

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

SEC FORM 17-C

CURRENT REPORT UNDER SECTION 17
OF THE SECURITIES REGULATION CODE
AND SRC RULE 17.2(c) THEREUNDER

1. **July 30, 2020**
Date of Report
2. SEC Identification Number **19073** 3. BIR Tax Identification No. **000-288-698-000**
4. **FIRST PHILIPPINE HOLDINGS CORPORATION**
Exact name of issuer as specified in its charter
5. **Metro Manila, Philippines** 6. (SEC Use Only)
Province, country or other jurisdiction of Industry Classification Code:
incorporation
7. **6th Floor Rockwell Business Center Tower 3, Ortigas Avenue, Pasig City** **1604**
Address of principal office Postal Code
8. **2-631-8024 or 555-8000**
Issuer's telephone number, including area code
9. **N/A**
Former name or former address, if changed since last report
10. Securities registered pursuant to Sections 8 and 12 of the SRC or Sections 4 and 8 of the RSA

Title of Each Class	Number of Shares of Common Stock Outstanding and Amount of Debt Outstanding
Total Outstanding Shares	507,715,994 shares (As of July 7, 2020)
Total Outstanding Preferred Redeemable Shares	3,600,000 shares (As of July 7, 2020)

11. Indicate the item numbers reported herein: **Item Nos. 4 & 9**

Item 4

At the annual meeting of the stockholders held today, July 30, 2020, the following were elected as members of the Board of Directors of First Philippine Holdings Corporation (the "Corporation"):

1. Mr. Augusto Almeda-Lopez
2. Mr. Stephen T. CuUnjieng*
3. Mr. Peter D. Garrucho, Jr.
4. Mr. Elpidio L. Ibañez
5. Mr. Eugenio L. Lopez III
6. Mr. Federico R. Lopez
7. Amb. Manuel M. Lopez
8. Mr. Oscar M. Lopez
9. Ms. Rizalina G. Mantaring*
10. Chief Justice Artemio V. Panganiban*
11. Mr. Francis Giles B. Puno
12. Comm. Anita B. Quitain
13. Mr. Ernesto B. Rufino, Jr.
14. Mr. Juan B. Santos*
15. Mr. Richard B. Tantoco

**As Independent Director*

At the Organizational Meeting of the Board of Directors held on July 30, 2020, the following were appointed as the Corporation's officers, as Members of the Board Committees, as advisers and as Lead Independent Director:

Mr. Oscar M. Lopez	Chairman Emeritus & Chief Strategic Officer
Mr. Federico R. Lopez	Chairman & Chief Executive Officer
Amb. Manuel M. Lopez	Vice Chairman
Mr. Francis Giles B. Puno	President & Chief Operating Officer
Mr. Emmanuel P. Singson	Senior Vice President, Treasurer & Chief Finance Officer
Mr. Richard B. Tantoco	Executive Vice President
Mr. Anthony M. Mabasa	Senior Vice President
Mr. Victor Emmanuel B. Santos, Jr.	Senior Vice President & Compliance Officer
Mr. Nestor J. Padilla	Senior Vice President
Mr. Joaquin E. Quintos IV	Senior Vice President
Mr. Renato A. Castillo	Senior Vice President & Chief Risk Officer
Mr. Oscar R. Lopez, Jr.	Vice President
Mr. Benjamin R. Lopez	Vice President
Mr. Ariel C. Ong	Vice President
Ms. Anna Karina P. Gerochi	Vice President, Head of Human Resources Management
Mr. Anthony L. Fernandez	Vice President
Ms. Emelita D. Sabella	Vice President & Investor Relations Officer
Mr. Jonathan C. Tansengco	Vice President
Mr. Ramon A. Carandang	Vice President
Mr. Alwin S. Sta. Rosa	Vice President
Ms. Shirley H. Cruz	Vice President & Chief of Staff, Office of the Chairman
Mr. Jose Valentin A. Pantangco, Jr.	Vice President & Head, Corporate Planning
Ms. Maria Carmina Z. Ubaña	Vice President & Comptroller
Mr. Alexander M. Roque	Vice President
Mr. Denardo M. Cuayo	Vice President
Mr. Esmeraldo C. Amistad	Vice President, Assistant Corporate Secretary & Assistant Compliance Officer

Ms. Milagros D. Fadri	Vice President
Ms. Agnes C. De Jesus	Vice President & Chief Sustainability Officer
Mr. Ferdinand B. Poblete	Vice President & Chief Information Officer
Mr. Angelo G. Macabuhay	Head, Internal Audit
Mr. Enrique I. Quiason	Corporate Secretary
Mr. Fiorello R. Estuar	Senior Adviser
Mr. Jonathan C. Russell	Senior Adviser
Mr. Mario L. Bautista	Board Adviser

Executive Committee:

<i>Chairman:</i>	Mr. Oscar M. Lopez
<i>Vice Chairman:</i>	Mr. Federico R. Lopez
<i>Members:</i>	Amb. Manuel M. Lopez
	Mr. Augusto Almeda-Lopez
	Mr. Francis Giles B. Puno

Audit Committee:

<i>Chairman:</i>	Mr. Juan B. Santos*
<i>Members:</i>	Amb. Manuel M. Lopez
	Mr. Augusto Almeda-Lopez
	Mr. Stephen T. CuUnjieng*
	Mr. Peter D. Garrucho, Jr.
	Mr. Elpidio L. Ibañez
	Ms. Rizalina G. Mantaring*

Compensation and Remuneration Committee:

<i>Chairman:</i>	Mr. Augusto Almeda-Lopez
<i>Members:</i>	Mr. Peter D. Garrucho, Jr.
	Mr. Eugenio L. Lopez III
	Mr. Juan B. Santos*

Corporate Governance Committee:

<i>Chairman:</i>	Mr. Oscar M. Lopez
<i>Vice Chairman:</i>	Mr. Federico R. Lopez
<i>Members:</i>	Mr. Stephen T. CuUnjieng*
	Amb. Manuel M. Lopez
	Mr. Elpidio L. Ibañez
	Mr. Juan B. Santos*

Finance & Investment Committee:

<i>Chairman:</i>	Mr. Federico R. Lopez
<i>Members:</i>	Mr. Peter D. Garrucho, Jr.
	Mr. Eugenio L. Lopez III
	Mr. Ernesto B. Rufino, Jr.
	Mr. Francis Giles B. Puno
	Mr. Richard B. Tantoco

Board Risk Oversight Committee:

<i>Chairman:</i>	Chief Justice Artemio V. Panganiban*
<i>Members:</i>	Mr. Stephen T. CuUnjieng*
	Amb. Manuel M. Lopez
	Mr. Peter D. Garrucho, Jr.
	Ms. Rizalina G. Mantaring*
	Mr. Francis Giles B. Puno
	Ms. Anita B. Quitain
	Mr. Ernesto B. Rufino, Jr.

***Independent Director**

Chief Justice Artemio V. Panganiban - Lead Independent Director

The Board likewise approved the creation of a separate Related Party Transactions Committee, its Charter, and appointed the Chairman and Members of the said Committee, as follows:

Related Party Transactions Committee:

Chairman: Mr. Stephen T. CuUnjieng*
Members: Mr. Juan B. Santos*
Mr. Peter D. Garrucho, Jr.
Ms. Rizalina G. Mantaring*
Mr. Elpidio L. Ibañez

****Independent Director***

Item 9

The following resolutions were also approved by the stockholders:

1. Approval of the Minutes of the Annual Stockholders' Meeting held last May 10, 2019;
2. Approval/Ratification of the December 31, 2019 Reports and the Audited Financial Statements for the year ended December 31, 2019;
3. Ratification of the Acts of the Board, of the Executive Committee, other Board Committees, and of Management; and the
4. Appointment of SGV& Co. as External Auditors.

Please find attached herewith a copy each of the reports of the Corporation's Chairman & CEO, Mr. Federico R. Lopez, and its President & COO, Mr. Francis Giles B. Puno as delivered during the annual stockholders' meeting.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Regulation Code, the issuer has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

FIRST PHILIPPINE HOLDINGS CORPORATION

Issuer



ESMERALDO C. AMISTAD

Vice President &
Assistant Corporate Secretary

July 30, 2020

CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE
First Philippine Holdings Corporation
Annual Stockholders' Meeting
30 July 2020

Good morning.

As I was writing this message to our stakeholders for our very first Integrated Report, the whole world was in varying stages of lockdown from the COVID-19 pandemic. With the prospect of a vaccine not yet in sight, we're all still in a dangerous "dance" with the virus --- simultaneously avoiding it, yet trying to regain some of the normalcy of our past lives that now feel like a world away. Prescient voices warned of this possibility. We all assumed that dystopian events like this only happen in movies and sci-fi novels and most of us dismissed the probability of it even occurring in our lifetimes. We convinced ourselves that modern technology and medicine will always come to the rescue. So we went on with our lives.

What is overwhelming us today in this pandemic is but a sneak preview of the geologic-scale changes that will result from an unabated climate crisis. These changes are already evident in record-breaking temperatures and natural catastrophes hitting the planet every year now. Early this year, a record-high temperature of 20.75 degrees Celsius was set in the Antarctic. At the time of this writing, the Arctic also broke historic records with a high temperature of 38 degrees Celsius. The incessant rise in the world's carbon emissions has put us on a trajectory of a global temperature rise of between 3.7 to 4.8 degrees Celsius by 2100. That's an unlivable planet!

Today, we have a narrowing window left to keep warming within the desired 1.5 degrees Celsius agreed to in Paris under COP 21, or watch it run away from us irreversibly. The upcoming decade of the 2020's will critically determine whether we succeed or not. To succeed, humanity needs to reduce carbon dioxide emissions by 6 percent every year until we achieve net zero emissions in 2050. For perspective, the lockdowns and passenger transport restrictions resulting from the pandemic are expected to bring emissions down this year by about 8 percent; which means we need a COVID-scale catastrophe every year until 2050 just to achieve the 1.5 degree Celsius target! How did we get into this existential crisis?

Central to all this is the all-too-common mindset that man is apart from, and not a part of, nature --- that nature exists to serve our wants and needs, regardless of the toll we inflict upon it. Today, our global population of 7.8 billion humans consumes an estimated 1.75 Earths per year. That's 75 percent more resources than our planet's ability to replenish. According to the Global Footprint Network, US lifestyles consume an average of 5 Earths, which many others on the planet aspire to attain. Yet the pattern of growth is broken: instead of lifting all boats, it has left too many behind. The top 10 percent of the world now owns 82 percent of the wealth, a trend that's set to worsen over time. The populism that's sweeping the world is a symptom of this growing disenchantment with business, politics, and life as usual. Clearly, our planet's natural environment and its social fabric are already ripping at the seams.

The natural, social, and political forces being unleashed in the coming decade will likely make it the most challenging and most disruptive business has ever seen. The COVID-19 pandemic is but a mere "*fire-drill*" for what's coming and demonstrates the scale at which things need to change. We are living in a time of great paradigm shifts, and businesses that seek to thrive in this era must be able to reimagine and redesign themselves for this new world.

In this kind of a world, corporate sustainability that seeks to simply "*tick the box*" or do less harm is no longer good enough. Sustaining our trajectory today will result in disasters that are not only greater in scale, but also are more unjust towards those who do not have the capacity to cope with the devastating changes that are already here and continue to escalate.

Businesses need to align themselves, their resources, and their capabilities towards a mission that seeks to elevate everything they touch – their customers, employees, suppliers, contractors, the environment, communities, and, of course, their investors. There is an urgency for all of us to go beyond incremental sustainability and transform into regenerative forces that align our profit engines with the need for a better world and a safer planet. I am certain that humanity, collectively, has the creativity and innovative energy needed to solve the world's greatest problems. Unlocking these will be the foundation to some of the greatest business opportunities in the coming century.

This year we crystallized our **Mission at FPH** and our group of companies and that is: ***“To forge collaborative pathways for a decarbonized and regenerative future”***. It’s a deliberately high bar and we’re nothing short of humbled by it. But we expect this short phrase to be the beacon that guides us through this turbulent decade and beyond.

We’ve also put into words our **Purpose and Our Chosen Path**, etching out the role we see for ourselves in the coming years with greater clarity. It reads as follows:

Our Purpose

We recognize that our planet’s life support systems and social institutions are now at a breaking point. Unbridled consumption and primacy of bottom-line growth are at the root of the climate crisis, our alienation from nature, and the profound social and economic divisions, that have become existential threats to humanity today.

Overcoming all of these challenges will require paradigm shifts in the ways that we think, live, and do business. It is now clear that pursuing sustainability that seeks only to do less harm is no longer good enough.

Instead, we need to create symbiotic, mutually beneficial relationships with nature and society that benefit more than just shareholders. Businesses today must urgently become a regenerative force that elevates everything that they touch – customers, employees, suppliers, contractors, the environment, communities, and investors.

The transformation cannot be done by entities working alone. We are mindful that we exist within highly diverse and nested systems, and that we must all play unique, reciprocal, and synchronized roles in a world that needs to be healed.

Our collective success will be measured by how quickly we can decouple economic and social prosperity from the destruction of our planet’s life support systems.

We choose this path because it is the only way to a destination where everyone has the opportunity to thrive and prosper on a healthy planet. We choose this path because we believe it is the only way to create lasting value for all stakeholders and not just shareholders. We choose

this path because it is inseparable from the Lopez Values that have, and always will, define us.

Our Chosen Path

In pursuing this path, we will unlock the potential of diverse talents to create a mission-driven organization that makes work fulfilling, fun, and that gives people a deep sense of belonging.

Our businesses will become multiple pathways toward a decarbonized and regenerative future.

- *In energy, we shall lead the transition to a decarbonized energy future.*
- *In property, we shall nurture inclusive, well-tempered, and creative spaces that elevate surrounding communities and the environment.*
- *In construction, we shall build infrastructure that creates resilience and enhances the quality of life in a complex, climate-changed world.*

Our mission and purpose will guide everything we do.

The ideas and principles behind our words are not new. We've been living and breathing most of those principles the last decade. At times we felt we may have been getting ahead of ourselves and where our investors wanted us to be. But even back then, just like today, we've always been playing for the long term, reading the tea leaves, and conscientiously transforming ourselves into what the world needs us to be.

Thank you for your continued trust and confidence. I sincerely hope you're encouraged to come along with us on what will be a rewarding and purposeful journey. 🚧

FPH PRESIDENT'S REPORT 2019
Annual Stockholders' Meeting
30 July 2020

Dear Stakeholders,

A pleasant and warm heartfelt greeting to all of you this morning!

This COVID-19 pandemic has drastically changed how we live and at FPH, it required most of us to work from home, restrict our movements and continuously monitor and ensure the safety of our employees and families. Technology helped us adjust quickly, almost seamlessly. As for me, working at home has surprisingly been quite productive.

It gave me the opportunity to reflect on disruptive events like this COVID-19 pandemic and its connection with what many believe is the larger, more consequential concern that is climate change.

And as our Chairman just presented, this period allowed your FPH team to further examine our company's impact on people, on society and on the environment; as well as fine tune and, if necessary, recast our Mission, our Purpose, and our Chosen Path.

My report should have been an easy one. I would have simply reported how 2019 was a stellar year with First Philippine Holdings (FPH) posting "all-time high" profits and how we continue to gain momentum on our growth plans across our portfolio.

I would have also reported that 2019 marked a year where the increased volume and depth of discussion on the necessity to shift energy usage towards less polluting, low-carbon electricity sources like renewable energy and even natural gas became much more acceptable, understood, and mainstream. We are no longer an outlier in the conversation and that certainly makes us feel good.

This increased awareness and positive change in the tide favored FPH's chosen path of a clean, low-carbon, and renewable portfolio and affirmed our decision to not invest in coal.

I am sure that none of us thought we would go through our lives experiencing a scary life-threatening global health pandemic. Our very own well-being is affected by feeling of anxiety and uncertainty about our future.

More so, I realized that this feeling of uneasiness is similar to the feeling I have on how slowly the world seemed to be responding to the existential threat of human-made climate change.

For some time now, we at FPH have been passionate and vocal advocates of the necessity for the Philippine energy sector to overhaul its energy strategy and shift towards a more progressive and more forward-looking decarbonized energy system and that it is important for our leaders and stakeholders to work together and create an environment that will promote and incentivize a long overdue change in behavior to take a more drastic pivot in favor of clean and renewable energy or suffer the consequences of climate-related disasters.

Renowned climate scientist turned political activist James Hansen, who I respect and admire, clearly describes the connection between the pandemic and climate change in that they are “both characterized by a **delayed response** which makes the problem and its solution more difficult.” Hmm, a delayed response by whom?

Hansen further adds, “with the virus the lags for an individual are between infection, appearance of symptoms, and ultimate response, which can potentially include death... with climate change the lags are between emissions, appearance of warming, and ultimate effects such as large sea level rise and species extinctions, which can potentially lead to social disorder and a more desolate world.”

Hansen then concludes, “We are in a race to find remedies in both cases, but the near-term focus on the virus provides a moment to assess the actions needed for climate. It is a **solvable problem**. It is inappropriate to pile stress on young people, by implying that it is too late for realistic actions to be effective.”

What can we take away from Hansen’s statements?

First, is that of the “delayed response” by whom? Clearly, he refers to all of us, our leaders and stakeholders, including politicians, businessmen, regulators, lenders, and even consumers.

The second takeaway worth emphasizing is that this is a “solvable problem”. It is not going to be easy but it is solvable and we have to accept the fact that we are going to live and cope with a harsher and more unpredictable environment. Whether it’s a pandemic or climate change, what is clear is that we all need to acknowledge the problem, work together, collaborate and take more decisive action!

Responding to the Climate Crisis

We, at FPH, have long advocated for socially responsible and environmentally conscious business operations. We can describe it as our “Powered by Good” Journey that has

consumed our thinking that has led to the critical decisions or pivots we have made and will make in this challenging and exciting adventure.

Today, more than ever, we remain committed to nurturing resilient business models to protect our country from the devastating effects of climate change.

Through our strategic investments in clean energy, real estate, construction, and electrical products and services, we honor our commitment to ***a mission of forging collaborative pathways to a decarbonized and regenerative future.***

Our success will be determined by how we engage and align our organization to champion a common mission and enable our subsidiaries to elaborate and clarify their own Purpose and Chosen Path.

You may have thought that a decarbonized and regenerative future only applies to our energy business but we see that it cuts across all of FPH's businesses. It is a way of unifying FPH's identity towards more progressive, forward-looking business models consistent with what are known today as ESG or Environmental, Social and Governance investment considerations.

We are seeing a remarkable rise in the attractiveness of ESG-focused investments that mitigate climate-related risk exposure. It enables us to access capital from investors with aligned interests.

Investors in the energy space have become more selective with the companies they invest in, favoring clean and renewable energy companies. Banks are now under more pressure to stop lending to coal projects. Increasingly, owners and developers are selling their stakes or shutting down their coal plants due to regulatory or economic reasons. More and more, large customers are taking responsibility in choosing where they buy their electricity.

It is also worth noting that we have attracted investors who believe in and support FPH's decarbonization story. We have brought in major financial and strategic partners like Macquarie Infrastructure and Government of Singapore Investment Corporation in EDC; Tokyo Gas of Japan for our LNG project; Sumitomo Corporation in FPIP; Mitsui Fudosan in Rockwell; Acciona of Spain in First Balfour; and more recently KKR, one of the largest global private equity investors, completed a voluntary offer for First Gen common shares and today own 12.5% of the Company. This \$195 million investment was remarkably completed in the midst of the current pandemic crisis.

OUR FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

The choices we make are always powered by our desire to do good. The conglomerate's stellar financial performance in 2019 demonstrates that there are economic benefits to taking the high road. We are proving that it can be done!

In 2019, FPH recorded an attributable recurring net income (RNI) of PhP11.98 billion, higher by PhP1.6 billion or 15.2%, compared to PhP10.4 billion in 2018. This increase was driven by the stronger operating results of our clean energy, real estate, and construction businesses.

Clean Energy

Our clean energy subsidiaries continue to lead the transition to a decarbonized energy system. In 2019, First Gen Corporation (First Gen), recorded an attributable RNI of PhP14.8 billion in 2019, 17.3% or PhP2.1 billion higher compared to PhP12.7 billion in 2018.

The increase can be attributed to the improved operating performance of EDC's geothermal plants in Leyte, as well as FG Hydro and Avion generating higher sales volume and average selling prices in the Wholesale Electricity Spot Market (WESM).

San Gabriel's full-year revenues from its Power Supply Agreement (PSA) with Meralco, also contributed to this growth.

Progress of the LNG project and terminal

We continued to focus on pioneering LNG to the country. Last May 2019, we celebrated together with our 20% partner Tokyo Gas, a traditional Kagami Biraki ground-breaking. In August 2019, the project was declared an "Energy Project of National Significance" signifying the support of the Department of Energy and the project's importance to the country's long-term energy security.

The LNG project will serve the needs of existing and future gas-fired power plants for both First Gen as well as third parties. This also allows Filipino consumers to benefit from clean, far less polluting and competitively priced electricity. It enables the entry of much needed renewable energy projects. It also encourages new large and small-scale gas plants throughout the many islands of our country to replace inefficient and more polluting diesel or oil-fired plants.

Accomplished detail study on the modified jetty

First Gen has also completed a detailed study on modifying its existing jetty at the First Gen Clean Energy Complex in Batangas City. Construction can proceed once the DOE approves our Permit to Construct application. The modified jetty will have the ability to receive large- and small-scale LNG vessels including Floating Storage Regasification Units (FSRUs).

Consistent with our chosen path, we will deploy our extensive four decades of experience in geothermal to provide uninterrupted power 24/7. Energy Development Corporation (EDC), a subsidiary of First Gen, had full return-to-service of its Unified Leyte and Tongonan power plants after recovery from the damages wrought by Typhoon Urduja in December 2017.

Through our real estate subsidiaries, we continue to nurture inclusive, well-tempered, and creative spaces that help elevate their surrounding communities and the environment.

Rockwell Land, our residential and commercial real estate business, saw big bets pay off as its brand gets stronger. Our Proscenium development in Makati is almost complete and strengthen our foothold in the premium segment condominium market. We also continued to invest outside Metro Manila, in growth locations such as Cebu and Bacolod, offering more curated, organized, densified, modern community living with larger common green spaces that move away from the more traditional carbon intensive, less efficient urban sprawl.

Owing to higher reservation sales and an increase in the occupancy rate of office and retail spaces, Rockwell Land netted a consolidated RNI of PhP2.8 billion in 2019, higher by 8%, compared to PhP2.6 billion in 2018. We also launched four (4) residential developments in 2019, namely: Terreno South in Lipa, Rockwell South at Carmelray, Larsen Tower in Sucat, and Nara Residences in Bacolod.

Gainful Employment

First Philippine Industrial Park (FPIP), our industrial real estate business, continues its mission of creating high-value jobs for Filipinos. In 2019, FPIP saw the influx of 66,000 employees from its locators, compared to 62,000 employees in 2018. The industrial park continues to attract a wide variety of locators from different industries, such as electronics, printing, aerospace, semiconductors, and fast-moving consumer goods (FMCG).

To better accommodate its growing number of locators, FPIP increased the leasable area of its ready-built facilities (RBF) to almost 110,000 square meters, and currently enjoys a 100% occupancy rate.

Owing to the increase in its recurring revenues from RBF leasing, FPIP recorded a consolidated RNI of PhP172 million in 2019, higher by 11%, compared to PhP155 million in 2018.

We plan to grow FPIP to enhance the manufacturing experience of our locators and to make it more livable for our locator employees. As such, we are master-planning a manufacturing-centered township community. Facilities such as improved infrastructure, more green spaces, accommodations such as dormitories, retail spaces, and office spaces will be designed to meet the critical needs of our locators and their employees.

Building Possibilities

First Balfour, our construction business, continues to be a valuable partner with local experience, lending its expertise to the development of large-scale infrastructure projects.

In 2019, First Balfour netted a consolidated RNI of PhP290 million, higher by 55%, compared to PhP187 million in 2018. This increase was primarily driven by higher construction revenues, coupled with improved earnings from its drilling subsidiary, Thermaprime, and its growing equipment rental business, T1 Rentals.

The construction of the 8.5-kilometer Cebu-Cordova Link Expressway (CCLEX) is now 49% completed. The expressway, which is scheduled to be completed in 2021, will help alleviate the traffic between Mactan and Cebu.

In 2019, First Balfour also officially started excavation for the Novaliches-Balara Aqueduct 4 Project (NBAQ4), to deliver bulk water from the La Mesa Dam to Balara in Quezon City. A tunnel-boring machine is being operated to excavate the 7.3-kilometer long and 3.1-meter diameter tunnel and underground aqueduct, passing under Commonwealth Avenue.

First Philec, Inc. (FPI), the only local manufacturer of high-quality electrical transformers, continues to support and customize solutions for electricity distribution utilities.

It has been the main supplier for six (6) private distribution utilities for three (3) straight years.

In 2019, FPI posted record revenues of PhP2.4 billion, however, RNI was lower by 11%, from PhP534 million in 2018 to PhP483 million due to the expiration of income tax holiday incentives during the year.

All in all, the favorable performance of FPH's diverse businesses in 2019 shows that we can achieve profitability through responsible, sustainable operations.

As a conglomerate, we can collectively achieve responsible growth through the integration of low-carbon operations, the protection of nature's integrity and enhancement of social inclusion.

Creating Value through Integrated Thinking

This year, we are shifting from the Global Reporting Initiative to the Integrated Reporting framework to more clearly connect our company's value creation process with productive capitals such as financial, manufactured, intellectual, natural, social, and human capital.

Through integrated reporting, stakeholders will see how we position our businesses in the context of our aspirations for a low-carbon and more sustainable future. It also reflects clear targets to balance the company's financial aspirations while addressing the challenges of the climate crisis.

Pulitzer Prize-Winning author and New York Times columnist Thomas Friedman was asked about the pandemic and the environment in a Harvard Business Publishing interview during the quarantine. His response cannot be any clearer.

He mentioned that "this [pandemic] is of course the warm up act for the big one. And the big one is climate change. And there are two differences between a pandemic and climate change. The first is climate change doesn't peak.

If the Greenland and Antarctic ice shelf melts, they're gone. They will be permanently boiled by the sun. The oceans will rise.

And the second difference between pandemics and climate change is there is no herd immunity to climate change. ***There is just a relentless pounding on the herd.***

Friedman concludes by saying “If this is not a wake up for that, I really don’t know what is.”

I don’t know about you, but the concept of a continuous and relentless pounding of the herd is quite frightening to even imagine.

We have to try our best to avoid it and prepare for a difficult journey ahead.

But we need to take decisive action today!

In a world where we can no longer ignore the existential threat posed by the climate crisis, creating value through collaboration and innovative thinking can help us be more mindful of the way we conduct our business.

Amid rising temperatures and devastating natural calamities, **we just simply cannot quit. We have to believe that we collectively have the power to address the ongoing climate crisis and secure a better future for the next generation.**

FPH’s mission to forge collaborative pathways towards a decarbonized and regenerative future is precisely the direction we are embracing. It is a mission that inspires us to take on worthwhile challenges.

While the full impact of this global pandemic remains to be seen, we remain steadfast in our commitment to continue providing our basic services to the public. As the country copes with the pandemic, we commit to keep the lights on and power running in this critical time.

Thank you for all your support.