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CHAIRPERSON AND ADMINISTRATOR JONATHAN D. TAN

Subic Bay Metropolitan Authority (SBMA) Building 229, Waterfront Road Subic Bay Freeport Zone

Dear Chairperson and Administrator Tan:

Assalamua'alaykum Warahmatullahi Wabarakatuh!

This is to acknowledge receipt of the SBMA's FY 2023 Corporate Operating Budget (COB), received by this Department on **September 21**, **2023** (copy of Acknowledgement Receipt attached as **Annex A**).

Pursuant to Section 3.4 of Corporate Budget Circular (CBC) No. 24, dated November 4, 2022, if a GOCC/GFI submits its principal COB after March 31 of the fiscal year, their COB level shall only be up to the extent of the immediately preceding year's DBM-approved budget level (P4.355 billion), net of non-recurring expense items, or the board-approved COB level for the current year (P5.456 billion), whichever is lower.

Moreover, it is noted that the proposed COB includes provision for the purchase of nine (9) motor vehicles (MVs) to be used for the daily operations of the SBMA. Accordingly, the agency may opt to request an Authority to Purchase MV to this Department, provided that the funding for the said MVs shall be charged within the above-mentioned budget level.

In view of the foregoing, please be informed that the submitted COB will no longer be reviewed/evaluated due to the above-mentioned guidelines and policies.

We hope you understand our constraints. Thank you.

Very truly yours,

AMENAH F PANGANDAMAN

Secretar

