Republic of the Philippines
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS
QUIRINO DISTRICT ENGINEERING OFFICE
Mangandingay, Cabarroguis, Quirino

BAGONG PILIPINAS

September 08, 2025

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Date : SEP 09 2025
File No. : 094
Released by :

THE PRESIDENT
Stronghold Insurance Company, Inc.
17th Floor,Security Bank Centre, 6776 Ayala Avenue,
Makati City, Metro Manila

Dear Sir/Madam:

This Office hereby gives due notice and formally files a claim against Surety Bond No. **G(13)-A-0144856** issued by your company in favor of the Department of Public Works and Highways, wherein **Underground Technologies Inc. represented by Engr. Armando A. Dulce Jr.** is the Principal for the Excavation/Digging Permit No. **XPN-25-0001BK(Region II, Quirino): PLDT BALER-DINADIAWAN-SANTIAGO 216F PROJECT LINK, ALONG UNDERNEATH THE SHOULER OF NATIONAL ROAD, CORDON-AURORA BDRY. ROAD.**

The Principal has failed to complete the restoration works within the validity period of the approved permit, and has committed violations of the terms and conditions governing Excavation/Digging on National Roads. Despite notices and sufficient time to comply, the required restoration remains incomplete, to the prejudice of the Department.

In view thereof, this Office is constrained to invoke the provisions of the Surety Bond and demand settlement in the amount of Two Million Seven Hundred Thirty Thousand Nine Hundred Eighty-Eight Pesos & 97/100 (2,730,988.97), to cover the necessary restoration of the affected paved roads.

Attached are the following supporting documents for your reference and evaluation:

1. Copy of the Excavation/Digging Permit issued to the Principal.
2. Copy of Surety Bond No. G(13)-A-0144856.
3. Inspection/Monitoring Report on incomplete restoration works.
4. Notices issued to the Principal.

We respectfully request your immediate and appropriate action on this matter.

Very truly yours,

ROSARIO V. DE GUZMAN
District Engineer

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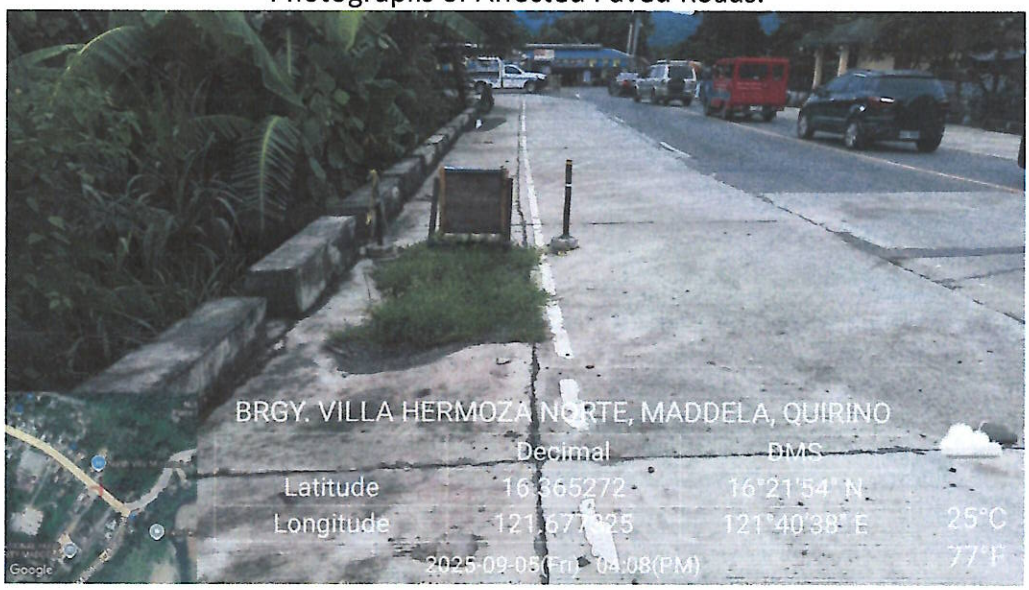
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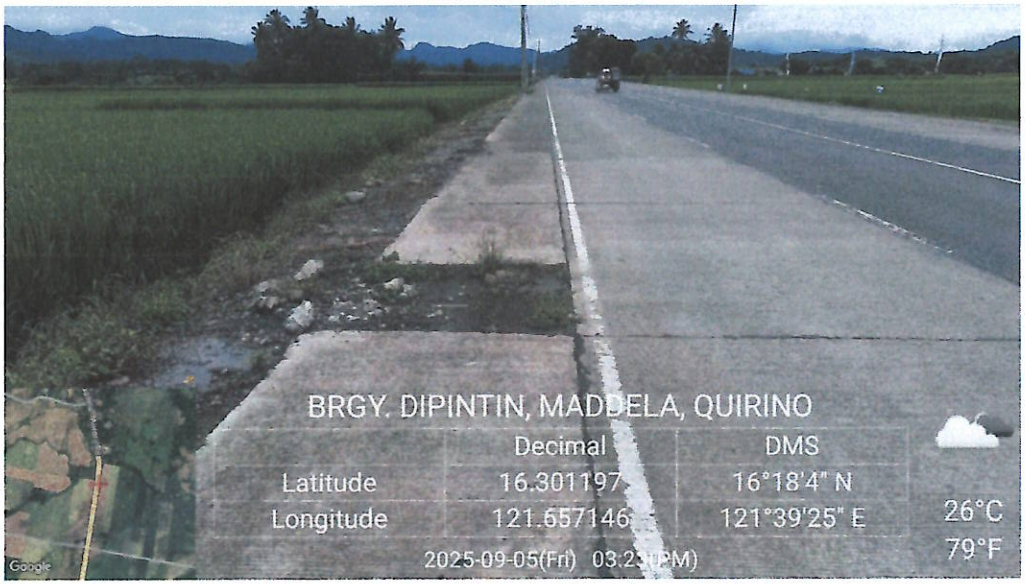
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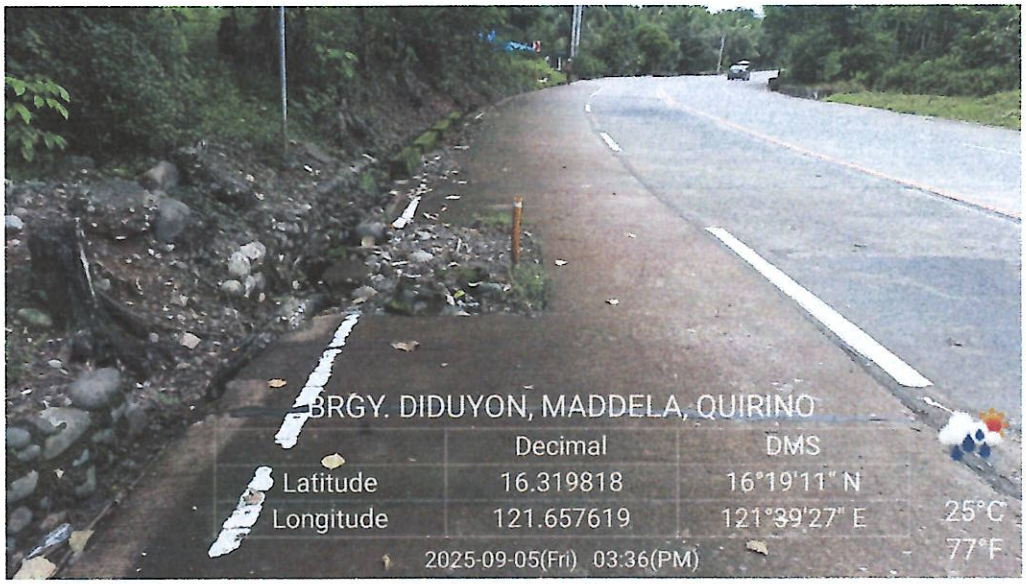






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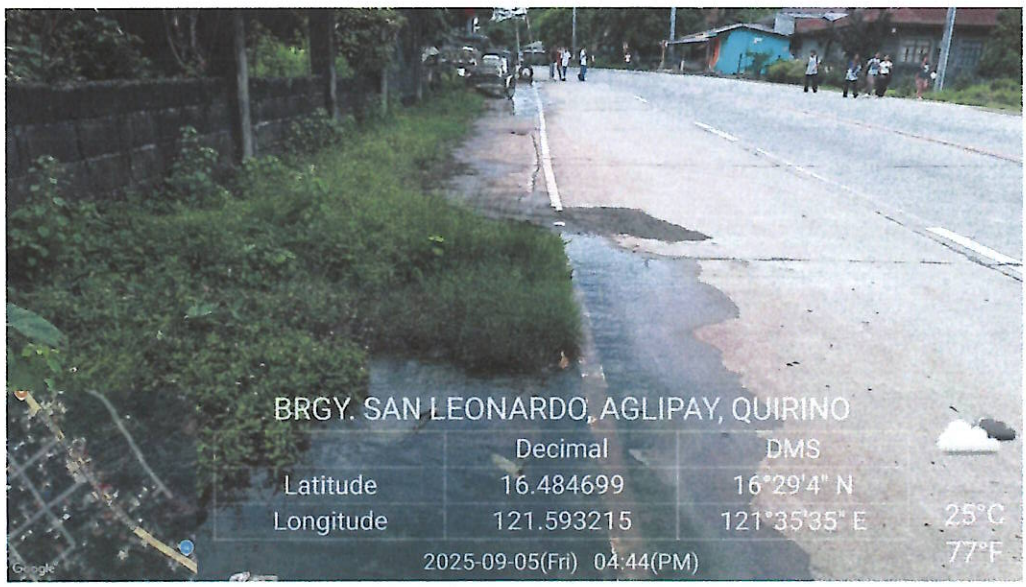

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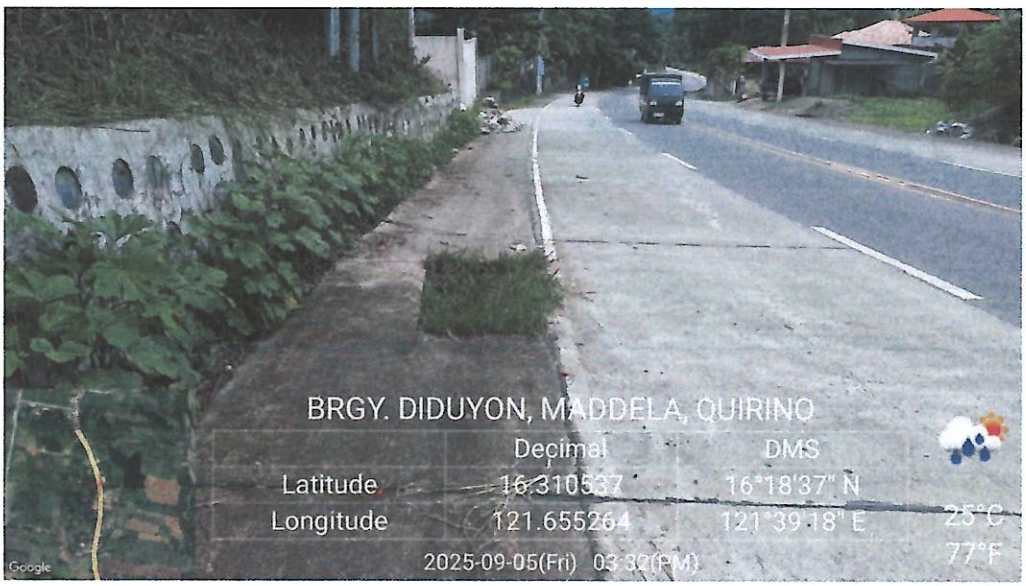

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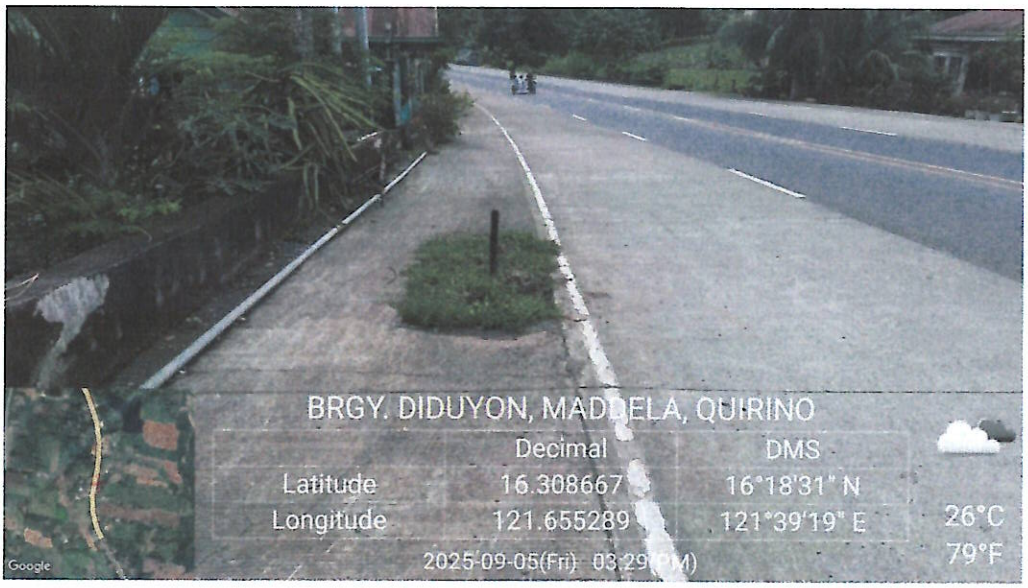
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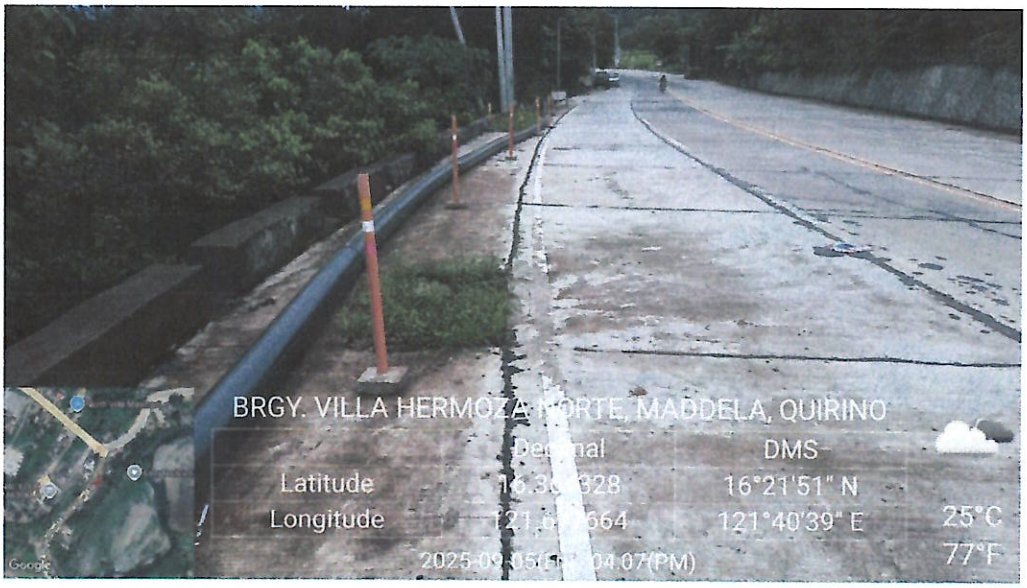

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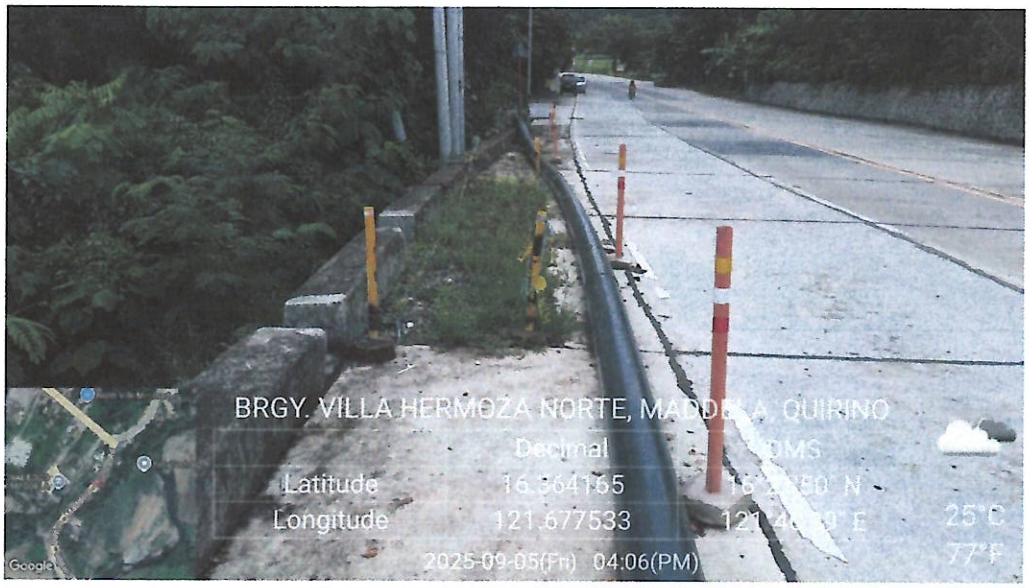
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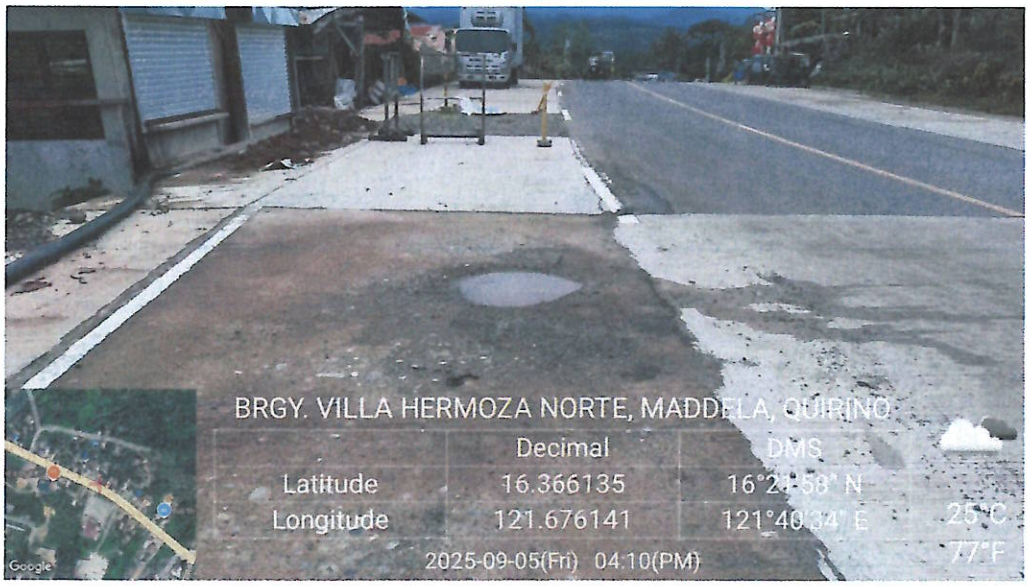
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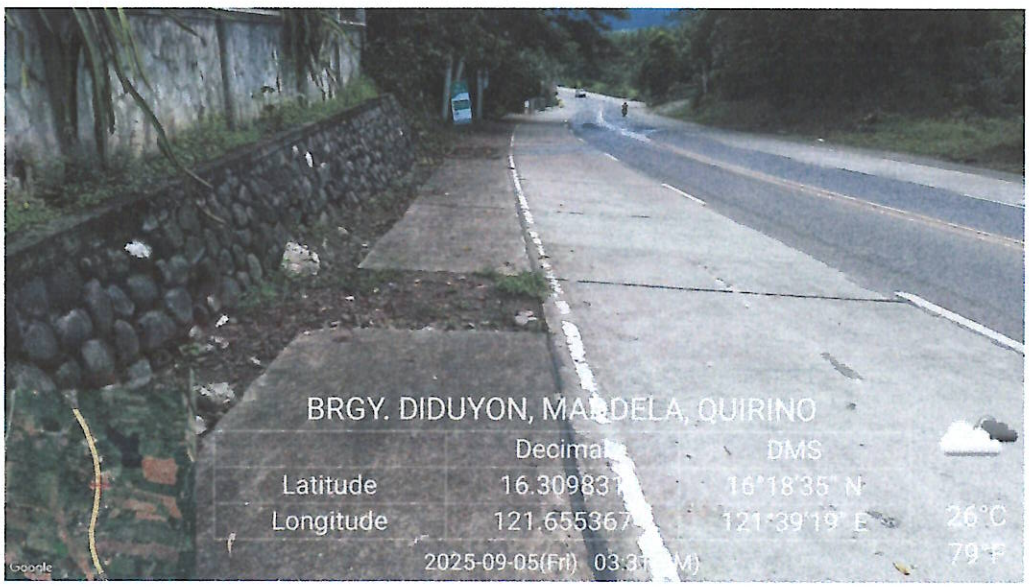

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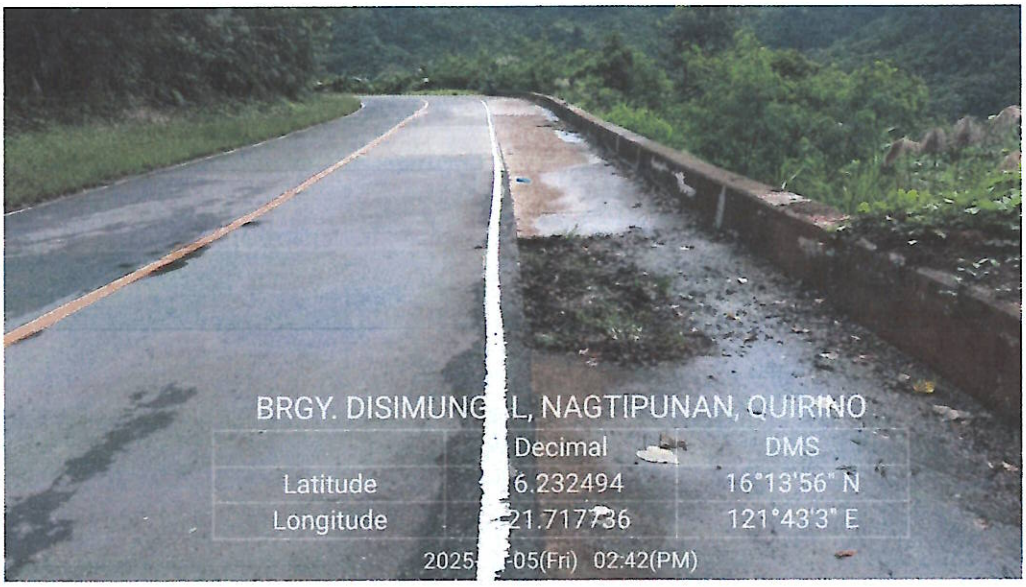
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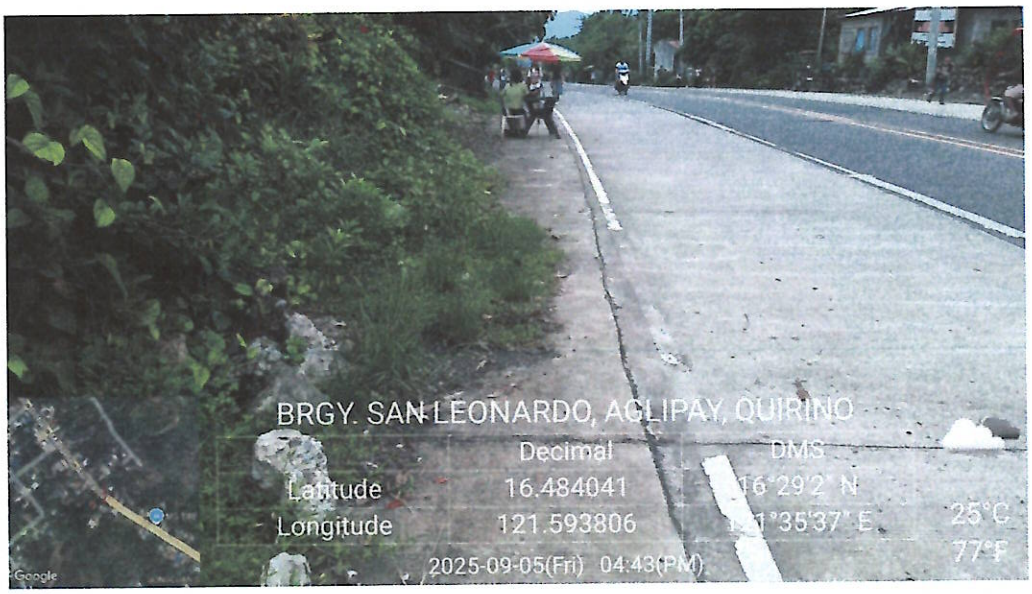

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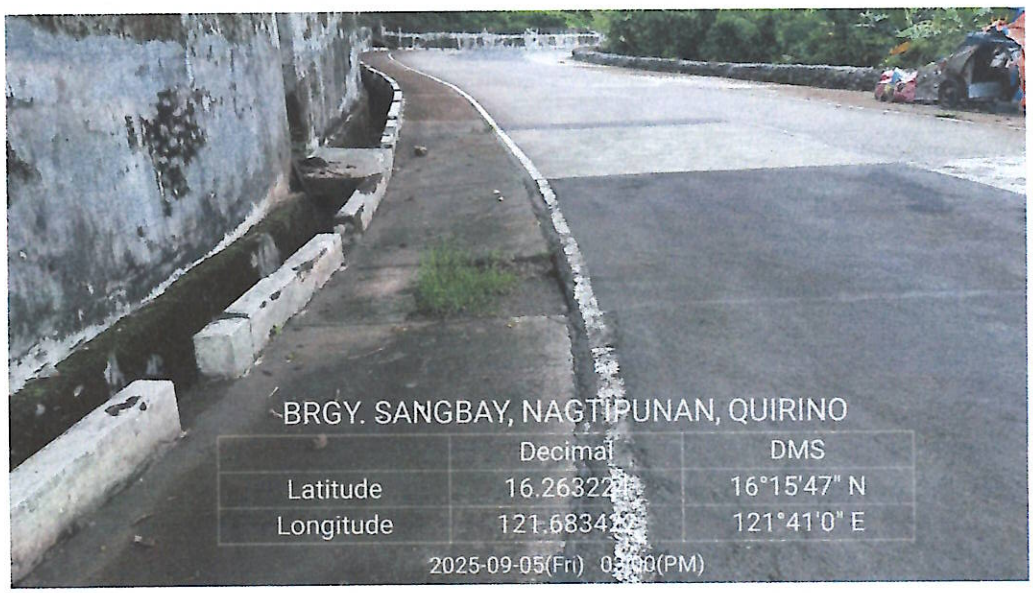

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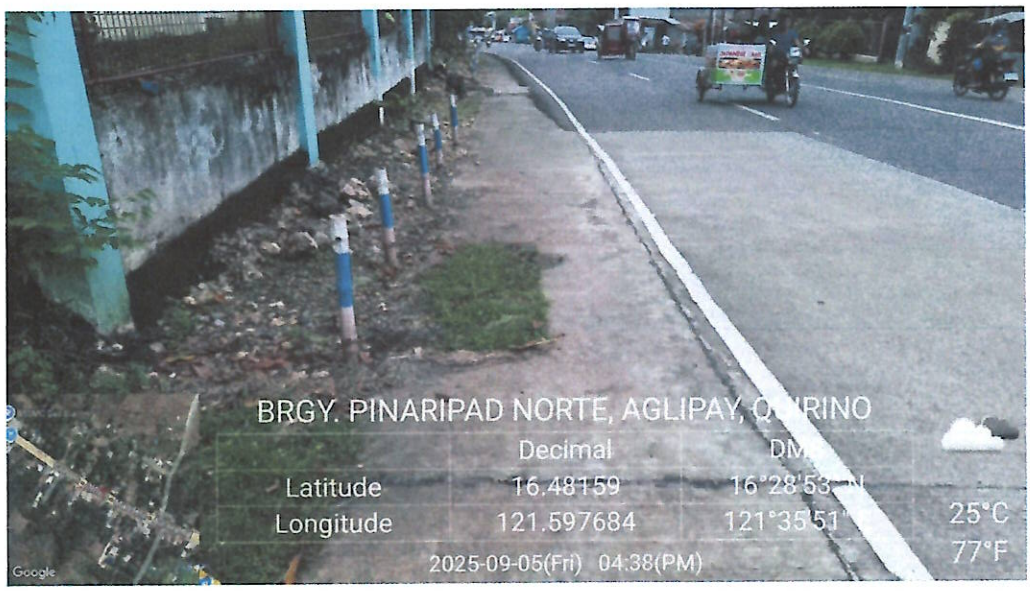
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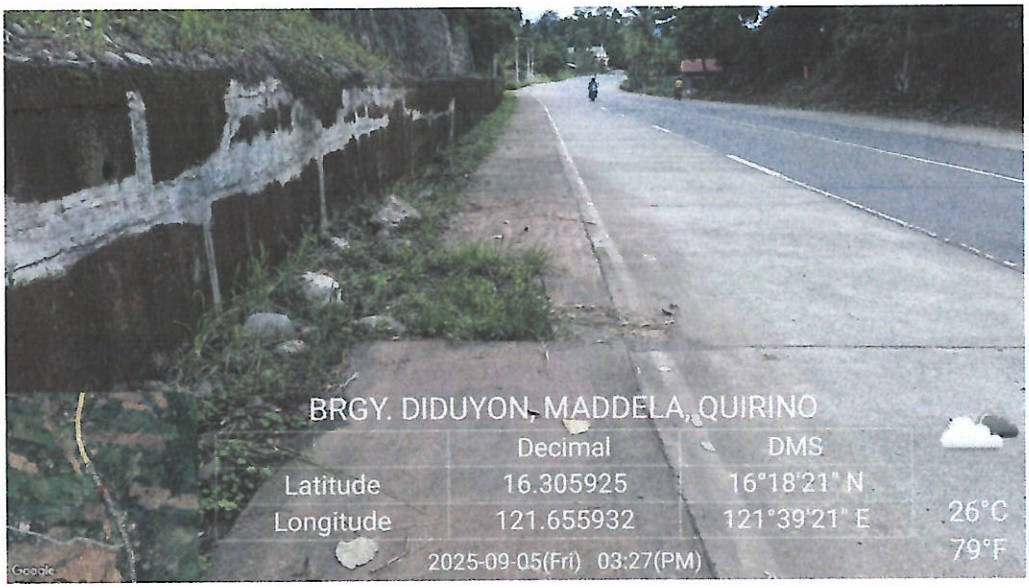

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July 22, 2025

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ENGR. ARMANDO A. DULCE JR.
Project Manager
Underground Technologies
Juan Mesa St., Brgy. Quipot,
Tiaong, Quezon Province

Dear **Project Manager Dulce;**

This is to formally transmit the approved Time Extension No. 0001 pertaining to your request for an extension of the validity period of Excavation/Digging Permit No. XPN-25-0001BK for the PLDT BALER-Dinadiawan-Santiago 216F Project Link.

Please be informed that while your office requested an additional Ninety (90) Calendar Days, only a Sixty (60) Calendar Days extension has been approved, in compliance with Department Order No. 245, Series of 2024, Section V.c, which states:

"Cumulative time extensions are allowed up to Sixty (60) Calendar Days for excavations beyond the carriageway."

In this regard, the new expiration date of your excavation permit shall be September 04, 2025.

Kindly ensure that all excavation and restoration works are completed within the allowed extension period. Non-compliance may result in further administrative actions as provided in the Department's policy.

Very truly yours,

ROSARIO V. DE GUZMAN
District Engineer

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TIME EXTENSION NO. 0001
Per Department Order No. 245 Series of 2024

Contract Time Extension No. 0001 is hereby granted for the project, *XPN-25-0001BK (Region II, Quirino),PLDT BALER - DINADIAWAN - SANTIAGO 216F PROJECT LINK,* under contract with *PLDT Inc.,* equivalent to *(210) Two Hundred Ten* calendar days, covering the period from 02/06/25 to 09/04/25 due to *weather, issues and concerns of DENR-PAMB Clearance*

Effectivity of Excavation Permit : 02/06/25

Original Excavation Permit Duration: (150) One Hundred Fifty

Original Expiry Date : 07/06/25

Time Extension No.	Duration	Revised Duration	Revised Expiry Date
0001	150	210	09/04/25

Prepared by:

CHESTER PAUL C. TACADENA
Engineer II

Recommending Approval:

GLADYS JANE G. CORPUZ
District Maintenance Engineer

Approved:

ROSARIO V. DE GUZMAN
District Engineer

I hereby acknowledge receipt of this Contract Time Extension.

Date: 7-25-25

ARMANDO A. DULCE JR.
Project Manager

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ENGR. ARMANDO A. DULCE JR.
Project Manager
Underground Technologies
Juan Mesa St., Brgy. Quipot,
Tiaong, Quezon Province

Dear **Project Manager Dulce;**

We are pleased to inform you that your application for an excavation/digging permit has been approved. The permit, issued under **XPN-25-0001BK(Region II, Quirino),** authorizes excavation activities at Cordon-Aurora Bdry. Road in accordance with the provisions of Department Order No. 245, s. 2024 – Comprehensive Policy on Diggings/Excavations by Utility Agencies/Companies on National Roads.

In line with this policy, you are reminded to strictly comply with the Terms and Conditions for Digging/Excavation on National Roads, including but not limited to the following:

1. Traffic and Public Safety Measures – Proper traffic management plans must be implemented, and appropriate safety signage must be installed.
2. Excavation and Restoration – The affected roadway or structure must be restored to its original or better condition upon project completion.
3. Permit Validity and Work Schedule – Excavation activities shall strictly adhere to the approved schedule.
4. Monitoring and Inspection – Our office must be notified prior to excavation commencement and upon completion for necessary inspection and verification.

Failure to comply with these conditions shall be subject to Section VII – Violations and Appropriate Actions of Department Order No. 245, s. 2024, which may include penalties, suspension, or revocation of the permit.

Very truly yours,

ROSARIO V. DE GUZMAN
District Engineer

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CERTIFICATION INTERNATIONAL SOCOTEC ISO 9001

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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS
QUIRINO DISTRICT ENGINEERING OFFICE
Cabarroguis, Quirino, Region II

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DIGGING/EXCAVATION PERMIT
Per Department Order No. 245 Series of 2024

Permit No. : **XPN-25-0001BK (Region II, Quirino)**
Date Issued: 2/6/25

This is to certify that **PLDT Inc.**
(Name of Applicant)

Represented by **ARMANDO A. DULCE JR.,Juan Mea St., Brgy. Quipot, Tiaong, Quezon**
(Name of Authorized Representative/Address)

has been granted a DIGGING/EXCAVATION PERMIT, after a judicious review and evaluation of their application to undertake diggings and excavations, and after complying all requirements, under the following conditions:

Name of Project: **PLDT BALER - DINADIAWAN - SANTIAGO 216F PROJECT LINK**

Purpose of the Digging/Excavation :**INSTALLATION OF FIBER OPTIC CABLE**

Name of Contractor : **UNDERGROUND TECHNOLOGIES INC.**
Location of Project : **ALONG UNDERNEATH THE SHOULDER OF NATIONAL ROAD, CORDON-AURORA BDRY. ROAD**

Duration of Permit :**150**

This Permit shall be effective for a period of **150** calendar days, counted from the date of issuance, and may be extended upon approval of Time Extension. The Permitee shall be subjected to appropriate action, as mentioned in the Comprehensive Policy on Diggings / Excavations by Utility Agencies /Companies on National Roads and for any non-compliance with the notarized Terms & Conditions.

ROSARIO V. DE GUZMAN
District Engineer

STRONGHOLD
INSURANCE COMPANY INCORPORATED

Unit 8 Green Lites Bldg. Paseo Del Congreso San Agustin 3000
City of Malolos (Capita) Bulacan
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Date: February 03, 2025

RECEIVED from M UNDERGROUND TECHNOLOGIES INC. Rep. By: Armando A. Dulce Jr.

Address Juan Mea St., Brgy. Quipot, Tiaong, Quezon

T.I.N.

The sum of Pesos *Nineteen Thousand Four Hundred Seventy Two Pesos & 97/100*

Only (P *19,472.97*)

QTY	PARTICULARS	UNIT COST	AMOUNT
	In full / payment of		
	Policy / Bond G(13)A-0144856		
	Endorsement No.		
	Renewal No.		
	Amount of Coverage 2,730,988.97		
	From Feb. 03, 2025		
	Insurance on Force		
	To Feb. 03, 2026		P 15,020.44
	Premium		1,877.55
	Documentary Stamps		22.53
	Fire Service Tax		750.00
	Others		1,802.45
	VAT Amount		19,472.97
	Total Sales		P
	TOTAL AMOUNT DUE		

Paid by
Cash
Check No.
PMTW No.
Note: Replacing Temporary
Receipt No.
Dated

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Date issued: August 14, 2024

STRONGHOLD INSURANCE COMPANY, INC.

By:

C. Padilla

Authorized Signature

above payment(s) are received subject to all conditions stipulated at the back hereof

" THIS SALES INVOICE IS VALID FOR CLAIMING INPUT TAXES "

Section 62 of the Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of R.A. 9[illegible]

This bond is callable on demand. The liability of the surety co
*of *Two Million Seven Hundred Thirty Thousand Nine Hundred Eighty E*
Philippine Currency. In case of default or failure of the Principal, t
sending the notice of claim with attached supporting documents to p
Principal.

NOW THEREFORE, if the Principal shall well and truly p
covenants, terms, conditions, and agreements stipulated in said contr
Rules and Regulations, then the obligation shall be null and void; ot
effect.

The liability of the Surety under this bond shall remain vali
certificate of final acceptance pursuant to Section 39, IRR of R.A. I
assume responsibility for any liability incurred or created after the e
Surety is released from liability after the issuance of the certificate o
be liable for extension of contract unless an endorsement has been issue

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have set our hands and signed
of February 20 25 at Sta. Rosa

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METRO MANILA ADDRESS:
#5801 Zobel Roxas Avenue, Barangay Palanan
Makati City, Metro Manila
CP # 0917-526-3532 (Globe)
CP # 0919-993-8455 (Smart)
Email Address : fcb.natac.utech.com.ph

PROVINCIAL ADDRESS:
Juan Mea Street, Barangay Quipot
Tiaong, Quezon Province
CP # 0977-852-5178 (Globe)
CP # 0919-083-5213 (Smart)
Email Address : au.divinagracia@yahoo.com.ph

DATE :

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS
QUIRINO DEO
RECORDS MANAGEMENT UNIT
RECEIVED
Reference No. : 2020-467-2
Date/Time : 02/04/2025 @10:34
Received by :

TO : **D.E ROSARIO V. DE GUZMAN**
OIC – District Engineer
DPWH Quirino District Engineering Office
Cabarroguis, Quirino

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

SUBJECT : **SUBMISSION OF PERFORMANCE BOND**
PLDT Rehabilitation Project

Dear D.E De Guzman,

This is in connection with our Request for Excavation Permit for the PLDT Rehabilitation Project thru underground installation of fiber optic cable along and underneath the shoulder of National Road (Cordon – Diffun – Madella – Aurora Rd.) with approximate length of 9.2 km and with limited excavation and installation of 43 sets of Manhole with in Municipality of Nagtipunan.

Forwarding herewith is the Original Copy of our Performance Bond secured from Stronghold Insurance Company Inc, with **Performance bond no. G(13)A-0144856**

Should you need further information/clarification, please feel free to call or communicate with the undersigned.

Thank you very much and with my sincerest and highest esteem.

Very truly yours,

ENGR. ARMANDO A. DULCE JR.
Project Manager
Mobile No. 0917-559-9346/0919-083-5215
Email Add: ja.dulce@utech.com.ph/jojo _dulce@yahoo.com

STRONGHOLD INSURANCE COMPANY, INC.
17th Floor, Security Bank Centre, 6776 Ayala Avenue
Makati City, Metro Manila
. Tel. Nos. 891- 1329 to 37; Fax Nos. 891- 1326; 815-2233
mail@strongholdinsurance.com.ph
www.strongholdinsurance.com.ph
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Established Since 1960

PREMIUM____
DOC. STAMPS__
VAT_____
NOT. FEES____
LGT_____
MISC _____
TOTAL_____

G(13)-A- 0144856

PERFORMANCE BOND
(SURETY BOND)
(Performance Security pursuant to Section 39 of the Implementing Rules and Regulations of R.A. No. 9184)

KNOW ALL MEN BY THIS PRESENTS:

That we, UNDERGROUND TECHNOLOGIES INC. Rep. By: Engr. Armando A. Dulce Jr. of Juan Mea St., Brgy. Quipot, Tiaong, Quezon, as Principal, and **Stronghold Insurance Company, Inc.** a corporation duly organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the Philippines, as Surety, are held and firmly bound unto DPWH QUIRINO, DEO CABARROGUIS, QUIRINO, as procuring entity/Obligee in the sum of Pesos *Two Million Seven Hundred Thirty Thousand Nine Hundred Eighty Eight Pesos & 97/100* (P *2,730,988.97*), Philippine Currency, for the payment of which sum, well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors, administrators, successors, and assigns jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

WHEREAS, the above-bounden Principal entered into a contract with the Obligee for the:

To guarantee the faithful performance of each obligation under the contract of REQUEST FOR RE-ISSUANCE OF DPWH PERMIT TO RESUME PLDT PROJECTS HALTED DUE TO PLDT CAPEX OVERRUN ISSUE. PLDT INTERNET FIBER OPTIC IMPROVEMENT PROJECT.

WHEREAS, the Obligee requires a performance security in the above stated sum to secure the full and faithful performance of the obligations of the Principal under the contract within the period of February 03, 2025 - February 03, 2026 as specified in the bidding documents/terms of reference pursuant to Section 39 of the Implementing Rules and Regulations of R.A. No. 9184 and an additional one year (1) coverage from date of completion up to final acceptance to guarantee that the above-bounden Principal shall undertake the repair works of any damage to the infrastructure on account of the use of materials of inferior quality discovered within the defects liability period pursuant to Section 62 of the Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of R.A. 9184.

This bond is callable on demand. The liability of the surety company shall in no case exceed the sum of *Two Million Seven Hundred Thirty Thousand Nine Hundred Eighty Eight Pesos & 97/100* (P *2,730,988.97*) Philippine Currency. In case of default or failure of the Principal, the Obligee shall notify the Surety by sending the notice of claim with attached supporting documents to prove default or failure to comply by the Principal.

NOW THEREFORE, if the Principal shall well and truly perform and fulfill all the undertakings, covenants, terms, conditions, and agreements stipulated in said contract, R.A. No. 9184 and its Implementing Rules and Regulations, then the obligation shall be null and void; otherwise it shall remain in full force and effect.

The liability of the Surety under this bond shall remain valid until issuance by the Obligee of the certificate of final acceptance pursuant to Section 39, IRR of R.A. No. 9184 and that the Surety does not assume responsibility for any liability incurred or created after the expiry date. It has been agreed that the Surety is released from liability after the issuance of the certificate of final acceptance. The Surety shall not be liable for extension of contract unless an endorsement has been issued consenting to such extension.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have set our hands and signed our names on the 3rd day of February 20 25 at Sta. Rosa, N.E.

Chris Andrew B. Padilla
Witness to Principal

Engr. Armando A. Dulce Jr.
Principal

STRONGHOLD INSURANCE COMPANY, INC.

Witness to Principal

Surety
BONIFACIO S. MERCADO
Assistant Vice President

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Republic of the Philippines }
Makati City } S.S

SICI BOND NO.____
G(13)-A- 0144856

In Makati City Philippines, 3rd day of February 20 25 personally appeared before me.

NAME	GOVERNMENT ISSUED ID	ISSUED	AT ON
Engr. Armando A. Dulce Jr.			

and BOWDITS B. MERCADO with 33 0594153 issued at _____ on _____, 20__ for and in behalf of STRONGHOLD INSURANCE COMPANY INC. with Comm. Tax Cert. No. 00140183 issued at Makati City on January 06, 2025 to me known to be the same persons who signed and executed the foregoing instrument and knowledge before me that same is of their own voluntary act and deed.

In WITNESS Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my notarial seal at the place and date first above written.

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Series of 25.

ATTY. SADAM JOHN D. ECLIPSE
NOTARY PUBLIC FOR AND IN CABANATUAN CITY,
MUNICIPALITIES OF ALIAGA, LLANERA, GEN. NATIVIDAD,
RIZAL, STA. ROSA & ZARAGOZA, NUEVA ECIJA
NOTARIAL COMM. NO. 51-2024 UNTIL DEC. 31, 2026
ROLL OF ATTORNEYS NO. 72079
PTR (2025) NO. CBN-1932027 | 12-12-2024 | CABANATUAN CITY
IBP (CY 2025) O.R. NO. 482195 | 12-10-2024 | PASIG CITY
MCLE NO. VII-0005210 ISSUED ON 06 AUGUST 2021
BRGY. SANGITAN WEST, CABANATUAN CITY, NUEVA ECIJA

NOTARY PUBLIC

Republic of the Philippines}
Makati City }S.S

I, BOWDITS B. MERCADO, Assistant Vice President, of STRONGHOLD INSURANCE COMPANY INC. having been duly sworn, states and deposes that the STRONGHOLD INSURANCE COMPANY INC. is a corporation duly organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the Philippines, with its principal office at 17th Floor Security Bank Centre 6776, Ayala Avenue Makati City, and is duly authorized to execute and furnish surety bonds for all purposes within the said Philippines; and that is actually worth the amount specified in the foregoing undertaking to wit: *Two Million Seven Hundred Thirty Thousand Nine Hundred Eighty Eight Pesos & 97/100* **Pesos,(Php** ~~*2,730,988.97*~~**)** Philippine Currency, over and above all your debts and obligations and property exempt from execution.

STRONGHOLD INSURANCE COMPANY INC.

By :

Republic of the Philippines
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS
QUIRINO DISTRICT ENGINEERING OFFICE
Mangandingay, Cabarroguis, Quirino

BAGONG PILIPINAS

NOTICE OF WARNING No. 002

DPWH - QDEO ADM. REC.
RELEASED
Date : JUL 22 2025
File No. : 402-11
Released by :

Date: July 22, 2025

To: **ARMANDO A. DULCE**
Project Manager

Subject: Non-Compliance with DPWH Digging/Excavation

Dear Project Manager Dulce,

This notice serves to inform you that your recent excavation/restoration activities with approved Permit No. XPN-25-0001BK(Region II, Quirino), conducted by Underground Technologies at Cordon-Aurora Bdry. Road, have been found to be non-compliant with the provisions as stated in the DPWH Policy on Digging/Excavation and its' Terms and Conditions.

The following violations have been noted:
1. Non-provision of road safety devices and installation of billboard/public advisory.

You are hereby required to take immediate the following corrective actions to address these violations.

1 . Install Billboard/public advisory (See Annex N as recommended format of DO 245 s. 2024) and appropriate safety and warning devices along the excavated in accordance with the DPWH Road Works Safety Manual. (DO245s2024 Section IV.a.1)

Failure to comply within five (5) days may result in the immediate revocation of permit and subsequent usage of bond by the DPWH-Quirino District Engineering Office to immediately restore the excavated area.

Sincerely,

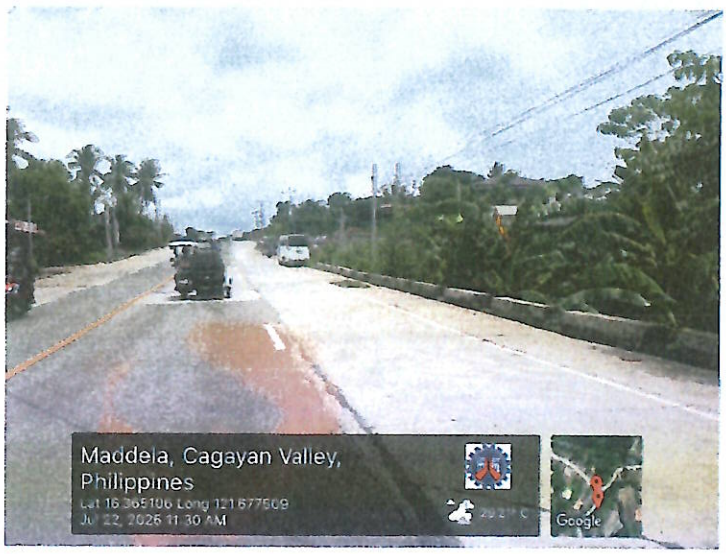
ROSARIO V. DE GUZMAN
District Engineer

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