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US Companies to Invest in Construction and Mineral Processing Sector

Jakarta, June 25th 2016 – A number of United States companies showed their interest to make investments in construction and mineral processing sector. Officials of those companies have told the Indonesia Investment Coordinating Board (BKPM) representative office, known as Indonesia Investment Promotion Center (IIPC), in New York about their intention to establish a representative office in Indonesia. Through the office, those companies will conduct market researches first prior to entering the Indonesian market.

According to Franky Sibarani, Chairman of BKPM, several construction and mineral processing companies are going to expand their business in Indonesia in the form of area expansion or business diversification. Furthermore, one of the construction company is planning to take part in the infrastructure projects that are currently blooming in Indonesia.

“Outward investment coming from the US is among the highest, but when it comes to investment realization, the number is hitting a low point. We are optimist, since the US investors are recently showing a growing interest to invest in Indonesia. BKPM through its representative office in New York will keep guiding those interests; we will provide them all the assistances needed in order for their investment to come into realization,” Franky explained in his official statement to the media, Saturday (6/25).

IIPC in New York has informed the US investors about the online licensing system and the Integrated One-Stop Service (PTSP Pusat), two of BKPM’s breakthroughs that will ease the investment-making process in Indonesia. “A lot of companies are asking about the procedure in order to be involved in the growing infrastructure projects in Indonesia, and it has been explained in details by our office in New York. We also keep maintaining a communication with representatives of those companies,” he added.

Director of IIPC in New York, Rahardjo Siswohartono, stated that his team is not only being perceptive when facilitating all the investor needs, but also actively organize investment promotion events to capture US companies’ enthusiasm in investing in Indonesia. “We keep working on attracting investors to invest in Indonesia through our promotion programs, cooperating with BKPM Marketing Officer team and also Indonesian government representatives in the US,” he explained.

The United States is on the priority list of investment marketing destination country. In 2015, BKPM noted that the total value of US investment realization reached USD 893 million consisting of 261 projects and dominated by project in mining sector. Meanwhile for the investment commitment, there were 76 projects worth about USD 4.8 billion.
For 2016, BKPM has set the investment realization target at the figure of IDR 594.8 trillion or 14.4% higher than the target in 2015. This will be contributed by foreign direct investment (PMA) target which is valued at IDR 386.4 trillion or 12.6% higher than last year’s PMA target and by domestic investment (PMDN) target worth IDR 208.4 trillion or 18.4% higher than of last years’s. To accomplish such a feat, BKPM has set 10 countries as investment priority countries, covering the United States, Australia, Singapore, Japan, South Korea, Taiwan, China, Middle East, Malaysia, and the United Kingdom.

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