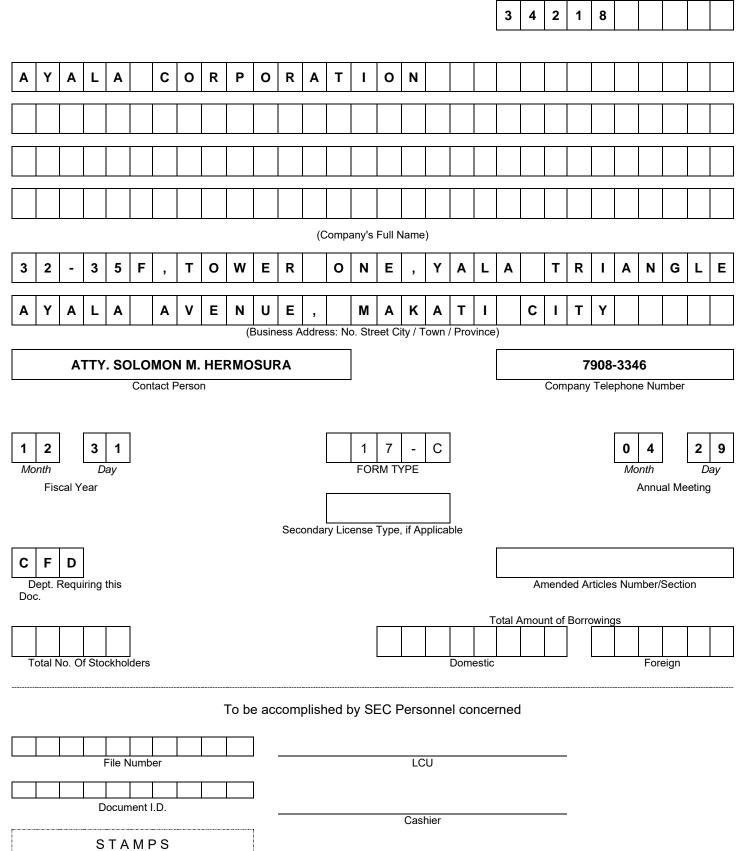
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## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

## SEC FORM 17-C

## CURRENT REPORT UNDER SECTION 17 OF THE SECURITIES REGULATIONS CODE (SRC) AND SRC RULE 17(a)-1(b)(3) THEREUNDER

1.	May 23, 2022		
	Date of Report (Date of earliest event re	ported)	
2.	34218	3. 000-153-610-00	00
	SEC Identification Number	BIR Tax Identifie	cation Number
4.	AYALA CORPORATION		
	Exact Name of registrant as specified in	its charter	
5.	PHILIPPINES	6.	(SEC Use Only)
	Province, country or other jurisdiction of incorporation	Industry Class	sification Code
7.	32F to 35F , Tower One and Exchang Ayala Avenue, Makati City	e Plaza, Ayala Triangle,	1226
	Address of principal office		Postal code
8.	(02)7908-3000		
	Registrant's telephone number, includin	g area code	
9.	N/A		
	Former name or former address, if chan	ged since last report	
10.	Securities registered pursuant to Section	ns 4 and 8 of the SRC	
	Title of Each Class	Number of Shares o Outstanding and Amount	
	<b>Common Shares</b>	619,718,737 shares	
	<b>Preferred B Series 1 Shares</b>	20,000,000	
	<b>Preferred B Series 2 Shares</b>	30,000,000	
	Voting Preferred Shares	200,000,00	0 shares
		: Item 9- Othe	er Events
	nearth Dividend Distribution Ordaling		
Re: Pr	operty Dividend Distribution Guidelines		

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

AYALA CORPORATION

Registrant

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Melody B. Trinidad Compliance Manager

Date : May 23, 2022

\* Print name and title of the signing officer under the signature.



May 23, 2022

## **Securities and Exchange Commission**

Secretariat Building, PICC Complex Roxas Boulevard, Metro Manila Philippines

> Attention: Director Vicente Graciano P. Felizmenio, Jr. Director, Markets & Securities Regulation Department

## Philippine Stock Exchange, Inc.

6/F, PSE Tower, 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue corner 28<sup>th</sup> Street, Bonifacio Global City, Taguig City

> Attention: Ms. Alexandra D. Tom Wong OIC, Disclosure Department

## **Philippine Dealing and Exchange Corporation**

29<sup>th</sup> Floor, BDO Equitable Tower 8751 Paseo de Roxas, Makati City 1226

> Attention: Atty. Marie Rose M. Magallen-Lirio Head, Issuer Compliance and Disclosure Department

## Ayala Corporation's Property Dividend Distribution Guidelines

## Gentlemen:

Further to our disclosures on 29 April 2022 and 12 May 2022, please find enclosed the Advisory to our Stockholders notifying them of the guidelines for the property dividend distribution.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

SOLOMON M. HERMOSURA Corporate Secretary and Chief Legal Officer

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ADVISORY TO STOCKHOLDERS Property Dividend Distribution Guidelines

The Board of Directors of Ayala Corporation (the "Corporation") approved on 29 April 2022, and confirmed on 12 May 2022, the declaration of property dividends consisting of three (3) common shares of AC Energy Corporation ("ACEN") for every one (1) common share of the Corporation (the "Property Dividend") to all eligible stockholders of the Corporation as of the record date of 27 May 2022 (the "Stockholders"). The date of actual distribution of the Property Dividend (together with the concomitant rights) to the Stockholders, net of applicable final withholding tax, shall be determined and set at a future date, subject to regulatory approvals (the "Payment Date").

The Corporation will not be distributing fractional shares and no shareholder shall be entitled to any fractional shares. Any fractional shares arising out of the Corporation's withholding of a portion of the Property Dividend for purposes of payment for the withholding tax due shall not be distributed to the shareholders.

#### I. Prescribed Final Withholding Tax Rates

The Property Dividend will be subject to the following final withholding tax rates prescribed under the National Internal Revenue Code, as amended (NIRC):

Taxpayer Classification	Final Withholding Tax Rate
Individual citizen	10%
Individual resident alien	10%
Individual non-resident alien engaged in trade or	20%
business	
Individual non-resident alien not engaged in trade or	
business:	
a. Applying for tax treaty relief	10% to 25%, depending on the rate under the tax
	treaty
b. Not applying for tax treaty relief	25%
Domestic corporation	0%
Resident foreign corporation	0%
Non-resident foreign corporation	
a. Availing of tax exemption under the NIRC	0%
b. Availing of tax sparing under the NIRC	15%
c. Applying for tax treaty relief	10% to 25%, depending on the rate under the tax
	treaty

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	d. Not availing of any tax exemption or relief	25%
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## II. Computation and Payment of Withholding Tax on the Property Dividend

Final withholding tax shall be computed based on the fair market value of an ACEN share (the "FMV"), which shall be its closing price in the Philippine Stock Exchange (the "PSE") as of 27 May 2022, the record date (the "Record Date"). The Corporation shall withhold or retain such number of shares with FMV equivalent to the final tax due on the Property Dividend, as may be applicable.

	No. of Shares	FMV/Share	Value
AC Shares Held	770		
Divided by:	1 AC share:3 ACEN shares		
Entitlement Ratio			
Gross Entitlement	2,310 ACEN shares	PhP7.06	PhP16,308.60
Less: Withholding Tax	578 ACEN shares	PhP7.06	PhP4,077.15
Net Entitlement	1,732 ACEN shares		

A sample computation will be:

The above sample computation assumes a closing price of PhP7.06 on Record Date and an applicable dividend tax rate of 25%. Different tax rates will apply to different types of shareholders, and some shareholders may opt to apply for preferential tax rates.

The Corporation will not be distributing fractional shares and no shareholder shall be entitled to any fractional shares. Any fractional shares arising out of the Corporation's withholding of a portion of the Property Dividend for purposes of payment for the withholding tax due shall not be distributed to the shareholders.

#### **III. Submission of Documentary Requirements**

Stockholders claiming entitlement to tax exemptions or preferential tax rates on dividend income are required to submit the tax documentary requirements listed below to the Corporation's stock transfer agent, BPI Stock Transfer Office (the "Transfer Agent"), in such a manner as to ensure receipt thereof by the Transfer Agent on or before **1 June 2022** at the address indicated below. In this regard, we encourage the submission of documents by courier to facilitate timely receipt. For Stockholders whose shares in the Corporation are lodged with a broker, custodian bank or a depository participant of the Philippine Depository & Trust Corp. (each, a "Depository Participant"), copies of the same documents must be provided to such Depository Participant. The list of the tax documentary requirements to avail of preferential tax rates are also listed below.

## **BPI STOCK TRANSFER OFFICE**

3/F BPI Buendia Center 372 Sen. Gil Puyat Ave. Makati City 1209 Attention: Ms. Christine Gaile P. Malonzo / Mr. Jethro R. Tuboro

		Withholding Tax Rate	
Taxpayer Classification	Supporting Documents	With	Without Supporting
	Required	Supporting	Documents/With Incomplete
		Documents	Supporting Documents/Late
			Submission of Supporting
			Documents
Domestic Corporation	Original or SEC-Certified	0%	25% [default tax rate is based
	True Copy (CTC) of		on the rate for non-resident
	Certificate of Registration		foreign corporation]

	and Articles of		
	Incorporation (AOI)		
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Resident Foreign	SEC-CTC of SEC License	0%	25%
Corporation	To Do Business		
Non-Resident Foreign			
Corporation (NRFC)			
availing of:			
a. Tax exemption	a. a current and valid BIR-	0%	25%
under the NIRC	certified true copy of the		
	tax exemption certificate,		
	ruling or opinion issued by		
	the BIR (dated no earlier		
	than required to be		
	considered valid under		
	applicable tax regulations		
	at the relevant time),		
	addressed to the		
	Stockholder, confirming		
	its exemption from the		
	final withholding tax OR		
	any document proving		
	that it is a foreign		
	government or any of its		
	instrumentalities [Section		
	32(B)(7) of the Tax Code]		
	52(B)(7) of the Tax Code]		
	b. Original, notarized and		
	consularized/apostilled (if		
	applicable) Affidavit of		
	Undertaking (please refer		
	to Annex A)		
h Tax sparing	a. a current and valid BIR-	15%	25%
b. Tax sparing		13%	23%
	certified true copy of the		
	ruling or opinion issued by		
	the BIR (dated no earlier		
	than required to be		
	considered valid under		
	applicable tax regulations		
	at the relevant time),		
	addressed to the		
	Stockholder, confirming		
	its entitlement to tax		
	sparing benefits		
	b. Original, notarized and		
	consularized/apostilled (if		
	applicable) Affidavit of		
	Undertaking		
	OR		

<b></b>			[]
c. Tax Treaty Relief – Reduced Treaty Rate	<ul> <li>a. Original, notarized and consularized/apostilled Tax Residency Certificate duly issued by the respective foreign tax authority of the country of the Stockholder</li> <li>b. Proof that Domicile Country allows the tax as credit or does not impose taxes on foreign-sourced dividends</li> <li>c. Original, notarized and consularized/apostilled (if applicable) Affidavit of Undertaking</li> <li>a. Original BIR Form 0901-D (Application For Treaty Purposes Form) with proof of receipt by the concerned office of the BIR</li> <li>b. Original, notarized and consularized/apostilled</li> <li>c. Original, notarized and consularized/apostilled</li> <li>c. Original BIR Form 0901-D (Application For Treaty Purposes Form) with proof of receipt by the concerned office of the BIR</li> <li>b. Original, notarized and consularized/apostilled</li> <li>Tax Residency Certificate duly issued by the respective foreign tax authority of the country of the Stockholder</li> <li>c. the relevant provision of the tax treaty providing for the claimed preferential tax rate</li> </ul>	10% to 25% whichever is applicable under the tax treaty	25%
	d. Original, notarized and consularized/apostilled (if applicable) Affidavit of Undertaking		
d. Not availing of any tax relief	None	25% 10%	25%
Filipino citizen	Photocopy of any one of the following:	10%	25%
	a. Birth Certificate; or		

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	b. Valid Philippine Passport; or		
	c. Valid Philippine Driver's License; or		
	d. Any valid government issued ID such as SSS, GSIS, PRC, etc.		
Resident Alien	Photocopy of Passport with duly stamped Philippine VISA and any of the following:	10%	25%
	a. Valid Alien Certificate of Registration (ACR) or I-card or any other ID issued by the Bureau of Immigration; or		
	b. Latest Philippine Income Tax Return		
Non-Resident Alien			
a. Engaged in trade or business	a. Passport showing exact number of days of stay in the Philippines for an aggregate period of more than 180 days during the calendar year; or	20%	25%
	b. Latest Philippine Income Tax Return		
b. Not engaged in trade or business availing of tax treaty relief	a. Original BIR Form 0901-D (Application For Treaty Purposes Form) with proof of receipt by the concerned office of the BIR	10% to 25% depending on the applicable tax treaty	25%
	b. Original, notarized and consularized/apostilled Tax Residency Certificate duly issued by the respective foreign tax authority of the country of the Stockholder c. the relevant provision of the tax treaty providing for the claimed preferential tax rate		

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	<ul> <li>d. Original, notarized and consularized/apostilled (if applicable) Affidavit of Undertaking</li> <li>e. confirmation acceptable to the Corporation that the Stockholder is not doing business in the Philippines to support the applicability of tax treaty relief</li> </ul>		
Retirement Funds	<ul> <li>a. BIR Registration of Retirement Fund</li> <li>b. BIR Ruling – current (after 1998)</li> <li>For Dividends – exempted by provisions of Sec. 60 (B) of the Tax Code, as amended.</li> </ul>	0%	10%
Trust Funds	Underlying composition of the trust fund, following the regulations for withholding tax, whichever is applicable: 1. Domestic Corporation 2. Individuals 3. Retirement Funds	Please refer to the tax rates above, whichever is applicable	10%

## IV. Distribution of Property Dividend on Payment Date

The Property Dividend shall be delivered to the Stockholders on Payment Date as follows:

## For Certificated Shareholders:

Stock certificates covering the Property Dividend, net of the portion retained by the Corporation for tax withholding purposes, shall be made available for pick up by the relevant Stockholders or their authorized representative at the office of the Transfer Agent.

#### For Scripless Shareholders:

Property Dividend, net of the portion retained by the Corporation for tax withholding purposes, shall be delivered to the relevant Depository Participants with whom the Stockholder maintains the account holding the common shares of the Corporation as of the Record Date, and the Depository Participants shall subsequently credit such Dividend Shares to the respective Stockholder accounts.

The Payment Date and additional details on the actual distribution of the Property Dividend will be disclosed in a subsequent Advisory after all relevant regulatory approvals have been obtained.

#### V. Contact Information

For any questions on the foregoing, you may contact any of the following:

BPI Stock Transfer Office
3/F BPI Buendia Center
372 Sen. Gil Puyat Ave.,
Makati City 1209
Attention: Ms. Christine Gaile P. Malonzo / Mr. Jethro R. Tuboro

Ayala Corporation Office of the Corporate Secretary <u>corporatesecretary@ayala.com.ph</u> Attention: Atty. Solomon M. Hermosura

#### ANNEX A - AFFIDAVIT OF UNDERTAKING

[Name of Individual], [citizenship and civil status], with residence address at [address] / [Name of Entity], [Country of Domicile], with office address at [address] (the "Stockholder"), after having been sworn in accordance with law hereby depose and state that:

- 1. The Stockholder represents and warrants to Ayala Corporation (the "Corporation") that it is, a [nature/description], specifically entitled to tax benefits provided under [tax exemption basis: statutory provision, applicability of a tax treaty, BIR ruling or opinion] resulting in [taxation benefit and its effect].
- 2. The Stockholder represents and warrants that: (a) it is entitled to tax exemption or a preferential tax rate on dividend income from the property dividends declared by the Corporation consisting of common shares of AC Energy Corporation ("ACEN shares") at the ratio of 3 ACEN shares for every 1 common share of the Corporation (the "Property Dividends"); (b) the tax exemption of the Stockholder subsists and has not been cancelled; and (c) the Stockholder is not aware of any event that will lead to the revocation or cancellation of its certificate of tax exemption, if applicable.
- 3. The Stockholder undertakes and warrants that it shall: (a) promptly provide such other documentary requirements as may be required by the Corporation under the applicable regulations of the relevant taxing or other authorities for the purpose of claiming tax treaty or withholding rate benefits; and (b) promptly advise the Corporation or its Transfer Agent, BPI Stock Transfer Office ("BPI STO") of any change in circumstance, relevant treaty, law, or regulation that may or would result in in the dividend income of the Property Dividends being ineligible to the benefits described in paragraph 1 above or otherwise being made subject to tax.
- 4. The Stockholder undertakes to notify the Corporation and BPI STO immediately of any order, ruling, amendment or supervening event that would result in the suspension or revocation of the above tax benefits claimed by the Stockholder.
- 5. The Stockholder hereby authorizes the Corporation and BPI STO to rely solely on the foregoing representations. In view of the tax benefits described in paragraph 1 above, the Corporation is directed not to withhold tax or to otherwise reduce the rate of withholding tax due on the Property Dividends to the extent provided under the tax benefits claimed by the Stockholder. In this connection and as applicable, the Corporation is hereby authorized to unilaterally withhold or retain a number of ACEN shares equivalent to the value of the withholding tax due on the Property Dividends, as payment for the tax due.
- 6. The Stockholder hereby holds the Corporation and BPI STO free and harmless from, and undertakes to indemnify the Corporation and BPI STO against any and all obligations (including any tax obligation together with surcharges, penalties, and interests), actions, charges, claims, costs and other expenses that Ayala Corporation and BPI STO may incur or be subjected to on account of their reliance on the foregoing representation, warranties, and directive. The Stockholder assumes all risks and liabilities arising out of its representation that it is a tax-exempt entity (or an entity entitled to a reduced rate of withholding tax under a tax treaty) and its directive to Ayala Corporation not to effect any withholding (or to effect a reduced rate of withholding) on the Property Dividends.
- 7. In the event any assessment notice is issued against the Corporation, despite presentation of the Stockholder's Tax Exempt/Treaty Documents, the Stockholder shall pay the amount of the assessment (including interests and penalties, if any) subject of the assessment notice within the prescribed period or prosecute the appropriate protest and/or enter into a compromise agreement

with the taxing authority, without recourse to the Corporation and BPI STO. The Stockholder shall indemnify and hold the Corporation and BPI STO free and harmless against all tax obligations, fees, charges, and costs associated with such final assessment notice.

8. Notwithstanding the submission by the Stockholder or the receipt by Ayala Corporation and BPI Stock Transfer Office of the documentary proof of the tax-exempt status or entitlement to preferential tax rate of a Stockholder as well as this Affidavit of Undertaking, Ayala Corporation may, in its sole and reasonable discretion determine that the Stockholder is taxable or not entitled to the preferential tax rate, and accordingly proceed to apply the final withholding tax due on the Property Dividends through the withholding of a certain portion of the Property Dividends corresponding to the value of the tax due.

or

Name of Stockholder By:

[Name] [Position]

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me this \_\_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_, affiant exhibiting to me his/her government-issued ID as follows:

Name	Government-issued ID	Date and Place of Issuance

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