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FIRST PACIFIC COMPANY LIMITED

第一太平有限公司

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(Stock Code: 00142)

ANNOUNCEMENT MADE BY

PHILEX MINING CORPORATION

IN RELATION TO ITS UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL RESULTS

FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2012

This Announcement is made by First Pacific Company Limited (“First Pacific” or the “Company”) pursuant to the requirements of Rule 13.09 of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (“HKEX”) to provide shareholders of First Pacific and the public with the unaudited consolidated financial results of Philex Mining Corporation (“Philex”), a major operating associate of the Company, for the six months ended 30 June 2012.

Summary

On 25 July 2012, the board of directors of Philex approved the release of the unaudited consolidated financial results for the six months ended 30 June 2012. Philex’s unaudited consolidated financial results have been submitted to the Philippine Stock Exchange on 25 July 2012, and have also been disclosed as the Company’s Overseas Regulatory Announcement on the websites of the HKEX and the Company.

Philex, a major operating associate of First Pacific, is a company incorporated in the Philippines whose shares are listed on the Philippine Stock Exchange. First Pacific holds a 31.3% economic interest in Philex (Two Rivers Pacific Holdings Corporation, a Philippine affiliate of First Pacific, holds an additional 15.0% interest in Philex). On 25 July 2012, the board of directors of Philex approved the release of the unaudited consolidated financial results for the six months ended 30 June 2012. Philex’s unaudited consolidated financial results have been submitted to the Philippine Stock Exchange on 25 July 2012, which have also been disclosed as the Company’s Overseas Regulatory Announcement on the websites of the HKEX and the Company. The unaudited consolidated financial statements have been prepared in conformity with the Philippine Financial Reporting Standards. Philex’s unaudited Consolidated Statement of Income for the six months ended 30 June 2012 and the unaudited Consolidated Balance Sheet as at 30 June 2012 are provided below:

PHILEX MINING CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (UNAUDITED)
FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2012 AND 2011

(Amounts in Peso Thousands, except Earnings Per Share which are in Peso)

	2012	2011
REVENUE		
Gold	4,071,124	4,400,996
Copper	3,259,506	3,318,417
Silver	<u>67,707</u>	<u>100,445</u>
	7,398,337	7,819,858
Less: Marketing charges	<u>360,648</u>	<u>409,657</u>
	7,037,689	7,410,201
Petroleum	57,770	328,866
Coal	15,722	1,288
Others	<u>350</u>	<u>—</u>
	<u>7,111,531</u>	<u>7,740,355</u>
COSTS AND EXPENSES		
Mining and milling costs (including depletion and depreciation)	2,921,954	2,504,198
Mine product taxes and royalties	380,462	425,518
General and administrative expenses	644,816	369,968
Petroleum production costs	54,401	123,169
Handling, hauling and storage	39,394	30,486
Cost of coal sales	<u>10,104</u>	<u>1,208</u>
	<u>4,051,131</u>	<u>3,454,547</u>
INCOME FROM OPERATIONS	<u>3,060,400</u>	<u>4,285,808</u>
OTHER INCOME (CHARGES)		
Interest income	35,275	32,286
Foreign exchange losses	(126,267)	(54,022)
Interest expense	(7,979)	(23,598)
Marked-to-market gain	97,887	—
Gain on dilution of interest in an associate	—	523,710
Others – net	<u>(118,517)</u>	<u>(305,728)</u>
	<u>(119,601)</u>	<u>172,648</u>
INCOME BEFORE INCOME TAX	2,940,799	4,458,456
PROVISION FOR INCOME TAX	<u>(904,710)</u>	<u>(1,239,456)</u>
NET INCOME	<u>2,036,089</u>	<u>3,219,000</u>
NET INCOME (LOSS) ATTRIBUTABLE TO:		
Equity holders of the Parent Company	2,088,942	3,184,050
Non-controlling interests	<u>(52,853)</u>	<u>34,950</u>
	<u>2,036,089</u>	<u>3,219,000</u>
BASIC EARNINGS PER SHARE	<u>0.4236</u>	<u>0.6466</u>
DILUTED EARNINGS PER SHARE	<u>0.4231</u>	<u>0.6459</u>

PHILEX MINING CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(Amounts in Peso Thousands, except Par Value Per Share which is in Peso)

	30 June 2012 (UNAUDITED)	31 December 2011 (AUDITED)
ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	3,196,182	3,947,295
Accounts receivable	626,250	1,595,629
Inventories	1,764,104	1,118,667
Derivative assets	394,086	904,701
Other current assets	927,150	765,334
Total Current Assets	6,907,772	8,331,626
Non-current Assets		
Property, plant and equipment – net	5,822,114	5,399,716
Available-for-sale (AFS) financial assets	4,987,870	5,428,069
Goodwill	258,593	258,593
Deferred income tax assets – net	12,755	12,720
Deferred exploration costs and other non-current assets	13,615,268	13,023,504
Total Non-current Assets	24,696,600	24,122,602
TOTAL ASSETS	31,604,372	32,454,228
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Current Liabilities		
Short-term bank loans	350,000	350,000
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	1,092,596	1,160,205
Income tax payable	378,702	376,006
Dividends payable	480,686	325,333
Provisions and subscriptions payables	85,457	317,111
Derivative liabilities	–	47,270
Total Current Liabilities	2,387,441	2,575,925
Non-current Liabilities		
Provision for mine rehabilitation costs	18,549	17,775
Provision for losses	300,546	173,731
Deferred income tax liabilities – net	2,654,342	2,635,330
Total Non-current Liabilities	2,973,437	2,826,836
TOTAL LIABILITIES	5,360,878	5,402,761
Equity Attributable to Equity Holders of the Parent Company		
Capital Stock – P1 par value	4,932,371	4,929,751
Additional paid-in capital	949,196	887,290
Retained earnings	16,110,785	16,093,059
Net unrealized gain on AFS financial assets	1,570,462	2,020,940
Cumulative translation adjustments	127,336	495,019
Net revaluation surplus	1,611,397	1,611,397
Effect of transactions with non-controlling interests	79,650	106,027
Non-controlling Interests	25,381,197	26,143,483
	862,297	907,984
TOTAL EQUITY	26,243,494	27,051,467
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	31,604,372	32,454,228

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Shareholders should note that the above unaudited and audited consolidated financial results pertain only to Philex and not to First Pacific itself.

The above information only refers to certain sections of Philex's disclosure and shareholders should refer to Philex's original filing submitted to the Philippine Stock Exchange (<http://www.pse.com.ph>), as well as disclosed as the Company's Overseas Regulatory Announcement on the websites of the HKEX and the Company on 25 July 2012.

By Order of the Board
First Pacific Company Limited
Manuel V. Pangilinan
Managing Director and CEO

Hong Kong, 25 July 2012

As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises the following Directors:

Anthoni Salim, *Chairman*
Manuel V. Pangilinan, *Managing Director and CEO*
Edward A. Tortorici
Robert C. Nicholson
Graham L. Pickles*
Prof. Edward K.Y. Chen*, *GBS, CBE, JP*

Tedy Djuhar
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Jun Tang*
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