontito E. Garcia was elected as the new Chairman and CEO of the Company effective April 6, 2020.

²¹ At a Special Meeting of the Board of Directors on July 9, 2020. Mr. Edgar John A. Garcia was elected as the Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors effective July 9, 2020.

ARLO A. G. SARMIENTO²²

Director President

44 years old, Filipino, has been the Director and member of the Executive Committee of the Company since 2003. He assumed the role of the President in April 6, 2020. Prior to this, he held the position of Executive Vice President from 2003 to April 2020. Mr. Sarmiento is a member of the Finance Committee, and concurrently holds the following positions: Chairman - 1590 Energy Corporation, Vivant Malogo Hydropower Inc., Vivant Integrated Generation Corporation, Isla Norte Energy Corporation formerly Vivant Powercore Active Inc., Vivant Infracore Holdings, Inc., Vivant Transcore Holdings, Inc., Vivant Corporate Center, Inc., Vivant Realty Ventures Corporation, Vivant Integrated Diesel Vivant Isla Inc., Southern Powercore Holding Corporation, Corporation, Amberdust Holding Corporation, Vivant Renewable Energy Corporation, Vivant Enercore Integrated, Inc. and Vivant Hydrocore Holdings, Inc.; Vice-Chairman – Lunar Powercore Inc. and Global Luzon Energy Development Corporation; Director and President & CEO - Vivant Energy Corporation; Director and Vice President for External Relation and Monitoring of Visayan Electric Company, Inc.; Director and Treasurer - Abovant Holdings, Inc. and JEGVEG Realty, Inc.; Director and Vice-President - Vivant Geo Power Corporation; Director and Chief Executive Officer - JEG Development Corporation; Director – Delta P., Inc., Calamian Islands Power Corporation, ET-Vivant Solar Corporation, Hijos De F. Escaño, Inc., Cebu Energy Development Corporation, Minergy Power Corporation and Watermatic Philippines Corporation; Board of Trustee and President of Vivant Foundation, Inc. Mr. Sarmiento holds a degree in Bachelor of Arts in Social Sciences from the Ateneo de Manila University.

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²² At the Special Meeting of the Board of Directors on April 3, 2020, Mr. Arlo Angelo G. Sarmiento was elected as President of the Corporation effective April 6, 2020.

EMIL ANDRE M. GARCIA

Director

Sr. VP - Power²³

42 years old, Filipino, has been a Director of the Company since 2009. He assumed the role of Senior Vice President – Power in July 2020. Prior to this, he held the Assistant Vice President position for Corporate Planning and Development of the Company from February 2011 to December 2011. He was Vice President for Operations from December 2012 to February 2019 before transferring to Vivant Energy Corporation as its Executive Vice President and Chief Operation Officer. Other positions currently held are as follows: Executive Vice President and Chief Operation Officer of Vivant Energy Corporation; Vice President, Treasurer and Director of Visayan Electric Company, Inc. since 2010; Chairman - ET-Vivant Solar Corp., Culna Renewable Energy Corp. and Sabang Renewable Energy Corp., Calamian Islands Power Corporation and Delta P, Inc.; Director, President and Chief Executive Officer for Vivant Geo Power Corporation, 1590 Energy Corporation, Vivant Enercore Integrated, Inc., Isla Norte Energy Corporation formerly Vivant Powercore Active, Inc., Southern Powercore Holding Corporation, Vivant Integrated Diesel Corporation, Vivant Integrated Generation Corporation, Vivant Renewable Energy Corporation, Vivant-Malogo Hydropower Inc., Vivant Isla Inc. and Amberdust Holding Corporation; President -Hijos De F. Escano; Director - Minergy Power Corporation, Vivant Realty Ventures Corporation and Vivant Corporate Center, Inc.; Director and Vice President - Global Luzon Energy Development Corporation and Lunar Powercore Inc.; Vice Chairman – Cebu Private Power Corporation; Director and Chief Finance Officer of EMAG Resources and Development Corporation. He was also the President of Christ Company in 2009 to 2011. Mr. Garcia graduated from Velez College in 1998 with the degree in Bachelor of Science in Medical Technology.

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²³ At the Special Meeting of the Board of Directors on April 9, 2020, Mr. Emil Andre M. Garcia was appointed as Sr. VP – Power

MINUEL CARMELA N. FRANCO

Treasurer
Sr. VP – Corporate and Shared
Services
Group Chief Finance Officer
Compliance Officer
Chief Risk Officer

48 years old, Filipino, has been the Senior Vice President for Corporate and Shared Services since 2019 and concurrently the Treasurer, Group Chief Finance Officer, Chief Risk Officer and Compliance Officer. Prior to this, she held the Vice President for Finance position of the Company from 2013 to 2018. Ms. Franco also currently holds the following positions: Chairman – Southern Grove Properties and Development Corporation; Director -Southern Powercore Holding Corporation, Vivant Geo Power Corporation, Vivant Realty Ventures Corporation, Vivant Corporate Center, Inc., Amberdust Holding Corporation and Vivant Enercore Integrated, Inc.; Director and Treasurer & Chief Finance Officer –Vivant Transcore Holdings Inc., and Watermatic Philippines Corporation; Board of Trustee and Treasurer – Vivant Foundation, Inc.; Treasurer and Chief Finance Officer – Vivant Energy Corporation, Isla Norte Energy Corporation formerly Vivant Powercore Active Inc., Global Luzon Energy Development Corporation, Vivant Integrated Diesel Corporation, Vivant Hydrocore Holdings Inc., Vivant Infracore Holdings Inc., Vivant Renewable Energy Corporation and Lunar Power Core Inc.; Treasurer – Culna Renewable Energy Corp. Past positions held are as follows: Trader, Associate and Credit Analyst at Multinational Investment Bancorporation and Capital One Equities Corporation from 1992 to 1994; Investment Analyst at Kim Eng Securities Inc. and ING Barings (Phils.), Inc. from 1994 to 1997; Investment Officer at Standard Chartered Bank's Investment Services Group from 1998 to 2000; Project Analyst at Newgate Management, Inc. from 2000 to August 2002, Investor Relations Officer and Senior Project Analyst (Corporate Planning Group) at San Miguel Corporation from September 2002 to June 2007; Head of Investor Relations at Aboitiz Equity Ventures, Inc. and Aboitiz Power Corporation from July 2007 to December 2012. Ms. Franco holds a degree in Bachelor of Science in Business Economics (Cum Laude) from the University of the Philippines.

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JESS ANTHONY N. GARCIA

Corporate Secretary
Sr. VP – Infrastructure
Chief Information Officer

47 years old, Filipino, has been the Corporate Secretary and Corporate Information Officer of the Company since 2003. He is also the Senior Vice President - Infrastructure since 2019. Prior to this, he held the position of Vice President for Legal of the Company from 2015 to 2018. Mr. Garcia concurrently acts as the Corporate Secretary of Vivant Foundation, Inc. and SunStar Publishing, Inc., and the Assistant Corporate Secretary of Abovant Holdings, Inc. Other positions currently held are as follows: Chairman - Watermatic Philippines Corporation; Director, President and Chief Executive Officer – Vivant Hydrocore Holdings Inc., Vivant Transcore Holdings Inc. and Vivant Infracore Holdings Inc.; Director – Vivant Corporate Center, Inc., Vivant Realty Ventures Corporation, Vivant Enercore Integrated Inc., Southern Powercore Holding Corporation, Vivant Geo Power Corporation and Amberdust Holding Corporation. He obtained his Juris Doctor degree from the Ateneo de Manila University School of Law and has been a member of the California Bar since 2002 and of the Philippine Bar since 1998.

JOAN A. GIDUQUIO-BARON Assistant Corporate Secretary

48 years old, Filipino, has been the Assistant Corporate Secretary of the Company since 2003. Ms. Baron also holds other positions: Acting Corporate Secretary of Visayan Electric Company, Inc; Director and Assistant Corporate Secretary - Southern Grove Properties and Development Corporation; Assistant Corporate Secretary of Vivant Energy Corporation, 1590 Energy Corporation, Amberdust Holding Corporation, Corenergy, Inc., ET-Vivant Solar Corporation, Isla Norte Energy Corporation formerly Vivant Powercore Active Inc., Southern Powercore Holding Corporation, Vivant Corporate Center, Inc., Vivant Enercore Integrated, Inc., Vivant Geo Power Corporation, Vivant Infracore Holdings Inc., Vivant Hydrocore Holdings Inc., Vivant Transcore Holdings Inc., Vivant Integrated Diesel Corporation, Vivant Realty Ventures Corporation, Vivant Renewable Energy Corporation, Vivant Isla Inc., Vivant Integrated Generation Corporation, Vivant-Malogo Hydropower, Inc., and Sun Star Publishing, Inc.; Corporate Secretary - JEGVEG Realty, Inc., JEG Development Corporation, JDC Tomodachi, Inc. and Watermatic Philippines Corporation. She obtained her Juris Doctor from the Ateneo de Manila University School of Law in 1996 and her Master in Management degree from the Asian Institute of Management (AIM) in 2001. Ms. Baron has been a member of the Philippine Bar since 1997 and a Director of the Alumni Association of the Asian Institute of Management-Cebu Chapter. She is a Partner at J.P. Garcia and Associates. Prior to this, she was an Associate Attorney at Puno and Puno Law Offices from 1997 until 2001.

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MARIA CIELITA ANIGA

VP – Human Resources

63 years old, Filipino is the newly-appointed Vice-President for Human Resources. Prior to this, she served as Independent Consultant for Human Resources from 2018 to 2019. She is also the Founder and Chief Mentor of Pupils for Life, management consulting firm. Her previous employment was with Aboitiz Power - Distribution as SAVP for Human Resources from 2010 to 2016, Visayan Electric Company as AVP for Human Resources from 2004 to 2009, Davao Light and Power Company as AVP for Human Resources and Quality from 1993 to 2000, and various consulting and masteral teaching stints for Human Resources and Quality from 2000 to 2003. Ms. Aniga has a Master's Degree in Management, major in Industrial Relations from the University of the Philippines and has Chemical and Metallurgical Engineering degrees from the University of Mindanao and UP-MSU-IIT, respectively. She has certificates in talent management, Human Resources problem-solving, organizational development, and Quality management from institutions here and abroad.

MARIA VICTORIA E. SEMBRANO

Sr. AVP – Controllership

58 years old, Filipino, has been the Senior Assistant Vice President for Controllership of the Company since February 2018. Prior to this, she was the Assistant Vice President for Controllership from 2012 to 2018. Concurrently, Ms. Sembrano also holds the following positions: Director and Treasurer & CFO - Southern Grove Properties and Development Corp.; Treasurer and Chief Finance Officer - Vivant Corporate Center, Inc., Vivant Realty Ventures Corporation, Vivant Isla Inc., Vivant Malogo Hydropower Inc., Corenergy, Inc., Southern Power Holding Corp., Vivant Geo Power Corp. and Amberdust Holding Corp. Before joining the Company, Ms. Sembrano was the Corporate Services Director of the Marsman Drysdale Agribusiness Group. Prior to this, other positions held in the Marsman Drysdale Agribusiness Group starting 1992 include positions in Finance, Logistics and Administration. Ms. Sembrano holds a degree in Bachelor of Science in Commerce, Major in Accounting (Magna Cum Laude) from the University of San Carlos.

GRANT CLARK

AVP – Administration and IT Data Protection Officer

42 years old, Filipino, has been the Assistant Vice President for Business Development of the Company since October 2015 until taking up the position as Assistant Vice President for Administration and IT in 2019. He is also the Data Protection Officer. Mr. Clark currently holds the following positions: Director, President and Chief Executive officer – Southern Grove Properties and Development Corp.; Director of Vivant Corporate Center Inc. Board of Trustee - Vivant Foundation, Inc. Prior to joining the Company, Mr. Clark worked for twelve (12) years in the Government in Australia (Victoria), his last position being the Director of Economics at the Department of Sustainability and Environment (2010-2013). He moved to the Philippines in 2013 and worked briefly as a Director in KPMG Philippines (2013-2014). He has a Bachelor of Commerce degree with First Class Honors in Economics from Deakin University in Melbourne, Australia.

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CATHERINE S. BRINGAS

AVP – Legal

36 years old, Filipino, has been the Assistant Vice President for Legal since January 2017. Prior to this, she was the Legal Senior Manager of the Company from 2013 to 2016. Concurrently, Ms. Bringas holds the following positions: Director and Corporate Secretary – Southern Grove Properties and Development Corporation; Corporate Secretary – Vivant Energy Corporation, ET-Vivant Solar Corp., ET Energy Island Corporation, Corenergy Inc., 1590 Energy Corporation, Delta P, Inc., Calamian Islands Power Corporation, Vivant Enercore Integrated Inc., Isla Norte Energy Corporation formerly Vivant Powercore Active Inc., Vivant Isla Inc., Vivant Geo Power Corp., Southern Powercore Holding Corp., Vivant Realty Ventures Corporation, Vivant Corporate Center, Inc., Amberdust Holding Corporation, Southern Powercore Holding Corporation, Vivant Infracore Holdings Inc., Vivant Hydrocore Holdings Inc., Vivant Transcore Holdings Inc., Vivant Integrated Diesel Corporation, Vivant Integrated Generation Corporation, Vivant-Malogo Hydropower, Inc., Vivant Renewable Energy Corporation, Vivant Isla Inc., Minergy Power Corporation and Visayan Electric Company, Inc. She holds a degree in Legal Management from De La Salle University and obtained her Juris Doctor from the Ateneo de Manila University School of Law in 2008. She has been a member of the Philippine Bar since 2009. Prior to Vivant, Ms. Bringas worked at the Power Sector Assets and Liabilities Management Corporation as a Corporate Attorney under the Office of the President and CEO.

SHEM JOSE W. GARCIA

AVP – Corporate Communications

40 years old, Filipino, has been the Assistant Vice President for Corporate Communications since February 2018. He also serves as the Executive Director of the Vivant Foundation, Inc. He previously served as a Director of Vivant Corporation from 2005-2008. He joined as a full-time employee of Vivant as the Senior Manager for Corporate Social Responsibility in 2014. He has a Bachelor Degree with Honors from the London College of Communications, University of the Arts London. He previously served as the Business Development Officer for JEG Development Corporation, where he currently serves in the Board of Advisors. He also serves as the President of the Board of Trustees for the Dominus Pascit Me Foundation and Corporate Secretary for Mon Y Liza Holdings.

BRIGETTE CECILE N. GARCIA

AVP – Corporate Planning

33 years old, Filipino, has been the Assistant Vice President for Corporate Planning since February 2018. Prior to this, she was the Corporate Planning Senior Manager of the Company from 2016 to 2017. Before joining Vivant, she worked for a year as a Management Trainee for Utility Economics at Visayan Electric Company, Inc. and for three (3) years as an Investment Consultant for Family Offices Private Banking at Credit Suisse AG in Singapore. Ms. Garcia graduated from Singapore Management University (SMU) with a double degree (Summa Cum Laude) in Bachelor of Science in Economics and Bachelor of Business Management in 2009. She was also the school Salutatorian and recipient of the Top Student of the School of Economics Award and the Monetary Authority of Singapore Academic Excellence Award. She obtained a Master's of Science degree in Accounting and Finance from London School of Economics (LSE) in 2013.

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RONNEL VERGEL E. DE LEON	33 years old, Filipino, has been the Assistant Vice President for
AVP — Treasury	Treasury since February 2020. Before joining Vivant, Mr. De Leon was with Manila Water Company, Inc.'s Treasury Department from October 2011 to January 2020, where he held the Treasury Head position for two (2) years. Prior to this, he worked as Research Associate and Management Trainee at the Philippine Dealing System from 2007 to 2009. Mr. De Leon obtained his bachelor's degree in Economics (Magna Cum Laude) from the University of the Philippines-Diliman in 2007 under the Philippine Geothermal Inc scholarship for UP students. In 2011, he earned his master's degree in European Finance and Banking from the University of Warsaw in Poland under the European Commission's Erasmus Mundus scholarship. Mr. De Leon is a Certified Treasury Professional by the Ateneo-BAP Institute of Banking.
CARLOS F. BARGAMENTO, JR.	38 years old, Filipino, has been the Assistant Vice President for
AVP – Internal Audit	Internal Audit since April 2020. Prior to this, he was the Internal Audit Senior Manager from 2013 to 2020. He joined the company in 2004 as an Accounting Assistant and became a Finance Manager in 2008. He concurrently serves as Internal Auditor of the Vivant Foundation, Inc. Mr. Bargamento obtained his degree in Bachelor of Science in Accountancy (Cum Laude) and Bachelor of Laws in University of San Jose-Recoletos. He is a Certified Public Accountant and also holds certification as a Certified Forensic Accountant (CrFA) and a Certified Internal Control Auditor (CICA).
DYAN RAMONA S. OLEGARIO AVP - Accounting	35 years old, Filipino, has been the Assistant Vice President for Accounting since April 2020. Prior to this, she was the Accounting Senior Manager of the Company from October 2013 to 2020 and Treasury Manager from March to October 2013. Prior to joining Vivant, Ms. Olegario held the following positions: Business Development Manager in 2012 at Aboitizland Inc., Accounting Head at Taft Property Ventures Development Corporation from 2010 to 2012 and Senior Associate for Tax Services at SGV & Co from 2007 to 2010. Ms. Olegario is a Certified Public Accountant. She holds a degree in Bachelor of Science in Accountancy (Magna Cum Laude and recipient of the Most Outstanding Graduate Award) from the University of San Jose-Recoletos in 2005. In 2016, Ms. Olegario earned a certificate in Management Program from the Asian Institute of Management.
ELLEN S. BALADYA AVP — Water Infrastructure	37 years old, Filipino, has been the Assistant Vice President for Water Infrastructure since July 2020. Prior accepting this position, Ms. Baladya was head of Technical and Innovation Services under Aboitiz InfraCapital, Inc. from February 2016 to June 2020 supporting water business development, project management and operation. After earning her degree in Civil Engineering (Gold Medalist) as an Alfonso Yuchengco Scholar from Mapua Institute of Technology in 2005, she worked at Manila Water Company, Inc. from 2005-2016 where she held various key management positions in marketing and operations.

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Attached as Exhibit "B" is a Certification that none of the above-named directors and officers work in the government.

Period in which the Directors and Executive Officers Should Serve

The directors and executive officers should serve for a period of one (1) year.

Term of Office of a Director

Pursuant to Vivant's Amended By-laws, the directors are elected at each annual stockholder's meeting by stockholders entitled to vote. Each director holds office until the next annual election for a term of one year and until his successor is duly elected unless he resigns, dies or is removed prior to such election.

Any vacancy in the Board of Directors other than by removal or expiration of term may be filled by a majority vote of the remaining members thereof at a meeting called for that purpose, if they still constitute a quorum. The director so chosen shall serve for the unexpired term of his predecessor in office.

(2) Significant Employees

The Company considers its entire work force as significant employees. Everyone is expected to work together as a team to achieve the Company's goals and objectives.

(3) Family Relationships

Messrs. Charles Sylvestre A. Garcia, Gil A. Garcia, and Edgar John A. Garcia II are brothers, or related within the second civil degree of consanguinity.

Mr. Ramontito E. Garcia is related within the fourth civil degree of consanguinity (cousin) to Messrs. Charles Sylvestre A. Garcia, Gil A. Garcia II, and Edgar John A. Garcia.

Mr. Emil Andre M. Garcia is related within the third civil degree of consanguinity to Messrs. Charles Sylvestre A. Garcia, Gil A. Garcia II, and Edgar John A. Garcia.

Mr. Arlo A. G. Sarmiento is related within the third civil degree of consanguinity (nephew) to Mr. Ramontito E. Garcia. He is also related within the fifth civil degree of consanguinity to Mssrs. Charles Sylvestre A. Garcia, Gil A. Garcia II, and Edgar John A. Garcia. He is also related within the sixth civil degree of consanguinity to Mr. Emil Andre M. Garcia.

Mr. Jose Marko Anton G. Sarmiento is the brother of Mr. Arlo A. G. Sarmiento; thus, they are related within the second civil degree of consanguinity. He is also related within the fifth civil degree of consanguinity to Mssrs. Charles Sylvestre A. Garcia, Gil A. Garcia II, and Edgar John A. Garcia.

Mr. Shem Jose W. Garcia is the son of Mr. Ramontito E. Garcia and is related within the fourth civil degree of consanguinity (cousin) to Messrs. Arlo A. G. Sarmiento and Jose Marko Anton G. Sarmiento.

Ms. Brigette Cecile N. Garcia is the daughter of Edgar John A. Garcia. She is also related within the third civil degree of consanguinity (niece) to Messrs. Charles Sylvestre A. Garcia, and Gil A. Garcia II; related within the fourth civil degree of consanguinity (cousin) to Mr. Emil Andre M. Garcia.

Atty. Jess Anthony N. Garcia is related within the third civil degree of consanguinity (nephew) to Atty. Jesus B. Garcia, Jr.

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Other than the foregoing, there are no other family relationships (of consanguinity or affinity) known to Vivant.

(4) Involvement in Certain Legal Proceedings

To the knowledge and/or information of Vivant, none of its nominees for election as directors, its present members of the Board of Directors or its executive officers, is presently or during the last five years, been involved in any legal proceeding or bankruptcy petition or has been convicted by final judgment, or being subject to any order, judgment or decree or violated the securities or commodities law in any court or government agency in the Philippines or elsewhere for the past five years and the preceding years until June 30, 2020 which would put to question their ability and integrity to serve Vivant and its stockholders.

To the knowledge and/or information of Vivant, the above-said persons have not been convicted by final judgment of any offense punishable by the laws of the Republic of the Philippines or by the laws of any other nation or country.

To the knowledge and/or information of Vivant, the said persons have not been found by a domestic or foreign court of competent jurisdiction (in a civil action), the Securities and Exchange Commission or comparable foreign body, or a domestic or foreign Exchange or other organized trading market or self-regulatory organization, to have violated a securities or commodities law or regulation for the preceding years until June 30, 2020.

(5) Certain Relationships and Related Transactions

During the last two (2) years there was no transaction with or involving the Company or any of its subsidiaries in which a director, executive officer, or stockholder owns ten percent (10%) or more of total outstanding shares and members of their immediate family had or is to have a direct or indirect material interest.

In the normal course of business, Vivant transacts with companies who are considered related parties under PAS 24, *Related Party Disclosures*. As parent company, Vivant provides two (2) types of professional services: (1) strategic and technical and (2) corporate center services. These transactions were made at an arm's length basis. Third party rates are used as reference and benchmark to ensure competitive pricing and consistency to current industry standards.

Functions covered would include regulatory, sales and marketing, technical operations, business development, corporate finance, corporate management systems, legal and human resources among others. These services are rendered by Vivant to allow efficient transfer of business and technical expertise, thus improving cost efficiencies and synergies. Vivant houses a pool of highly qualified professionals with business expertise relating to the business of the Vivant Group. Service Level Agreements are in place to ensure the quality of service and competitive pricing.

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Aside from the abovementioned, below are other services provided to and/or transactions entered into by Vivant with related parties in 2019:

- Vivant issued corporate guarantees for the following transactions:
 - Application for and the issuance of a domestic Standby Letter of Credit (SBLC) in behalf of an investee company relating to its debt service for its long-term project loan;
 - Foreign exchange hedging transaction entered into by an investee company that owns and operates a 300 MW coal fired power generation plant in Toledo City, Cebu.
- Vivant, on behalf of an investee company, applied for the issuance of a domestic SBLC to comply with the bid security requirement of a water distribution utility.
- Vivant entered into agreements with Mai-I Resources Corporation (MRC) and JEG Development Corporation (JDC), its stockholders, to perform consultancy services for the companies.
- Vivant has an outstanding lease agreement with a certain subsidiary involving rental of its commercial office space.

(6) Resignation or Refusal to Stand for Re-election by Members of the Board of Directors

No director has resigned or declined to stand for re-election to the board of directors because of a disagreement with Vivant on any matter relating to the Registrant's operations, policies or practices.

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Item 6. Compensation of Directors and Executive Officers

(1) Summary of Compensation of Executive Officers

Information as to the aggregate compensation paid or accrued to Vivant's Chief Executive Officer and other highly compensated executive officers, as well as other officers and directors during the last two (2) completed fiscal years and the ensuing fiscal year, is as follows:

Name and Principal Position	Year	Salary	Bonus	Other
				Compensation
Top Five Highly Compensated Executives				
Ramontito E. Garcia – Chairman and CEO ¹				
2. Arlo A.G. Sarmiento ² – President				
Minuel Carmela N. Franco - SVP Corporate				
and Shared Services 4. Jess Anthony N. Garcia -				
SVP Business Development for				
Infrastructure and Innovation				
5. Maria Victoria E. Sembrano ³ – SAVP				
Controllership				
6. Emil Andre M. Garcia ⁴ – Director				
All above-named officers as a	2020 (est.)	Php 33.6 mn	Php 36.0 mn	
group	2019	Php 24.3 mn	Php 19.4 mn	
	2018	Php 26.1 mn	Php 13.3 mn	
	2017	Php 24.9 mn	Php 13.5 mn	
All other directors and	2020 (est.)	Php 18.1 mn	Php 6.4 mn	Php 20.0 mn
officers as a group unnamed	2019 ⁵	Php 10.5 mn	Php 2.8 mn	Php 11.3 mn
	2018	Php 27.0 mn	Php 7.0 mn	Php 10.8 mn
	2017	Php 21.4 mn	Php 6.1 mn	Php 11.3 mn

Notes:

- 1. In a disclosure dated April 3, 2020, Vivant informed SEC that Mr. Ramontito E. Garcia was elected as Chairman and CEO effective April 6, 2020 to occupy the position left vacant by Mr. Dennis N.A. Garcia.
- 2. In a disclosure dated April 3, 2020, Vivant informed SEC that Mr. Arlo A.G. Sarmiento was elected as President effective April 6, 2020 to occupy the position left vacant by Mr. Ramontito E. Garcia.
- 3. Included in the top 5 highly compensated executive officers beginning 2019.
- 4. Included in the top 5 highly compensated executive officers up to 2018. Mr. Emil Andre M. Garcia transferred to Vivant Energy when it was operationalized in March 2019. In July 9, 2020, he was appointed as the Sr. VP Power of the Company.
- 5. A number of officers included in the 2018 data were transferred to Vivant Energy when it was operationalized in March 2019.

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(2) Compensation of Directors

(i) Standard Arrangements

In 2019, each non-executive Director of the Board and members of the Board Committees received a per diem for every Board or Committee meeting attended as follows:

Type of Meeting	Directors	Chairman of the Board or Committee
Board Meeting	Php 50,000.00	Php 50,000.00
Executive Committee	Php 10,000.00	Php 10,000.00
Committee Meeting	Php 40,000.00	Php 40,000.00

(ii) Other Arrangements

Other than honoraria for meetings attended, there are no standard arrangements pursuant to which directors of the Issuer are compensated, or are to be compensated, directly or indirectly, for any services provided as a director, including any additional amounts payable for committee participation or special assignments for the last completed fiscal year and the ensuing year.

Other than the indirect compensation of two (2) directors via consultancy contracts that were in place during the Company's last fiscal year, there are no arrangements, including consulting contracts, pursuant to which any director of the registrant was compensated, or is to be compensated, directly or indirectly, during the Company's last completed fiscal year, and the ensuing year, for any service provided by such director. Aforementioned consultancy contracts involving indirect compensation of the registrant's two (2) directors will be in place in the ensuing year.

(3) Employment Contracts and Termination of Employment and Change-in-Control Arrangements

Vivant has no existing compensation plan or arrangement with any of its executives in case of resignation or any other termination of employment or from a change in the management control of the Company.

(4) Warrants and Options Outstanding

There are no outstanding warrants or options held by the named executive officers, and all officers and directors as a group, as identified in Item 6 (1). Moreover, at no time during the last completed fiscal year did Vivant adjust or amend the exercise price of stock warrants or options previously awarded to the aforementioned officers and directors.

Item 7. Independent Public Accountants

For the fiscal year 2019, the accounting firm of Sycip Gorres Velayo & Co. (SGV) was the Independent Public Accountant of Vivant. Ma. Genalin Q. Arevalo is the audit partner of Vivant for 2019 and the recommended partner-in-charge.

Representatives of SGV will be present during the Annual Stockholders' Meeting and will be given the opportunity to make a statement if they so desire. They are also expected to respond to appropriate questions if needed.

There was no event in the past three (3) fiscal years where Vivant and SGV, or the handling partner, had any disagreement with regard to any matter relating to accounting principles or practices, financial statement disclosure or auditing scope or procedure.

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Vivant's Audit Committee is responsible for the review and evaluation of the performance of the external auditors, and for recommending to the Board the appointment of external auditors. After evaluating and finding the performance of SGV in 2019 satisfactory, the Audit Committee, in its meeting on [•]²⁴, resolved to recommend to the Board of Directors of Vivant the re-appointment of SGV as the Independent Public Accountant of Vivant for 2020.

In its special meeting last $[\bullet]^{25}$, the Board of Directors of Vivant discussed the recommendation of the Audit Committee to appoint SGV as Vivant's external auditors for 2020. After discussion and upon motion duly made and seconded, the Board of Directors approved to endorse to the shareholders the appointment of SGV as Vivant's external auditors for 2020.

The Board Audit Committee is composed of: Atty. Jesus B. Garcia, Jr. (Independent Director) as Chairman, and Messrs. Ramontito E. Garcia, Arlo A. G. Sarmiento, Rogelio Q. Lim (Independent Director), and Raul Ch. Rabe (Independent Director) as members.

The Corporation is in compliance with SEC Memorandum Circular No. 08-03 (Rotation of External Auditors) in relation to paragraph 3 (b)(ix) of Rule 68 of the Implementing Rules and Regulations of the Securities Regulation Code, and the two (2)-year cooling-off period was observed in the re-engagement of the same signing partner or individual auditor.

External Audit Fees and Services

The table below sets forth the aggregate fees billed to the Company for professional services rendered by SGV in fiscal year 2019.

Fee Type	2019	
Audit Fees	Php 590,697	
Tax Fees ¹	666,000	
All Other Fees ²	531,785	
Total	PhP 1,788,482	

Notes:

- 1. Tax Consultancy.
- 2. Trainings on Philippine Data Privacy Assessment Project and trainings on Taxation and Philippine Financial Reporting Standards.

Both management and the Audit Committee evaluated the audit fee of SGV. This was recommended to and approved by the Board of Directors. The Audit Committee also reviewed the extent and nature of these services to ensure that the independence of the external auditors is preserved.

Item 8. Compensation Plans

There is no action to be taken by Vivant at the Annual Stockholders' Meeting with respect to any plan pursuant to which cash or non-cash compensation may be paid or distributed.

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²⁴ The Audit Committee of the Company has a scheduled meeting on August 6, 2020 and this will be updated accordingly.

²⁵ The Board of Directors of the Company has a scheduled meeting on August 7, 2020 and this will be updated accordingly.

C. ISSUANCE AND EXCHANGE OF SECURITIES

Item 9. Authorization or Issuance of Securities Other than for Exchange

There is no action to be taken with respect to the authorization or issuance of any security.

Item 10. Modification or Exchange of Securities

There is no action to be taken with respect to the modification of any class of securities of the Registrant, or the issuance or authorization for issuance of one class of securities of the Registrant in exchange for outstanding securities of another class.

Item 11. Financial and Other Information

There is no action to be taken with respect to the authorization or issuance of any security, or with respect to the modification of any class of securities of the Registrant, or the issuance or authorization for issuance of one class of securities of the Registrant in exchange for outstanding securities of another class.

Item 12. Mergers, Consolidations, Acquisitions and Similar Matters

No action is to be taken with respect to any transaction involving any merger, consolidation, acquisition, sale or transfer of all or any substantial part of the assets, or liquidation or dissolution of Vivant.

Item 13. Acquisition or Disposition of Property

No action to be taken during the Annual Stockholders' Meeting with respect to any acquisition or disposition of any property of material significance.

Item 14. Restatement of Accounts

No action to be taken during the Annual Stockholders' Meeting with regard to restatement of accounts.

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D. OTHER MATTERS

Item 15. Action with Respect to Reports

(1) Approval of the Minutes of the June 20, 2019 Annual Meeting of Stockholders

The following is a summary of the items in the Agenda of which action was taken during the 2019 Annual Stockholders' Meeting:

- I. Approval and adoption of the minutes of the June 21, 2018 Annual Stockholders' Meeting
- II. Annual Report of Officers
- III. Approval of the 2018 Annual Report and Financial Statements
- IV. Appointment of External Auditors for 2019
- V. Ratification of all acts and resolutions of the Board of Directors and Management adopted for Fiscal Year 2018
- VI. Election of Directors (including Independent Directors) for the year 2019 2020

MR. DENNIS A. GARCIA

MR. EMIL ANDRE M. GARCIA

MR. GIL A. GARCIA II

MR. CHARLES SYLVESTRE A. GARCIA

MR. RAMONTITO E. GARCIA

MR. ARLO A. G. SARMIENTO

MR. JOSE MARKO G. SARMIENTO

MR. CARMELO MARIA LUZA BAUTISTA (Independent Director)

MR. ROGELIO Q. LIM (Independent Director)

AMB. RAUL CH. RABE (Independent Director)

ATTY. JESUS B. GARCIA, JR. (Independent Director)

Other than the foregoing, no matter was submitted to a vote of security holders.

The results of the foregoing meeting were timely disclosed to the PSE and SEC in SEC Form 17-C report.

Item 16. Matters Not Required to be Submitted

There is no action to be taken with respect to any matter that is not required to be submitted to a vote of security holders.

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Item 17. Amendment of Charter, By-laws or Other Documents

(1) Amendment of the Company's By-laws:

At its meeting on July 20, 2020, the Board of Directors of the Company approved further amendments to the Amended By-laws of the Company. The following will be presented to the stockholders for consideration:

 The amendment to Article II Section 4 will be sought to align the Notice of Meetings requirements with Section 49 of the Revised Corporation Code and to facilitate sending out notices to stockholders through electronic mail or any form of messaging service or by posting through the website.

As proposed, Article II Section 4 will read as follows:

"Section 4. Notice of Meeting – Notices for the regular or special meetings of the stockholders may be sent by the <u>Corporate</u> Secretary either by personal delivery, <u>by private courier</u>, by mail - <u>postal or electronic</u>, <u>or by any form of messaging service</u>, <u>addressed to the physical or electronic address</u>, <u>or contact detail of</u> each stockholder of record or by publication in a newspaper of general circulation <u>or by posting on the website of the Corporation at least twenty-one</u> (21) days prior to the date of the meeting. The notice shall be deemed to have been given at the time when delivered personally or deposited with the post office or private courier, or sent by messaging service or by electronic mail to the address or contact detail provided by the stockholder, or published in a newspaper of general circulation, or posted on the website of the Corporation.

The notice of the meeting shall state the date, time and place of the meeting, a statement of the matters to be transacted at the meeting, and no business other than that specified in the notice shall be transacted at such meeting.

• The amendment to Article II Section 5 and Section 7 will be sought to align the Quorum requirements with Section 23 of the Revised Corporation Code, and the manner of voting with Section 57 of the Revised Corporation Code to allow stockholders to vote through remote communication or in absentia, subject to the rules and regulations that may be issued by the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) from time to time.

As proposed, Article II Section 5 will read as follows:

"Section 5. Quorum – Unless otherwise provided by law, in all regular or special meetings of stockholders, a majority of the outstanding capital stock must be present or represented in order to constitute a quorum. Stockholders participating through remote participation or in absentia, electronically or otherwise, shall be deemed present for the purpose of determining the existence of a quorum.

If no quorum is constituted, the meeting shall be adjourned until the requisite amount of stock shall be present.

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As proposed, Article II Section 7 will read as follows:

"Section 7. Proxies – Stockholders may vote in person, <u>through remote participation, in absentia</u> or by proxy in all meetings of the stockholders of the corporation. A proxy shall be in writing, signed by the stockholder or his duly authorized representative and filed with the office of the Corporate Secretary three (3) working days before the scheduled meeting. The Corporate Secretary shall only accept original copies of proxies. Only proxies bearing the signature of the duly authorized stockholder signatory(ies) on file with the corporation's transfer agent shall be recognized by the Secretary of the Meeting. A proxy is valid only for the meeting for which it is intended unless the proxy-giver grants a longer period which however should not be longer than five (5) years at any one time."

 The amendment to Article III Section 2 will be sought to align the minimum number of Independent Directors with with the requirements of law and prescribed by the SEC.

As proposed, Article II Section 4 will read as follows:

"Section 2. <u>Composition of the Board</u>, Election and Term. The Board of Directors <u>shall have Eleven (11) members</u>, <u>who shall be</u> elected <u>by Corporation's the stockholders who shall be entitled to vote at the annual meeting</u> of the stockholders, and shall hold office for one (1) year and until their successors are elected and qualified <u>in accordance with these Bylaws</u>.

As a corporation publicly listed with the Philippine Stock Exchange, the Corporation shall conform with the minimum number of Independent Directors as may be required by law and prescribed by the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), and with the procedures for the nomination and election of Independent Directors as may be prescribed by law and issuances of the SEC."

 The amendment to Article III Section 4 and Section 6 will be sought to align the modes of participation in board meetings with Section 52 of the Revised Corporation Code, which allows directors who cannot physically attend or vote to participate through remote communication.

As proposed, Article III Section 4 will read as follows:

Section 4. Meetings – Regular meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held once every quarter of the year on such dates and at such times and places as the Chairman of the Board, or in his absence, the President, or upon the request of a majority of the directors and shall be held at such places as may be designated in the notice.

<u>Directors who cannot physically attend or vote at board meetings can</u> participate and vote through remote communication such as <u>videoconferencing</u>, teleconferencing, or other alternative modes of communication that allow them to participate.

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As proposed, Article III Section 6 will read as follows:

Section 6. Quorum – A majority of the number of directors as filed in the Articles of Incorporation shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of corporate business, and every decision of at least a majority of the directors present at a meeting at which there is a quorum shall be valid as a corporate act, except for the election of officers which shall require the vote of a majority of all the members of the Board. <u>Directors participating through remote communication such as videoconferencing, teleconferencing, or other alternative modes of communication shall be deemed present for the purpose of determining the existence of a quorum</u>

• The amendment to Article III Section 5 will be sought to align the Notice of Meetings requirements with the Revised Corporation Code and facilitate sending out notices to directors through electronic mail or any form of messaging service or application.

As proposed, Article III Section 5 will read as follows:

Section 5. Notice – Notice of the regular or special meeting of the Board, specifying the date, time and place of the meeting, shall be communicated by the Secretary to each director personally, or by telephone, telex, telegram, or by written, <u>electronic</u>, oral <u>or by any form of messaging service</u>. A director may waive this requirement, either expressly or impliedly.

Item 18. Other Proposed Actions

For the 2020 Annual Stockholders' Meeting, a proposal for the reappointment of SGV to act as the external auditor of Vivant will presented by the Board of Directors. Ma. Genalin Q. Arevalo will be the recommended partner-in-charge.

The ratification of the shareholders will be sought for change of address of the Company which was reflected in its amended Articles of Incorporation in December 2019.

The amendment reads as follows:

THIRD: That the place where the principal office of the Corporation is to be established at:

9th Floor, Oakridge IT Center 3, Oakridge Business Park, A.S. Fortuna Street, Barangay Banilad, Mandaue City, Cebu, Philippines.

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Item 19. Voting Procedures

Pursuant to the Revised Corporation Code, every stockholder entitled to vote shall have the right to vote in person, *in absentia* or by proxy the number of shares of stock standing, as of the record date, in his own name in the stock and transfer book of Vivant.

Approval and Ratification

The approvals to be obtained, as aforementioned, will require the affirmative vote by stockholders representing at least a majority of the Vivant's outstanding common stock voting *in absentia* or by proxy. Abstentions, with respect to any matter, are treated as shares present and represented and entitled to vote for the purpose of determining whether the stockholders have approved that matter; thus, abstentions have the same effect as negative votes. Shares as to which proxy authority has not been presented are not deemed to be present or represented for purposes of determining whether stockholder approval of that matter has been obtained.

Voting shall be *in absentia* or by proxy and the Corporate Secretary, Atty. Jess Anthony N. Garcia and the Assistant Corporate Secretary, Atty. Joan A. Giduquio-Baron, shall validate the votes cast.

Voting for Directors

In the election of directors, the top seven (7) nominees for non-independent directors and the top four (4) nominees for independent directors with the greatest number of votes shall be declared elected. If the number of nominees does not exceed the number of directors to be elected, all votes received *in absentia* or by proxy shall be cast in favor of the nominees.

In the election of directors, the stockholder may choose to do any of the following:

- (i) Vote such number of shares for as many person(s) as there are directors to be elected;
- (ii) Cumulate such shares and give one candidate as many votes as the number of directors to be elected multiplied by the number of his shares; or
- (iii) Distribute his shares on the same principle as option (ii) among as many candidates as he shall see fit, provided, that the total number of votes cast by him shall not exceed the number of shares owned by him multiplied by the whole number of directors to be elected.

The method of counting the votes shall be in accordance with the general provisions of the Revised Corporation Code of the Philippines. The counting of votes shall be done by representatives of the Office of the Corporate Secretary, who shall serve as members of the Election Committee.

Other than the nominees' election as directors, no director, executive officer, nominee or associate of the nominees has any substantial interest, direct or indirect by security holdings or otherwise, in any way of the matters to be taken up during the meeting. Vivant has not received any information that an officer, director or stockholder intends to oppose any action to be taken at the Annual Stockholders' Meeting.

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This Information Statement in SEC Form 20-IS is given free of charge to the stockholders prior to the Annual Stockholders' Meeting of the Company. Vivant stockholders may likewise request for a copy of the Annual Report in SEC Form 17-A which will be given free of charge upon written request. Please write to:

Office of the Corporate Secretary
9th Floor, Oakridge IT Center 3,
Oakridge Business Park, A.S. Fortuna Street,
Brgy. Banilad, Mandaue City, Cebu

SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this report is true, complete, and correct. This report is signed at the City of Mandaue on July 21, 2020.

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Issuer

By:

JESS ANTHONY N. GARCIA

Corporate Secretary

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PART I - BUSINESS AND GENERAL INFORMATION

Item 1. Business

1. Business Development

Vivant Corporation (Vivant or the Company) is a publicly listed holding company that, through its subsidiaries and affiliates, has interests in various companies engaged in the electric power generation (renewable and non-renewable energy), electric power distribution, and retail electricity supply business. The Garcia-Escaño family of Cebu (the Family) collectively owns approximately 76% of the outstanding capital stock of Vivant as of December 31, 2019.

Vivant's origins can be traced back to the rich and humble beginnings of Viuda y Hijos de F. Escaño Incorporada, the successor of the enterprise that Don Fernando Escaño founded in 1879, which came to be known as Hijos de F. Escaño Inc. (HDFE). The entry into the power industry dates back to the early 1900s when the Family diversified its business interests (mainly shipping and trade) to include electricity power distribution when it took over the operations of the Visayas Electric Company (VECO). VECO was the power distribution utility serving the electricity requirements of the City of Cebu and its surrounding municipalities.

The Second World War caused significant damage in the facilities of VECO. It was during the close of the war in 1945 that initiatives of VECO, alongside with the US Army, allowed the resumption of its operations to its pre-war levels. Staff levels were beefed up, while investments in new machineries and equipment poured in. Currently, VECO stands as the second largest privately-owned electric power distribution utility in the Philippines in terms of annual gigawatt-hour (GWh) sales. As of end-2019, Vivant has an effective equity interest of approximately 35% in VECO.

In 2002, the Family acquired 99% of Philstar.com, a company listed in the Philippine Stock Exchange (PSE). Subsequently, the Family's holdings in HDFE and VECO were infused to this company. Philstar.com was afterward renamed Vivant Corporation.

Starting in 2007, Vivant, through its subsidiaries and affiliates, started its foray into the power generation business via equity investments in the following generation companies:

- Cebu Private Power Corporation, owner and operator of a 70 megawatts (MW) diesel-fired power plant located in the island of Cebu;
- Delta P, Inc. (DPI), owner and operator of a 16 MW diesel-fired power plant in Palawan; and
- Cebu Energy Development Corporation, a project company that owns and operates a 246 MW coal-fired power plant in Toledo City, Cebu.

The Company likewise participated in the government's privatization efforts conducted by the Power Sector Assets and Liabilities Management (PSALM):

- Acquisition of the 0.8 MW Amlan Hydroelectric Power Plant in Negros island in 2009; and
- Appointment as the Independent Power Producer (IPP) Administrator of the 70 MW Bakun Hydroelectric Power Plant (BHPP) in Alilem, Ilocos Sur in 2009

In 2010, Vivant, through one of its subsidiaries, entered into an agreement with the Provincial Government of La Union (PGLU) for the management and operation of the 225 MW Bauang diesel-fired power plant.

In December 2012, Corenergy Inc. (Corenergy), through wholly-owned subsidiary Vivant Energy Corporation (Vivant Energy), was incorporated as the Retail Electricity Supply (RES) company of Vivant.

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In April 2013, the Company, through one of its associates, broke ground for the construction of the 8 MW bunker- and 750 kW diesel-fired power plants in the municipalities of Coron and Busuanga, respectively. The plants commenced commercial operations in the last quarter of 2014 and have serviced the power requirements of the local distribution utility via a Power Supply Agreement (PSA).

In November 2013, Vivant, through wholly-owned subsidiary Vivant Energy, participated in the public bidding process conducted by PSALM for the selection and appointment of the IPP Administrator for the Strips of Energy of the Unified Leyte Geothermal Power Plants (ULGPP) located at Tongonan, Leyte. On January 29, 2014, PSALM declared and selected Vivant Energy as the Winning Bidder for Seventeen (17) Strips of Energy of the ULGPP. This allowed Vivant Energy to sell 17 MW of geothermal power from ULGPP beginning January 1, 2015. In October 2019, the Administration Agreement for the Selection and Appointment of Independent Power Producer Administrators for the Strips of Energy of the Unified Leyte Geothermal Plant between Vivant Energy and PSALM was terminated.

In January 2014, Vivant signed an agreement to issue Php 3 billion (bn) in Fixed Rate Corporate Notes (FRCN). The offering was fully subscribed by a consortium of local banks. Proceeds of the issue, which were in 2 tranches, were earmarked to partly fund the Company's and its subsidiaries' capital projects.

In February 2014, a Memorandum of Understanding was executed by wholly-owned subsidiary Vivant Integrated Generation Corporation (VIGC) and Mindanao Energy Systems, Inc. (Minergy) that involved the possible equity investments by VIGC in Minergy's future power generation projects. Subsequent to this, a Subscription Agreement between VIGC and Minergy Coal Corporation (MCC) was executed, which allowed VIGC to subscribe to 40% of all issued capital and shares of MCC. MCC is the project company that was set up by Minergy to build, own and operate a 3x55 MW coal-fired power plant in Balingasag, Misamis Oriental. Construction commenced in the first quarter of 2014. In 2015, MCC changed its corporate name to Minergy Power Corporation (MPC). The power generation facility started to feed into the franchise area of Cagayan de Oro Electric Power and Light Corporation (CEPALCO), which covers the City of Cagayan de Oro and adjoining towns, in September 2017.

On August 27, 2014, a shareholders' agreement between VIGC and Therma Power, Inc. (TPI) was signed. This agreement involved the investment by VIGC in Therma Visayas, Inc. (TVI), the project proponent for the construction and operation of a 2x170 MW coal-fired power generation facility in Toledo City, Cebu. The agreement involved the entry of VIGC into TVI for a 20% equity stake. Construction commenced in the first quarter of 2015. Commercial operations for Unit 1 and Unit 2 commenced within first half of 2019.

In December 2015, after the successful conduct of a Competitive Selection Process by the Palawan Electric Cooperative (PALECO), DPI was declared as the winning proponent and awardee of the 15–year PSA for a 26.65 MW Gross Dependable Capacity. Consequently, DPI embarked on an expansion program in 2016 involving the construction of a 30 MW diesel-fired power plant. The power plant facility started to feed into the PALECO service area in the second quarter of 2017.

In September 2016, Corenergy obtained its 5-year Renewable Energy Supplier license from the Energy Regulatory Commission (ERC) and started supplying to retail customers in Luzon starting in 2018.

In January 2017, 1590 EC signed a 5-year Ancillary Service Procurement Agreement (ASPA) with the National Grid Corporation of the Philippines (NGCP). This involved the provision of Dispatchable Reserve on a non-firm basis. The ASPA became effective in May 2017, after obtaining Provisional Approval by the ERC.

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In May 2017, Vivant entered into a joint venture with ET Energy Pilipinas Holding Corporation (ET-Pilipinas). The joint venture was established for the purpose of exploring opportunities in the solar rooftop space. Through 100%-owned Vivant Energy and Vivant Renewables Energy Corporation (VREC), the Company initially had 60% ownership in the joint venture company, ET-Vivant Solar Corporation (ET-Vivant). In November 2019, Vivant Energy and VREC bought out ET-Pilipinas, making ET-Vivant a whollyowned subsidiary of Vivant.

In May 2017, a Commencement/Stay Order was issued by the Cebu City Regional Trial Court Branch 11 in favor of then 48%-owned Vivant-Sta. Clara Northern Renewables Generation Corporation (NR) pursuant to a Petition for Corporate Rehabilitation. NR is the Administrator of the 70MW capacity of the BHPP. While awaiting the court's decision on whether or not to allow the rehabilitation, Vivant, through wholly-owned subsidiaries Vivant Energy and VREC, sold all of its shareholdings in NR to North Renewable Energy Corporation in October 2018.

In December 2017, Vivant, through wholly-owned subsidiary VIGC, and Global Business Power Corporation (GBPC) signed a Pre-Development Agreement to jointly participate in a project that involved the construction and operation of a 2x335 MW coal fired power plant in La Union. This project will be undertaken through Global Luzon Energy Development Corporation, a special purpose vehicle that was set up where Vivant has an effective ownership of 42.5%.

Also, in December 2017, Vivant Energy and ICS Renewables Holdings, Inc. (ICS Renewables) executed a Deed of Sale with Assignment of Subscription Rights, which effectively transferred Vivant's ownership in AHPC to ICS Renewables by year-end.

A Deed of Sale with Assignment of Subscription Rights was likewise executed by Vivant Energy and ICS Renewables, which effectively transferred ICS Renewables' shares in 1590 EC to Vivant Energy. As of year-end 2017, Vivant Energy increased its equity stake in 1590 EC from 52.7% to 55.2%.

In May 2018, Sabang Renewable Energy Corporation (SREC) broke ground for the construction of a hybrid power generation facility in Bgy. Cabayugan, an unelectrified area in Puerto Princesa. The project is composed of a 1.4 MW solar power generation plant, a 2.3 MWh storage facility and a 1.28 MW dieselfired power generation unit. SREC is the first to operate a smart hybrid power plant facility in an offgrid area. In addition to generating power, SREC is also responsible in distributing the electricity produced by the power plant to its consumers through its 14 km line under a Qualified Third-Party (QTP) Subsidy and Service Agreement with NPC and DOE. The Company has an effective ownership of 30% in SREC.

In June 2018, ET-Vivant purchased the shares of ET-Pilipinas in special purpose vehicle ET-Energy Island, Corp. (ETEI), the special purpose vehicle where all rooftop solar projects of Vivant are currently housed. In November 2019, ETEI declared commerciality for a 1.35MWp Solar Photovoltaic Plant in Mandaue City, Cebu. In the same month, Vivant Energy and VREC bought out ET-Pilipinas, making ET-Vivant a wholly-owned subsidiary of Vivant.

In December 2018, the Company established Vivant Infracore Holdings Inc (VIHI), the holding company that Vivant will use to house its business interests across different segments in infrastructure.

In May 2019, Vivant Hydrocore Holdings Inc. (VHHI) was incorporated as Vivant's water-industry arm, which will invest in and manage a diversified water portfolio in the areas of bulk water supply, wastewater treatment and water distribution.

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In June 2019, Vivant, through wholly-owned subsidiary VHHI, entered into an agreement with an Israeli firm, Watermatic International Ltd., for the creation of a joint venture company Watermatic Philippines Corporation (WMP). This was part of Vivant's endeavors to diversify its investment portfolio to include infrastructure. WMP was envisioned to engage in the design, supply, installation, commissioning, operation, and maintenance of water treatment and waste water treatment plants. Vivant initially owned 50% of WMP. In November 2019, Vivant increased its stake in WMP to 60% through additional subscription of shares.

Also in November 2019, the Bantayan Electric Cooperative (BANELCO) concluded a successful competitive selection process by awarding a 15-year contract to supply 15 MW of the island's energy requirements to Isla Norte Energy Corporation (INEC), the joint-venture of Vivant Integrated Diesel Corporation (VIDC), a wholly owned subsidiary of Vivant Energy, and Gigawatt Power Inc. In February 2020, INEC and BANELCO signed the PSA. Vivant owns 65% equity in INEC through wholly-owned subsidiaries, VIDC and Vivant Energy.

2. Business of Issuer

Through its equity interests in its subsidiaries and associates, Vivant is in the business of electric power generation, electric power distribution and retail electricity supply in the Philippines. In a recent investment made in 2019, Vivant entered into the water infrastructure business. (Please see Exhibit "C" for Vivant's Corporate Structure).

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(i) Principal Products

POWER GENERATION

As of end-2019, Vivant Energy holds all of Vivant's interests in the electric power generation business. To date, the Company has built a portfolio comprised of both renewable and non-renewable power generation plants with total attributable capacity of approximately 356 MW. As of December 31, 2019, approximately 70% of Vivant's net income from business segments was accounted for by its power generation business.

The table below summarizes the operating results of the generation companies as of December 31, 2019.

Generation Companies	Energy Sold ¹ (in GWh)			(Revenue ² in Php million)
	2017	2018	2019	2017	2018	2019
CPPC	141.1	66.5	115.1	1,484.4	1,253.2	1,684.6
Delta P ³	79.5	81.6	90.9	916.9	1,246.3	1,298.2
CEDC ⁴	1,724.3	1,861.1	1,777.2	8,751.5	9,728.2	8,570.6
1590 EC	184.8	114.8	181.3	1,811.3	1,254.0	2,720.3
CIPC	27.5	33.0	38.3	356.2	494.4	569.4
VIVANT ENERGY ⁵	140.0	151.2	69.7	807.6	916.4	987.6
MPC ⁶	238.2	817.3	969.4	1,422.4	6,460.3	6,391.9
TVI ⁷		224.5	1,532.7		701.9	6,254.3

Notes:

- 1. Figures are at 100%.
- 2. Figures are at 100%.
- 3. Includes 30-MW expansion project, which started to feed into the PALECO service area in May 2017.
- 4. Includes billed minimum contracted energy.
- 5. Through IPP Administration Agreements with PSALM, which was terminated in October 2019.
- 6. Started operations in September 2017 with Unit 1 at 48 MW gross capacity and Units 2 and 3 at 55 MW gross capacity each.
- 7. TVI started operations in 2019. Unit 1 commenced commercial operations in April 2019 while Unit 2 commenced operations in August 2019.

Cebu Private Power Corporation (CPPC)

Incorporated on July 13, 1994, CPPC owns and operates one of the largest diesel power plants in the island of Cebu – the 10 Caterpillar-Mak-powered 70 MW Bunker C-fired power plant situated on a 1.8-hectare site in the old VECO compound at Brgy. Ermita, Cebu City.

Commissioned in 1998, the CPPC plant was constructed pursuant to a build-operate-transfer (BOT) contract to supply 62 MW of power to VECO.

On April 20, 2007, Vivant acquired from East Asia Utilities Corporation 40% of the outstanding common shares of CPPC. The remaining 60% of the outstanding common shares was acquired by Aboitiz Power Corporation (AP).

In December 2010, CPPC started selling its excess capacity to the Wholesale Electricity Spot Market (WESM).

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In July 2013, CPPC and VECO filed an application for a new 10-year PSA with the Energy Regulatory Commission (ERC). Upon approval and implementation, the new agreement will redound to a slightly lower electricity rate for VECO. As of December 2019, the application for the new rate is still pending approval from the ERC.

Delta P, Inc. (DPI)

Established in 1997, DPI is an independent power producer in Palawan operating a 16 MW bunker-fired power plant with 4 units of 4 MW generator sets. In March 2007, Gigawatt Power Inc. (GPI) acquired the 100% interest of Wärtsilä Technology Oy Ab in DPI. In June 2007, GPI divested and sold a 20% equity stake in DPI to Vivant. Through wholly-owned subsidiary Vivant Energy, Vivant's equity stake increased to 35% in October 2007 through an additional share acquisition from GPI.

The power plant facility of DPI is located on a 25,981 sq.m. parcel of land leased from the City Government of Puerto Princesa at Kilometer 13, North National Highway, Barangay Santa Lourdes, Puerto Princesa, Palawan. Commercial operations started in May 1997 by virtue of a Lease Agreement with the National Power Corporation (NPC), which was scheduled to expire in April 2009. The power generated by the plant served a portion of the electricity requirements of PALECO.

On February 6, 2009, DPI and PALECO signed a PSA for DPI to directly supply PALECO'S power requirements for the next 10 years. DPI and PALECO filed a joint petition with the ERC for the approval of the PSA, which the latter granted on November 9, 2009.

In May 2015, a Share Purchase Agreement was executed between Vivant Energy and GPI, which resulted to a 50:50 equity ownership between the companies.

In December 2015, after the successful conduct of a Competitive Selection Process by PALECO, DPI was declared as the winning proponent and awardee of the 15—year PSA for a 26.65 MW Gross Dependable Capacity. Consequently, DPI embarked on an expansion program in 2016 involving the construction of a 30 MW diesel-fired power plant. In April 2016, DPI and PALECO filed a Joint Application with the ERC for the approval of the PSA. A public hearing was held on February 17, 2017. The power plant facility started to feed into the PALECO service area in the second quarter of 2017.

On February 6, 2019, a fire broke out in the old power plant of DPI which damaged 1 (out of 4) of the engines and the surrounding areas of the older facility. After rehabilitation was done, 2 engines went back online within 17 days from the incident, and the 3rd engine was running by April 2019.

Abovant Holdings, Inc. (AHI) and Cebu Energy Development Corporation (CEDC)

AHI was established in 2007 as a joint venture between Vivant and AP. The company's main purpose was to invest in a new power plant to be built in Barangay Daanlungsod, Toledo City, Cebu. AHI is 40% owned by Vivant (currently through wholly-owned VIGC) and 60% owned by AP (currently through wholly-owned Therma Power, Inc.).

AHI and Global Formosa Holdings, Inc. (Global Formosa), a joint venture between Global Business Power Corporation of the Metrobank Group and Formosa Heavy Industries, Inc., formed CEDC in December 2008 to build, own and operate a \$450 million (mn) 3 x 82 MW coal-fired power plant located in Toledo, Cebu utilizing the latest Circulating Fluidized Bed technology. Commercial operations commenced in 2011. With AHI's 44% stake in CEDC (Global Formosa owns the remaining 56%), Vivant's effective interest in CEDC is at 17.6%.

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In October 2009, CEDC signed an Energy Power Purchase Agreement (EPPA) with VECO for the supply of 105 MW of electricity for 25 years. The application for approval was filed with the ERC in the same year and was approved in February 2010. To date, CEDC has signed other EPPAs with electric cooperatives and distribution utilities in Cebu and Bohol. The company's EPPAs will provide contracted minimum energy offtake with fuel cost as a pass-through.

1590 Energy Corporation (1590 EC)

In March 2010, a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) was entered into between the PGLU, Vivant Energy and GPI wherein the parties agreed to enter into a Sale and Purchase Agreement (SPA) giving Vivant Energy and GPI exclusive right to purchase the 225 MW Bauang diesel-fired power plant (Bauang plant) owned by the PGLU until July 25, 2010.

On July 22, 2010, the MOA was amended granting Vivant Energy and GPI the right to an interim management and operation of the Bauang diesel-fired power plant and an extension of the SPA for 6 months or until January 26, 2011. Hence, Vivant Energy and GPI incorporated 1590 EC in July 2010 to undertake all the rights, interests and obligations under the Interim Agreement. On September 10, 2010, Vivant Energy and GPI with the conformity of PGLU transferred all their rights, interests and obligations under the Interim Agreement to 1590 EC.

In December 2010, 1590 EC formally signified its intent to purchase the diesel power plant, thus, a Contract to Sell (CTS) was executed between 1590 EC and the PGLU, the closing of which was subject to certain conditions. In May 2012, a Mutual Rescission Agreement (MRA) was entered into by 1590 EC and the PGLU, thus terminating the CTS. Simultaneously, a MOA was executed by both parties giving 1590 EC the right to preserve, maintain and operate, including the right to use and sell the power generated by the Bauang plant for a period of one year. In 2013, 1590 EC and the PGLU entered into an agreement to extend the term of the MOA up to end-2015. In February 2015, the parties executed a Second Amendment to the MOA extending the term of the MOA up to end-2018.

In January 2017, 1590 EC signed a 5-year ASPA with NGCP. This will involve the provision of Dispatchable Reserve on a non-firm basis. Effectivity of the contract will be upon receipt of a Provisional Approval by the ERC, which was obtained in May 2017.

In December 2017, Vivant Energy and ICS Renewables executed a Deed of Sale with Assignment of Subscription Rights, which effectively transferred ICS Renewables' shares in 1590 EC to Vivant Energy. As of year-end 2017, Vivant Energy increased its equity stake in 1590 EC from 52.7% to 55.2%.

In January 2018, through a bidding conducted by the PGLU, 1590EC was awarded the right to operate and maintain the 215-MW diesel bunker-fired power plant located in Bauang, La Union through a 5-year lease, which commenced in January 2019.

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Vivant-Malogo Hydropower, Inc. (VMHI)

VMHI was incorporated in June 2012 as the project company to implement a greenfield power plant project, which will involve the construction and operation of a series of run-of-river hydropower facility in Barangay Kapitan Ramon in Silay City, which is located in the northwestern section of the Negros island. VMHI will implement the project in phases, where Phase 1 will involve the construction and operation of a 6 MW power plant facility along the Malogo river. The company has finalized the detailed engineering plans of the facility and is in the process of rebidding the project's Engineering, Procurement and Construction (EPC) contract. Construction of the plant is estimated to be completed after a period of 22 to 24 months. Vivant, however, has decided to put the project on hold given the prevailing transmission constraint in the Negros grid, which is expected to be resolved by 2020 upon the completion of the Cebu-Negros-Panay 230kV backbone project of NGCP.

Vivant Energy holds an effective equity stake of 67% in VMHI.

Calamian Islands Power Corporation (CIPC)

CIPC was established in October 2010 as the project company to undertake the construction and operation of the 8 MW bunker- and 750 kW diesel-fired power plants in the municipalities of Coron and Busuanga, respectively. In August 2011, CIPC entered into a 15-year PSA with Busuanga Island Electric Cooperative covering the total capacity of the project. CIPC broke ground in April 2013. The Busuanga power station started feeding into the island's grid in the fourth quarter of 2013, while the Coron power station commenced power generation in August 2014.

Vivant Energy has an equity stake of 50% in CIPC.

Minergy Power Corporation (MPC)

MPC, formerly known as MCC, is the project company that was set up by Minergy to build, own and operate a 3x55 MW coal-fired power plant in Balingasag, Misamis Oriental. In May 2014, a Subscription Agreement between VIGC and MCC was executed which allows VIGC to subscribe to 40% of all issued capital and shares of MPC.

Construction commenced in the first quarter of 2014. The plant started to feed into the franchise area of CEPALCO, which covers the City of Cagayan de Oro and adjoining towns, in September 2017.

Therma Visayas, Inc. (TVI)

TVI is the project company that will build, own and operate the 2x170 MW coal-fired power plant in Barangay Bato, Toledo City, Cebu. The project is intended to address the increasing power demand of the Visayas grid. The plant design includes provisions for the addition of a third generating unit.

In May 2014, TVI signed an EPC contract with Hyundai Engineering Co., Ltd. And Galing Power Energy Co., Inc.

An agreement was executed in August 2014 between VIGC and TPI, which allowed VIGC to acquire a 20% equity stake in TVI. TPI, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Aboitiz Power, is the parent company of TVI.

In March 2015, the Notice to Proceed for all EPC activities was issued. Works on grid connection and energization of the plant are underway. Commercial operations for Unit 1 commenced in April 2019 and Unit 2 commenced commercial operations in August 2019.

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Sabang Renewable Energy Corporation (SREC)

SREC is the project proponent for the construction and operation of a hybrid power generation facility in Bgy. Cabayugan, an unelectrified area in Puerto Princesa. As the QTP, SREC will supply and distribute power to customers comprising mainly of local residents. The QTP location which is the gateway to the Puerto Princesa Underground River, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, has been waived from the franchise area of PALECO. The facility, which broke ground in May 2018 and completed in November 2019, is composed of a 1.4 MW solar power generation plant, a 2.3 MWh storage facility and a 1.28 MW dieselfired power generation unit. The Company has an effective ownership of 30% in SREC.

Culna Renewable Energy Corporation (CREC)

CREC is the project proponent for the construction and operation of hybrid facilities to supply Culion Island with a guaranteed dependable capacity of 1.96 MW and to supply Linapacan Island with guaranteed dependable capacity of 0.358 MW. The Culion Power Station will have a configuration of 2.42 MW Diesel Genset, 2.80 MWp Solar PV and a battery storage system while the Linapacan Power Station's installed capacity will be composed of 540 kW Diesel Gensets and 325 kWp Solar PV. A Joint Application for the approval of the PSA was filed by CREC and BISELCO with the ERC on July 17, 2017, which is pending resolution.

ET-Vivant Solar Corporation (ET-Vivant)

As part of its venture into the retail business, Vivant, through wholly owned subsidiaries Vivant Energy and VREC, entered into a joint venture with ET-Pilipinas to construct and operate solar rooftop generation facilities. In March 22, 2018, ET-Vivant was incorporated with Vivant having a 60% equity stake. In November 2019, Vivant Energy and VREC bought out ET-Pilipinas, making ET-Vivant a whollyowned subsidiary of Vivant.

As of November 2019, ET-Vivant's wholly owned special purpose vehicle, ETEI has completed and declared commerciality of a 1.35 MW solar rooftop facility for an industrial customer in Visayas. To date, ETEI completed a 0.80 MW solar rooftop facility in Luzon and 0.55 MW of solar rooftop facilities for commercial and industrial customers in Luzon and Visayas are currently under construction.

Future Projects

The Company continuously looks for opportunities in the power generation business, whether via greenfield, brownfield or acquisition. The Company conducts an extensive evaluation process before any proposed project is undertaken. Several factors are assessed and considered, which include but not limited to, the project's land use requirements, access to the grid, fuel supply availability and arrangements, permits and licenses, competitiveness of the plant and presence of potential offtakers.

Notwithstanding the review and evaluation process undertaken, the Company cannot give the assurance that a project, if implemented, will be successful. There is no assurance that the Company will eventually develop a particular project in the manner planned or at or below the cost estimated by the Company.

ELECTRIC POWER DISTRIBUTION

In addition to investments in the power generation sector, the Company has investments, both direct and indirect, in VECO, the second largest privately-owned distribution utility in the Philippines in terms of customers and annual GWh sales. As of end-2019, Vivant has a beneficial ownership in VECO of roughly 35%.

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Visayan Electric Company (VECO)

VECO, through its predecessor, has been in the distribution business since the early 1900s. It is an electric distribution utility engaged in the conveyance, distribution and sale of electric power pursuant to its legislative franchise, Republic Act No. 9339, and serves the electrical needs of four cities (Cebu, Mandaue, Talisay and Naga), and four municipalities (Consolacion, Liloan, Minglanilla, and San Fernando), all located in the Province of Cebu. Its franchise was granted by the Congress of the Philippines and is due to expire in 2030. VECO's service coverage is about 672 square kilometers serving 437,823 customers with a peak demand of 601 MW and electricity sales of 3,501 GWh in 2019.

The table below summarizes the key operating statistics of VECO for 2019 and the past two (2) years.

	Electricity Sold (MWh)	Peak Demand (MW)	# of Customers
2017	2,938,532	522	422,814
2018	3,159,032	547	437,823
2019	3,500,781	601	450,087

VECO is among the distribution utilities included in the third group (Group C) of private utilities to shift to Performance Based Regulation (PBR). The ERC issued in May 2010 its Final Determination on VECO's application for approval of its annual revenue requirements and performance incentive scheme under the PBR regime for the regulatory period July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2014.

VECO was scheduled to undergo the PBR reset process in the first quarter of 2014. However, the company was not able to do so given that the ERC has since put on hold all PBR reset processes. As such, VECO continued to apply the rates approved for the last year of the first regulatory period until such time it is able to undergo the ERC-mandated reset process.

RETAIL ELECTRICITY SUPPLY

One of the objectives of the EPIRA law is to ensure the competitive supply of electricity at the retail level. With the implementation of the Open Access and Retail Competition (Open Access), large-scale customers will be allowed to source electricity from Retail Electricity Suppliers (RES) licensed by the ERC.

Vivant has prepared its organization for the Open Access with the establishment of two (2) RES companies.

Prism Energy, Inc. (Prism Energy)

Prism Energy was incorporated in March 2009, as a joint venture between Vivant (40%) and AP (60%). The company obtained its five-year RES license in May 2012. Prism Energy is seen to service the requirements of the contestable customers in the Visayas region. License renewal process has been initiated and is just awaiting ERC decision.

As of year-end, Prism Energy was serving 43 customers with a total average consumption of 20,568,014 kWh per month. The total electricity delivered to its customer base amounted to 246,816,165 kWh in 2019.

Corenergy, Inc. (Corenergy)

Corenergy was incorporated in December 2012 as a wholly-owned subsidiary of Vivant, through Vivant Energy. The company obtained its 5-year RES license in September 2016 and is eyeing contestable customers in Luzon and Visayas regions.

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WATER INFRASTRUCTURE

Vivant continues to grow beyond the power business as it supports industries that improve everyday living. Through its wholly owned subsidiary VHHI, Vivant is on the look-out for opportunities in water infrastructure which relates to the provision of bulk water supply, water distribution and wastewater treatment services.

Watermatic Philippines Corporation (WMP)

WMP was established in July 2019 as the joint venture company of Vivant, through VHHI, and its Israeli partner WMI. Vivant's 60%-owned subsidiary specializes in providing solutions for water treatment for a variety of needs including for industry, drinking water, and agriculture. WMP's services include the design, engineering, construction, installation and operations and maintenance of water and wastewater treatment systems. It also assists clients in the project pre-development stage by providing the necessary technical studies and assessment and designing systems that are tailor-fit to the client's specific needs.

Vivant is in the process of evaluating and developing projects for this business.

(ii) Sales

The table below sets forth comparative figures for revenue, profitability and assets.

(in Php mn)	2017	2018	2019
Gross Income	4,135.0	4,280.3	5,979.6
Operating Income	1,504.7	1,838.4	2,927.1
Total Assets	15,753.5	17,197.3	20,867.0

The operations of Vivant, its subsidiaries and associates are based only in the Philippines.

Revenue contribution by business grouping is as follows:

	2017		2018		2019	
	Php mn	%-tot	Php mn	%-tot	Php mn	%-tot
Power Generation	3,295.9	80	3,421.3	80	4,986.4	83
Power Distribution	760.3	18	720.2	17	785.1	13
Retail Electricity Supply	6.2	0	21.7	0	36.2	1
Others	72.5	2	117.1	3	172.0	3
Total	4,135.0	100	4,280.3	100	5,979.6	100

(iii) Distribution Methods of Products and Services

The generation companies sell their electricity either through the WESM or through bilateral power supply agreements with private distribution utilities, cooperatives, RES and other large end-users.

Most of the generation companies have transmission service agreements with the NGCP for the transmission of electricity to the designated delivery points of their customers. Some have built their own transmission lines to directly connect to their customers.

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The distribution company has an exclusive distribution franchise in the area where it operates. It has its own distribution network consisting of an extensive network of predominantly overhead lines and substations. An agreement with NGCP is likewise entered into to facilitate the use of NGCP's transmission facilities to receive power from its IPPs, NPC and/or PSALM for distribution to its respective customers.

The RES company entered into supply contracts with its existing customers. As of year-end, Prism Energy was serving 43 customers with a total average consumption of 20,568,014 kWh per month. The total electricity delivered to its customer base amounted to 246,816,165 kWh in 2019. Corenergy on the other hand served 2 customers during the year with a total average consumption of 791,415 kWh per month. The total electricity delivered to its customer base amounted to 12,052,422 kWh in 2019.

(iv) New Products and Services

For its Power Generation, Electric Power Distribution and Electricity Supply, neither Vivant, nor its subsidiaries and associates, have any publicly-announced new product or service to date, apart from the ongoing greenfield, rehabilitation or expansion projects being undertaken.

For Water Infrastructure, WMP introduced new products and services to provide engineering, procurement of process equipment and installations for wastewater treatment systems.

(v) Competition

Power Generation

Vivant, through the facilities of its power generation subsidiaries and associates located in Luzon, Visayas and Mindanao, faces competition from other power generation plants that supply electricity to these island grids. Given the privatization of NPC-owned power generation facilities, the Company has to contend with local and multinational IPPs for signing power supply agreements and offering power supply through the WESM (where applicable).

The retail competition has further intensified the competition landscape for securing bilateral contracts. Generation companies have set up their RES operations to tap the contestable customers (as defined by RCOA, which is currently large end-users with a monthly peak average demand of at least 500 kW for the preceding 12 months). Further competition can be brought about by entities that established RES operations by acting as demand aggregators. Customer migration could result to the reduction of existing supply contracts of power generation companies with distribution utilities. Negotiations for new contracts could result to less favorable terms given the current scenario.

Competition in the development of new power generation facilities, the acquisition of existing power plants and financing these undertakings could also be expected. Given the robust performance of the industry in the last couple of years, many investors have been attracted to participate and explore opportunities in the development of electric power generation projects, both in the renewable and non-renewable energy spectrum.

The renewable energy industry, particularly distributed generation through solar rooftops has been sustaining an upward trend for the past 3 years. The entry of regional players in the Philippines made the competitive environment attractive for consumers who are looking for lower levelized cost of electricity.

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Electric Power Distribution

VECO has an exclusive franchise to distribute electricity in the area covered by its franchise.

Under Philippine law, the franchise of any distribution utility may be renewed by the Congress of the Philippines, provided that requirements relating to the rendering of public services are met. VECO intends to apply for the extension of its franchise upon its expiry. Competition or opposition from third parties may arise while the application for the extension of its franchise is underway. However, under the Philippine law, a party wishing to secure a franchise to distribute electricity must first obtain from the ERC a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity and shall prove that such party has the technical and financial capability to operate a distribution franchise. Ultimately, it is the Philippine Congress that has absolute discretion in determining whether to issue new franchises or renew existing franchises.

Customer migration has transpired as contestable customers opted to source their electricity requirements via Retail Supply Contracts with licensed RES operators. As of date, the current threshold for voluntary participation of a contestable customer is monthly peak average demand of at least 500 kW for the preceding 12 months. The reduction from 1 MW to 750 kW and 500 kW was implemented through DOE Department Circular No. DC 2017-12-0013. In the same circular, the DOE also provided for voluntary demand aggregation of electricity end-users within a contiguous area whose aggregate average peak demand in not less than 500 kW for the preceding 12 months.

Retail Electricity Supply

Vivant participates in the retail electricity market through Corenergy and Prism Energy. Competition has increased as more companies register as Retail Electricity Suppliers (RES). As of yearend-2019, there were 35 registered RES companies with the ERC.

(vi) Sources of Raw Materials and Supplies

Power Generation

Once operational, the Company's hydroelectric power generation plant will harness the kinetic energy from the flow of water on rivers to generate electricity. This hydroelectric company will possess a water permit issued by the National Water Resources Board (NWRB), which will allow it to utilize a certain volume of water from the applicable source of water flow to generate energy.

In the case of the fossil-fired power generation plants, fuel supply contracts with various suppliers have been entered into. Oil-fired plants have existing medium-term (2-5 years) contracts with local large oil companies and fuel distributors. The coal plant sources its fuel requirements via a combination of medium to long-term supply contracts with various suppliers and the WESM.

The modules of the photovoltaic (PV) plants are solid-state devices that convert sunlight, the most abundant energy source on the planet, directly into electricity without an intervening heat engine or rotating equipment. Photovoltaic cells are made of various semiconductors, which are most commonly composed of silicon (Si) and compounds of cadmium sulphide (CdS), cuprous sulphide (Cu2S), and gallium arsenide (GaAs). These cells are packed into modules that produce a specific voltage and current when illuminated. The PV systems rely on sunlight, have no moving parts, are modular to match power requirements on any scale, are reliable, and have a long life.

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Electric Power Distribution Business

VECO secured bulk of its electricity requirements by entering into bilateral agreements with various IPPs. These agreements are governed by the ERC regulations. Under current rules, VECO is allowed to purchase up to 90% of its total electricity requirements via bilateral contracts.

Below are the power purchase agreements of VECO in 2019.

Supplier	Contract Demand	Start Date	Expiry Date	
CEDC	90.5 MW	Mar 2011 Feb 2036		
Greencore	51 MW	Jan 2011	Dec 2024	
CPPC	61.72 MW	Old PSA has been extended pending ERC approval		
		of new PSA. New PSA will be 10 years from date of		
		ERC approval.		
AES (UL) ¹	40 MW	Jan 2015 Terminated October 20		
VIVANT ENERGY ² (UL)	17 MW	Jan 2015 Terminated October 20		
SLPGC	50 MW	Jan 2016	Jun 2018	
TVI ³	150MW	April 2019	March 2034	

Notes:

- 1. On October 25, 2019, the Administration Agreement for the Selection and Appointment of Independent Power Producer Administrators for the Strips of Energy of the Unified Leyte Geothermal Plant between AES and PSALM was terminated. Consequently, the power purchase agreement of VECO with AESI was terminated effective on the same date.
- 2. On October 25, 2019, the Administration Agreement for the Selection and Appointment of Independent Power Producer Administrators for the Strips of Energy of the Unified Leyte Geothermal Plant between Vivant Energy and PSALM was terminated. Consequently, the power purchase agreement of VECO with Vivant Energy was terminated effective on the same date.
- 3. As of April 2019, TVI started supplying 150MW of power to VECO with a cooperation period of 15 years from commercial operations date.

To meet the future supply requirement of its franchise area, VECO entered into a 15-year power supply contract with TVI involving the supply of 150 MW to service VECO's long-term capacity requirement. Commercial operations of the supply contract with VECO commenced in 2019.

Given the impact of RCOA on its market, VECO will continue to review its contracts profile and negotiate, if necessary, for the reduction of its bilateral agreements.

(vii) Major Customers

The bulk of the total attributable electricity generated by Vivant, through its subsidiaries and associates, are sold to private distribution utilities, electric cooperatives, NGCP, RES and some large industrial users via bilateral agreements. The balance is sold through the WESM. For the year 2019, Vivant had a 91:9 sales mix that was in favor of energy sales covered by sale contracts.

Vivant's distribution business, on the other hand, has a wide and diverse customer base. The distribution utility's customers are categorized as follows:

- **Industrial customers**: consist of large-scale consumers of electricity within a franchise area, such as factories, plantations and shopping malls.
- Residential customers: consist of structures utilized for residential purposes
- Commercial customers: include service-oriented businesses, universities and hospitals
- Other customers: include streetlights

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(viii) Transactions With and/or Dependence on Related Parties

Vivant and its subsidiaries and associates, in their regular conduct of business, have entered into related party transactions where Vivant, as parent company, provides two (2) types of professional services: (1) strategic and technical and (2) corporate center services.

Functions covered would include regulatory, sales and marketing, technical operations, business development, corporate finance, corporate management systems, legal and human resources among others. These services are rendered by Vivant to allow efficient transfer of business and technical expertise, thus improving cost efficiencies and synergies. Vivant houses a pool of highly qualified professionals with business expertise relating to the business of the Vivant Group. Service Level Agreements are in place to ensure the quality of service and competitive pricing.

Aside from the abovementioned, below are other services provided to and/or transactions entered into by Vivant with related parties in 2019.

- Vivant issued corporate guarantees for the following transactions:
 - Application for and the issuance of a domestic SBLC in behalf of an investee company relating to its debt service for its long-term project loan;
 - Foreign exchange hedging transaction entered into by an investee company that owns and operates a 300 MW coal fired power generation plant in Toledo City, Cebu.
- Vivant, on behalf of an investee company, applied for the issuance of a domestic SBLC to comply with the bid security requirement of a water distribution utility.
- Vivant entered into agreements with MRC and JDC, its stockholders, to perform consultancy services for the companies.
- Vivant has an outstanding lease agreement with a certain subsidiary involving rental of its commercial office space.

(ix) Government Approvals, Patents, Copyrights, Franchises

Power Generation

Under the EPIRA, the power generation business is not considered a public utility operation. However, there are standards, requirements and other terms and conditions set by the ERC that each existing and potential generation company should comply with. Once met, the ERC will issue a Certificate of Compliance (COC) that will allow the operation of the power generation facilities. A COC is valid for a period of five (5) years from the date of issuance.

Hydroelectric power generation facilities, on the other hand, are required to obtain water permits from the NWRB. Said permit would indicate the approved water source and allowable volume of water that can be used by these facilities in generating power. The water permits do not have expiry dates and are usually not terminated as long as the holder of the permit is able to meet the terms indicated.

A generation company that operates a facility connected to the Grid must make sure that the technical design and operational criteria of the Philippine Grid Code 2016 Edition and Philippine Distribution Code are met.

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Power purchase agreements signed with both private distribution utilities and electric cooperatives are required to be evaluated and approved by the ERC.

Vivant and its subsidiaries and associates involved in the generation business have no pending applications for the registration of intellectual property rights for any trademark associated with its and its subsidiaries' and associates' corporate names and logos.

Electric Power Distribution

Electricity distribution is a regulated public utility business under the EPIRA. It requires a franchise that can be granted only by the Congress of the Philippines. A Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity from the ERC is also needed to operate a public utility.

VECO's franchise is set to expire in 2030.

Given that the cost of purchased power is allowed to be passed on to the end-users, all power purchase agreements signed with power generation companies are required to be evaluated and approved by the ERC.

VECO has no pending application for the registration of intellectual property rights for any trademark associated with its corporate name and logo.

Retail Electricity Supply

With the implementation of the Open Access, the business of supplying electricity is not considered as a public utility operation under the EPIRA. However, proprietors of this business are required to obtain a license from the ERC in accordance with the ERC's rules and regulations. Vivant has two RES companies:

- Prism Energy, which is 40%-owned by Vivant, was awarded its license in May 2012.
- Corenergy, which is a wholly-owned subsidiary, was awarded its license in September 2016.

Water Infrastructure

There is an increasing participation and investment from the private sector to address the infrastructure gap in the water sector for the provision of bulk water supply, sewerage and water distribution services.

The primary regulatory agencies in the industry include the National Water Resources Regulatory Board (NWRB), the Local Water Utilities Authority (LWUA), the various Local Government Units (LGUs), and the special regulatory units such as the Metropolitan Waterworks and Sewerage System (MWSS).

Private entities that develop bulk water treatment plants and enter into bulk water supply agreements with water districts are required to secure a water right from the NWRB.

For private entities that provide water distribution services, a Certificate of Public Convenience issued by NWRB and a concession agreement with a Local Government Unit (LGU) is required.

Another area where the private sector may engage in is the treatment and sanitization of wastewater through Public-Private-Partnership models with the LGU to develop, operate and maintain wastewater treatment systems.

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Vivant and its subsidiaries and associates involved in the water business have no pending applications for the registration of intellectual property rights for any trademark associated with its and its subsidiaries' and associates' corporate names and logos.

(x) Effect of Existing or Probable Governmental Regulations

Given the changing landscape of the power industry brought about by the enactment of the EPIRA law in 2001, the following have had, will have or may have considerable impact on Vivant's businesses:

Wholesale Electricity Spot Market (WESM)

The WESM is a spot market for the buying and selling of electricity. This was established to enable competition to influence the production and consumption of electricity. The mechanism in place allows market forces to determine prices. The WESM provides another option for power generation companies that have no bilateral contracts on how to sell the energy generated by their power plants. Likewise, the WESM serves as a platform for distribution utilities, suppliers and wholesale consumers to purchase electricity even without a bilateral contract.

The WESM began operations in Luzon in June 2006 and in the Visayas in December 2010.

In December 2013, an amended Joint Resolution No. 2 was issued by Department of Energy (DOE), ERC and Philippine Electricity Market Corporation (PEMC) adjusting the WESM Offer Price Cap from Php 62,000 per MWh to Php 32,000 per MWh. This price cap is provisional and shall be subject to public consultations and review by the WESM Tripartite Committee.

In May 2014, ERC issued Resolution No. 8, Series of 2014, to implement an interim secondary price cap of Php 6,245 per MWh, which will be imposed when the rolling average market price over a 72-hour period (3 days) equal to or exceed Php 8,186 per MWh. In December 2014, this was adopted as a permanent pre-emptive mitigating measure where imposition of such will be triggered when the rolling average market price over a 168-hour period (or 7 days) equal to or exceed Php 9,000 per MWh. A Petition for Declaratory Relief with Application for Temporary Restraining Order and Writ of Preliminary Injunction has been filed by the Philippine Independent Power Producers Association, Inc. with the Regional Trial Court of Pasig on the ground that the resolutions made by ERC are invalid and void. The Regional Trial Court of Pasig denied the Application for Temporary Restraining Order. On November 6, 2014, PIPPA withdrew its application for the issuance of a Writ of Preliminary Injunction and submitted the case for decision.

WESM operations in Mindanao was officially launched by the DOE in May 2017 through Department Circular NO. DC2017-05-0009. Effective June 26, 2017, all electric power industry participants in the Mindanao Grid were considered WESM Participants and were required to comply with the WESM registration requirements. Currently, the Mindanao Grid is governed by the Interim Mindanao Dispatch Protocol until the Commercial Operations Date of WESM Mindanao on June 26, 2018.

In July 2017, through the initiative of the DOE, the Transition Committee for PEMC was created through Department Order No. DO2017-07-0010, which was tasked among others to propose a way forward for the WESM. Consistent with the intention of the EPIRA, the Transition Committee formulated a transition proposal for an Independent Market Operator ("IMO") which provides for the formation of an independent entity separate from the PEMC to become the IMO, while PEMC remains the governance arm of the WESM. Before the functions of the market operator can be transferred to the IMO, a joint endorsement of the DOE and the power industry participants is required. Hence, on January 17, 2018, the DOE promulgated policies for the efficient transition of the WESM to the IMO.

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Thereafter, on February 6, 2018, a Special Membership Meeting was held by PEMC to vote for the endorsement of the Plan for Transition to the IMO of the PEMC and the transfer of the market operations function from PEMC to the IMO.

The Independent Electricity Market Operator of the Philippines Inc. (IEMOP) was thereafter organized as a non-stock, non-profit private corporation that is separate from PEMC. The IEMOP was incorporated to become the IMO, and as such, in September 2018, it formally took over the operations of the WESM from PEMC.

PEMC remains the governing body of the WESM and continues to perform the WESM governance functions.

Retail Competition and Open Access (RCOA)

Among the significant mandates under the EPIRA is a system of open access to transmission and distribution wires whereby the National Transmission Corporation (Transco), its concessionaire, the NGCP, and any distribution utility may not refuse the use of their wires by qualified persons, subject to the payment of transmission and distribution retail wheeling charges. The following are the conditions for the commencement of the RCOA:

- Establishment of the WESM;
- Approval of unbundled transmission and distribution wheeling charges;
- Initial implementation of the cross-subsidy removal scheme;
- Privatization of at least 70% of the total capacity of generating assets of NPC in Luzon and Visayas; and
- Transfer of the management and control of at least 70% of the total energy output of power plants under contract with NPC to the Independent Power Producer Administrators (IPPA).

In 2011, the ERC initiated proceedings through the conduct of public hearings to determine whether or not the RCOA may already be declared in Luzon and Visayas. Initially, the ERC declared December 26, 2011 as the date when full operations of the RCOA in Luzon and Visayas should commence. Under this initial phase, all electricity end-users that are certified by the ERC to be Contestable Customers with an average monthly peak demand of 1MW for the 12 months preceding December 26, 2011 were given the right to choose their own electricity suppliers. However, on October 24, 2011, the ERC deferred the implementation of the RCOA in Luzon and Visayas citing the inadequacy of rules, systems, preparations and infrastructure required therefor. This was in response to the request of MERALCO, Private Electric Power Operators Association, and Philippine Rural Electric Cooperatives Association, Inc. for a reevaluation of the feasibility of the December 26, 2011 RCOA implementation date.

In December 2012, the ERC issued the Transitory Rules to govern the initial implementation of the RCOA. The Transitory Rules were arrived at by the ERC together with the DOE and the PEMC. Under the Transitory Rules, the new implementation date of the RCOA was on December 26, 2012. The period from December 26, 2012 to June 25, 2013 was declared as the Transition Period to allow the following: (1) development and finalization of the required infrastructure for systems, processes and information technology relating to RCOA, and (2) the registration into the WESM database of retail electricity suppliers and Contestable Customers into the WESM database. The initial commercial operations of the RCOA was scheduled during the period from June 26, 2013 to December 25, 2013. Full implementation of the RCOA will then commence from December 26, 2013 onwards. During said time, PEMC will act as the Central Registration Body and will be responsible for the development and management of the required systems, processes and information technology structure and the settlement of transactions in the WESM relating to the RCOA.

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Implementation of the RCOA in Mindanao may take some time given the conditions for a competitive environment has yet to be met. However, the prevailing supply conditions have led to the Interim Mindanao Electricity Market (IMEM) to commence operations in December 2013. To address the supply shortfall in the grid, all registered generating facilities were mandated to fully account for their capacities in the market.

The ERC issued revised regulations involving the issuance of RES licenses in December 2013. Included in the rules change was the non-issuance of RES licenses to generating companies, IPPA and affiliates of distribution utilities during a transition period or until after market condition allows it. Moreover, there were additional licensing restrictions imposed, which are: (1) the inclusion of the RES' contracted capacity in the grid limitations involving total capacity controlled by affiliate generation companies; (2) imposition of a 50% cap on supply by a RES to its affiliate end-users; (3) imposition of a 50% cap on supply from an affiliate generation company to a RES.

As a result of these additional licensing restrictions, the Retail Electricity Suppliers Association of the Philippines, Inc. filed a petition for declaratory relief with an urgent application for an injunction with the Regional Trial Court (RTC) of Pasig City on the ground that the revised rules are unconstitutional and invalid.

In October 2014, the ERC issued Resolution No. 17, Series of 2014, which held in abeyance the evaluation of RES license applications and suspended the issuance of RES licenses pending the promulgation of the amended RES Licensing Rules. Currently, ERC is reviewing the RES Licensing Rules and the Rules for Contestability.

On 12 May 2016, the ERC issued Resolution No. 11, Series of 2016 (ERC Resolution No. 11-16), which disallowed distribution utilities from engaging in the supply of electricity to end-users in the contestable market, unless as a Supplier of Last Resort (SOLR). Local RES are also mandated to wind down business within three (3) years from the effectivity of ERC Resolution No. 11-16. Thus, Retail Supply Contracts (RSC) that have already been executed by a Local RES shall remain valid until their expiration, but no new RSCs can be signed or executed. ERC Resolution No. 11-16 further provided that no RES is allowed to supply more than 30% of the total average monthly peak demand of all Contestable Customers in the Competitive Retail Electricity Market (CREM). Further, RES is not allowed to transact more than 50% of the total energy transactions of its supply business with its affiliate Contestable Customers.

In its Resolution No. 10, Series of 2016, the ERC approved the Revised Rules of Contestability, which established the conditions and eligibility requirements for end-users to be part of the contestable market.

On May 27, 2016, MERALCO filed a Petition for Declaratory Relief, docketed as SCA No.4149-PSG, with a prayer for the issuance of a Temporary Restraining Order (TRO) and/or Writ of Preliminary Injunction to (a) enjoin the DOE and the ERC from enforcing and implementing: (i) DOE Circular No. DC2015-06-0010 in connection with the full implementation of RCOA, (ii) Article 1, Sections 2 and 3 of ERC Resolution No. 5, Series of 2016, (iii) ERC Resolution No. 10, Series of 2016 on the Revised Rules for Contestability, and (iv) ERC Resolution No. 11, Series of 2016 regarding restrictions imposed on the operations of DUs and RES in the CREM; and (b) declare the said DOE Circular and ERC Resolutions void.

On 13 July 2016, a Writ of Preliminary Injunction enjoining the implementation of the issuances of the ERC was granted by Branch 157, RTC of Pasig City. The ERC and the DOE, assailed the jurisdiction of the RTC and separately filed Petitions for Certiorari and Prohibition before the Supreme Court on July 5, 2016 (G.R. No. 225141) and on September 27, 2016 (G.R. No. 226800), respectively.

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On October 10, 2016, the Supreme Court, acting on the Petition filed by DOE, issued a TRO enjoining Branch 157, RTC of Pasig City from continuing with the proceedings in SCA No. 4149-PSG and from enforcing all orders, resolutions and decisions rendered in SCA No. 4149-PSG.

In December 2016, the Philippine Chamber of Commerce and Industry, San Beda College Alabang, Inc., Ateneo De Manila University, and Riverbanks Development Corporation filed a petition, this time with the Supreme Court, to enjoin the ERC and the DOE from implementing DOE Circular No. 2015-06-0010, ERC Resolution No. 5, Series of 2016, ERC Resolution No. 10, Series of 2016, ERC Resolution No. 11, Series of 2016, and ERC Resolution No. 28, Series of 2016.

On 21 February 2017, the Supreme Court issued a TRO, effective immediately, enjoining the DOE and the ERC from implementing DOE Circular No. DC2015-06-0010, Series of 2015, ERC Resolution No. 5, Series of 2016, ERC Resolution No. 10, Series of 2016, ERC No. 11, Series of 2016, and ERC Resolution No. 28, Series of 2016.

The DOE and the ERC filed a Motion for Reconsideration before the Supreme Court to lift the TRO. Both likewise filed an Omnibus Motion seeking clarification on the scope and coverage of the TRO. To date, both have remained unresolved.

In November 2017, the DOE issued DOE Circular No. DC2017-12-0013 to address policy and regulatory gaps resulting from the abovementioned cases. In the said circular, the DOE provided for voluntary participation of Contestable Customers and lowered the threshold to from 1 MW to 750 kW and 500 kW. Voluntary Demand Aggregation was also permitted by December 2018 allowing electricity Endusers within a contiguous area whose average peak demand is not less than 500 kW for the preceding 12-month period to aggregate their demand to be part of the Contestable Market and to enter into retail supply contracts with Aggregators.

The 2016 Philippine Grid Code

Under the EPIRA, the ERC was tasked to promulgate and enforce a national grid code. Enacted in December 2001, The Philippine Grid Code established and documented the basic rules, requirements, procedures and standards that govern the operation, maintenance and development of the high-voltage backbone transmission system of the Philippines. The Philippine Grid Code identified and recognized the responsibilities and obligations of three (3) key independent functional groups, namely the (a) Grid Owner, (b) System Operator and (c) Market Operator

On October 5, 2016, the ERC through ERC Resolution No. 22, Series of 2016 approved the publication of the approved Philippine Grid Code 2016 Edition (the "2016 Grid Code"). Among the objectives in the 2016 Grid Code were to harmonize the provisions of the Philippine Grid Code with the issuances of the DOE and ERC and to adopt and fully implement the connection and operational requirements for Variable Renewable Energy (VRE) Generating Facilities consistent with the Renewable Energy Act.

Among the salient points of the 2016 Grid Code are as follows:

The inclusion of the connection and operational requirements for VRE facilities; setting the requirements pertaining to the connection and operational requirements of embedded generators were to be consigned to the Philippine Distribution Code; the provision for changes on frequency controls and responses; the introduction of a new way of classifying reserves from Contingency Reserve, Regulating Reserve and Dispatchable Reserves into Primary Reserve, Secondary Reserve and Tertiary Reserve, respectively; as regards ancillary services, the 2016 Grid Code provided a Frequency Reserve Obligation on the System Operator mandating it to contract for the Reserve or suffer penalty. The drafting of revisions and updates on the Ancillary Service Procurement Plan are on-going in accordance with the new ancillary structures based on the 2016 Grid Code.

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From the time the 2016 Grid Code was enacted, developments in the WESM and other ancillary-related issuances have come up including proposed amendments to the Ancillary Services Cost Recovery Mechanism filed by the NGCP with the ERC. These prompted the DOE to issue Department Circular No. DC2019-12-0008 which (i) set up the General Framework Governing the Provision and Utilization of Ancillary Services in the Grid pending harmonization of ancillary service-related issuances and review of the relevant provisions of the 2016 Grid Code; and (ii) constituted the Ancillary Service Technical Working Group (AS-TWG) for the cost-recovery mechanism.

To date, existing cost-recovery mechanism for AS shall continue to be implemented until a new mechanism is recommended by the AS — TWG and adopted by the DOE and/or the ERC.

The Renewable Energy Act of 2008 (RE Act)

The RE Act was signed into law in December 2008 and became effective in January 2009.

The RE Act was designed to promote and develop the use of the country's RE resources with the intention of reducing the country's dependence on fossil fuels and improving the overall condition of the environment.

The RE Act offers fiscal and non-fiscal incentives to RE developers, subject to a certification issued by the DOE, in consultation with the Board of Investments. These incentives include:

- Income tax holiday for the first seven years of commercial operations
- Duty-free importation of RE machinery, equipment and materials effective within ten years upon issuance of certification, provided said machinery, equipment and materials are directly, exclusively and actually used in RE facilities
- Special realty tax rates on equipment and machinery not exceeding 1.5% of the net book value
- Net operating loss carry over (NOLCO)
- Corporate tax rate of 10% after the 7th year
- Accelerated depreciation
- Zero percent value-added tax on sale of fuel or power generated from emerging energy sources and purchases of local supply of goods, properties and services of RE facilities
- Cash incentives for RE developers for missionary electrification
- Tax exemption on carbon emission credits
- Tax credit on domestic capital requirement and services

All fiscal incentives apply to all RE capacities upon effectivity of the RE Act.

Electricity generated from intermittent RE resources such as wind, solar, ocean, run-of-river hydropower and biomass are considered as 'must dispatch' based on available energy and shall be given priority dispatch.

In a resolution issued in 2012, the ERC adopted the following feed-in-tariff (FIT) for emerging RE resources, namely, wind, solar, run-of-river hydropower and biomass, and corresponding digression rates.

	FIT Rate (Php/kWh)	Degression Rate
Wind	8.53	0.5% after 2 nd year of FIT effectivity
Solar	9.68	6% after 1 st year of FIT effectivity
Run-of-river hydro	5.90	0.5% after 2 nd year of FIT effectivity
Biomass	6.63	0.5% after 2 nd year of FIT effectivity

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The net metering program for RE was issued by the ERC in 2013, which is designed to, among others, encourage end-users to participate in the RE generation. The distribution utilities are required to enter into a net metering agreement with an end-user with installed RE system, subject to technical considerations.

The guidelines for the collection of the FIT-Allowance (FIT-All) and the disbursement of the FIT-All Fund by Transco were issued by the ERC in early 2014. The FIT-All is a uniform charge that will be collected from end-users by distribution utilities and RES entities. This will comprise the FIT-All Fund, whereby Transco serves as Administrator. The FIT-All Fund is for the guaranteed payment of the FIT for actual energy delivered by RE generators. In an order dated October 10, 2014 ERC Case No. 2014-109RC, the commission issued a provisional approval for the applied FIT-All of Php 0.0406 per kWh filed by Transco. Collection from end-users shall commence starting January 2015.

In December 2017, the DOE promulgated the rules and guidelines governing the establishment of the Renewable Portfolio Standards for On-Grid Areas through Department Circular No. DC2017-12-0015. The RPS Rules were adopted to mandate electric industry participants to source a portion of their electricity requirements from eligible RE sources in order to develop indigenous and environmentally friendly energy sources. With the minimum annual increment requirement of 1% to be applied to the Net Electricity Sales of the mandated participants, the DOE targets to increase the utilization of RE and reach a 35% RE share in the Energy Mix by 2030.

In July 2018, Department Circular No. DC2018-07-0019 containing the Rules Governing the Establishment of the Green Energy Option Program in the Philippines became effective. General rules and procedures were set out to guide end-users, RE supplier and network service providers in facilitating the options taken by end-users to choose RE Resources for their energy requirements.

In August 2018, the DOE promulgated the rules and guidelines governing the establishment of the Renewable Portfolio Standards for Off-Grid Areas through Department Circular No. DC018-08-0024. The RPS Off-Grid Rules was adopted to contribute to the growth of the RE Industry in the Off-Grid and Missionary Areas by mandating electric power industry participants to source or produce a specified portion of their electricity requirements from eligible RE resources. It was intended to rationalize the efficient use of the Universal Charge – Missionary Electrification and improve the self-sufficiency in power generation through integration of RE in the supply mix in Off-Grid Areas.

On October 1, 2019, the DOE harmonized and enhanced all existing guidelines and procedures regulating the transparent and competitive system of awarding RE Contracts and the registration of RE projects through Department Circular No. DC2019-10-0013 otherwise known as the "Omnibus Guidelines Governing the Award and Administration of Renewable Energy Contracts and the Registration of Renewable Energy Developers".

On December 4, 2019, the DOE promulgated the Renewable Energy Market Rules to facilitate the compliance of mandated participants with the RPS Rules (both on-grid and off-grid). The rules govern all electric power industry participants in all grids, both on-grid and off-grid areas, and tasked the PEMC to establish the Renewable Energy Market and the development of the Renewable Energy market System.

Reduction in System Loss

The ERC issued the Rules for Setting the Distribution System Loss Cap and Establishing Performance Incentive Scheme for Distribution Efficiency (Resolution No. 20, Series of 2017), which set distribution feeder loss cap for private distribution utilities at 6.50% for 2018, 6.25% for 2019, 6% for 2020, and 5.50% for 2021.

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Under the new regulations, the actual electricity usage of the distribution company will be treated as an O&M expense in its PBR applications.

Competitive Selection Process

In June 2015, the DOE issued Department Circular No. DC2015-06-008 mandating all distribution utilities to undergo a Competitive Selection Process (CSP) in securing PSAs, through a Third-Party expert duly recognized by the DOE and ERC. Under the circular, the CSPs for the procurement of PSAs shall observe the aggregation for the un-contracted demand of the distribution utilities and shall be conducted annually. The terms and conditions of the PSAs shall be in accordance with the template PSA to be issued by the ERC in coordination with the DOE. The ERC and DOE were given one hundred twenty (120) days from the effectivity of the circular to issue the implementing guidelines and procedures for the circular.

In September 2015, the DOE together with the ERC posted for comments the first draft of the implementing guidelines of Department Circular No. DC2015-06-008. After conducting public hearing and receiving opposition from industry stakeholders, the ERC and DOE deferred issuing a decision on the mandatory implementation of the CSP.

Pending the issuance by the ERC of a prescribed CSP, the ERC issued in October 2015 Resolution No. 13 (CSP Resolution) directing all distribution utilities to conduct CSP in the procurement of their supply to the captive market. In the Resolution, a CSP is deemed successful if the distribution utility receives at least two (2) qualified bids. Direct negotiation may be conducted after at least two (2) failed CSPs.

In ERC Resolution No. 1, Series of 2015 dated 15 March 2016, the ERC restated the effectivity of the CSP Resolution to be April 30, 2016.

In February 2018, the DOE finally prescribed the "Policy for the Competitive Selection Process in the Procurement by Distribution Utilities of Power Supply Agreement for the Captive Market" through Department Circular No. DC2018-02-0003. Governing all DUs in both grid and off-grid areas, the policy mandates the procurement of all Power Supply Agreements for the captive market through CSP. In the Circular, the CSP may be conducted by a Third-Party Bids and Awards Committee (TPBAC) composed of 5 members, where 3 members will come from the DU and 2 from the captive customers. In lieu of the TPBAC, the DU may also opt to engage a Third-Party Auctioneer. Direct negotiation with generation companies is allowed after at least 2 failed CSPs and there is no outstanding dispute in the conduct of the CSP.

Framework for Embedded Generators

In February 2019, the DOE promulgated the "Framework Governing the Operations of Embedded Generators" through Department Circular No. DC2019-02-0003. Covering generation units that are indirectly connected to the Grid through distribution systems (Embedded Generators), the guidelines require all Embedded Generators to comply with the connection and operational requirements of the 2016 Grid Code and to secure a Certificate of Compliance from the ERC. Embedded Generators with material impact to Grid operations are also mandated to register with the WESM based on the criteria provided in the guidelines.

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Energy Virtual One-Stop Shop

On May 28, 2019, the DOE prescribed the "Rules and Regulations Implementing Republic Act No. 11234" through the issuance of Department Circular No. DC2019-05-0007. Aimed at ensuring the timely completion of permits and licenses of power generation, transmission and distribution projects, the rules eliminate the redundancies and overlapping mandates in documentary submissions and processes and mandates the establishment of an online platform for government agencies, and for a paperless electronic application and processing system. Under the circular, the EVOSS Steering Committee was tasked to create a detailed process flow for each phase of the permitting process for each kind of power generation, transmission and distribution project.

Energy and Efficiency Conservation Act

On April 12, 2019, Republic Act No. 11285 otherwise known as the "Energy Efficiency and Conservation Act" was sign into law with the primary goal of institutionalizing energy efficiency and conservation, enhancing efficient use of energy, and granting incentives to energy efficiency and conservation projects.

As the lead implementing agency, DOE is responsible for planning, formulating, implementing, enforcing and monitoring of energy management policies and other plans and programs related to energy efficiency of all government agencies, including government-owned and controlled corporations which are mandated to ensure efficient use of energy in their respective offices, facilities, transportation units, and the discharge of their functions.

Under the law, the DOE will develop the following systems, standards and guidelines:

- a system for certification and assessment of energy conservation officers and energy managers to raise the standards of those engaged in energy management;
- energy performance standards for commercial, industrial and transport sectors, including energy-consuming products;
- labeling system for all energy-consuming product, devices and equipment;
- mandatory energy-efficiency rating and labeling system for identified energy consuming products such as room air-conditioners, refrigeration units, and television sets to promote energy efficient appliances and raise public awareness on energy saving; and,
- fuel efficiency testing guidelines for the conduct of fuel efficiency tests to validate information provided by vehicle manufacturers, importers and dealers.

The DOE shall also conduct regular examination, testing and verification of energy-consuming products and their models to determine the product's energy efficiency.

Designated establishments, such as private or public entities in the commercial, industrial, transport, power, agricultural, public works and other sectors identified by the DOE as energy intensive industries based on their annual energy consumption, have the following obligations under the law:

- Integrate energy management system policy into the business operations based on ISO 50001 or a similar framework;
- Set up systems and programs to promote energy efficiency, conservation and sufficiency that may include installation of RE technologies;
- Keep records of monthly energy consumption data;
- Improve average specific energy consumption in according with annual targets of DOE
- Submit annual Energy Consumption and Conservation Report;
- Conduct energy audit once every 3 years and submit a report to the DOE;
- Employ a Certified Energy Conservation Officer or a Certified Energy Manager.

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(xi) Estimate of Amount Spent for Research and Developmental Activities

Vivant has not allocated any specific amount of funds for research and developmental activities. Research and development activities are done on a per project basis and allocation of funds may vary depending on the nature of the project.

(xii) Costs and Effect of Compliance with Environmental Laws

Vivant's generation and distribution business units are subject to extensive and stringent safety, health and environmental laws and regulations. The Company's subsidiaries and associates have incurred, and expect to incur, operating costs to comply with these laws and regulations. Annual capital expenditures relating to the compliance with safety, health and environmental laws and regulations are expected to be made by Vivant's subsidiaries and associates.

(xiii) Employees

In 2019, the Company's power subsidiary, Vivant Energy, was operationalized to allow it to focus on growing the business. Vivant, in the meantime, will continue to provide shared services and serve as an incubator for new businesses. At the parent company level, Vivant has a total of 68 employees as of December 31, 2019, composed of executive, supervisory and rank-and-file staff.

The table below provides a breakdown of the total employee headcount.

	Headcount
Executive	8
Supervisors	15
Rank & File	45
Total	68

The Company has no existing collective bargaining agreement with its employees.

(xiv) Major Risks Involved in the Business

Below is a brief discussion on the risks that Vivant, through its subsidiaries and associates, might encounter in the businesses in which it is involved. Certain risks, however, are inherent to the nature of the business that are beyond Vivant's or its subsidiary's or associate's control.

Competition Risk

The competition landscape in the power generation business has continually evolved since the government started its privatization efforts under the EPIRA law. The following are significant developments:

- Over 70% of NPC's generation assets and IPP contracts have been transferred to the private sector.
- The WESM in the Luzon and Visayas Grids are operational, with Mindanao to follow suit in the coming years.
- Investments in greenfield and brownfield projects are starting to pour in
- Implementation of the RCOA
- Implementation of the Competitive Selection Process in securing PSAs

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All these have or will have an impact on the availability of and access to power (reliability of plants seen improving and entry of new capacities and new suppliers), which may ultimately influence pricing of electricity.

Regulatory Risk

The continuing scrutiny of both the regulators and the public has led to the growing challenges faced by the power industry. In its effort to manage any potential fundamental changes in the business environment, Vivant has established good working relations with the regulatory agencies. The Company actively participates in the formulation of new rules and policies covering the power industry. In anticipation of possible changes in the regulatory environment, the Company incorporates these in the formulation of its long-term strategy for its businesses.

Trading Risk

Spot market price of electricity is determined by several market forces, which are mostly beyond the control of the Company. Unforeseen plant outages, transmission constraints, and movement in fuel prices are among the factors that affect the supply condition in the power industry. Weather conditions and economic activities influence the demand patterns in the electricity market. All these have caused and are expected to cause fluctuations in the spot market price of electricity. Vivant intends to mitigate this risk by maintaining a good balance of contracted and spot capacities for its generation portfolio.

Fuel Supply Risk

Vivant's fossil-fired generation plants have entered into fuel supply contracts to ensure supply. Pricing, however, is subject to market conditions affecting both demand and supply.

Delta P, CPPC, 1590 EC and CIPC have entered into medium term (2-3 years) contracts with large oil companies and fuel distributors in the Philippines. CEDC and MPC, in the meantime, has medium to long-term contracts with various coal suppliers.

Delta P, CPPC, CIPC, CEDC and MPC have entered into bilateral contracts that employ a tariff formula allowing recovery of fuel cost. 1590 EC has likewise signed a short-term power supply agreement with a fuel cost recovery mechanism in place.

Financial Risk

In the course of normal operations, Vivant, together with its subsidiaries and associates, is exposed to financial risks, including, but not limited to, interest rates that may have an impact on outstanding liabilities, counterparty credit risk, valuation of securities and investments, trade and other receivables, liquidity risk in terms of cash management and foreign exchange risk that may have an impact on outstanding foreign currency denominated placements and liabilities.

Business Interruption Risk

Interruption of normal operations brought about by natural calamities, major equipment failures, plant accidents and terrorism are just a few of the serious risks faced by the Company, through its subsidiaries and associates.

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For risks that can be mitigated by the Company, particularly those that are plant operations-related, Vivant, through its subsidiaries and associates, implements a regular preventive maintenance program in all of its facilities. In relation to its risk management process, the Company's operating units that could procure business interruption insurance to cover the potential loss in gross profits in the event of a major damage to any of the facilities have done so.

Project Risk

Vivant, through its subsidiaries and associates, has projects in the pipeline, involving greenfield and brownfield power plant development projects. Inherent to these projects are risks involving the completion of these projects according to specifications, budget and set timelines.

To ensure the successful implementation of these projects, Vivant, through its subsidiaries and associates, is partnering with well-known contractors and suppliers with good track record in the industry. Project monitoring activities are likewise employed to assure adherence to standards, budget and set timelines.

Item 2. Properties

Vivant's head office was located at Unit 907-908 Ayala Life-FGU Center, Mindanao Ave., cor. Biliran Road, Cebu Business Park, Barangay Luz, Cebu City. On December 13, 2019, the SEC approved its application for the amendment of the Company's Articles of Incorporation to reflect the change of its registered address to 9th Floor, Oakridge IT Center 3, Oakridge Business Park, A.S. Fortuna Street, Brgy. Banilad, Mandaue City, Cebu.

On a consolidated basis, the Company's 2019 total Property, Plant and Equipment were valued at Php 1,321.4 mn as compared to Php 600.9 mn in 2018. The breakdown is as follows:

	2018 (Php mn)	2019 (Php mn)
Plant Machineries & Equipment	374.9	1,013.1
Condominium Units, Building, and Improvements	13.8 ¹	12.7
Transportation Equipment	21.7	25.7
Office Furniture, Fixtures and Equipment	18.8	17.9
Tools and Other Assets	3.7	68.9
Leasehold & Land Improvements	41.2	34.4
Construction in Progress	96.1	117.9
Land	30.6	30.7
TOTAL	600.9 ²	1,321.4

Notes

- Reported as Php 22.5 mn in the SEC 17A FY 2018 report. A condominium unit in the amount of Php 8.7 mn was reclassified to Investment Properties to conform with the account classification in 2019 in compliance to PAS 1, Presentation of Financial Statements.
- 2. Reported as Php 609.6 mn in the SEC 17A FY 2018 report. The abovementioned reclassification caused the change in the total Property, Plant and Equipment.

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Item 3. Legal Proceedings

Material Pending Legal Proceedings

I. 1590 EC

SC G.R. No. 210245
Bayan Muna Representatives NERIC JAVIER COLMENARES, et al., vs. Energy Regulatory Commission, et al.

SC G.R. No. 201255 National Association of Electricity Consumers for Reforms, et al. vs. Manila Electric Company, et al.

SC G.R. No. 210502 Manila Electric Company vs. Philippine Electricity Market Corporation, et al.

On December 19 and 20, 2013, two (2) separate Petitions were filed by Bayan Muna Representatives and National Association of Electricity Consumers for Reforms (NASECORE) against the Energy Regulatory Commission and Manila Electric Company (MERALCO), et al. to enjoin MERALCO from implementing its power rate increase that was approved by the Energy Regulatory Commission (ERC) and to hold certain provisions of Republic Act No. 9136, otherwise known as the Electric Power Industry Reform Act of 2001 (EPIRA), as unconstitutional. As a result of the Petitions, the Supreme Court en banc ordered several generation companies to be included as additional parties-respondents to the cases, including 1590 Energy Corp., its power rate increases approved by the ERC. Oral Arguments were conducted and the relevant legal pleadings were submitted to the Supreme Court. The Petitions are pending resolutions by the Supreme Court.

C.A. G.R. No. 138105
Petition for Review with Application for Injunction and Temporary Restraining Order
1590 Energy Corporation vs. Energy Regulatory Commission And Philippine Electricity Market Corporation

On November 7, 2017, the Court of Appeals issued a Decision that declared as null and void the March 3, 2014, March 27, 2014, May 9, 2014 and October 15, 2014 Orders of the ERC and reinstated the prices for the November and December 2013 supply months in the WESM (the CA Decision). According to the Court of Appeals, there was simply no justification, legal or factual, to substantiate the ERC's issuance of the March 3, Order which was effectively an intervention of WESM's operations. The ERC and Intervenor Meralco (movants) filed their respective Motions for Reconsideration to the CA Decision. Numerous other consumers and organizations also filed their respective Motions for Leave to Intervene in the case for the purpose also of seeking a reconsideration of the CA Decision. In an Omnibus Resolution dated March 29, 2019, the Court of Appeals denied the Motions for Reconsideration and the Motions for Leave to Intervene. Thereafter, the ERC filed a Petition for Review on Certiorari under Rule 45 of the Court of Appeals' Decision dated November 8, 2017 and the Omnibus Resolution dated March 29, 2019 before the Supreme Court. The Petition for Review remains pending.

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ERC Case No. 2015-042 MC

Violation of Section 45 of Republic Act No. 9136, otherwise known as the "Electric Power Industry Reform Act No. 2001" (EPIRA), Rule 11, Sections 1 of the Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of the EPIRA (Commission of an Anti-Competitive Behavior, Particularly Economic Withholding ATTY. ISABELO JOSEPH P. TOMAS II vs. 1590 Energy Corp.

On June 10, 2015, Atty. Isabelo Joseph P. Tomas II, in his capacity as the Investigating Officer of the Investigatory Unit constituted by the ERC pursuant to its Office Order No. 38, Series of 2013 dated December 26, 2013, filed a Complaint against 1590 EC for alleged Anti-Competitive Behavior, particularly, Physical Withholding in relation to the bid offers of 1590 EC at WESM during the November and December 2013 billing months. 1590 EC filed its Answer to the Complaint within the reglementary period. On August 11, 2016 1590 EC received an "Omnibus Motion [(i) to consolidated cases and (ii) Defer Pre-Trial]" from the Investigating Officer, to which 1590 EC filed its "Comment/Opposition to the Omnibus Motion [(i) to consolidated cases and (ii) Defer Pre-Trial]." On June 13, 2017, the ERC denied the Motion for Consolidation. In the meantime, the main case itself remains pending.

II. Delta P

Civil Case No. 5778

Heirs of Laurentino Ylaya represented by Fe Ylaya and Glenn C. Gacott vs. City Government of Puerto Princesa represented by Mayor Lucilo Bayron and Delta P, Inc.

On August 31, 2018, DPI received Summons for a Complaint for "Quieting of Title, Recovery of Possession, Declaration of Nullity of Contract of Lease (with Prayer for TRO and Injunction)" filed by Fe Ylaya and Glenn Gacott. The City Government of Puerto Princesa ("CGPP") was made a co-defendant. The Complaint claimed that the expropriation proceedings by CGPP was incomplete because of failure to promptly pay just compensation. The properties subject of the Complaint is the site of DPI's power plant over which DPI signed a Contract of Lease with CGPP. Complainants alleged to be the previous owners of the properties and prayed for CGPP and DPI to peacefully surrender and vacate the properties, declare the CGPP Contract of Lease to be void, demanded payment of rental and damages in the total amount of Php774,413.00. The case is still on trial.

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Item 4. Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders

During the June 20, 2019 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, the following actions were taken:

- I. Approval and adoption of the minutes of the June 21, 2018 Annual Stockholders' Meeting;
- II. Annual Report of Officers;
- III. Approval of the 2018 Annual Report and Financial Statements
- IV. Approval of the 2018 Annual Report and Financial Statements
- V. Ratification of all acts and resolutions of the Board of Directors and Management adopted for Fiscal Year 2018
- VI. Election of Directors (including Independent Directors) for the year 2019 2020

MR. DENNIS A. GARCIA

MR. EMIL ANDRE M. GARCIA

MR. GIL A. GARCIA II

MR. CHARLES SYLVESTRE A. GARCIA

MR. RAMONTITO E. GARCIA

MR. ARLO A. G. SARMIENTO

MR. JOSE MARKO G. SARMIENTO

MR. CARMELO MARIA LUZA BAUTISTA (Independent Director)

MR. ROGELIO Q. LIM (Independent Director)

AMB. RAUL CH. RABE (Independent Director)

ATTY. JESUS B. GARCIA, JR. (Independent Director)

Other than the foregoing, no matter was submitted to a vote of security holders.

The results of the foregoing meeting were timely disclosed to the PSE and SEC in SEC Form 17-C report.

PART II: OPERATIONAL AND FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 5. Market for Issuer's Common Equity and Related Stockholder Matters

1. Market Information

The Company's common shares are listed and traded at the Philippine Stock Exchange. The high and low stock prices of Vivant's common shares for each quarter of 2018 and 2019 were as follows:

	2018		2019		2020	
	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low
First Quarter	29.95	23.05	17.00	16.00	15.12	12.00
Second Quarter	23.90	16.00	17.00	14.52	15.10	11.00
Third Quarter	21.20	16.00	16.94	15.90		
Fourth Quarter	20.45	15.20	17.00	15.12		

As of end-June 2020, the common shares outstanding were 1,023,456,698 shares. The last traded price of Vivant's common shares as of the same period was at Php 14.00 per share.

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(2) Security Holders

As of June 30, 2020, Vivant has 1,423 stockholders of record, including PCD Nominee Corporation (Filipino) and PCD Nominee Corporation (Foreign). The top 20 shareholders with the number of shares respectively held and the percentage of total shares outstanding held by each are as follows:

	NAME	NO. OF SHARES	%
1	Mai-I Resources Corporation	464,831,568	45.42
2	JEG Development Corporation	311,524,642	30.44
3	Global Business Power Corporation	116,555,553	11.39
4	PCD Nominee Corporation (Filipino)	68,930,342	6.74
5	Popsivan Holdings Corporation	31,498,212	3.08
6	Malacapas Holdings, Inc.	27,677,848	2.70
7	Eulalio C. Arce	343,750	0.03
8	PCD Nominee Corporation (Non-Filipino)	182,082	0.02
9	Cruz, Alfredo A.	34,062	0.00
10	Lavin, Marietta	27,750	0.00
11	EBC Securities Corporation	20,625	0.00
12	Consortium Industries, Inc.	20,500	0.00
13	Lopez, Rose Marie R.	19,687	0.00
14	Marino Olondriz Y Cia	16,000	0.00
15	Rivera, Rosario Paje	15,625	0.00
16	Sevilla, Rodulfo	15,625	0.00
17	Borres, Jun	15,000	0.00
18	Te, Anita &/or Te, Oscar	15,000	0.00
19	Martinez, Oscar O.	13,437	0.00
20	Hon, Sia Phoa A.	12,625	0.00
		4 004 700 000	

TOTAL NO. OF SHARES 1,021,769,933 99.83

3. Dividends

The Company's By-laws allow dividends to be declared and paid out of unrestricted retained earnings, which may be payable in cash, property or stock to all stockholders on the basis of the outstanding stock held by the stockholder, as often and at such times as the Company's Board of Directors may determine and in accordance with the requirements of the Revised Corporation Code and applicable laws.

The cash dividends declared by Vivant to its common shareholders from 2018 to 2019 are shown in the table below.

Year	Cash Dividend Per Share		Total Declared		Record Date
	Regular	Special	Regular	Special	
2019	Php 0.3382	-	Php 346.1 mn	-	May 29, 2019
2018	Php 0.2792	-	Php 285.7 mn	-	June 6, 2018

4. Recent Sales of Unregistered Securities

On January 29, 2014, the Company signed an agreement to issue Php 3 billion (bn) in Fixed Rate Corporate Notes, which will be issued in two tranches: Php 1 bn on February 3, 2013 and Php 2 bn on March 31, 2014. The net proceeds of the issue will be used for general corporate purposes, including but not limited to, capital expenditures for existing assets and investments in power generation projects.

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Item 6: Management's Discussion and Analysis or Plan of Operation

1. Plan of Operation

For the next twelve (12) months, the Company will continue to oversee its investments in the investee companies.

As a holding company, it shall satisfy its cash requirements through (1) dividends declared and paid by its investee companies and (2) management fees paid by investee companies with management contracts as compensation for consultancy and ancillary services provided.

Vivant, through its Business Development Group, is continuously on the lookout for opportunities in the power industry, particularly in the power generation business. The Company has several projects that are in various stages of development.

2. Management's Discussion and Analysis

Management uses the following key performance indicators for the Company and its investee companies:

- (i) Equity in Net Earnings (or Loss) of Associates. Equity in net earnings or (loss) of associates is the Company's share in the income or loss of associates, or investee companies accounted for under the equity method. It indicates the profitability of the associates and measures their contribution to the profitability of the parent.
- (ii) Earnings Before Interest, Taxes, Depreciation and Amortization (EBITDA). EBITDA is calculated by taking operating income and adding back to it interest, depreciation, and amortization expenses. Since EBITDA eliminates the effects of financing and accounting decisions, it can provide a relatively good comparison of the performance of the Company with other players in the industry. It also provides a good measure of the Company's ability to generate cash from operations to cover financial charges and income taxes.
- <u>iii) Cash Flow Generated</u>. Cash flow generated indicates the ability of the Company to generate enough cash for operating, investing, and financing activities.
- <u>(iv) Debt-to-Equity Ratio (DER).</u> DER gives an indication of the Company's leverage position and is computed by dividing total liabilities with total stockholders' equity.

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(v) Current Ratio. Current ratio is computed by dividing current assets with current liabilities. This indicates the liquidity of the Company in the short term and measures the peso amount of current asset available to cover a peso amount of current liability.

For the Quarter Ended March 31, 2020 versus the Quarter Ended March 31, 2019

The table below shows the comparative figures of the key performance indicators for the period in review.

Key Performance Indicators Amounts in Php '000, except for ratios	YTD March 2020	YTD March 2019	YE 2019 Audited
Equity in Net Earnings of Associates and Joint Ventures	493,673	473,395	
EBITDA	423,578	581,040	
Cash Flows From / (Used)	514,654	569,679	
Net cash flows from (used in) operating activities	(118,067)	203,090	
Net cash flows from investing activities	833,122	460,696	
Net cash flows used in financing activities	(200,401)	(94,107)	
Debt-to-Equity Ratio (x)	0.38	0.43	0.41
Current Ratio (x)	1.42	6.08	3.42

The Company's share in net earnings of associates and joint ventures as of end-March 2020 amounted to Php 493.7 mn, representing a 4% year-on-year (YoY) increase from Php 473.4 mn. This was a result of the following:

- 1. Visayan Electric Company (VECO), the Company's distribution utility, recorded a 5% YoY growth in its bottomline contribution, from Php 202.6 mn to Php 212.5 mn. This was on the back of higher volume sold during the quarter in review (up by 8% YoY).
- 2. 40%-owned Minergy Power Corporation (MPC) brought in contributions of Php 146.7 mn during the period in review, a 5% YoY increase from Php 140.4 mn. This can be mainly attributed to the rise in the volume of energy sales (up by 8% YoY) and lower repairs. Reduction in interest expense, which resulted from debt repayments in 2019, also contributed to the positive variance.
- 3. 40%-owned Abovant Holdings, Inc. (AHI) posted a 7% YoY improvement in its income contribution to Php 77.3 mn from Php 71.9 mn. This was driven by the enhanced profitability of its associate, Cebu Energy Development Corporation (CEDC). The enhancement in CEDC's performance during the period in review was mainly on account of a 9% YoY rise in energy sales volume and lower interest expense.
- 4. 50%-owned Delta P, Inc. (DPI) shored in an income contribution of Php 25.0 mn as of end-March 2020, a 59% YoY rise from Php 15.8 mn. This strong showing was attributed to the 44% YoY expansion in energy sales volume. One unit of the company's old plant facility caught fire in February 2019, which resulted to a temporary shutdown of said unit during the same quarter last year.
- 5. 50%-owned Calamian Islands Power Corp (CIPC) saw a 131% YoY expansion in its income contribution. This was mainly attributed to higher volume sold (up by 14% YoY), coupled with the deferral of scheduled maintenance work and lower operating expenses.

The above enhancements in earnings contributions were tempered by the following:

1. 40%-owned Cebu Private Power Corporation (CPPC) recorded a 5% YoY drop in earnings contribution to Php 42.6 mn from Php 45.0 mn, resulting from lower revenues generated from the sale of its excess capacity to the Wholesale Electricity Spot Market (WESM).

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- 2. 20%-owned Therma Visayas, Inc. (TVI) posted a 226% increase in net loss contribution during the period in review. TVI incurred costs of replacement power during its scheduled maintenance work in the first quarter of 2020. Adding to this was the incurrence of interest expense on its debt. In the same period last year, interest expense was capitalized prior to the start of commercial operations of Unit 1 in April 2019.
- 3. 40%-owned Prism Energy, Inc. (Prism Energy), a Retail Electricity Supplier (RES) saw a 55% YoY decline in its income contribution to Php 2.5 mn from Php 5.5 mn. This was attributed to the drop in contracted capacities and lower price per kilowatt hour.

EBITDA for the period dropped by 27% YoY to Php 423.6 mn from Php 581.0 mn. This was mainly an outcome of the 29% YoY decrease in operating income, which stemmed from:

 A 45% reduction in the sale of power, which mainly resulted from the 17% YoY contraction of energy sales in 55.2%-owned 1590 Energy Corporation (1590 EC). Also, wholly owned Vivant Energy Corporation (VEC) had no energy sales during the quarter in review after the termination of its Independent Power Producer Administrators (IPPA) Agreement with the Power Sector Assets and Liabilities Management (PSALM) in October 2019.

The reduction in energy sales was mitigated by the 17% YoY increase in energy sales of wholly owned Corenergy, Inc. (Corenergy), a RES, and 27% YoY rise in energy sales of 60%-owned ET-Energy Island, Inc. (ETEI), the special purpose vehicle where all rooftop solar projects of the Company are currently housed.

- 2. Timing difference resulting from the non-implementation of some management contracts and service level agreements during the quarter-in-review.
- 3. 45% YoY drop in interest income given lower rates from short term investments.
- 4. 95% YoY rise in operating expenses.

However, the contraction in EBITDA was mitigated by a subsidiary's revenues from its water engineering service contracts and 38% YoY drop in cost of services.

The Company ended the quarter in review with a net increase in cash before considering the effect of changes in the foreign exchange rates in the amount of Php 514.7 mn, which was 10% lower than the net increase in cash in the amount of Php 569.7 mn as of end-March 2019. This was a result of the use of cash for operating activities, a reversal of the net cash inflow as of end-March 2019, and increased net cash outflow for financing activities as of the first three months of 2020.

Operating activities showed a net cash outflow of Php 118.1 mn during the quarter in review, recording a reversal of the net cash inflow of Php 203.1 as of end-March 2019. This was mainly due to the payment of trade and other payables and accrued expenses (mostly in VEC and 1590 EC). The advance payment made by 65%-owned Isla Norte Energy Corporation (INEC) for the supply of equipment during the quarter in review also contributed to the use of cash. In the same period last year, the Company's net cash inflows were generated from collection of trade receivables and increase of trade payables.

Investing activities generated cash in the amount of Php 833.1 mn, which was 81% higher than the net cash inflow of Php 460.7 mn as of end-March 2019. The significant increase in dividends received from VECO (up by 71% YoY) and receipt of dividends from CPPC, DPI, Prism Energy and CIPC during the quarter in review mainly accounted for the improved cashflows. These were tempered by the Company's new investment in a waste-water treatment project, additional investment in a joint venture and an associate, and increased capital expenditures for the acquisition of property and equipment (properties as future project sites by VEC and INEC and construction costs for solar projects in ETEI) during the quarter in review.

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Financing activities for the quarter recorded a cash usage of Php 200.4 mn, posting a 113% YoY rise visà-vis last year's Php 94.1 mn. The Company's interest-bearing advances related to the waste-water treatment project of an associate and 1590's payment of a 2019 dividend declaration during the quarter in review mainly accounted for the significant increase in net cash outflow against the end-March 2019 level. This was tempered by the receipt of cash as advances from a minority shareholder of a subsidiary for its share in a one-off expense, and infusions from a minority shareholder of another subsidiary for a new power plant project in the Visayas.

Debt-to-Equity ratio went down to 0.38x as of end-March 2020 vis-à-vis end-December 2019 level of 0.41x. This was attributed to the 2% increase in total equity and 5% drop in total liabilities, which mainly stemmed from the payment of trade payables and accrued expenses (mostly by VEC and 1590 EC), 1590 EC's payment of dividends to its minority shareholder for a 2019 declaration, purchase of inventories and drop in deferred output VAT on the back of collections of trade receivables.

The Company's current ratio dropped to 1.42x as of end-March 2020 from year-end 2019 level of 3.42x. Current liabilities posted a significant increase of 156% from end-2019 level, while current assets only recorded a growth of 7%. The Company's outstanding FRCN in the amount of Php 2.8 bn, which is maturing in February 2021, has been recognized as a current liability. Moreover, advances from a minority shareholder for a new power plant project in the Visayas also contributed to the rise in current liabilities for quarter-end March 2020.

Material Changes in Line Items of Registrant's Income Statement (YTD March 2020 vs. YTD March 2019)

As of end-March 2020, the Company's total revenues amounted to Php 860.0 mn, recording a 22% YoY decline from Php 1.1 bn in the same period last year.

- 1. Sale of power went down by 45% YoY. This mainly resulted from the 17% YoY contraction of energy sales in 1590 EC. Also, VEC had no energy sales during the quarter in review after the termination of its IPPA Agreement with PSALM in October 2019. The reduction in energy sales was mitigated by the 17% YoY increase in energy sales of Corenergy and 27% YoY rise in energy sales of ETEI.
- 2. The Company's share in net earnings of associates and joint ventures as of end-March 2020 amounted to Php 493.7 mn, representing a 4% YoY increase from Php 473.4 mn. This was a result of the following:
 - VECO, the Company's distribution utility, recorded a 5% YoY growth in its bottomline contribution, from Php 202.6 mn to Php 212.5 mn. This was on the back of higher volume sold during the quarter in review (up by 8% YoY).
 - 40%-owned MPC brought in contributions of Php 146.7 mn during the period in review, a 5% YoY increase from Php 140.4 mn. This can be mainly attributed to the rise in the volume of energy sales (up by 8% YoY) and lower repairs. Reduction in interest expense, which resulted from debt repayments in 2019, also contributed to the positive variance.
 - 40%-owned AHI posted a 7% YoY improvement in its income contribution to Php 77.3 mn from Php 71.9 mn. This was driven by the enhanced profitability of its associate, CEDC. The enhancement in CEDC's performance during the period in review was mainly on account of a 9% YoY rise in energy sales volume and lower interest expense.
 - 50%-owned DPI shored in an income contribution of Php 25.0 mn as of end-March 2020, a 59% YoY rise from Php 15.8 mn. This strong showing was attributed to the 44% YoY expansion in energy sales volume. One unit of the company's old plant facility caught fire in February 2019, which resulted to a temporary shutdown of said unit during the same quarter last year.

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• 50%-owned CIPC saw a 131% YoY expansion in its income contribution. This was mainly attributed to higher volume sold (up by 14% YoY), coupled with the deferral of scheduled maintenance work and lower operating expenses.

The above enhancements in earnings contributions were tempered by the following:

- 40%-owned CPPC recorded a 5% YoY drop in earnings contribution to Php 42.6 mn from Php 45.0 mn, resulting from lower revenues generated from the sale of its excess capacity to WESM.
- 20%-owned TVI posted a 226% increase in net loss contribution during the period in review.
 TVI incurred costs of replacement power during its scheduled maintenance work in the first
 quarter of 2020. Adding to this was the incurrence of interest expense on its debt. In the
 same period last year, interest expense was capitalized prior to the start of commercial
 operations of Unit 1 in April 2019.
- 40%-owned Prism Energy saw a 55% YoY decline in its income contribution to Php 2.5 mn from Php 5.5 mn. This was attributed to the drop in contracted capacities and lower price per kilowatt hour.
- 3. There was a timing difference in the implementation of some management contracts and service level agreements during the period in review. As of end-March 2019, the Company recognized management fees of Php 3.2 mn.
- 4. 60%-owned Watermatic Philippines Corporation (WMP)²⁶ earned revenues of Php 20.1 mn from its water engineering service contracts.
- 5. Interest income dropped by 45% YoY to Php 22.0 mn, which was attributed to lower interest rates on short-term placements.

Total cost of services and operating expenses for the first quarter of 2020 contracted by 17% YoY, from Php 591.8 mn to Php 493.6 mn. Said movement can be accounted for by the following:

- 1. Total cost of services dropped by 38% to Php 306.2 mn from Php 495.9 mn. This can be attributed to the 41% contraction in generation cost to Php 294.5 mn as of end-March 2020 from Php 495.9 as of end-March 2019. 1590 EC's lower energy sales during the quarter mainly accounted for this decline. Higher cost of sales in Corenergy on the back of higher sales volume during the quarter in review tempered the cost reduction.
 - Meanwhile, WMP incurred technical consultancy and materials costs in the amount of Php 11.8 mn for its water engineering services during the quarter in review.
- 2. Salaries and employee benefits significantly grew by 94% to Php 67.7 mn from Php 34.9 mn. A change in the timing of accrual for employee benefits mainly accounted for this increase. Manpower headcount and an upward adjustment in salaries and benefits were also higher during the quarter in review.
- 3. Taxes and licenses were higher by 95% to Php 38.8 mn from Php 19.9 mn. The improved revenues of the Company, 1590 EC and VEC resulted to higher local business taxes. Additional business taxes were incurred due to the change of business address by the Company and its subsidiaries. Payment of documentary stamp taxes (DST) were made during the quarter as a result of the share issuance by a subsidiary and booking of advances from shareholders by another subsidiary that is developing a new power plant project.

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²⁶ Registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission on July 23, 2019

- 4. Professional fees went up by 81% to Php 26.1 mn from Php 14.4 mn. This was mainly due to the engagement of a legal consultant by a subsidiary.
- 5. Depreciation and amortization grew by 46% YoY to Php 10.9 mn from Php 7.5 mn. The increase was attributable to higher depreciation expense due to purchase of new assets and the depreciation of the right-of-use asset for a lease that was contracted in the fourth quarter of 2019.
- 6. Outside services was up by 58% YoY to Php 6.8 mn from Php 4.3 mn, which could be attributed to the hosting and support fees incurred for the Company's enterprise resource planning (ERP) system and the spot market trading software used by VEC.
- 7. Travel expenses saw a rise of 28% to Php 4.3 mn from Php 3.3 mn. This can be attributed to increased travel frequency on the back of more projects during the year in review.
- 8. Rent and association dues was significantly higher by 280% at Php 1.2 mn from Php 0.3 mn. This was attributed to the increase in association dues for the Company's principal office.
- 9. Representation expenses were higher by 144% to Php 0.4 mn from Php 0.2 mn. This variance is attributed to the increased initiatives for customer, partners, and stakeholder relations.
- 10. Other operating expenses rose by 324% YoY to Php 26.3 mn from Php 6.2 mn. This resulted substantially from the timing of donations to Vivant Foundation Inc (VFI). New memberships in business organizations and higher repairs expense also contributed to the increase in cost.

Vivant booked Php 56.6 mn in other charges as of end-March 2020, recording a 6% decrease from previous year's other charges of Php 60.4 mn. The following account for the movement:

- 1. Finance costs on the Company's FRCN was lower by 1% YoY to Php 41.3 mn from Php 41.7 mn. This reduction is attributed to the partial principal payment made in February 2020.
- 2. Finance costs on lease liabilities dropped by 8% YoY to Php 20.1 mn from Php 21.7 mn resulting from the amortization of the finance lease under PFRS 16.
- 3. An unrealized foreign exchange gain of Php 2.7 mn was taken up during the period in review. This pertains to the restatement of the US Dollar and Euro cash balances of the Company and three subsidiaries. This was against an unrealized foreign exchange loss of Php 0.10 mn recorded for the same period last year.
- 4. Other income of Php 2.0 mn was booked as of end-March 2020, which was 36% lower than the Php 3.2 mn booked in the same period last year. As of end-March 2019, a subsidiary earned revenue from technical services rendered which did not recur during the period in review.

The Company booked an income tax benefit of Php 5.2 mn on account of the deferred income tax on the lease of 1590 EC. This is a reversal of the accrued consolidated tax expense booked by the Company in the amount of Php 15.2 as of end-March 2019.

Taking all of the above into account, the Company recorded a total net income of Php 314.9 mn for the period ending March 31, 2020, which is 28% lower than last year's Php 437.4 mn. Net income attributable to parent amounted to Php 321.3 mn, down by 25% YoY.

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<u>Changes in Registrant's Consolidated Resources, Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity</u> (End-March 2020 vs. Year-end 2019)

The Company's total assets marginally grew by 0.1%, from end-2019's level of Php 20.87 bn to Php 20.89 bn. The following are the material movements in the consolidated assets of the Company as of end-March 2020.

- 1. Cash and cash equivalents expanded by 12% to Php 4.9 bn as of end-March 2020 from Php 4.4 mn as of end-2019. This is attributed to the net cash generated from investing activities, which was mostly from the receipt of dividends from three associates and two joint ventures. These were offset by the use of cash for operating and financing activities.
- 2. Trade and other receivables went down by 52% to Php 377.9 mn as of end-March 2020. This decrease was mainly attributable to the collection of trade receivables by 1590 EC and receipt of dividends for declarations made in 2019 by DPI, Prism Energy and CIPC.
- 3. Advances to associates and stockholders was higher by 164% at Php 242.2 mn as of end-March 2020. The increase was mainly a result of an extension of interest-bearing advances related to a waste-water treatment project that the Company invested in.
- 4. Inventories rose by 9% to Php 110.7 mn as of end-March 2020. This was attributed to the purchase of fuel by 1590 EC.
- 5. Prepayments and other current assets were higher by 66% YoY at Php 265.0 mn as of end-March 2020. The advance payment to a supplier of equipment for a subsidiary's new power plant project in the Visayas mainly accounted for the rise.
- 6. Investments in associates and joint ventures slightly dropped by 3% at Php 10.9 bn as of end-March 2020. The new investment of a subsidiary in a joint venture for a waste-water treatment project, additional investment by another subsidiary to an associate, and the Company's equitized share in net earnings of its associates and joint ventures were outweighed by dividend declarations and payments made by two associates.
- 7. Right-of-use assets was lower by 6% at Php 866.8 mn, which was due to the amortization as of end-March 2020.

Total consolidated liabilities declined by 5% YoY to Php 5.8 bn as of first quarter 2020 from end-2019's Php 6.1 bn. This was mainly brought by the following:

- 1. Trade and other payables were lower by 23% to Php 921.8 mn from Php 1.2 bn. This was attributed to the settlement of trade payables and accrued expenses (mostly by VEC and 1590 EC) and 1590 EC's payment of dividends to its minority shareholder for a 2019 declaration. The drop in deferred output VAT on the back of collections of trade receivables also contributed to the drop in payables during the period in review.
- 2. Current portion of lease liabilities decreased by 10% to Php 323.3 mn from Php 360.1 mn, which was on account of its amortization over the term of the lease.

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These contraction in liabilities were offset by the following:

- 1. Advances from related parties grew by 325% to Php 77.9 mn. This was a result of the advances received by a subsidiary from its minority shareholder for a new power plant project, and advances from a minority shareholder of another subsidiary for its share in a one-off expense.
- 2. Income tax payable increased by 6% to Php 17.0 mn, which was attributed to the earnings of 1590 EC during the quarter in review.

As a result of net income generated during the period in review, total stockholders' equity slightly increased by 2%, from Php 14.8 bn as of year-end 2019 to Php 15.1 bn as of end-March 2020. Meanwhile, equity attributable to parent ended up marginally higher by 2% at Php 14.4 bn as of end-March 2020.

<u>Material Changes in the Consolidated Liquidity and Cash Reserves of Registrant</u> (End-March 2020 vs. End-March 2019)

Cash and cash equivalents were higher by 13% YoY, from Php 4.4 bn as of end-March 2019 to Php 4.9 bn as of end-March 2019.

The Company ended the quarter in review with a net increase in cash before considering the effect of changes in the foreign exchange rates in the amount of Php 514.7 mn, which was 10% lower than the net increase in cash in the amount of Php 569.7 mn as of end-March 2019. This was a result of the use of cash for operating activities, a reversal of the net cash inflow as of end-March 2019, and increased net cash outflow for financing activities as of the first three months of 2020.

Operating activities showed a net cash outflow of Php 118.1 mn during the quarter in review, recording a reversal of the net cash inflow of Php 203.1 as of end-March 2019. This was mainly due to the payment of trade and other payables and accrued expenses (mostly in VEC and 1590 EC). The advance payment made by 65%-owned INEC for the supply of equipment during the quarter in review also contributed to the use of cash. In the same period last year, the Company's net cash inflows were generated from collection of trade receivables and increase of trade payables.

Investing activities generated cash in the amount of Php 833.1 mn, which was 81% higher than the net cash inflow of Php 460.7 mn as of end-March 2019. The significant increase in dividends received from VECO (up by 71% YoY) and receipt of dividends from CPPC, DPI, Prism Energy and CIPC during the quarter in review mainly accounted for the improved cashflows. These were tempered by the Company's new investment in a waste-water treatment project, additional investment in a joint venture and an associate, and increased capital expenditures for the acquisition of property and equipment (properties as future project sites by VEC and INEC and construction costs for solar projects in ETEI) during the quarter in review.

Financing activities for the quarter recorded a cash usage of Php 200.4 mn, posting a 113% YoY rise visà-vis last year's Php 94.1 mn. The Company's interest-bearing advances related to the waste-water treatment project of an associate and 1590's payment of a 2019 dividend declaration during the quarter in review mainly accounted for the significant increase in net cash outflow against the end-March 2019 level. This was tempered by the receipt of cash on advances from a minority shareholder of a subsidiary for its share in a one-off expense, and infusions from a minority shareholder of another subsidiary for a new power plant project in the Visayas.

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Financial Ratios

Debt-to-Equity ratio went down to 0.38x as of end-March 2020 vis-à-vis end-December 2019 level of 0.41x. This was attributed to the 2% increase in total equity and 5% drop in total liabilities, which mainly stemmed from the payment of trade payables and accrued expenses (mostly by VEC and 1590 EC), 1590 EC's payment of dividends to its minority shareholder for a 2019 declaration, purchase of inventories and drop in deferred output VAT on the back of collections of trade receivables.

The Company's current ratio dropped to 1.42x as of end-March 2020 from year-end 2019 level of 3.42x. Current liabilities posted a significant increase of 156% from end-2019 level, while current assets only recorded a growth of 7%. The Company's outstanding FRCN in the amount of Php 2.8 bn, which is maturing in February 2021, has been recognized as a current liability. Moreover, advances from a minority shareholder for a new power plant project in the Visayas also contributed to the rise in current liabilities for quarter-end March 2020.

For the Year Ended December 31, 2019 versus the Year Ended December 31, 2018

The table below shows the comparative figures of the key performance indicators for the year 2019 and 2018.

Key Performance Indicators		
Amounts in Php '000, except for ratios	2019	2018
Equity in Net Earnings of Associates	2,183,384	1,796,151
EBITDA	3,152,720	1,891,001
Cash Flow Generated	622,617	(855,233)
Net cash flows from operating activities	457,253	(443,021)
Net cash flows from (used in) investing activities	966,446	(103,119)
Net cash flows from (used in) financing activities	(801,083)	(309,094)
Debt-to-Equity Ratio (x)	0.41	0.37
Current Ratio (x)	3.42	6.33

The Company's share in net earnings of associates and joint ventures as of end-December 2019 amounted to Php 2.2 bn, representing a 22% year-on-year (YoY) increase from 1.8 bn. This was a result of the following:

- 1. VECO, the Company's distribution utility, posted a 9% YoY growth in its bottomline contribution, from Php 720.2 mn to Php 785.1 mn. This was on the back of higher volume sold (up by 11% YoY).
- 2. 40%-owned MPC saw a 16% YoY improvement in its income contribution during the year in review, from Php 500.0 mn to Php 581.9 mn. This can be mainly attributed to the 19% YoY increase in energy sold.
- 3. 40%-owned AHI recorded a 23% YoY improvement in its income contribution during the year in review, from Php 330.9 mn to Php 407.7 mn. This was driven by the enhanced profitability of its associate, CEDC. CEDC's favorable earnings performance for the period was mainly on account of the reversal of a non-recurring prior-year accrual.
- 4. 20%-owned TVI shored in fresh earnings contribution of Php 162.1 mn during the year in review. Unit one of the 2x170 MW coal-fired power generation facility in Toledo City, Cebu went online in April 2019 and the second unit followed in August 2019. Revenues generated from commissioning initiatives and commercial sales resulted to a positive earnings contribution in 2019.
- 5. 50%-owned CIPC posted a 31% YoY rise in income contribution, from Php 32.0 mn to Php 41.9 mn. This strong showing was mainly on the back of a 16% YoY expansion in energy sales volume as of end-December 2019.

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6. 40%-owned Prism Energy brought in contributions of Php 35.5 mn, a 117% expansion from last year's Php 16.4 mn. The robust performance can be attributed to the 58% YoY increase in energy sales volume, which was on the back of the rise in contracted capacity at 57 MW from 49 MW.

The above enhancements in earnings contributions were tempered by the following:

- 1. 40%-owned CPPC recorded a 19% YoY drop in earnings contribution to Php 119.3 mn from 148.2 mn, resulting from higher repair costs incurred during the year in review.
- 2. 50%-owned DPI showed a 14% YoY reduction in earnings contribution from Php 71.4 mn to Php 61.5 mn. This was attributed to the reduction in volume of energy sales and increase in repairs cost. One unit of the company's old plant facility caught fire in February 2019, which resulted to a temporary shutdown of said unit.

EBITDA for the period significantly grew by 67% YoY to Php 3.2 bn from Php 1.9bn. This was mainly an outcome of the 59% YoY increase in operating income, which was on the back of:

- 1. A 58% spike in the sale of power, which mainly resulted from the improvement in energy sales volume of 55%-owned 1590 EC. This was on the back of increased energy sales volume from its sales to WESM (up 123% YoY) and higher nominated capacity as ancillary services (up 32% YoY).
- 2. A 22% YoY increase in the net earnings of associates and joint ventures brought about by the fresh earnings from TVI and improved contributions of VECO, MPC, AHI, CIPC and Prism Energy;
- Revenues of Php 18.6 mn were generated by the Company and wholly owned Vivant Energy from engineering service contracts; and
- 4. 31% YoY increase in interest income from short-term cash investments.

The Company ended the year in review with a net increase in cash before considering the effect of changes in the foreign exchange rates of Php 622.6 mn, a reversal of the net decrease in cash of Php 855.2 mn at end-2018. This resulted from the net cash generated from operating and investing activities.

Operating activities contributed a net cash inflow of Php 457.3 mn. This was mainly due to the increase in in trade and other payables (mostly coming from 1590 EC). The change in the presentation of lease payments from operating to financing cash flows, in view of the PFRS 16 guidelines, also contributed to the net cash inflow during the year in review. These were offset by the rise of trade receivables (mostly coming from 1590 EC), prepayments (mostly coming from the Company and Vivant Energy), and payments for interest and income taxes.

Investing activities contributed the most to cash in the amount of Php 966.4 mn, which mainly came from dividends received from VECO, AHI, CIPC, CPPC, DPI and MPC. Interest received also contributed to the net cash inflow.

Financing activities recorded a usage of Php 801.1 mn, which stemmed from the payment of dividends by the Company and 1590 EC, principal amortization of the Company's FRCN, advances to two associates, increase in equity stake in two subsidiaries and lease payments. Lease payments are classified under Financing activities in accordance with Philippine Financial Reporting Standards (PFRS) 16²⁷.

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²⁷ PFRS 16, *Leases*. At initial recognition, Lessees are required to initially recognize a lease liability for the obligation to make lease payments and a right-of-use asset for the right of use the underlying asset for the lease term. The lease liability is measured at the present value of the lease payments to be made over the lease term. Subsequently, Lessees accrete the lease liability to reflect interest and reduce the liability to reflect lease payments made. The related right-of-use asset is depreciated over the term of the lease. In the Statement of Cash Flows, lease payments are recognized under Financing activities from its previous classification under Operating activities.

Debt-to-Equity ratio rose to 0.41x as of end-2019 vis-à-vis end-December 2018 level of 0.37x. As of December 2019, the 31% expansion in total liabilities, which mainly stemmed from the recognition of finance lease liability in compliance with PFRS 16, coupled with trade and other payables mostly coming from 1590 EC, accrued pension expense by Parent and Vivant Energy, and deferred income tax liabilities on the fair value remeasurement of the investment properties in three subsidiaries, outpaced the 18% increase in total equity.

The Company's current ratio was lower at 3.42x as of end-December 2019 from year-end 2018 level of 6.33x. Current assets posted a 16% rise (mostly due to higher cash level, trade receivables of 1590 EC, advances to two associates and increase in input VAT and creditable withholding tax in the Company and 1590 EC), while current liabilities significantly grew by 116% (as a result of the recognition of the finance lease liability-current²⁸, coupled with increased trade and other payable).

Material Changes in Line Items of Registrant's Income Statement

At the end of 2019, the Company had consolidated revenue of Php 6.0 bn, recording a 40% increase from the previous year's consolidated revenue of Php 4.3 bn. The topline performance was due to the following:

- 1. Sale of power, which comprise the bulk of revenues at Php 3.5 bn (or 59% of total), significantly rose by 58% YoY. This was attributed to spike in energy sales volume of 55%-owned 1590 EC, which was on the back of increased energy sales volume from its sales to WESM (up 123% YoY) and higher nominated capacity as ancillary services (up 32% YoY).
 - Meanwhile, energy sales of wholly owned Vivant Energy, the administrator of 17 MW of geothermal power, dropped by 18% YoY. In October 2019, Vivant Energy terminated its IPPA Agreement with PSALM.
- 2. The Company's share in net earnings of associates and joint ventures as of end-December 2019 amounted to Php 2.2 bn, representing a 22% YoY increase from Php 1.8 bn. This was a result of the following:
 - VECO, the Company's distribution utility, posted a 9% YoY growth in its bottomline contribution, from Php 720.2 mn to Php 785.1 mn. This was on the back of higher volume sold (up by 11% YoY).
 - 40%-owned MPC saw a 16% YoY improvement in its income contribution during the year in review, from Php 500.0 mn to Php 581.9 mn. This can be mainly attributed to the 19% YoY increase in energy sold.
 - 40%-owned AHI recorded a 23% YoY improvement in its income contribution during the year in review, from Php 330.9 mn to Php 407.7 mn. This was driven by the enhanced profitability of its associate, CEDC. CEDC's favorable earnings performance for the period was mainly on account of the reversal of a non-recurring prior-year accrual.
 - 20%-owned TVI shored in fresh earnings contribution of Php 162.1 mn during the year in review. Unit one of the 2x170 MW coal-fired power generation facility in Toledo City, Cebu went online in April 2019 and the second unit followed in August 2019. Revenues generated from commissioning initiatives and commercial sales resulted to a positive earnings contribution in 2019.
 - 50%-owned CIPC posted a 31% YoY rise in income contribution, from Php 32.0 mn to Php 41.9 mn. This strong showing was mainly on the back of a 16% YoY expansion in energy sales volume as of end-December 2019.

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²⁸ PFRS 16, *Leases*. At initial recognition, Lessees are required to initially recognize a lease liability for the obligation to make lease payments for the lease term. The lease liability is measured at the present value of the lease payments to be made over the lease term.

 40%-owned Prism Energy brought in contributions of Php 35.5 mn, a 117% expansion from last year's Php 16.4 mn. The robust performance can be attributed to the 58% YoY increase in energy sales volume, which was on the back of the rise in contracted capacity at 57 MW from 49 MW.

The above enhancements in earnings contributions were tempered by the following:

- 40%-owned CPPC recorded a 19% YoY drop in earnings contribution to Php 119.3 mn from 148.2 mn, resulting from higher repair costs incurred during the year in review.
- 50%-owned DPI showed a 14% YoY reduction in earnings contribution from Php 71.4 mn to Php 61.5 mn. This was attributed to the reduction in volume of energy sales and increase in repairs cost. One unit of the company's old plant facility caught fire in February 2019, which resulted to a temporary shutdown of said unit.
- 3. Management fees dropped by 29% YoY to Php 97.5 mn from Php 137.3 mn. The decline was mainly due to the reduced fees for the management contracts and service level agreements with an associate and the non-renewal of a management contract with a joint venture after the Company's shareholdings therein, through two subsidiaries, were entirely sold. Another contributing factor to the drop is the execution of a one-time service level agreement with an associate in 2018.
- 4. The Company and Vivant Energy earned revenues of Php 18.6 mn from engineering service contracts.
- 5. Interest income in 2019 rose by 31% to Php 153.4 mn from Php 117.1 mn. The higher interest rates in short term placements accounted for the expansion. Higher cash level during the year in review also contributed to this positive variance.

Total cost of services and operating expenses for the year 2019 was higher by 25%, from Php 2.4 bn to Php 3.1 bn. Said movement can be accounted for by the following:

- 1. Cost of services rose by 20% YoY to Php 2.3 bn from Php 1.9 bn. The rise in the energy sales of 1590 EC mainly accounted for the increase, coupled with the engineering service fees incurred during the year in review.
- 2. Salaries and employee benefits grew by 16% to Php 203.0 mn from Php 174.8 mn. The additional manpower headcount and an upward adjustment in salaries and benefits accounted for the rise. Availment of employee benefits were also higher during the year in review.
- 3. Professional fees went up by 67% to Php 173.7 mn from Php 103.8 mn. This was mainly due to the engagement of legal and other consultants for various projects.
- 4. Taxes and licenses were higher by 15% to Php 55.3 mn from Php 48.3 mn. The movement was mainly attributed to a non-recurring tax expense incurred by the Company, documentary stamp taxes (DST) for share issuance by three subsidiaries and the purchase of shares of a non-controlling interest in a subsidiary during the year in review. Higher local business taxes on the back of improved gross revenues in Vivant Energy, also contributed to the increase.
- 5. Project termination cost was incurred by a subsidiary in the amount of Php 53.1 mn. This resulted from the termination of the IPPA Agreement with PSALM for the administration of the 17MW of geothermal power.

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- 6. Travel expenses saw a rise of 23% to Php 37.5 mn from Php 30.4 mn. This can be attributed to increased travel frequency on the back of additional manpower headcount and more projects during the year in review.
- 7. Provision for estimated liability in the amount of Php 32.6 mn was recognized by a subsidiary during the year in review, which arose from a prior year sale of investment properties.
- 8. Depreciation and amortization grew by 63% YoY to Php 31.9 mn from Php 19.5 mn. The increase was attributable to the depreciation of the right-of-use asset that was recognized as a result of PFRS 16²⁹ and the higher depreciation expense due to purchase of new assets.
- 9. Outside services was up by 28% YoY to Php 19.5 from Php 15.2 mn, which could be attributed to the hosting and support fees incurred for the Company's enterprise resource planning (ERP) system and accounting services.
- 10. Representation expenses were lower by 10% to Php 8.6 mn from Php 9.6 mn. This variance is attributed to the decrease in number and amount of sponsorships.
- 11. Communication and utilities dropped by 26% to Php 7.1 mn from Php 9.6 mn due to timing of billings from suppliers.
- 12. Rent and association dues was significantly lower by 62% at Php 3.6 mn from Php 9.5 mn. This was a result of the implementation of PFRS 16 in 2019. Actual rent and association dues increased to Php 13.8 mn, which was reflective of the lease contract entered into by the Company for the transfer of its principal office and escalation of rental rate for its satellite office.
- 13. Other operating expenses rose by 20% YoY from Php 59.3 mn to Php 71.0 mn. This resulted substantially from:
 - Securities and Exchange Commission fees for the increase in authorized capital stock of three subsidiaries;
 - subscriptions for an internal communication portal; and
 - higher cost of supplies, repairs and insurance expense.

Vivant booked Php 16.3 mn in in other income in 2019, vis-à-vis previous year's other charges of Php Php 24.8 mn . This was an outcome of the following account movements:

- 1. A one-off gain of Php 235.3 mn in 2019 resulting from the increase in the fair value of investment properties in three subsidiaries. There was no such gain in 2018.
- 2. Finance cost on the Company's FRCN was lower by 1% YoY to Php 170.9 mn from Php 173.2 mn. This reduction is attributed to the partial principal payment made during the year.
- 3. Finance costs of Php 85.7 mn resulting from the amortization of the finance lease liability booked as a result of PFRS 16^{30} .
- 4. An unrealized foreign exchange loss of Php 4.4 mn was taken up during the year in review. This pertains to the restatement of the US Dollar and Euro cash balances of the Company and four subsidiaries. This was against an unrealized foreign exchange gain of Php 7.2mn recorded in 2018.

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²⁹ PFRS 16, *Leases*. After initial recognition, Lessees are required to depreciate the right-of-use asset over the term of the lease. ³⁰PFRS 16, *Leases*. After initial recognition, Lessees accrete the lease liability to reflect interest and reduce the liability to reflect lease payments made.

5. Other income rose by 97% YoY from Php 21.3 mn to Php 41.9 mn. This was mainly attributed to one-off gain of Php 28.8 mn, which resulted from the collection of additional proceeds from a share sale transaction entered into and executed by its subsidiaries in 2018. Service fees to affiliates also contributed to this positive variance.

Accrued consolidated tax expense surged to Php 271.7 mn from Php 45.1 mn on account of higher income tax due in 1590 EC on the back of improved operating profits.

The combined effect of the above account movements resulted to a net income after tax of Php 2.7 bn for the year 2019, a 51% increase from Php 1.8 bn in 2018. Net income attributable to equity holders of the parent recorded a 35% YoY growth to Php 2.3 bn from Php 1.7 bn.

During the period in review, the Company recognized other comprehensive loss of Php 20.3 mn, which substantially came from the re-measurement loss on employee benefits of 1590 EC and share in the re-measurement loss of associates, net of tax, in compliance with the Philippine Accounting Standards (PAS) 19R. This is offset by the re-measurement gain on employee benefits in the Company and Vivant Energy under PAS 19R and re-measurement gain on the Company's available-for-sale investment (AFS) in compliance with the PFRS 9³¹, net of tax. This compares to the Php 6.7 mn other comprehensive income booked in 2018 which was attributed to the re-measurement gain on employee benefits of the Company and 1590 EC and re-measurement gain on the Company's AFS, net of tax.

The total comprehensive income as of end-2019 was at Php 2.7 bn. Out of the said amount, Php 2.3 bn was attributable to the equity holders of the parent, which was 34% higher compared to last year's Php 1.7 bn.

Changes in Registrant's Resources, Liabilities, and Shareholders' Equity

The Company's consolidated total assets as of year-end 2019 expanded by 21% to Php 20.9 bn from Php 17.2 bn in 2018. The material movements in the assets of the Company are discussed below.

- 1. Cash and cash equivalents expanded by 16% to Php 4.4 bn as of end-December 2019 from Php 3.8 bn as of end-2018. This was attributed to the net cash generated from operating and investing activities.
- 2. Trade and other receivables was higher by 12% YoY at Php 788.8 mn. The increase can be attributed to the increase in the trade receivables of 1590 EC on the back of improved energy sales and ancillary services. This was tempered by Vivant Energy's collection of trade receivables and cash dividends declared by CPPC and CIPC in 2018.
- 3. Advances to associates and stockholders went up by 17% YoY to Php 91.8 mn from Php 78.8 mn, which was mainly a result of the advances to two associates by two subsidiaries during the year in review.
- 4. Inventories dropped by 19% YoY to Php 101.3 mn from Php 125.5 mn. This was attributed to the use of spare parts for plant maintenance and fuel consumption on the back of increased energy sales of 1590 EC.

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³¹ PFRS 9, *Financial Instruments*. Equity securities of a company with the intention to hold these investments for the forseeable future shall be irrevocably designated at Fair Value through Other Comprehensive Income (FVOCI). Gains and losses after initial recognition are presented under Other Comprehensive Income (OCI).

- 5. Prepayments and other current assets significantly rose by 140% to Php 159.9 mn as of end-December 2019 from Php 66.6 mn in 2018. This is attributed to the current portion of input VAT on purchases and creditable withholding taxes on revenues during the year in review.
- 6. Investments in associates and joint ventures grew by 8% to Php 11.2 bn as of end-2019 from Php 10.4 bn as of end-2018. The growth is substantially attributed to the Company's share in the net earnings of its associates and joint ventures, net of the dividends declared by VECO, Prism Energy, AHI, CPPC, MPC, CIPC and DPI. Additional investment to SREC was also made during the period in review.
 100%-owned VHHI signed a memorandum of agreement with an Israeli-company to incorporate a joint venture company, which will engage in the design, supply (including detailed design, procurement, and assembly), installation, commissioning, operation, and maintenance of water treatment and waste water treatment plants. The 60% stake in the joint venture company,
- 7. The 120% spike in property, plant and equipment to Php 1.3 bn was mainly a result of the purchase of fixed assets and leasehold improvements in 1590 EC. Further increases were booked due to the following: (i) cost of completed and ongoing solar rooftop projects of a wholly owned subsidiary, (ii) the Company's leasehold improvements, (iii) and purchase of fixed assets by the Company.

WMP, further contributed to the investment expansion.

- 8. Right-of-Use assets amounting to Php 925.3 mn was recognized under PFRS 16, Leases. Under this accounting standard, the Company and 1590 EC recognized an asset for the right to use the assets being leased over the lease term. This accounting standard took effect on January 1, 2019.
- 9. Investment properties rose to Php757.3 mn, 48% YoY higher than Php 511.5 mn as of end-2018. This movement is mainly attributed to the gain recorded from the fair valuation of the investment properties in three subsidiaries. The Company also purchased a condominium unit for office space during the period in review.
- 10. Deferred income tax assets (net) was 48% higher at Php 30.9 mn due to the deferred tax adjustment recognized in relation to the pension liability of the Company.
- 11. As of end-2018, the Company recognized pension asset of Php 5.7 mn, which came from the funded retirement plan of 1590 EC. This asset was cancelled out by the pension liability 1590 EC recognized as of end- 2019.
- 12. Other noncurrent assets grew by 12% YoY to Php 1.0 bn from Php 935.3 mn. This was mainly attributed to the goodwill on the investment in WMP. The rise in noncurrent creditable withholding taxes in the Company and subsidiaries, and security deposit for lease contracts and the fair value increase of available for sale investment of the Company further contributed to the increase.

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Total consolidated liabilities rose by 31% YoY to Php 6.1 bn as of end-2019 from end-2018's Php 4.6 bn. This was mainly brought about by the recognition of finance lease liabilities as a result of PFRS 16 in the amount of Php 876.4 mn (current at Php 360.1 mn and non-current at Php 516.3 mn). Other factors include:

- 1. Significant increase in trade and other payables (up by 75% YoY) from Php 685.9 mn to Php 1.2 bn. The increase was mainly driven by the increase in 1590 ECs trade payables and deferred output VAT on the back of improved energy sales during the year in review.
- 2. Income tax payable recorded a 30% YoY reduction to Php 16.0 mn from Php 22.9 mn. This was mainly due to the timing of income tax recognition in 1590 EC. In 2019, income tax payable was recognized throughout the year on the back of strong WESM sales. Whereas in 2018, 1590 EC was in a taxable income position only in the third quarter of the said year.
- 3. Pension liability was up by 95% to Php 67.2 mn from Php 34.5 mn, on account of the accrual of pension expense by the Company, Vivant Energy and 1590 EC.
- 4. Deferred income tax liabilities surged by 86% YoY to Php 203.4 mn from Php 109.4 mn. Three subsidiaries of the Company recognized deferred tax liabilities for the gain on fair valuation of their investment properties.
- 5. Other noncurrent liabilities dropped by 6% YoY from Php 885.6 mn to Php 836.7 mn, which resulted from the adjustment in output VAT payable in 1590 EC.

Other components of equity dropped by 9% YoY to Php 1.2 bn as of end-December 2019, which can be attributed to the significant movements discussed below.

- 1. The Company's share in the revaluation increment of VECO dropped by 5% to Php 1.3 bn from Php 1.4 bn.
- 2. In compliance with PAS 19R, 1590 EC recorded a re-measurement loss on employee benefits, tempered by the re-measurement gains on the employee benefits recognized by the Company and Vivant Energy, in the amount of Php 10.3 mn. This is a reversal of end-2018's remeasurement gain of Php 7.0 mn.
- 3. The Company recognized an unrealized valuation gain on AFS investments, in compliance with PFRS 9, in the amount of Php 2.8 mn during the year in review, a 120% YoY improvement from Php 1.3 mn as of end-2018.
- 4. The Company's Equity Reserves³² rose to Php 25.1 mn as of end-2019. The movement is attributed to the increase in equity stake in two subsidiaries.

As a result of the net income generated during the period in review, the total stockholders' equity increased by 18% YoY to Php 14.8 bn as of end-2019 from Php 12.6 bn as of end-2018. Meanwhile, equity attributable to parent ended higher by 16% YoY at Php 14.1 bn as of end-2019.

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³² Under PFRS 10, *Consolidated Financial Statements,* Transactions with non-controlling interests are accounted for as equity transactions. On acquisitions of non-controlling interests, the difference between the consideration and the book value of the share of the net assets acquired is reflected as being a transaction between owners and recognized directly in equity.

Material Changes in Liquidity and Cash Reserves of Registrant

Cash and cash equivalents were higher by 16% from Php 3.8 bn as of end-2018 to Php 4.4 bn as of end-2019.

For the period ending December 31, 2019, operating activities generated cash in the amount of Php 457.3 mn, a reversal of the net cash usage of Php 443.0 mn in 2018. This was mainly due to the increase in trade and other payables (mostly coming from 1590 EC). The change in the presentation of lease payments from operating to financing cash flows, in view of the PFRS 16 guidelines, also contributed to the net cash inflow during the year in review. These were tempered by the rise of trade receivables (mostly coming from 1590 EC), prepayments (mostly coming from the Company and Vivant Energy), payments for interest and taxes and 1590 EC's contribution to the pension fund.

Investing activities generated the most to cash in the amount of Php 966.4 mn, as of end- 2019. The dividends received from VECO, AHI, CIPC, CPPC, DPI and MPC mainly accounted for the cash inflow. Adding to this was the cash generated from interest income earned during the period in review. This is tempered by investments in WMP and SREC, and acquisition of property and equipment (purchase of fixed assets by 1590 EC, condominium unit by SGPDC, leasehold improvements and other fixed assets by the Company, and construction costs for solar rooftop projects by ETEI). In 2018, the Company used cash for investing activities in the amount of Php 103.1 mn.

As of end-December 2019, the Company used cash of Php 801.1 mn for financing activities, recording an increase from last year's usage of Php 309.1 mn. Cash usage stemmed from the payment of cash dividends by the Company and 1590 EC, principal amortization of the Company's FRCN, and advances to two associates, increase in equity stake in two subsidiaries and lease payments. Lease payments are classified under Financing activities in accordance with PFRS 16 guidelines.

<u>Financial Ratios</u>

Debt-to-Equity ratio rose to 0.41x as of end-2019 vis-à-vis end-December 2018 level of 0.37x. As of December 2019, the 31% expansion in total liabilities, which mainly stemmed from the recognition of finance lease liability in compliance with PFRS 16, coupled with trade and other payables mostly coming from 1590 EC, accrued pension expense by Parent and Vivant Energy, and deferred income tax liabilities on the fair value remeasurement of the investment properties in three subsidiaries, outpaced the 18% increase in total equity.

The Company's current ratio was lower at 3.42x as of end-December 2019 from year-end 2018 level of 6.33x. Current assets posted a 16% rise (mostly due to higher cash level, trade receivables of 1590 EC, advances to two associates and increase in input VAT and creditable withholding tax in the Company and 1590 EC), while current liabilities grew by 116% (as a result of the recognition of the finance lease liability-current, coupled with increased trade and other payable).

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For the Year Ended December 31, 2018 versus the Year Ended December 31, 2017

The table below shows the comparative figures of the key performance indicators for the year 2018 and 2017.

Key Performance Indicators		
Amounts in Php '000, except for ratios	2018	2017
Equity in Net Earnings of Associates	1,796,151	1,290,173
EBITDA	1,891,001	1,719,807
Cash Flow Generated	(855,233)	198,556
Net cash flows from operating activities	(443,021)	51,216
Net cash flows from (used in) investing activities	(103,119)	758,898
Net cash flows from (used in) financing activities	(309,094)	(611,558)
Debt-to-Equity Ratio (x)	0.37	0.40
Current Ratio (x)	6.33	9.47 ⁽¹⁾

Notes:

The Company's share in net earnings of associates and joint ventures as of end-December 2018 amounted to Php 1.8 bn, representing a 39% year-on-year (YoY) increase from Php 1.3bn. This was a result of the following:

- 40%-owned MPC shored in fresh earnings contribution of Php 500.0 mn during the year in review. The company's 3x55 MW coal-fired power plant in Misamis Oriental was completed in 2017 and commenced commercial operations in September 2017.
- 50%-owned, DPI recorded a 127% YoY improvement in its bottomline contribution, from Php 31.4 mn to Php 71.4 mn, resulting from the commercial operations of its new 30-MW oil-fired power generation facility starting May 2017.
- 50%-owned CIPC posted a 107% YoY rise in income contribution, from Php 15.5 mn to Php 32.0 mn. This strong showing was mainly on the back of a 22% YoY expansion in energy sales volume as of end-December 2018.
- 40%-owned AHI saw an 11% YoY improvement in its income contribution during the year in review, from Php 296.9 mn to Php 330.9 mn. This was driven by the enhanced profitability of its associate, CEDC. CEDC's favorable earnings performance for the period was mainly on account of an 8% YoY expansion in energy sales, lower financing and operating expenses and reduced maintenance costs.
- 40%-owned CPPC recorded an 8% YoY increase in income contribution from Php 137.6 mn to Php 148.2 mn, on account of higher capital recovery fees from indexation, income from purchased power, and reduced operating and maintenance costs.
- 40%-owned Prism Energy brought in earnings contributions of Php 16.4 mn, which mainly resulted from the 279% expansion in the volume of energy sales. Prism Energy began its operations as a RES in April 2017.

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^{1.} Reported as 4.31x in the SEC 17A FY 2017 report. The adjustment is due to the reclassification of some balance sheet accounts to make it comparable to the FY 2018 classification.

Below is a table showing the impact of International Accounting Standards (IAS) 28³³ to the Company's financial performance in 2018 and 2017.

	2018			2017			
Name of	Actual	Recognized	Unrecognized	Actual	Recognized	Unrecognized	
Company	Share in	Share in	Share in	Share in	Share in	Share in Losses	
Company	Losses	Losses	Losses due to	Losses	Losses	due to IAS 28	
	(Php)	(Php)	IAS 28 (Php)	(Php)	(Php)	(Php)	
NR			1	255.2 ²		255.2 ³	
Total				255.2		255.2 ⁴	

Notes

- 1. In October 2018, shareholdings in NR, through VEC and VREC, were entirely sold to NREC.
- 2. Reported as Php 257.5 mn in the SEC 17 A FY 2017 report due to typographical error.
- 3. Reported as Php 252.7 mn in the SEC 17 A FY 2017 report, based on the net income provided by the associate at that time. Out of Php 255.2 mn, Php 16.3 mn pertained to unrealized forex loss from the dollar denominated portion of its liabilities arising from its administration contract with PSALM.
- 4. Reported as Php 252.9 mn in the SEC 17 A FY 2017 report due to typographical error.

EBITDA for the period grew by 10% YoY to Php 1.9 bn from Php 1.7bn. This was mainly an outcome of the 22% YoY increase in operating income, which was on the back of:

- A 39% YoY increase in the net earnings of associates and joint ventures brought about by the improved contributions of MPC, DPI, CIPC, AHI, CPPC and Prism Energy;
- 61% YoY increase in interest income from short-term cash investments; and
- 11% YoY drop in total generation costs which significantly came from the 29% reduction in generation cost of 55.2%-owned 1590 EC given lower dispatch and significantly lower depreciation expense as the life of depreciable assets was extended to match the new term of its power plant's lease contract.

The Company ended the period with a net decrease in cash, before considering the effect of changes in the foreign exchange rates, of Php 855.2 mn. This resulted from the use of cash in operating, investing and financing activities. The increase in trade and other receivables, prepayments, offset by the increase in payables, accounted for the use of cash in operating activities. Other uses of cash include payments for interest and taxes, purchase of inventories and 1590 EC's contribution to the pension fund. The use of cash in financing activities was mainly attributed to the payment of dividends during the year in review. Moreover, the Company's investments in TVI, SREC and VECO mainly accounted for the use of cash in investing activities.

Debt-to-Equity ratio slightly improved to 0.37x from 0.40x in 2017. The movement is mainly attributable to the 11% increase in total consolidated equity, which stemmed from the net earnings for the period in review. This expansion outpaced the 4% increase in total consolidated liabilities of the Company, which was driven by the recorded increases in dividends payable, trade and other payable, and income tax payable.

The Company's current ratio was lower at 6.33x as of end-December 2018 from year-end 2017 level of 9.47x³⁴. Current assets posted a 12% decline (mostly due to slightly lower cash level), while current liabilities grew by 31% (as a result of increased dividends payable, trade and other payables and income tax payable).

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³³ IAS 28 Losses in Excess of Investments. If an investor's or joint venturer's share of losses of an associate or joint venture equals or exceeds its interest in the associate or joint venture, the investor or joint venturer discontinues recognizing its share of further losses. If the associate or joint venture subsequently reports profits, the investor or joint venturer resumes recognizing its share of those profits only after its share of the profits equals the share of losses not recognized.

³⁴ Reported as 4.31x in the SEC 17A FY 2017 report. This is due to the reclassification of some balance sheet accounts to make it comparable to the FY 2018 classification.

Material Changes in Line Items of Registrant's Income Statement

At the end of 2018, the Company had consolidated revenue of Php 4.3 bn, recording a 4% increase from the previous year's consolidated revenue of Php 4.1 bn. The topline performance was due to the following:

- 1. Sale of power, which comprise the bulk of revenues at Php 2.2 bn (or 52% of total), was lower by 15% YoY. 1590 EC mainly accounted for the reduced topline performance as it recorded lower revenues due to a 38% YoY decline in energy sales during the year in review. This was partially offset by the increased energy sales of wholly owned subsidiaries VEC, the administrator of 17 MW of geothermal power, and Corenergy, a retail electricity supplier that commenced commercial operations on December 26, 2017.
- 2. The Company's share in net earnings of associates and joint ventures as of end-December 2018 amounted to Php 1.8 bn, representing a 39% YoY increase from Php 1.3bn. This was a result of the following:
 - 40%-owned MPC shored in fresh earnings contribution of Php 500.0 mn during the year in review. The company's 3x55 MW coal-fired power plant in Misamis Oriental was completed in 2017 and commenced commercial operations in September 2017.
 - 50%-owned, DPI recorded a 127% YoY improvement in its bottomline contribution, from Php 31.4 mn to Php 71.4 mn, resulting from the commercial operations of its new 30-MW oil-fired power generation facility starting May 2017.
 - 50%-owned CIPC posted a 107% YoY rise in income contribution, from Php 15.5 mn to Php 32.0 mn. This strong showing was mainly on the back of a 22% YoY expansion in energy sales volume as of end-December 2018.
 - 40%-owned AHI saw an 11% YoY improvement in its income contribution during the year in review, from Php 296.9 mn to Php 330.9 mn. This was driven by the enhanced profitability of its associate, CEDC. CEDC's favorable earnings performance for the period was mainly on account of an 8% YoY expansion in energy sales, lower financing and operating expenses and reduced maintenance costs.
 - 40%-owned CPPC recorded an 8% YoY increase in income contribution from Php 137.6 mn to Php 148.2 mn, on account of higher capital recovery fees from indexation and income from purchased power, and reduced operating and maintenance costs.
 - 40%-owned Prism Energy brought in earnings contributions of Php 16.4 mn, which mainly resulted from the 279% expansion in the volume of energy sales. Prism Energy began its operations as a RES in April 2017.

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Below is a table showing the impact of IAS 28 to the Company's financial performance in 2018 and 2017.

		2018			2017	
Name of	Actual	Recognized	Unrecognized	Actual	Recognized	Unrecognized
	Share in	Share in	Share in	Share in	Share in	Share in Losses
Company	Losses	Losses	Losses due to	Losses	Losses	due to IAS 28
	(Php)	(Php)	IAS 28 (Php)	(Php)	(Php)	(Php)
NR			1	255.2 ²		255.2 ³
Total				255.2		255.2 ⁴

Notes

- 1. In October 2018, shareholdings in NR, through VEC and VREC, were entirely sold to NREC.
- 2. Reported as Php 257.5 mn in the SEC 17 A FY 2017 report due to typographical error.
- 3. Reported as Php 252.7 mn in the SEC 17 A FY 2017 report, based on the net income provided by the associate at that time. Out of Php 255.2 mn, Php 16.3 mn pertained to unrealized forex loss from the dollar denominated portion of its liabilities arising from its administration contract with PSALM.
- 4. Reported as Php 252.9 mn in the SEC 17 A FY 2017 report due to typographical error.
- 3. Management fees dropped by 10% YoY to Php 137.3 mn from Php 151.9 mn. The decline was mainly due to the reduced fees for the management contracts and service level agreements with an associate. Another contributing factor to the drop is the execution of a one-time service level agreement with a joint venture in 2017.
- 4. Interest income in 2018 significantly rose by 61% to Php 117.1 mn from Php 72.5 mn. The higher interest rates in short term placements and higher gains resulting from the Company's unit investment trust funds (UITF) accounted for the expansion.

Total generation cost and operating expenses for the year 2018 was lower by 7%, from Php 2.6 bn to Php 2.4 bn. Said movement can be accounted for by the following:

- 1. Generation costs went down by 11% YoY to Php 1.9 bn from Php 2.2 bn. This was due to the 38% YoY decline in 1590 EC's energy sales volume. Moreover, the subsidiary's depreciation expense was also reduced significantly as the life of depreciable assets was extended to match the new term of its power plant's lease contract.
- 2. Salaries and employee benefits grew by 11% to Php 174.8 mn from Php 157.9 mn. The additional manpower headcount and an upward adjustment in salaries and benefits accounted for the rise. Training costs were also higher during the year in review.
- 3. Professional fees went up by 44% to Php 103.8 mn from Php 72.2 mn. This was mainly due to the engagement of legal, technical, strategic and business process consultants.
- 4. Taxes and licenses was lower by 5% to Php 48.3 mn from Php 50.7 mn. 1590 EC incurred a non-recurring expense in 2017.
- 5. Travel expenses saw a reduction of 5% to Php 30.4 mn from Php 32.1 mn. This can be attributed to travel costs reduction and efficiency measures implemented by the Company during the year in review.
- 6. Management fees was down by 6% YoY at Php 23.2 mn as a result of a drop in the rate.

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- 7. Outside services³⁵ was up by 59% YoY to Php 15.2 mn from Php 9.6mn. The movement could be attributed to the license fees for an electronic mailing system, hosting and support fees for the Company's new enterprise resource planning (ERP) system, development fees for the corporate website and receipt of delayed prior year billings for (i) office manpower services and (ii) support services for the Company's old accounting software.
- 8. Representation expenses were higher by 23% at Php 9.6 mn. Increase in business activities by the Company and its subsidiary accounted for the rise.
- 9. Communication and utilities were higher by 36% at Php 9.6 mn from Php 7.0 mn. The increase in the Company's manpower headcount, and receipt and booking of delayed prior year billings during the year accounted for the hike in communication expenses. Additional office space and the escalation of rates were factors in the rise of power and water charges incurred as of end-December 2018.
- 10. Rent and association dues was down by 15% at Php 9.5 mn from Php 11.2 mn. In 2017, the Company entered into another lease contract to facilitate the transfer of its satellite office.
- 11. Other operating expenses rose by 19% YoY from Php 49.9 mn to Php 59.3 mn. This resulted substantially from:
 - (i) higher marketing expenses;
 - (ii) higher donations made to Vivant Foundation, Inc. and other expenses related to corporate social responsibility initiatives; and
 - (iii) higher cost of supplies, dues and subscriptions and insurance expense.

Vivant booked Php 24.8 mn in other charges in 2018, vis-à-vis previous year's other income of Php 15.7 mn. This was an outcome of the following account movements:

- 1. The Company recognized a one-off gain of Php 120.0 mn in 2018 resulting from the sale of its 48% shareholdings in NR through wholly-owned subsidiaries, VEC and VREC.
 - One-off gains in 2017 amounting to Php 171.7 mn consisted of insurance claims by a subsidiary for damages sustained by its power plant equipment, increase in the fair value of a subsidiary's investment properties, and a net gain from the purchase of additional interest in a subsidiary and the disposal of another subsidiary.
- 2. An unrealized foreign exchange gain of Php 7.2mn was taken up during the period in review. This pertains to the restatement of the US Dollar and Euro cash balances of the Company and 1590 EC. This was against an unrealized foreign exchange loss of Php 1.2 mn recorded in 2017.

The 52% YoY decline in accrued consolidated tax expense, from Php 94.9 mn to Php 45.1 mn, was a result of the lower taxable income of 1590 EC.

The combined effect of the above account movements resulted to a net income after tax of Php 1.8 bn for the year 2018, a 24% increase from Php 1.4 bn in 2017. Net income attributable to equity holders of the parent recorded a 37% growth to Php 1.7 bn.

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³⁵ Includes security and janitorial fees presented as a separate line item in the SEC 17A FY 2017 report

During the period in review, the Company recognized other comprehensive income of Php 6.7 mn, which substantially came from the re-measurement gain on employee benefits of the Company and 1590 EC in compliance with the Philippine Accounting Standards (PAS) 19R and re-measurement gain on the Company's available-for-sale investment (AFS) in compliance with the Philippine Financial Reporting Standards (PFRS) 9. This compares to the Php 270.6 mn other comprehensive income booked in 2017 which was attributed to the Company's share of an associate's revaluation increment and its remeasurement gain on employee benefits, net of tax.

The total comprehensive income as of end-2018 was at Php 1.78 bn. Out of the said amount, Php 1.74 bn was attributable to the equity holders of the parent, which was 13% higher compared to last year's Php 1.5 bn.

Changes in Registrant's Resources, Liabilities, and Shareholders' Equity

The Company's consolidated total assets as of year-end 2018 expanded by 9% to Php 17.2 bn from Php 15.8 bn in 2017. The significant movements in the assets of the Company are discussed below.

- 1. Cash and cash equivalents dropped by 18% to Php 3.8 bn as of end-2018 from last year's Php 4.6 bn. The decrease is attributed to the use of cash in operating, investing and financing activities.
- Trade and other receivables was higher by 32% YoY at Php 705.1 mn. The increase can be
 attributed to the energy sales of two subsidiaries, and a subsidiary's receivable arising from
 dividends declared by CIPC and CPPC during the year. The increase was tempered by the
 collection of cash dividends declared by MPC, CPPC and CIPC in 2017, and collection of
 intercompany advances.
- 3. Advances to associates and stockholders went down by 6% to Php 78.8 mn from Php 83.7 mn, which was mainly a result of the collection of advances from an associate. This is offset by the advances by two subsidiaries to two associates during the year and a reclassification of a cash infusion made in 2017.
- 4. Prepayments and other current assets increased by 30% to Php 66.6 mn as of end-December 2018 from Php 51.3³⁶ mn in 2017. This is attributed to the accumulation of input VAT on purchases and creditable withholding taxes on revenues during the year in review, and the security deposit of a subsidiary's power supply contract.
- 5. Investments in and advances to associates and joint ventures grew by 24% to Php 10.4 bn as of end-2018 from Php 8.4 bn as of end-2017. The growth is substantially attributed to the additional investments in TVI, SREC and VECO. The dividends declared by VECO, AHI, CPPC, CIPC, DPI and Prism Energy, VEC's redemption of preferred shares in DPI and a reclassification of an infusion to an associate to advances to related parties, offset the recorded equity share in net earnings from associates and joint ventures.
- 6. The 15% rise in property, plant and equipment to Php 609.6 mn was mainly a result of the construction cost for a rooftop solar project by 60%-owned ET-Vivant, through 100%-owned ET Energy Island Corporation (ETEI), and leasehold improvements in 1590 EC. The Company's purchase of fixed assets also contributed to the increase.

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³⁶ Reported as Php 913.4 mn in the SEC 17A FY 2017 report. Assets consisting of advances to a supplier, creditable withholding taxes and input value-added tax (VAT) were reclassified as other noncurrent assets from prepayments and other current assets to make it comparable to the end-December 2018 classification in accordance with PAS 1, *Presentation of Financial Statements*.

- 7. Deferred income tax assets net was 31% higher at Php 20.9 mn due to the deferred tax adjustment recognized in relation to the pension liability of the Company and 1590 EC.
- 8. Pension asset of Php 5.7 mn was booked as of end-2018, which came from the funded retirement plan of 1590 EC. There was no such booking in 2017.
- 9. Other noncurrent assets rose by 4% to Php 935.3 mn as of end-2018 from Php 895.4³⁷ mn in 2017. This can be attributed to the increase in noncurrent creditable withholding taxes and input VAT, and the fair value increase in the AFS investments of the Company.

Total consolidated liabilities rose by 4% to Php 4.6 bn as of end-2018 from end-2017's Php 4.5 bn.

- 1. Trade and other payables recorded a 47% growth to Php 685.9 mn as of end- 2018 from Php 465.0³⁸ mn in 2017. The increase was driven by the 72% growth in 1590 EC's dividends payable and deferred output VAT during the year in review. Rise in the accrued expenses of VEC, ETEI and ET-Vivant, dividends payable of HDFE and the trade and other payables of Corenergy also contributed to the increase.
- 2. Advances from related parties posted a 75% decline, from Php 72.4 mn to Php 18.4 mn, which was mainly a result of the settlement of advances from an associate.
- 3. Income tax payable recorded a 127% increase to Php 22.9mn from Php 10.1 mn, which mainly resulted from the income taxes due of 1590 EC from revenues earned in the fourth quarter of the year in review. The income tax payable of 100%-owned Vivant Realty Ventures Corporation (VRVC) also contributed to the increase.
- 4. Pension liability was up by 8%, on account of the accrual of pension expense by the Company and 1590 EC.

Other components of equity dropped by 5% to Php 1.3 bn as of end-December 2018, which can be attributed to the significant movements discussed below.

- 1. The Company's share in the revaluation increment of VECO dropped by 5% to Php 1.4 bn from Php 1.5 bn.
- 2. The Company recognized an unrealized valuation gain on AFS investments in compliance with PFRS 9 amounting to Php 1.3 mn.
- 3. In compliance with PAS 19R, the Company and 1590 EC recorded re-measurement gains on the employee benefits resulting to a significant increase to Php 7.0 mn from Php 0.05 mn in 2017.
- 4. The Company's share in the re-measurement losses on employee benefits of four associates and a joint venture increased by 5% to Php 78.2 mn during the year in review vis-à-vis Php 74.6 mn in 2017.

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³⁷ Reported as Php 33.3 mn in the SEC 17A FY 2017 report. Accounts from prepayments and other current assets were reclassified to other noncurrent assets in order to be comparable to the classification as of end-December 2018 in accordance with PAS 1, *Presentation of Financial Statements*.

³⁸ Reported as Php 1.4 bn in the SEC 17A FY 2017 report. Advances to supplier as of end-2017 was reclassified to other noncurrent liabilities in order to be comparable to the classification as of end-December 2018 in accordance with PAS 1, *Presentation of Financial Statements*.

As a result of the net income generated during the period in review, the total stockholders' equity increased by 11% to Php 12.6 bn as of end-2018 from Php 11.3 bn as of end-2017. Meanwhile, equity attributable to parent ended higher by 13% at Php 12.1 bn as of end-2018.

Material Changes in Liquidity and Cash Reserves of Registrant

Cash and cash equivalents were lower by 18% from Php 4.6 bn as of end-2017 to Php 3.8 bn as of end-2018.

For the period ending December 31, 2018, the net cash used in the Company's operations amounted to Php 443.0 mn, recording a reversal of last year's net cash generation of Php 51.2 mn. This is substantially attributed to the increase in trade and other receivables and prepayments, offset by the increase in payables. Other uses of cash include payments for interest and taxes, purchase of inventories and 1590 EC's contribution to the pension fund.

Net cash used in investing activities as of end-2018 amounted to Php 103.1 mn, vis-à-vis previous year's cash generation of Php 758.9 mn. The additional investments made into TVI, SREC and VECO, purchase of fixed assets and construction costs for a solar rooftop project of ETEI mainly accounted for the usage. This is tempered by dividends received from VECO, AHI, MPC, CPPC, DPI, CIPC and Prism Energy, proceeds from the sale of the shareholdings in NR, proceeds from the redemption of preferred shares in DPI and the spike in interest income.

As of end-December 2018, the Company used cash of Php 309.1 mn for financing activities, recording a decrease from last year's usage of Php 611.6 mn. Cash usage stemmed from the payment of cash dividends by the Company and HDFE, principal amortization of the Company's FRCN and the advances of VIGC to an associate. This is offset by the receipt of additional investment for future stock subscription and advances from the minority shareholder of ETEI for its rooftop solar project.

<u>Financial Ratios</u>

The Company's current ratio was lower at 6.33x as of end-December 2018 from year-end 2017 level of 9.47x³⁹. Current assets posted a 12% decline (mostly due to slightly lower cash level), while current liabilities grew by 31% (as a result of increased dividends payable, trade and other payables and income tax payable).

Debt-to-Equity ratio slightly improved to 0.37x from 0.40x in 2017. The movement is mainly attributable to the 11% increase in total consolidated equity, which stemmed from the net earnings for the period in review. This expansion outpaced the 4% increase in total consolidated liabilities of the Company, which was driven by the recorded increases in dividends payable, trade and other payable and income tax payable.

<u>Plan of Operation, Known Trends, Events, Uncertainties</u>

Vivant will continue to oversee its investments in its investee companies. As a holding company, it shall satisfy its cash requirements mainly through (1) dividends declared and paid by its investee companies and (2) management fees paid by investee companies with management contracts as compensation for ancillary services provided. The Company also has existing bank credit facilities that it can tap should the need arise. Moreover, Vivant raised Php 3 bn via a Fixed Rate Corporate Note issue, which was done during the first quarter of 2014. The Company is financially sound and is prepared to take any opportunity that will arise.

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³⁹ Reported as 4.31x in the SEC 17 A FY 2017 report. This is due to the reclassification of a balance sheet account to make it comparable to the FY 2018 classification.

Below are some events that the Company believes will have an impact to its earnings performance and financial condition in 2019 and the ensuing years.

Increase in attributable generation capacity

Vivant, through 100%-owned VEC, is continuously on the lookout for opportunities in the power industry, particularly in the power generation business. Investments may come in the form of greenfield and/or brownfiled construction projects and acquisitions. The Company has several projects that are in various stages of development. These projects will be disclosed by Vivant as their respective plans firm up.

• Market and industry developments

<u>Commencement of Open Access.</u> The implementation of RCOA starting June 26, 2013 has effectively widened the market for Vivant's generated power. The Company's uncontracted capacity could be sold either through RES companies or directly to contestable customers. Vivant has prepared its organization for the RCOA with the establishment of two RES companies.

<u>Issuance of Resolution in ERC Case No. 2014-021 MC.</u> The ERC rendered an Order voiding the Wholesale Electricity Spot Market (WESM) prices for the supply months of November and December 2013 and in lieu thereof, substituting regulated prices. The Order came after the ERC formed an Investigating Unit to investigate the unusual increase in WESM prices and the simultaneous withholding of capacity by electric power generators during the supply months of November and December 2013.

1590 EC filed its Motion for Reconsideration to the Order on March 28, 2014, which was denied in an Order dated October 15, 2014. As a result of the denial of the Motion for Reconsideration, on December 10, 2014, 1590 EC filed a Petition for Review with Application for Injunction and Temporary Restraining Order with the Court of Appeals requesting for the (a) issuance of a Temporary Restraining Order and Writ of Preliminary Injunction enjoining ERC and PEMC from implementing all orders, decisions, and resolutions in ERC Case No. 2014-021 MC and (b) reversal of the Order of the ERC in ERC Case No. 2014-021 MC and (c) reinstating the November and December 2014 WESM market prices.

On November 7, 2017, the Court of Appeals issued a Decision that declared as null and void the March 3, 2014, March 27, 2014, May 9, 2014 and October 15, 2014 Orders of the ERC and reinstated the prices for the November and December 2013 supply months in the WESM (the CA Decision). According to the Court of Appeals, there was simply no justification, legal or factual, to substantiate the ERC's issuance of the March 3, Order which was effectively an intervention of WESM's operations.

The ERC and Intervenor Meralco filed their respective Motions for Reconsideration to the CA Decision. Numerous other consumers and organizations also filed their respective Motions for Leave to Intervene in the case for the purpose also of seeking a reconsideration of the CA Decision. On March 22, 2018, the Court of Appeals denied the Motions for Leave to Intervene. On March 29, 2019, the Court of Appeals issued an Omnibus Resolution denying the Motion for Reconsideration. As a result, the ERC filed a Petition for Review with the Supreme Court to reverse the decision of the Court of Appeals. The Petition for Review remains pending.

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Reserve Market. The trial operations of the Reserve Market commenced on February 26, 2014. This came after the issuance by DOE on December 2, 2013 of the Department Circular No. DC2013-12-0027, "Declaring the Commercial Launch for the Trading of Ancillary Service in Luzon and Visayas under the Philippine Wholesale Electricity Spot Market". Roles and responsibilities of all stakeholders are set in said circular.

PEMC is in the process of reviewing the results of the trial run. The Pricing and Cost Recovery Mechanism of the Reserve Market is still under review by the ERC.

The Reserve Market will involve three (3) reserve categories. These are: Frequency Regulation, Contingency Reserve and Dispatchable Reserve. Launch date has yet to be set.

The Central Dispatch and Scheduling of Energy and Reserves in the WESM was implemented in January 2016 by the DOE and PEMC. This is pending ERC's approval of the Price Determination Methodology. Following the protocol of the Reserve Market, the participants will be those that have existing contracts with NGCP. Settlement will be done outside of the WESM.

RE Act and the Feed-in-tariff (FIT) scheme. The RE Act was signed into law in December 2008 and became effective in January 2009. With the intent of promoting and developing the use of the country's renewable energy resources, the RE Act offers fiscal and non-fiscal incentives to RE developers. In a resolution issued in 2012, the ERC adopted the following FIT rates for emerging RE resources, namely, wind, solar, run-of-river hydropower and biomass, and corresponding degression rates.

	FIT Rate (Php/kWh)	Degression Rate
Wind	8.53	0.5% after 2 nd year of FIT effectivity
Solar	9.68	6% after 1 st year of FIT effectivity
Run-of-river hydro	5.90	0.5% after 2 nd year of FIT effectivity
Biomass	6.63	0.5% after 2 nd year of FIT effectivity

The ERC issued ERC Resolution No. 10, Series of 2012 in July 2012 that implemented the approved solar FIT rate of Php 9.68/kWh and the installation target of 50 MW. This target was increased to 500 MW by the ERC. In March 2015, the ERC adopted and approved a new Solar FIT of PhP8.6900/kWh effective upon publication of the resolution until March 15, 2016. In 2015, for the second batch of wind power projects, the ERC approved a new Wind FIT Rate (Wind FIT2) of Php7.40/kWh and limiting its application to three wind power projects which have commenced commercial operations date as certified by the DOE:

<u>Proponent</u>	RE Plant	Capacity (MW)
Trans-Asia Renewable Energy	San Lorenzo Wind Power Project	54
Corporation		
Petro Wind Energy, Inc.	Nabas Wind Energy Project	36
Alternergy Wind One Project	Pililia Wind Power Project	54

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In late 2016, the three Proponents filed a Petition to Initiate Rule-Making with the ERC praying for the amendment of the Wind FIT2 rate to Php7.93/kWh. The Proponents alleged in their Petition that the Wind FIT2 rate of Php7.40/kWh does not provide the Proponents with just and reasonable return. The case remains pending to date.

Two years from the effectivity of the FIT rates for run-of-river hydro and biomass on January 1, 2015, the ERC in January 2017, through a resolution, degressed the FIT rates for run-of-river hydro and biomass at a rate of 0.5% for the period of January to December 2017. The new FIT rates for run-of-river hydro and biomass plants with commercial operations date within January and December 2017 are as follows:

	Old FIT Rate (Php/kWh)	New FIT Rate (Php/kWh)
Run-of-river hydro	5.90	5.8705
Biomass	6.63	6.5969

Competitive Selection Process in securing Power Supply Agreements. In June 2015, the DOE issued Department Circular No. DC2015-06-008 mandating all distribution utilities to undergo a Competitive Selection Process (CSP) in securing PSAs, through a Third-Party expert duly recognized by the DOE and ERC. Under the circular, the CSPs for the procurement of PSAs shall observe the aggregation for the un-contracted demand of the distribution utilities and shall be conducted annually. The terms and conditions of the PSAs shall be in accordance with the template PSA to be issued by the ERC in coordination with the DOE.

In September 2015, the DOE together with the ERC posted for comments the first draft of the implementing guidelines of Department Circular No. DC2015-06-008. After conducting public hearing and receiving opposition from industry stakeholders, the ERC and DOE deferred issuing a decision on the mandatory implementation of the CSP.

Pending the issuance by the ERC of a prescribed CSP, the ERC issued in October 2015 Resolution No. 13 (CSP Resolution) directing all distribution utilities to conduct CSP in the procurement of their supply to the captive market. In the Resolution, a CSP is deemed successful if the distribution utility receives at least two (2) qualified bids. Direct negotiation may be conducted after at least two (2) failed CSPs.

In ERC Resolution No. 1, Series of 2015 dated 15 March 2016, the ERC restated the effectivity of the CSP Resolution to be April 30, 2016.

In February 2018, the DOE finally prescribed the "Policy for the Competitive Selection Process in the Procurement by Distribution Utilities of Power Supply Agreement for the Captive Market" Governing all DUs in both grid and off-grid areas, the policy mandates the procurement of all Power Supply Agreements (PSA) for the captive market through CSP. In the Circular, the CSP may be conducted by a Third-Party Bids and Awards Committee (TPBAC) composed of 5 members, where 3 members will come from the DU and 2 from the captive customers. In lieu of the TPBAC, the DU may also opt to engage a Third-Party Auctioneer. Direct negotiation with generation companies is allowed after at least 2 failed CSPs and there is no outstanding dispute in the conduct of the CSP.

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⁴⁰ Department Circular No. DC2018-02-0003

For the Year Ended December 31, 2017 vs. For the Year Ended December 31, 2016

The table below shows the comparative figures of the key performance indicators for the year 2017 and 2016.

Key Performance Indicators		
Amounts in Php '000, except for ratios	2017	2016
Equity in Net Earnings of Associates	1,290,173	1,288,333
EBITDA	1,719,807	1,806,238
Cash Flow Generated	198,556	366,989
Net cash flows from operating activities	51,216	(316,369) ¹
Net cash flows from (used in) investing activities	758,898	1,069,512
Net cash flows from (used in) financing activities	(611,558)	(386,153) ²
Debt-to-Equity Ratio (x)	0.40	0.45
Current Ratio (x)	4.31	3.93

Notes

- 1. Reported as Php 355.7 mn in the SEC 17 A FY 2016 report. This is due to the reclassification of a balance sheet account to make it comparable to the FY 2017 classification.
- 2. Reported as Php 346.9 mn in the SEC 17 A FY 2016 report. This is due to the reclassification of a balance sheet account to make it comparable to the FY 2017 classification.

The Company's share in net earnings of associates and joint ventures as of end-December 2017 amounted to Php 1.3 bn, which was approximately the same level as the previous year. This was a result of the following:

- Improved bottomline contribution of the Company's distribution utility, VECO. Profitability showed a 10% growth, which was mainly a result of enhanced gross margin that was brought about by lower cost of purchased power.
- Fresh bottomline contribution from 40%-owned MPC that declared commercial operations in September 2017.
- 7% growth in the bottomline contribution of 50%-owned DPI. Total net generation was bolstered by the new plant facility that became online in the second quarter of the year in review. Total energy sales in 2017 posted a 21% expansion.
- Rise in the bottomline contribution (by 6%) of CPPC that was brought about by the drop in local business taxes and lower power plant maintenance costs.

The above increases were countered by the following:

- Reduced income contribution (down 34% YoY) from 40%-owned AHI, which arose from the income tax expense incurred by its associate, CEDC. CEDC's Income Tax Holiday (ITH) expired in November 2016.
- 16% dip in the bottomline contribution of 50%-owned CIPC. The 22% surge in its energy sales was outweighed by the booking of additional Value Added Tax (VAT) expense on government sales arising from prior year adjustments.

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Below is a table showing the impact of IAS 28⁽¹⁾ to the Company's financial performance in 2017 and 2016.

Name of Company	2017			2016			
	Actual	Recognized	Unrecognized	Actual	Recognized	Unrecognized	
	Share in	Share in	Share in	Share in	Share in	Share in Losses	
	Losses	Losses	Losses due to	Losses	Losses	due to IAS 28	
	(Php)	(Php)	IAS 28 (Php)	(Php)	(Php)	(Php)	
NR	257.5		252.7 ¹	385.9	23.8 ²	362.13	
AHPC	-			1.6	-	1.6 ⁴	
Total	252.9		252.9	387.8	23.8	364.0	

Notes

- Php 16.3 mn pertained to unrealized forex loss from the dollar denominated portion of its liabilities arising from its administration contract with PSALM.
- 2. Php 13.7 mn pertained to unrealized forex loss from the dollar denominated portion of its liabilities arising from its administration contract with PSALM.
- 3. Php 208.1 mn pertained to unrealized forex loss from the dollar denominated portion of its liabilities arising from its administration contract with PSALM.
- 4. Reported as Php 1.9 mn in the 2016 SEC 17 A report, based on the number provided by the associate at that time.

The Company posted a 5% decrease in its EBITDA, to Php 1.7 bn from Php 1.8 bn. This was brought about by:

- The increase in income tax expense of CEDC arising from the expiry of its income tax holiday in November 2016; and
- The higher operating expenses that were mainly on account of:
 - o The increase in headcount and upward adjustments in salaries and wages;
 - o The payment of taxes for the issuance of shares by wholly owned VEC;
 - The higher local business taxes paid by the Company and 1590 EC, which was brought about by the rise in gross revenue; and
 - The rise in professional fees incurred in 2017 relating to contracted technical services.

The Company ended the year with a net increase in cash of Php 198.6 mn (excluding the impact of movements in the peso-dollar exchange rate). This is substantially coming from cash generated from investing activities. The collection of dividends from four associates (VECO, CPPC, AHI and MPC) and two joint ventures (DPI and CIPC), the proceeds from the sale of an equipment by a subsidiary, and the sale of a subsidiary's landholdings to an associate were the sources of cash from investments for the year in review.

Debt-to-Equity ratio improved from 0.45x in 2016 to 0.40x in 2017. The 13% expansion in total equity brought about by the Company's income generated during the year mainly accounted for the enhanced debt ratio.

The 6% expansion in the Company's current assets, coupled with the 3% decrease in current liabilities, resulted to an improvement in the Company's current ratio to 4.31x as of end-December 2017 from 3.93x as of end-December 2016.

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Material Changes in Line Items of Registrant's Income Statement

At the end of 2017, the Company had consolidated revenue of Php 4.1 bn, recording a 7% upsurge from the previous year's consolidated revenue of Php 3.9 bn. The topline performance was due to the following:

- 1. Sale of power, which comprise the bulk of revenues at Php 2.6 bn (or 63% of total), grew by 11% from Php 2.4 bn. The improved topline performance of a subsidiary, which resulted from the higher volume of energy sold through its bilateral contract, mainly accounted for the increase. This was tempered by the drop in the topline performance of another subsidiary that was brought about by a short-term plant shut down (about 2 months). The plant facility required repair works after it sustained damages resulting from the earthquake that hit the Visayas in 2017.
- 2. The Company's share in net earnings of associates and joint ventures as of end-December 2017 amounted to Php 1.3 bn, representing a 0.1% year-on-year (YoY) increase from Php 1.3 bn. This was a result of the following:
 - Improved bottomline contribution of the Company's distribution utility, VECO. Profitability showed a 10% growth, which was mainly a result of higher enhanced gross margin that was brought about by lower cost of purchased power.
 - Fresh bottomline contribution from 40%-owned MPC that declared commercial operations in September 2017.
 - 7% growth in the bottomline contribution of 50%-owned DPI. Total net generation was bolstered by the new plant facility that became online in the second quarter of the year in review. Total energy sales in 2017 posted a 21% expansion.
 - Rise in the bottomline contribution (by 6%) of CPPC that was brought about by a drop in local business taxes and lower power plant maintenance costs.

The above increases were countered by the following:

- Reduced income contribution (down 34% YoY) from 40%-owned AHI, which arose from the income tax expense incurred by its associate, CEDC. CEDC's ITH expired in November 2016.
- 16% dip in the bottomline contribution of 50%-owned CIPC. The 22% surge in its energy sales was outweighed by the booking of additional VAT expense on government sales arising from prior year adjustments.

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Below is a table showing the impact of IAS 28 to the Company's financial performance in 2017 and 2016

	2017			2016			
	Actual	Recognized	Unrecognized	Actual	Recognized	Unrecognized	
Name of	Share in	Share in	Share in	Share in	Share in	Share in	
Company	Losses	Losses	Losses due to	Losses	Losses	Losses due	
	(Php)	(Php)	IAS 28 (Php)	(Php)	(Php)	to IAS 28	
						(Php)	
NR	257.5		257.5 ¹	385.9	23.8 ²	362.1 ³	
AHPC			1	1.6	-	1.64	
Total	252.9		252.9	387.8	23.8	364.0	

Notes

- Php 16.3 mn pertained to unrealized forex loss from the dollar denominated portion of its liabilities arising from its administration contract with PSALM.
- 2. Php 13.7 mn pertained to unrealized forex loss from the dollar denominated portion of its liabilities arising from its administration contract with PSALM.
- 3. Php 208.1 mn pertained to unrealized forex loss from the dollar denominated portion of its liabilities arising from its administration contract with PSALM.
- 4. Reported as Php 1.9 mn in the 2016 SEC 17 A report.
- 3. Interest income in 2017 rose by 22% to Php 72.5 mn from Php 59.3 mn. The higher interest rates in short term placements and higher gains resulting from the Company's unit investment trust funds (UITF) accounted for the expansion.

Total generation cost and operating expenses for the year 2017 expanded by 21%, from Php 2.2 bn to Php 2.6 bn. Said movement can be accounted for by the following:

- 1. Generation cost went up by 22% to Php 2.2 bn from Php 1.8 bn, which was materially due to the increase in a subsidiary's net generated power and repair costs incurred during the year. This was partly offset by the decrease in the generation cost of another subsidiary brought about by a short-term plant shut down that was necessary to allow repair works due to the damage the facility sustained from an earthquake that hit the Visayas.
- 2. Salaries and employee benefits grew by 17% to Php 157.9 mn from Php 134.7 mn. The additional manpower headcount and an upward adjustment in salaries and benefits accounted for the rise.
- 3. Professional fees went up by 34% to Php 72.2 mn from Php 53.9 mn as a subsidiary contracted more technical services during the year, in relation to its projects.
- 4. Taxes and licenses soared by 77% to Php 50.7 mn from Php 28.7 mn. Payments for the shares issuance of a subsidiary and the increase in local business taxes for the Company and a subsidiary substantially account for the increase.
- 5. Travel expenses rose by 31% to Php 32.0 mn from Php 24.5 mn. The upswing can be attributed to the increased frequency of trips related to business development, plant inspections, site visits, meetings with partners and government agencies, and trainings. Gasoline expenses also contributed to the increase due to the higher headcount and fuel prices.
- 6. Depreciation and amortization for the year dropped by 5% to Php 19.7 mn from last year's Php 20.8 mn. This was a factor of the disposal of service vehicles by the Company.

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- 7. Rent and association dues was up by 44% at Php 11.2 mn from Php 7.8 mn. This increase is largely attributed to new operating leases entered into for additional office spaces and the escalation in the rates of old operating leases.
- 8. Representation expenses were higher by 44% at Php 7.8 mn. Increase in business activities by the Company and its subsidiary accounted for the rise.
- 9. Communication and utilities were higher by 22% at Php 7.0 mn from Php 5.8 mn, as a result of the installation of new communication facilities, additional line for internet services, and the increase in the Company's manpower headcount.
- 10. Security and janitorial costs rose by 22% to Php 0.7 mn from Php 0.6 mn as a result of the increase in mandated minimum wages.
- 11. Other general and administrative expenses declined by 18% to Php 58.8 mn from Php 71.5 mn. Prior year expenses included write-offs of bad debts and pre-development expenses for cancelled projects.

Vivant booked Php 15.7 mn in other income in 2017, a turnaround from the previous year's Php 137.4 mn of other charges. This was an outcome of the following account movements:

- 1. The Php 87.1 mn Insurance claim made by a subsidiary in 2017 for damages sustained by its power plant equipment.
- 2. The Company recognized a one-off gain of Php 72.5 mn in 2017 resulting from the increase in the fair value of a subsidiary's investment properties. There was no such gain in 2016.
- 3. A net gain from the purchase of additional interest in a subsidiary and the disposal of another subsidiary contributed Php 12.1 mn to other income. There was no such gain in 2016.
- 4. An unrealized foreign exchange loss of Php 1.2 mn was taken up as of end-2017, a reversal of the foreign exchange gain recognized at end-2016. This pertains to the restatement of the US Dollar and Euro cash balances of the Company and a subsidiary.
- 5. Other income declined by 44% to Php 21.4 mn from Php 38.6 mn. The drop was mainly attributable to the non-renewal of the lease agreement with an associate. This, however, was partly offset by gains from the sale of the Company's property and equipment and the sale of the landholdings of a subsidiary.

Income tax expense dropped by 28% from PhP 132.0 mn to Php 94.9 mn. This is mainly accounted for by lower income tax of a subsidiary and its reversal of a deferred tax liability pertaining to plant repairs paid in 2016 but for which repair services were done in 2017.

The combined effect of the above account movements resulted to a net income of Php 1.4 bn for the year 2017. Net income attributable to equity holders of the parent recorded a marginal 3% decline to Php 1.3 bn.

During the period in review, the Company recognized other comprehensive income of Php 270.6 mn, which substantially came from the Company's share of an associate's revaluation increment and its remeasurement gain on employee benefits, net of tax, in compliance with the Philippine Accounting Standards (PAS) 19R. This compares to the Php 2.5 mn other comprehensive income booked in 2016.

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The total comprehensive income as of end-2017 was at Php 1.7 bn. Out of the said amount, Php 1.5 bn was attributable to the equity holders of the parent, which was 18% higher compared to last year's Php 1.3 bn.

Changes in Registrant's Resources, Liabilities, and Shareholders' Equity

The Company's consolidated total assets as of year-end 2017 expanded by 8% to Php 15.8 bn from Php 14.6 bn in 2016. The significant movements in the assets of the Company are discussed below.

- 1. Cash and cash equivalents rose by 4% to Php 4.6 bn as of end-2017. The increase was due to (i) the collection of dividends from four associates and two joint ventures, (ii) the disposal of equipment by a subsidiary, and (iii) the disposal of land by another subsidiary. These inflows were partly offset by capital infusions to four associates and a joint venture, the payment of cash dividends by the Company and a subsidiary, and the principal amortization of the Company's fixed rate corporate notes (FRCN) and the settlement of the short-term loans by a subsidiary.
- 2. Trade and other receivables was higher by 32% YoY at Php 532.9 mn. The increase can be attributed to the energy sales of two subsidiaries, and a subsidiary's receivable due to an insurance claim it made during the year. The increase was tempered by the collection of an associate's cash dividends declared in 2016.
- 3. Advances to associates and stockholders increased by 41% to Php 83.7 mn. This is materially accounted for by the advances made by a subsidiary to an associate to cover for the latter's project-related expenses.
- 4. Inventories went up by 27% to Php 122.9 mn due to the purchase of a major spare part by a subsidiary.
- 5. Investments in and advances to associates and joint ventures grew by 13% to Php 8.4 bn as of end-2017 from Php 7.4 bn as of end-2016. The growth is substantially attributed to the additional investments in four associates and a joint venture.
- 6. The 17% dip in property, plant and equipment to Php 528.1 mn is a result of the disposal of equipment by a subsidiary and by the Company, net of depreciation for the year.
- 7. Investment properties was lower by 2% at Php 502.7 mn on account of a property sale by a subsidiary and the reclassification of a subsidiary's investment property to plant, property and equipment. Partially offsetting the aforementioned was the net gain recorded that resulted from the fair valuation of the remaining properties made during the year.
- 8. Deferred income tax assets net was 11% higher at Php 16.0 mn due to the deferred tax adjustment recognized in relation to the pension liability of the Company and a subsidiary.
- 9. Pension asset of Php 2.9 mn was booked as of end-2016, which came from the funded retirement plan of a subsidiary. There was no such booking in 2017.
- 10. Other noncurrent assets rose by 38% to Php 33.3 mn mainly due to advances for predevelopment expenses of a project and the security deposit made by a subsidiary to a service supplier.

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Total consolidated liabilities declined by 1% to Php 4.5 bn as of end-2017. This was brought about by the settlement of a subsidiary's short-term loans, the principal amortization of the Company's FRCN, and the settlement of a subsidiary's advances from an associate. These were offset by the recorded increases in trade and other current payables, income tax payable, and pension liability.

As a result of net income generated during the period in review, the total stockholders' equity increased by 13% to Php 11.3 bn as of year-end 2017 from Php 10.0 bn as of end-2016. Meanwhile, equity attributable to parent ended higher by 13% at Php 10.7 bn as of end-2017.

Material Changes in Liquidity and Cash Reserves of Registrant

Cash and cash equivalents were higher by 4% from Php 4.4 bn as of end-2016 to Php 4.6 bn as of end-2017.

For the period ending December 31, 2017, the net cash generated from the Company's operations amounted to Php 51.2 mn, recording a reversal from last year's net cash usage of Php 316.4 mn. This is substantially attributed to increased trade and other payables, and the realization of prepayments.

Net cash generated from investing activities as of end-2017 amounted to Php 758.9 mn, a 29% decline from the Php 1.1 bn cash generated as of end-2016. The lower dividends receipt during the year mainly accounted for the drop. This was partially offset by the proceeds from the disposal of a subsidiary's landholdings and the spike in interest income.

For the period in review, the Company used cash of Php 611.6 mn for financing activities, 58% higher than last year's usage of Php 386.1 mn. Cash usage stemmed from the payment of dividends by the Company and a subsidiary, the principal amortization of the Company's FRCN, and the settlement by a subsidiary of its short-term loans.

Financial Ratios

The 6% expansion in the Company's current assets, coupled with the 3% reduction in current liabilities, resulted to an improvement in the Company's current ratio to 4.31x as of end-December 2017 from 3.93x as of end-December 2016.

Debt-to-Equity ratio improved from 0.45x in 2016 to 0.40x in 2017. The 13% expansion in total equity brought about by the Company's income generated during the year mainly accounted for the enhanced debt ratio.

Item 7: Financial Statements

The audited financial statements for the fiscal year 2019, 2018, and 2017 are attached as Exhibits "D", "E" and "F", respectively.

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PART III – CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

The Company has adopted the Corporate Governance Self-Rating Form of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), the criteria and the rating system therein as a means of measurement or determination of the level of compliance of the Board of Directors and top-level management with its Manual of Corporate Governance.

The Company issued its Revised Manual on Corporate Governance (Manual) in 2017 and has substantially complied with the provisions, and the same has been disclosed to the Commission. It has plans to improve corporate governance by adopting good corporate practice recognized in more progressive corporations and incorporating the same in its Manual.

In compliance with the full disclosure rules on the Code of Corporate Governance, the Manual, and the reportorial requirement of the Commission on the extent of compliance by the company with its Manual, the undersigned hereby certifies that the company has substantially complied with the provisions thereof.

As of the date of this Report, there are no changes in the corporate governance structure and practice.

Please refer to the attached Integrated Annual Corporate Governance Report for 2018 (Exhibit "G"), which was filed with the SEC in 2019.

Continuing Education for the Board

In its continuing efforts to update its directors and executive officers with the best practices in corporate governance, the members of the board of directors and top-level management are encouraged to attend trainings and seminars. In 2018, the Company's directors and executive officers attended the Advanced Corporate Governance Training conducted by the Center for Global Best Practices.

Compliance with The Minimum Public Ownership Requirement

The Company is compliant with the Rule on Minimum Public Ownership, as amended. Based on information that is publicly available to the Company and within the knowledge of its directors it has 12.7395% public float as of June 30, 2020, which is the latest practicable date.

(Attachments follow)

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