



NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

Due to the ongoing filing season, the SEC Contact Center, which handles general inquiries and helps the transacting public, is currently experiencing an extremely high volume of calls. As a result, you may encounter longer waiting times or difficulty connecting with our live agents.

We sincerely thank you for your patience and understanding. Rest assured that the SEC continues to work hard in improving our services, including enhancing our Contact Center's capacity to better serve you.

While you may continue to reach us via phone, we also encourage you to explore the following alternative platforms for faster access to information:

*Visit our official website at www.sec.gov.ph for announcements and guidelines.

*Use CAROL, our virtual assistant available on our website, for simple queries.

*To validate a company's registration, use the Check with SEC tool via <https://checkwithsec.sec.gov.ph/check-with-sec/index>.

Thank you once again for your continued patience and support.