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CADPI assures safety of 16 injured APB casual workers

NASUGBU, BATANGAS — Central Azucarera Don Pedro, Inc. (CADPI), the Batangas-based sugar subsidiary of listed Roxas Holdings, Inc. (RHI) (**PSEi: ROX**), today assured the safety of 16 casual workers of Arlo P. Brucal (APB) Construction and General Services injured in an accident at the plant last Friday, 18 April 2014.

In a statement, RHI President and CEO Renato C. Valencia said the injured APB casual workers, who sustained skin burns and suffered eye irritation due to a toxic chemical shower, are now out of danger.

“We are glad that all 16 APB casual workers injured in the accident at the plant are now safe and are recovering. Only three remain confined at the Western Batangas Medical Center in Balayan for treatment,” Mr. Valencia said.

CADPI President and COO Arcadio S. Lozada, Jr. assured that the situation of the 16 APB casual workers will be monitored continuously.

“This is the first time that an incident of this nature occurred since CADPI contracted APB to do the regular cleaning of our plant since 1989. Reports showed there was a toxic chemical shower that injured the workers after a valve containing toxic liquid was inadvertently turned on in the process of cleaning. We will continue to monitor the workers’ situation and provide medical assistance to ensure that they are out of danger,” Mr. Lozada said.

CADPI OIC-Resident Manager Simon P. Turno III said the injured workers were given first aid treatment at CADP Hospital before they were rushed to the hospital in Balayan.

“The incident happened at around 6:30pm last Friday at the Boiling House Evaporator Station after some workers allegedly deviated from the regular work flow in order to finish early in time for the observance of the Holy Week,” Mr. Turno said.

CADPI has launched an investigation into the incident and has assured the public that it will continue to uphold the welfare of its employees and partners as it pursues fairness and transparency in all its transactions.

ROXAS HOLDINGS, INC. (RHI)(PSEi: ROX), a bio-sugar and bio-energy company, is the largest integrated sugar business in the Philippines. It manages 100% of Central Azucarera Don Pedro, Inc. in Nasugbu, Batangas, and Central Azucarera de la Carlota, Inc. and Roxol Bioenergy Corporation in La Carlota, Negros Occidental. It also holds 45%-stake in affiliate Hawaiian-Philippine Company. For inquiries, contact Roulee Jane F. Calayag at (02) 810 8901.