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#### Dear Ms. Encarnacion:

We are herewith submitting the Corporate Governance Survey for 2012 in compliance with your office's directive.

Thank you and warm regards.

Very truly yours,

Atty. Socorro Ermac Cabreros

Corporate Secretary



# THE PHILIPPINE STOCK EXCHANGE, INC.

Corporate Governance Guidelines for

**Listed Companies** 

**Disclosure Template** 

		COMPLY	EXPLAIN
Guid	eline No. 1:		
DEVE	LOPS AND EXECUTES A SOUND BUSINESS STRATEGY		
1.1	Have a clearly defined vision, mission and core values.	Х	The Company has formulated its vision, mission and core values. In fact, it is in the process of updating a new vision, mission while maintaining the same core values
1.2	Have a well developed business strategy.	Х	
1.3	Have a strategy execution process that facilitates effective performance		
	management, and is attuned to the company's business environment, management	Х	
	style and culture.		
1.4	Have its board continually engaged in discussions of strategic business issues.	Х	
Guid	eline No. 2:		
ESTA	BLISHES A WELL-STRUCTURED AND FUNCTIONING BOARD		
2.1.	Have a board composed of directors of proven competence and integrity.	Х	
2.2.	Be lead by a chairman who shall ensure that the board functions in an effective and collegial manner.	Х	
2.3	Have at least three (3) of thirty percent (30%) of its directors as independent directors.		The Company has 2 independent directors among 9 members. This consists about 20% of the Boards's composition
2.4	Have in place written manuals, guidelines and issuances that outline procedures and processes.		The Company is finalizing comprehensive business process mapping that will serve as Company manual
2.5	Have Audit, Risk, Governance and Nomination & Election Committees of the board.	Х	
2.6	Have its Chairman and CEO positions held separately by individuals who are not related to each other.		The Chairman and CEO are related by first degree of consanguinity
2.7	Have a director nomination and election process that ensures that all shareholders are given the opportunity to nominate and elect directors individually based on the number of shares voted.	Х	
2.8	Have in place a formal board and director development program.		The Company has yet to establish a development program for the its board and directors
2.9	Have a corporate secretary.	Х	
2.10	Have no shareholder agreements, by-laws provisions, or other arrangements that constrains the directors' ability to vote independently.	Х	



Guid	eline No. 3:		
MAI	NTAINS A ROBUST INTERNAL AUDIT AND CONTROL SYSTEM		
3.1	Establish the internal audit function as a separate unit in the company which would be overseen at the Board level.	Х	
3.2	Have a comprehensive enterprise-wide compliance program that is annually reviewed.	х	The Company annually audits and reviews every business units and its processes at a minimum
3.3	Institutionalize quality service programs for the internal audit function.		level. There is still room to institutionalize the audit system to make it more comprehensive
3.4	Have in place a mechanism that allows employees, suppliers and other stakeholders to raise valid issues.	Х	
3.5	Have the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Audit Executive attest in writing, at least annually, that a sound internal audit, control and compliance system is in place and working effectively.	Х	
Guid	eline No. 4:		
RECC	OGNIZES AND MANAGES ITS ENTERPRISE RISKS		
4.1	Have its board oversee the company's risk management function.	Х	
4.2	Have a formal risk management policy that guides the company's risk management		
	and compliance processes and procedures.		
4.3	Design and undertake its Enterprise Risk Management (ERM) activities on the basis		
	of, or in accordance with, internationally recognized frameworks such as but not		The Company is in the process of establishing
	limited to, COSO, (The Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission) I and II.		policies that guides the Company's Risk management and Compliance process and
4.4	Have a unit at the management level, headed by a Risk Management Officer (RMO).		procedures.
4.5	Disclose sufficient information about its risk management procedures and processes as well as the key risks the company is currently facing including how these are being managed.		
4.6	Seek external technical support in risk management when such competence is not available internally.	Х	
Guid	eline No. 5:		
ENSU	IRES THE INTEGRITY OF FINANCIAL REPORTS AS WELL AS ITS EXTERNAL		
	TING FUNCTION		
5.1	Have the board Audit Committee approve all non-audit services conducted by the		
	external auditor. The Committee should ensure that the non-audit fees do not outweigh the fees earned from the external audit.	Х	



5.2	Ensure that the external auditor is credible, competent, and should have the ability to understand complex related party transactions, its counterparties, and valuations	Х	
	of such transactions.		
5.3	Ensure that the external auditor has adequate quality control procedures.	Х	
5.4	Disclose relevant information on the external auditors.	Х	
5.5	Ensures that the external audit firm is selected on the basis of a fair and transparent tender process.	Х	
5.6	Have its audit committee conduct regular meetings and dialogues with the external audit team without anyone from management present.	Х	
5.7	Have the financial reports attested to by the Chief Executive Oficer and Chief Financial Officer.	Х	
5.8	Have a policy of rotating the lead audit partner every five years.	Х	
Guide	eline No. 6:		
RESP	ECTS AND PROTECTS THE RIGHTS OF ITS SHAREHOLDERS,		
	ICULARLY THOSE THAT BELONG TO THE MINORITY OR NON-		
	ROLLING GROUP		
6.1	Adopt the principle of "one share, one vote."	Х	
6.2	Ensure that all shareholders of the same class are treated equally with respect to voting rights, subscription rights and transfer rights.	Х	
6.3	Have an effective, secure and efficient voting system.	Х	
6.4	Have effective shareholder voting mechanisms such as supermajority or "majority of minority" requirements to protect minority shareholders against actions of controlling shareholders.	,,	As compared to other publicly listed companies, Phoenix follows the voting system under its by-laws.
6.5	Provide all shareholders with the notice and agenda of the annual general meeting (AGM) at least thirty (30) days before a regular meeting and twenty (20) days before a special meeting.	Х	
6.6	Allow shareholders to call a special shareholders meeting, submit a proposal for consideration at the AGM or the special meeting, and ensure the attendance of the external auditor and other relevant individuals to answer shareholder questions in such meetings.	х	
6.7	Ensure that all relevant questions during the AGM are answered.	Х	
6.8	Have clearly articulated and enforceable policies with respect to treatment of minority shareholders.	Х	
6.9	Avoid anti-takeover measures or similar devices that may entrench management or the existing controlling shareholder group.	Х	



6.10	Provide all shareholders with accurate and timely information regarding the number of shares of all classes held by controlling shareholders and their affiliates.	Х	
6.11	Have a communications strategy to promote effective communication with shareholders.	Х	
6.12	Have at least thirty percent (30%) public float to increase liquidity in the market.		Company's public float would be at 29%
6.13	Have a transparent dividend policy.	Х	
Guide	eline No. 7:		
_	TS AND IMPLEMENTS AN INTERNATIONALLY-ACCEPTED DISCLOSURE FRANSPARENCY REGIME		
7.1	Have written policies and procedures designed to ensure compliance with the PSE and SEC disclosure rules, as well as other disclosure requirements under existing laws and regulations.		As part of its thrust to improve Corporate Governance, the Company will be coming up with policies and procedure to ensure disclosure compliance with PSE and SEC
7.2	Disclose the existence, justification, and details on shareholders agreements, voting trust agreements, confidentiality agreements, and such other agreements that may impact on the control, ownership, and strategic direction of the company.	Х	
7.3	Disclose its director and executive compensation policy.		The Company has yet to develop a disclosure system for its executive compensation policy. At the minimum they are annually disclosed through the information statement disclosed and other structured reports
7.4	Disclose names of groups or individuals who hold 5% or more ownership interest in		
	the company, significant cross-shareholding relationship and cross guarantees, as well as the nature of the company's other companies if it belongs to a corporate group.	Х	
7.5	Disclose annual and quarterly consolidated reports, cash flow statements and special audit revisions. Consolidated financial statements shall be published within 90 days from the end of the financial year, while interim reports shall be published within 45 days from the end of the reporting period.	Х	
7.6	Disclose to shareholders and the Exchange any changes to its corporate governance manual and practices, and the extent to which such practices conform to the SEC and PSE CG Guidelines.	Х	
7.7	Publish and/or deliver to its shareholders in a timely fashion all information and		All disclosures on corporate actions are disclosed
	materials relevant to corporate actions that require shareholder approval.		publicly. Most are through press statements.



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7.8	Disclose the trading of the corporation's shares by directors, officers (or persons performing similar functions) and controlling shareholders. This shall also include the disclosure of the company's purchase of its shares from the market (e.g share buyback program).	X	
7.9	Disclose in its annual report the principal risks to minority shareholders associated with the identity of the company's controlling shareholders; the degree of ownership concentration; cross-holdings among company affiliates; and any imbalances between the controlling shareholders' voting power and overall equity position in the company.	Х	
Guide	eline No. 8:		
RESP	ECTS AND PROTECTS THE RIGHTS AND INTERESTS OF EMPLOYEES,		
	MUNITY, ENVIRONMENT, AND OTHER STAKEHOLDERS		
8.1	Establish and disclose a clear policy statement that articulates the company's recognition and protection of the rights and interests of key stakeholders specifically its employees, suppliers & customers, creditors, as well the community, environment and other key stakeholder groups.	Х	
8.2	Have in place a workplace development program.	Х	
8.3	Have in place a merit-based performance incentive mechanism such as an employee stock option plan (ESOP) or any such scheme that awards and incentivizes employees, at the same time aligns their interests with those of the shareholders.	Х	
8.4	Have in place a community involvement program.	Х	
8.5	Have in place an environment-related program.	Х	
8.6	Have clear policies that guide the company in its dealing with its suppliers, customers, creditors, analysts, market intermediaries and other market participants.	Х	
Guide	eline No. 9:		
	NOT ENGAGE IN ABUSIVE RELATED-PARTY TRANSACTIONS AND INSIDER		
TRAD	ING		
9.1	Develop and disclose a policy governing the company's transactions with related parties.		The business process mopping which is currently being done by the Company shall include the policies pertaining to related parties



9.2	Clearly define the thresholds for disclosure and approval for RPTs and categorize such transactions according to those that are considered <i>de minimis</i> or transactions that need not be reported or announced, those that need to be disclosed, and those that need prior shareholder approval. The aggregate amount of RPT within any twelve (12) month period should be considered for purposes of applying the thresholds for disclosure and approval.	х	
9.3	Establish a voting system whereby a majority of non-related party shareholders approve specific types of related party transactions in shareholders meetings.	х	
9.4	Have its independent directors or audit committee play an important role in reviewing significant RPTs.	Х	
9.5	Be transparent and consistent in reporting its RPTs. A summary of such transactions shall be published in the company's annual report.	Х	
9.6	Have a clear policy in dealing with material non-public information by company insiders.	Х	The Company has consistently disclosed significant related party transaction specially needing stockholders approval.
9.7	Have a clear policy and practice of full and timely disclosure to shareholders of all material transactions with affiliates of the controlling shareholders, directors or management.	Х	
Guide	eline No. 10:		
DEVE	LOPS AND NURTURES A CULTURE OF ETHICS, COMPLIANCE, &		
	RCEMENT		
10.1	Formally adopt a code of ethics and proper conduct that guides individual behavior and decision making, clarify responsibilities, and inform other stakeholders on the conduct expected from company personnel.		The Company has an internal code of ethics that governs behaviours and conducts of employees including clear job description
10.2	Have a formal comprehensive compliance program covering compliance with laws and relevant regulations. The program should include appropriate training and awareness initiatives to facilitate understanding, acceptance and compliance with the said issuances.	х	
10.3	Not seek exemption from the application of a law, rule or regulation especially when it refers to a corporate governance issue. Should it do so, it has to disclose the reason for such action as well present the specific steps being taken to finally comply with the applicable law, rule or regulation.	Х	
10.4	Have clear and stringent policies and procedures on curbing and penalizing company or employee involvement in offering, paying and receiving bribes.	Х	In fact, several employees have been dismissed from services for cause due to integrity issues



### CORPORATE GOVERNANCE GUIDELINES: DISCLOSURE SURVEY

Company Name: P-H-O-E-N-I-X Petroleum Philippines, Inc.

10.5	Have a designated officer responsible for ensuring compliance with all relevant laws, rules, and regulation, as well as all regulatory requirements.	Х	
10.6	Respect intellectual property rights.	Χ	
10.7	Establish and commit itself to an alternative dispute resolution system so that		
	conflicts and difference with counterparties, particularly with shareholders and	X	
	other key stakeholders, would be settled in a fair and expeditious manner.		

This is to certify that the undersigned reviewed the contents of this document and to the best of my knowledge and belief, the information contained set forth in this document is true, complete and correct.

Done this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of April 2012 in Davao City, Philippines.

Ricardo S. Pascua

Independent director

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President, CEO, or Authorized Representative

