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## Philippine Mining Development Corporation in Davao Region Celebrate its 15<sup>th</sup> Year Founding Anniversary

**COMPOSTELA VALLEY PROVINCE, Philippines** – Employees of the Philippine Mining Development Corporation (PMDC) Davao Administration in Davao City; Depot Office in Monkayo, Compostela Valley; and North Davao Sub-Office in Maco, Compostela Valley celebrated its 15<sup>th</sup> Year Founding Anniversary on July 7, 2018 at the Depot Office in Brgy. Upper Ulip, Monkayo, Compostela Valley attended by the officers and employees and their respective families. A simple but meaningful program was prepared for the milestone celebration. Project Management Department Manager and Geologist, Alexander Y. Madera gave the opening message and shared the humble beginnings of PMDC and the company's accomplishments as of 2018.

During the program, video presentations were showcased and one of which is the completed Mabatás Water System wherein Depot employees performed an interpretative dance filmed at the Mabatás area. This was followed by a Mandayan dance by the Mandayan employees and lastly, the newly-hired junior engineers also presented a modern dance to entertain the employees and their relatives.

Mr. Emiliano Cajés, Jr., Chief Administrative Officer, gave an inspirational message in behalf of PMDC Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer, Atty. Alberto Sipaco, Jr. He said the PMDC management cannot do anything without the cooperation of the employees. He described the PMDC employees as the backbone of the company while management is the head. He said the management strives for the development of PMDC. He ended his message by introducing the Human Resource Department representatives from the PMDC Head Office and the newly hired PMDC employees.

The message of the PMDC Chairman, President and CEO, Atty. Sipaco, Jr. was presented through a video presentation during the event. He said the implementation of the disclosure and transfer of ball mills and CIPs to the Mabatás area led to the conceptualization of the water system and access road that are necessary components of the project. Around 223 ball mill and CIP operators committed to close down, stop operation and transfer to Mabatás. He said the cost of the water system is no less than Php7 Million. The access road was completed through the assistance of the Provincial Local Government Unit of Compostela Valley and Municipal Local Government Unit of Monkayo. He acknowledged the assistance provided by the Armed Forces of the Philippines. He also mentioned that the dream of PMDC is to mine the victory tunnel in Mt. Diwata and the cancellation of around 18 tenements. He further elucidated on the proposed Special Economic Zone and Jewelry Park Project of PMDC that would bring benefits to the barangays in the Diwalwal Mineral Reservation Area.

The event culminated with a presentation of Service Award certificates to the employees who have rendered dedicated service to the company for a period of more than five years. The following awardees were (1) Denrito T. Jaquez, (2) Jenuel L. Aquilino, (3) Jona Mae M. Cotic, (4) Joebel P. Cotic, (5) Leo P. Dilla, (6) William M. Dumalina, Sr., (7) Jimmy B. Quise, (8) Melchor B. Tagalog, (9) Gregorio C. De La Vega, Jr., (10) Nilson D. Cotic, (11) Ana Marie L. Guirigay, (12) Joel P. Basa, and (13) Johnnoel M. Kudera.

Engr. Ryan S. Medina gave the closing message. He gave credit to all employees because PMDC would not become as it is today without them.



PMDC Manager for Project Management, Alexander Y. Madera giving his opening message.

Attendees witnessing the presentations during the PMDC 15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration.



The Chairman, President and CEO giving his message to all employees of PMDC.



Mandayan employees dancing their cultural dance.



Newly hired junior engineers performing a modern dance.