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Aksyon Kalikasan Ngayon! (Eco Actions Now!)

11 July 2017

Hon. WALTER D. ECHEVARRIA Jr. Municipal Mayor Gen. Mariano Alvarez, Cavite

Dear Mayor Echevarria Jr.,

- RE: 1) REQUEST FOR PARTNERSHIP IN PURSUING BARANGAY GREEN GOVERNANCE PILOTING IN FIVE (5) BARANGAYS IN GMA CAVITE (BARANGAYS VIRATA, TIRONA, MADERAN, DACUM and POBLACION 5),
 - 2) OFFER TO DONATE AND PARTNER FOR OPERATIONS & MONITORING OF A 50-KILO PER DAY CAPACITY BIODIGESTER AS WATER WASTE TREATMENT AND WASTE TO ENERGY FACILITY FOR THE SAN JOSE PUBLIC MARKET IN BARANGAY VIRATA, GMA CAVITE, and
 - 3) INVITATION FOR THE KIND MAYOR TO JOIN US AND WITNESS THE TURN-OVER CEREMONY OF THE BIODIGESTER UNIT TO THE PUBLIC MARKET ADMINISTRATOR OF SAN JOSE AND BARANGAY COUNCIL OF BRGY VIRATA ON JULY 11 2017 10AM-12NN AT THE MRF 1 SITE NEAR THE MUNICIPAL HALL OF GMA CAVITE

Greetings from Aksyon Kalikasan!

We are an environmental association operation in the National Capital and CALABARZON Regions to catalyze green partnerships to demonstrate how to realize community-level (Barangay and Campus) Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) through education for sustainability, eco governance and social enterprise. We are a member of the Solid Waste Management Board of the Province of Cavite.

For more information about us, please visit our website at www.ecoactionsph.weebly.com or our FB page at www.facebook.com/aksyonkalikasan.

We congratulate you and your MENRO on your recent actions on compelling your Barangay LGUs to fully implement the National Ecological Solid Waste Management Law (R.A.2003) and how this will result to compliance with the Manila Bay Mandamus Order and Rehabilitation Program of the Supreme Court, Republic Act No. 9513 (Renewable Energy Act of 2008), Republic Act 9003 (Ecological Solid Waste Management Act of 2000); Republic Act No. 9275 (Water Code of the Philippines); GMA Environmental Code; and Solid Waste Management Ordinance of GMA Cavite.

We believe the notices of violations that your MENRO has recently issued to erring Barangay officials with threats of cases to be filled with the Ombudsman against them for non compliance is a bold but right action showing your STRONG POLITICAL WILL for genuine green governance. We believe this action will make your Barangays now more receptive to partnerships and support to deliver tangible results to solve GMAs municipal solid waste problem particularly in relation to Chapter 2 Section 10 (Role of LGUs in Solid Waste Management) which states that

"...Pursuant to the relevant provisions of R.A. No. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code, the LGUs shall be primarily responsible for the implementation and enforcement of the provisions of this Act within their respective jurisdictions. Segregation and collection of solid waste shall be conducted at the barangay level specifically for biodegradable, compostable and reusable wastes: Provided, That the collection of non-recyclable materials and special wastes shall be the responsibility of the municipality or city"

In the past years, Aksyon Kalikasan has provided training on Barangay Green Governance to Barangay officials and staff from Barangays Dacon and Poblacion 5 and we have donated three (3) units of biodigester to Barangays Virata, Tirona and Maderan. However, despite our willingness, our resources then did not allow us to fully involve ourselves in detailed enforcement partnership with these Barangays to develop and implement their Baranagay 10-Year Ecological Solid Waste Management Plan.

Our circumstances have change and we would now like to offer for partnership our BARANGAY GREEN GOVERNANCE PILOTING in these 5 Barangays for GMA Cavite. Attached is a brochure of our program for your reference.

May we request for your endorsement of our proposal for partnership to these 5 Barangays

We have partnered with the MHE Biogas Company to fabricate a 50-kilo per day capacity bio-gas biodigester unit which we would like to DONATE this unit and offer support in terms of initial operations and regular monitoring to the San Jose Public market administration and the Barangay Council of Barangay Virata

May we respectfully invite the honorable mayor this coming <u>July 17 2017 Monday</u> <u>from 10am to 12nn at the MRF 1 site near the Municipal Hall</u> to personally witness the turn – over ceremony of the biodigester unit and give a message.

We will invite the Barangay Councils of the 5 Barangays we mentioned earlier and we would appreciate it if part of the Mayor's message is to endorse our call for partnership to work with this Barangays to fully implement the BARANGAY GREEN GOVERNANCE PILOTING focused initially on solid waste management.

Sincerely yours

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ROY CABONEGRO

President



PHOTOS OF BIO GAS BIODIGESTER UNIT TO BE DONATED TO SAN JOSE PUBLIC MARKET IN BARANGAY VIRATA, GMA CAVITE ON JULY 17 2017







TENTATIVE PROGRAM

TURN-OVER CEREMONY OF BIO GAS BIODIGESTER UNIT OF AKSYON KALIKASAN TO TO THE SAN JOSE PUBLIC MARKET ADMINISTRATOR AND BARANGAY COUNCIL OF BARANGAY VIRATA, GMA CAVITE

17 JULY 2017 Monday | 10 am to 12:15 pm | MRF 1 Site near Municipal Hall of GMA

10:00 am - 10:15 am	Invocation Singing of the National Anthem
10:15 am - 10:30 am	Opening Remarks: Michael Templonuevo, GMA MENRO
10:30 am - 10:45 am	Statement of Aksyon Kalikasan: Roy Cabonegro, President
10:45 am - 11:15 am	Message from Mayor WALTER D. ECHEVARRIA Jr.
11:15 am - 11:30 am	Formal Turn Over (Photo Opt)
11:30 am - 12:00 nn	Message from the San Jose Public Market Administrator Message from the Barangay Captain of Brgy Virata, GMA
12:00nn – 12:15 pm	Closing Remarks: Dr. Rowena Resurreccion Aksyon Kalikasan Vice President