

## MARKET COMMUNICATION

## Ayala Corporation has acquired all of the equity of San Carlos Clean Energy Inc. (SCCE).

## London, March 17th 2017.

Note to Investors, distributors and staff.

It is announced to the Philippine Stock Exchange today, that Ayala Corporation, the country's oldest and largest conglomerate, has acquired all of the equity of San Carlos Clean Energy Inc.(SCCE). SCCE was established in 2015, by Bronzeoak Philippines Inc. to provide central managed services, such as finance, legal and HR, to all of ThomasLloyd's, PINAI's and Ayala Corp's renewable energy portfolio on Negros Island. This included San Carlos Solar Energy Inc, whose projects SaCaSol I, II and III, for which ThomasLloyd was the financial sponsor, and which included the first ever utility scale renewable energy project in the country. SCCE also continues to provide central managed services to ThomasLloyd's biomass portfolio, including San Carlos Biopower Inc, South Negros Biopower Inc and North Negros Biopower Inc.

SCCE will become the energy division of Ayala Corp, and is renamed AC Energy Development Corporation. It will be the exclusive development, construction and operation arm of Ayala Corp in renewable and sustainable energy.

The acquisition of SCCE includes all of the team, who have been working with and on ThomasLloyd projects over many years. There is therefore no change in the day-to-day running of this operation and no impact on the successful completion of the construction of the three biomass projects. Given the resources and ambition that Ayala are bringing to the renewable energy sector, it is hoped that many other opportunities to work together may also become apparent.

Ayala Corp are also acquiring at the same time Visayas Renewables Corp, previously known as Bronzeoak Clean Energy Inc, which is the holding company for Bronzeoak's retained minority interest in the Negros solar portfolio, developed in partnership with ThomasLloyd.

Ayala Corp is the publicly-listed, holding company of the diversified interests of the Ayala Group. As of today, it has a market capitalisation of PHP507 billion (US\$10.5 billion), with 35,000 employees worldwide. It is ranked 1224 in the Forbes list of the world's biggest companies. It currently owns 1,200MW of energy assets, of which 300MW is in renewables. AC's aim is to expand this to 2.000MW by 2020, of which 1,000MW is planned to be in renewables.

Says Michael Sieg, Chairman: 'We look forward to working with Ayala across many exciting new opportunities in the country, and welcome their endorsement of our long-standing Philippine development partner, Bronzeoak'.