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PROF. PROSE IVY G. YEPES

University President
Visayas State University

Through:

DR. JANNET C. BENCURE

Dean, Faculty of Engineering
Visayas State University

Dear **Dr. Yepes**:

Greetings of peace!

I am writing to formally express my interest in the **Assistant Professor II** position at VSU Department of Civil Engineering. With a background in geotechnical engineering, academic experience, and a passion for teaching and research, I am eager to contribute to the department's mission of academic excellence and research-driven innovation.

My qualifications align with the job requirements as follows:

Educational Attainment:

- Master of Science in Geotechnical and Earth Resources Engineering, Asian Institute of Technology – Thailand (2024) with distinction – The Chin Fung Kee Memorial Prize for Outstanding Academic Performance
- Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering, Visayas State University (2019) – CE Capstone Project of the Year Award

Professional Eligibility:

- Licensed Civil Engineer (PRC ID No. 0172774, updated)

Academic and Research Experience:

- Instructor at Visayas State University (2020-Present), teaching basic and professional civil engineering courses such as Soil Mechanics and Foundation Engineering, Engineering Geology, Engineering Mathematics, and Hydraulics.
- Department Head, VSU Department of Civil Engineering (January 2025-Present).
- Project Leader of the on-going research entitled "Development of a Coupled Geotechnical-Hydrometeorological Framework in the Analysis and Risk Management of Soil Slope and Embankment Failures" and with a scopus-indexed publication.
- Attended several training programs related to Civil/Geotechnical Engineering and Outcomes-Based Engineering Education (OBEE).

I am aware of the high standards of excellence upheld by the university and I am confident that my academic background, combined with my enthusiasm for teaching and research, make me a strong candidate for this faculty position.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,



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