

**Fenomena Fumarol di Desa Banuaji, Kecamatan Adiankoting, Kabupaten Tapanuli Utara/Phenomenon of Fumarole at Banuaji Village, Adiankoting Subdistrict, North Tapanuli Regency**

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Jakarta – Sarulla Operation Ltd. (SOL) telah berkoordinasi dengan Pemerintah Daerah Kabupaten Tapanuli Utara dan Kepolisian Resort Tapanuli Utara terkait unjuk rasa atas nama masyarakat Desa Banuaji perihal adanya gelembung cairan panas (fumarol) yang terjadi di Desa Banuaji IV, Kecamatan Adiankoting, Kabupaten Tapanuli Utara.

Kepala Teknik Panas Bumi (KTPB) Sarulla Operations Ltd. Donny Tambunan mengatakan “fenomena fumarol atau keluarnya uap air dan gas (seperti karbon dioksida, belerang dioksida, asam klorida, dan hidrogen sulfida) ke permukaan merupakan salah satu bentuk jenis-jenis manifestasi alam didalam sesar besar Sumatera yang memiliki tektonik aktif. Desa Banuaji berlokasi sekitar 10km ke arah Barat Laut di atas hulu dari lokasi produksi PLTP Sarulla. Lokasinya cukup jauh dari wilayah operasional PLTP Sarulla dan Desa Banuaji juga tidak terkategori sebagai desa terdampak dalam AMDAL (Analisis Mengenai Dampak Lingkungan) milik SOL. Sehingga, dapat disimpulkan bahwa apa yang terjadi di Desa Banuaji tidak terkait dengan kegiatan operasional SOL.” lanjut Donny.

*Jakarta - Sarulla Operation Ltd. (SOL) has coordinated with the Regency of North Tapanuli and Police Resort of North Tapanuli in regards the people stage of Banuaji Village regarding the hot liquid bubbles (fumarole) occurred at Banuaji Village IV, Adiankoting Subdistrict, North Tapanuli Regency.*

*Head of Geothermal Engineering (KTPB) Sarulla Operations Ltd. Donny Tambunan said, "fumarole phenomenon or the appearing of steam and gas (such carbon dioxide, sulfur dioxide, acid chloride and hydrogen sulfide) to the surface is a natural manifestation form within great Sumatera fault that is tectonically active. Banuaji village is located approximately 10km of North West of the upstream side of PLTP Sarulla production location. It is quite far from the current operational area of PLTP Sarulla and Banuaji village is also not categorized as affected village in SOL's Environmental Impact Assessment (AMDAL). Therefore, we could summarize that what happen in Banuaji village is not correlated with SOL operational activities." Donny continued.*

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