

**PUBLIC HEARING REPORT  
CANDELARIA ROLLING MILL PROJECT  
CANDELARIA STEEL, INC.**

12 February 2019; 09:00a.m.

Covered Court of Barangay Malabanban Sur, Candelaria, Quezon

**1.0 Invitations**

Formal written invitations were issued before the scheduled date. Invitations sent were duly acknowledged, received and forwarded to the persons concerned. Provided below is the list of invitees.

HON. DAVID C. SUAREZ  
Governor  
Province of Quezon  
HON. SAMUEL B. NANTES  
Vice Governor  
Province of Quezon  
HON. MACARIO D. BOONGALING  
Mayor  
Candelaria, Quezon

HON. GEORGE D. SUAYAN  
Vice Mayor  
Candelaria, Quezon

SB MEMBERS OF CANDELARIA, QUEZON

- HON. MARIA YLLANA D. LIWANAG-ASISTIO
- HON. BENILDO A. BELEN
- HON. LYDELLE M. DIZON
- HON. MANUEL ANTONIO V. DE LUNA
- HON. RODANTE A. PADILLO
- HON. MARCELO Q. LAYGO
- HON. JULIUS D. MANIEBO
- HON. DARREN P. DE GALA

HON. MOREL L. ESCALONA, (EX OFFICIO)  
PPLB PRESIDENT  
Candelaria, Quezon

HON. DAVEILYN S. ARIENDA, (EX OFFICIO)  
PPSK PRESIDENT  
Candelaria, Quezon

MS. NOEMIE PARANADA  
REGIONAL DIRECTOR  
EMB CALABARZON

MR. ROBERTO DIZON  
MPDC  
Candelaria, Quezon

MR. RYAN IRENEO B. DE LUNA  
Municipal Environment and Natural Resources Office (MENRO)  
Candelaria, Quezon

MR. RAMIL R. LIMPIADA  
DENR-Community Environment and Natural Resources Officer  
Sitio Fori, Brgy. Talipan, Pagbilao, Quezon

ENGR. MARILYN A. AUTOR  
Municipal Engineering Office  
Candelaria, Quezon

MR. ALFREDO C. PALENCIA  
DENR-Provincial Environmental and Natural Resources Office (PENRO)  
Province of Quezon

DR. CLEMENTE I. ALCALA, JR.  
Municipal Health Officer  
Candelaria, Quezon

MR. TOLENTINO G. AQUINO  
School Division Superintendent of Quezon Province  
Province of Quezon

MR. EDUARDO C. JANAIRO MD, MPMH  
Director- Department of health  
P. Tuazon Blvd, Project 4 Quezon City, 1800 Metro Manila

MR. ARNEL V. DE MESA  
Regional Director-DOA  
RMIC Building, BPI Compound, Brgy.Vasra Visayas Avenue, Diliman, Quezon City

MR. HENRY JOHN S. JALBUENA  
Regional Director-DOLE  
3rd and 4th Floors, Andenson Building II Parian, Calamba, Laguna

HON. PERFECTO C. ALCANTARA AND COUNCIL  
Brgy. Captain of Malabanban Sur  
Brgy. Hall Malabanban Sur, Candelaria, Quezon

MR. DAVID VINONOSO  
Head- Iglesia ni Cristo Brgy. Malabanban  
Brgy. Malabanban Sur, Candelaria, Quezon

MS.LOLITA JAVIER  
President-Chapel of Nazarene  
Brgy. Malabanban Sur, Candelaria, Quezon

THE PRESIDENT  
SENIOR CITIZEN ASSOCIATION (ASCA)

THE PRESIDENT  
PERSONS WITH DISABILITY (PWD)

THE PRESIDENT  
TRICYCLE OPERATORS AND DRIVERS ASSOCIATION

THE PRESIDENT  
WOMEN'S ORGANIZATION

THE PRESIDENT  
FARMER'S SECTOR

THE PRESIDENT  
FISHERFOLKS SECTOR

RESIDENTS OF BRGY. MALABANBAN SUR

Shown in ANNEX A is the list of duly received invitations by the invitee.

The Notice of Public Hearing was published on January 28 and February 4. Provided below is the Affidavit of Publication.

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### 3.0 Program

#### A. Registration

Registration started as early as 8:00 am while the Program started at 9:00 am. 200 persons attended the Public Hearing. The attendance sheets are given in Annex B.

#### B. Presentation

EMB Central Office Representative and Project Case handlers Mr. Carl Louie Santiago and Engr. Carlo Vic Arida facilitated the Public Hearing. Brief presentation on project background, description, location, implementation schedule and other information or facts regarding the project was provided by Mr. Roberto Cola SAMC representative. Result of the EIA on impacts, measures and commitments was provided by the EIA Preparer's Team leader Ms. Medi Fernando. Copy of the program is provided in Table 1 below while presentation materials are attached as Annex C.

**Table 1: Program**

<b>Time Allotted</b>	<b>Program of Activities</b>	<b>Presenter</b>
<b>8:00-9:00 am</b>	Registration	<b>Mediatrix / EMB</b>
<b>9:01 – 9:15</b>	National Anthem	<b>Played recording</b>
	Invocation	<b>LGU Representative</b>
	Opening Remarks	<b>LGU Representative</b>
<b>9:16 – 9:30</b>	Introduction on the Conduct of the Public Hearing and Target Objective/Outcome	<b>Engr. Carlo Vic Arida Casehandler, EMB Central Office</b>
<b>9:31-10:15</b>	Brief presentation on project background, description, location, implementation schedule and other information or facts regarding the project	<b>Candelaria Steel, Inc.  EIA Team Mediatrix Business Consultancy</b>
	Results of the EIA and mitigation measures	
<b>10:01 – 11:15</b>	Open Forum	<b>Atty. John Edward Ang</b>
<b>11:16 – 12:00</b>	Lunch	
<b>12:01pm – 2:00</b>	Continuation of Open Forum	<b>Public Hearing Officer</b>
<b>2:01 - 2:15</b>	Summary of issues/concerns/impacts raised by the public and Response of the Proponent	<b>Public Hearing Officer</b>
<b>2:16-2:30</b>	Closing Remarks and Next Steps in the EIA Process	<b>EMB Central Office</b>

#### D. Open Forum

The Open Forum session was moderated and facilitated by the Hearing Officer Atty. John Edward Ang from Legal Division of EMBCentral Office. Public Hearing Guidelines were provided as follows.

#### Mga Patakaran sa Pagsasagawa ng Public Hearing:

1. Ang public hearing ay gagawinsa Tagalog. Gayunpaman, maaari pa ring gamitin ang lengguwahe kung saan kayo mas kumportable.
2. Angsinumang may gustong sabihinsa open forum ay dapat itaas ang kanyang kamay upang mapayagang magsalita ng hearing officer. Ang mga komento at suhestyon ay maaari ding isulat sa ipapamahaging papel at ibigay sa tauhan ng DENR.
3. Gamitin ang mikropono sa pagsasalita sapagkat ang mga pangyayari ay itinatala.
4. Kung magsasalita sa unang pagkakataon, sabihin ang pangalan, opisina/organisasyon na iyong nirerepresenta at ang iyong posisyon.
5. Ang mga magsasalita ay dapat bigyan ng kaukulang pansin ang nakalaang oras
  - Project Proponent – 10 minuto para ipaliwanagangproyekto
  - EIA Consultant/PP – 15-20 minuto para ipaliwanag ang mga natuklasan sa kanilang pag-aaral
  - Stakeholders/Concerned citizen – 2 minuto bawat isa

*(ang sinumang gustong magsalita ng mas matagal upang ipresenta ang mga importanteng impormasyon gayundin ang mga nangangailangn ng mga gamit tulad ng projector ay dapat magsabi sa hearing officer sa pamamagitan ng EMB personnel bago magsimula ang open forum)*
6. Lahat ng presentasyon at katanungan ay dapatmaikli, malinaw at direkto. Iwasan ang paggawa ng mahahabang pagsasalita upang magamit ng husto ang partisipasyon ng publiko at upang makamit ang objektib ng public hearing.
7. Ang mga komento ay dapat gawin bilang kinatawan ng interes ng publiko at hindi pansarili ng sa gayon ay nakapokus ang lahat sa isyung pinaguusapan.
8. Makinig sa taong nagsasalita at iwasan ang paggawa ng anumang nakakabulabog. Ano man ang nararamdaman tungkol sa sinasabi ng taong nagsasalita ay dapat itong ipagtimpi at hintayin ang pagkakataong makapagsalita. Irespeto ang opinion ng iba at ang hindi pagsang-ayon ay dapat isatinig ng maayos.
9. Ang hearing officer ay may karapatang palabasin ang indibidwal o grupo na patuloy na nakakagulo sa ginagawang hearing kung hindi pa rin ito tumigil matapos bigyan ng tatlong babala ng Hearing Officer.
10. Kung maari ay tapusin ang Public Hearing at huwag munang umalis.

Shown below are the summary of issues and concerns raise

**Table 2: Summary of Issues and Concerns**

Issue / concern	By	Proponent's Response
Air and noise intervention in case the standards are met or exceeded	DepEd representative	The Porponent responded that the project has the following features to ensire compliance to air emissions: recuperator system to ensure complete combustion, use of good fuel and automated system and controls.
Impact to quality of drinking water	Resident of	The Proponent responded that drinking water will

assurance; invitation to affected areas to visit the plant	Malabanban Sur	not be affected because the Porject is zero effluent/zero discharge.
Requirements of DOLE; approved construction and safety and health program; requirements for employment  Operations: requirements for permits on electrical installation and mechanical permit prior to operations like gensets and pressure equipment; coordinate with Quezon Provincial Office	DOLE representative	The Proponent duly noted the requirements for compliance.
Requirement for work schedule and manpower		The Proponent duly noted the requirements for compliance.
Information on history of SteelAsia's continuous coordination and presentation of the project and existing compliance in their existing plants and LGU's participation in the review process	Roberto Dizon, MPDC	The Proponent duly noted the information.
Concern of the residents shall be directed to the Captain	Kapitan Perfecto Alcantara, Brgy. Malabanban Sur	The Proponent duly noted the concern.
Process of Public Hearing - the barangay may conduct at its own instance then will be endorsed to the SB and then to the PB	Hon. Boyong Boongaling, PPLB President	The Proponent duly noted the information provided.
Requested for copy of the baseline information; requirement for submission of information yearly before renewal of business permit; willingness to monitor the project and assist the residents	Dr. Clemente Alcala, Municipal Health Office	The EIA Team committed to provide copy of the reports to Dr. Alcala.
Ensure safety and security of the residents	Vice Mayor of Candelaria	The Proponent duly noted the concern.
Request for an adjustment of the fencing; impact of the project to the farmers	Randy Dimaunahan, Purok 3 resident	The Proponent responded that they need to identify the specific concerned area to identify the area; There is a buffer zone between the nearby properties and the project; Mr. Dizon, MPDC added that another session to be called by the LGU with SteelAsia will be conducted.
Invitation was just received two hours ago	Mr. Ebor, President of Farmers Association	The Brgy. Secetary responded that the invitation was coursed through Malabanban Sur President
Requirement for distance between the Project and the residents	Ms. Aileen Bati, Resident of Malabanban Sur	No specific requirement for distance but CSI is using several laws as reference such as but not limited to the Clean Air Act., Clean Water Act, Ecological Solid Waste Management Act, Toxic and Hazardous Waste Act, Labor laws, DOLE Ru

### **E. Photo Documentation**

Photographs of the Public Hearing are shown below:



*Plate 1: Registration*



*Plate 2: Opening Prayer*





*Plate 3: Mr. Carl Louie Santiago: Master of Ceremenoy, EMB Cenral Office*



*Plate 4: Introduction on the Conduct of the Public Hearing and Target Objective/Outcome by Sir. Carlo Vic Arida, EMB Central Office*

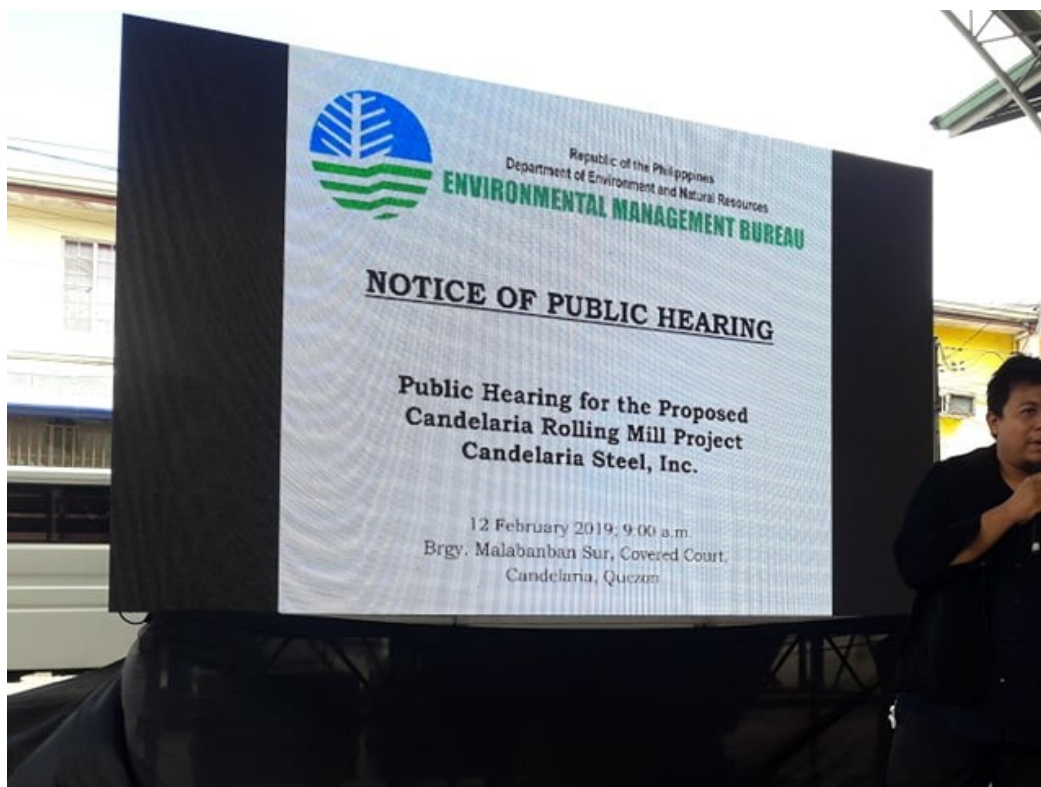




*Plate 5: Ms. Medi Fernando- EIA Team Leader, discussed the results of the EIA and Mitigation measures*



*Plate 6: Mr. Roberto Cola from SAMC presents the project background, description, location, implementation schedule and other information or facts regarding the project*



*Plate 7: Atty. John Edward Ang, Hearing Officer, facilitating the Open Forum*



*Plate 8: Brgy. Captain Alcantara for his Closing Remarks*



*Plate 9: Dr. Alala in the Open Forum*

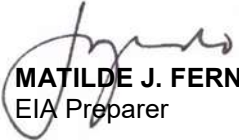
F. Full transcription of the Open Forum

Full transcription is attached as Annex D.

G. Video coverage/documentation

A copy of the cd where the video coverage was taken has been submitted to EMB.

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Public Hearing Officer