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

I. Date of Report (Da	ate of earliest event reported)
Jun 7, 2021	
2. SEC Identification Number	
A199600179	
3. BIR Tax Identificat	ion No.
004-6688-224	
4. Exact name of issu	uer as specified in its charter
NOW CORPORA	ATION
5. Province, country or other jurisdiction of incorporation	
METRO MANILA, PHILIPPINES	
6. Industry Classification Code(SEC Use Only)	
7. Address of princip	al office
Unit 5-I, 5th Floo Postal Code 1229	r OPL Building, 100 C. Palanca Street, Legaspi Village, Makati City
	number, including area code
+632 7750-0211	
Former name or for	ormer address, if changed since last report
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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
Common	1,806,726,314
11. Indicate the item	numbers reported herein

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PSE Disclosure Form 4-13 - Clarification of News Reports References: SRC Rule 17 (SEC Form 17-C) and Section 4.4 of the Revised Disclosure Rules

Subject of the Disclosure

Clarification of the News Article

Source	BusinessMirror (Online Edition)	
Subject of News Report "CA upholds validity of NTC circular covering new telcos"		
Date of Publication	Jun 7, 2021	

Clarification of News Report

NOW Corporation comments on/clarifies the article that was published today, 07 June 2021, in BusinessMirror (Online Edition) which stated in part that:

"THE Court of Appeals (CA) has declared valid the circular issued by the National Telecommunications Commission (NTC) requiring new players in the telecom industry to post between P14 billion and P24.7 billion in participation and performance securities.

Thus, in a 38-page decision, penned by Associate Justice Alfredo Ampuan, the CA's First Division dismissed the bid of Now Telecom Company Inc. to participate as a new major player (NMP) in the telecom industry.

The appellate court upheld the order issued by the Regional Trial Court (RTC), Branch 42, Manila dated November 5, 2018 denying Now Telecom's petition seeking to scrap the implementation of the said NTC circular.

In its November 5, 2018 order, the trial court held that the petitioner failed to show proof that it has an actual or existing right to be protected from the implementation of the NTC circular.

'Even without DICT [Department of Information and Communications Technology] Memorandum Order No. 1 Series of 2018, the NTC, by law, had the authority to issue subject circular and impose certain reservations or qualifications with respect to the entry of participants to become NMP and, subsequently, to the grant of a CPCN in the NMP's favor,' the CA explained.

'Moreover, contrary to petitioner's contentions, the subject circular is not confiscatory and anti-competitive in nature,' it said.

Furthermore, the CA said the imposition of the securities and appeal fee cannot be said to be confiscatory and anticompetitive.

'The imposition, albeit excessive to the mind of petitioner, was proper as it was issued precisely to ensure that only qualified and capable bidders could participate in the selection of the NMP,' the CA noted.

In the case of Now Telecom, the trial court found out that it has no vested right over the radio frequencies that it sought to possess by virtue of its legislative franchise since it has no paid up capital of P10 billion when the complaint was filed.

The trial court also noted that the telco company admitted that it has yet to form a consortium that will render it a participant as NMP, having a combined and aggregate capital of P10 billion.

. . . ."

NOW Corporation clarifies that it is not a party to the Court of Appeals case referred to in the news article which involves NOW Telecom Company, Inc. ("NOW Telecom"), one of its affiliate companies.

As it is not a party to said case, NOW Corporation has no knowledge of the details surrounding the alleged Court of Appeals decision. However, the article erroneously makes it appear that the court denied NOW Telecom's participation in the selection proceedings for the New Major Player when the truth of the matter was NOW Telecom voluntarily chose not to participate therein.

NOW Corporation has been advised that NOW Telecom has yet to receive the alleged Court of Appeals decision. Thus, it is still subject to NOW Telecom's legal remedies and therefore, not yet final. Further, the legal issues raised in the case are still covered by the sub judice rule which restricts comments and disclosures on legal issues in pending judicial proceedings.

Other Relevant Information

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