

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**

1. **23 September 2024**
Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)
2. SEC Identification Number **21134**
3. BIR Tax Identification No. **000-234-398**
4. **VITARICH CORPORATION**
Exact name of issuer as specified in its charter
5. **Bulacan, Philippines**
Province, country or other jurisdiction
of incorporation
6. (SEC Use Only)
Industry Classification Code:
7. **Marilao San Jose Road, Sta. Rosa I, Marilao, Bulacan** **3019**
Address of principal office Postal Code
8. **(+632) 8843-3033**
Issuer's telephone number, including area code
9. **Not applicable**
Former name or former address, if changed since last report
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 |
|--|---|
| <u>Common Stock</u> | <u>3,054,334,014</u> |
| <u>Total Shares Issued and Outstanding</u> | |

11. Indicate the item numbers reported herein: **Item 9. Other Events**

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Attached is the full Press Release of Vitarich Corporation.

SIGNATURES

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

Registrant - **VITARICH CORPORATION**

By:



ATTY. MARY CHRISTINE DABU-PEPITO
Assistant Corporate Secretary, Corporate
Information Officer and Compliance Officer

Date: 23 September 2024

PRESS RELEASE

Vitarich receives first Golden Arrow Award for commitment to good corporate governance



Vitarich Chairman Jose Vicente C. Bengzon III accepts the award

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"It is a privilege to be recognized for the work we do to uphold transparency and governance," said Jose Vicente C. Bengzon, III, VITA Chairman. "We believe strong corporate governance is essential for sustainable growth. We are committed to continuously improve our governance standards to meet and exceed stakeholder expectations."

"Transparency is at the core of our operations," said Rocco Sarmiento, VITA CEO. "By openly communicating our challenges and successes, we build trust and foster stronger relationships with our investors, partners, and customers."

The ACGS conforms with the Philippine Code of Corporate Governance and internationally recommended corporate governance practices. It measures the performance of companies in facilitating the rights and the equitable treatment of shareholders, in managing overall stakeholder relations, and in ensuring transparency and accountability through timely disclosure of material information. The ACGS also assesses how the board guides the company



strategically, monitors the management, and ensures its accountability to the company and the shareholders.

About Vitarich Corporation

Vitarich Corporation (PSE: VITA) is a leading poultry integrator and manufacturer of animal feeds and food products in the Philippines. Certified to international standards for sanitation, food safety, and quality, VITA operates in three primary industry segments: feeds, foods, and farms—forging livelihood and nourishing lives. For more information, visit vitarich.com or contact ir@vitarich.com.

Forward-looking statements

This disclosure contains forward-looking statements that are, by their nature, subject to risks and uncertainties. Such forward-looking statements are made based on management's current expectations or beliefs as well as assumptions made by, and information currently available to, management. Because actual results may differ from those contemplated in the forward-looking statements, undue reliance must not be placed upon them.