



FIRST PACIFIC COMPANY LIMITED

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2009 Interim Results - Unaudited

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- Recurring profit improved by 0.8 per cent to US\$127.5 million (HK\$994.5 million) from US\$126.5 million (HK\$986.7 million).
- Profit attributable to owners of the parent increased by 4.8 per cent to US\$164.3 million (HK\$1,281.5 million) from US\$156.8 million (HK\$1,223.0 million), principally due to higher recurring profit contribution from MPIC.
- Profit contribution from operations decreased by 4.5 per cent to US\$151.4 million (HK\$1,180.9 million) from US\$158.6 million (HK\$1,237.1 million), principally due to lower contribution from Indofood's plantations division as a result of lower crude palm oil prices, partly offset by higher contribution from the water and tollroad businesses of MPIC.
- Non-recurring gains increased to US\$25.1 million (HK\$195.8 million) from US\$22.4 million (HK\$174.7 million), which mainly reflect Maynilad's reversal of provision for deferred credits following a resolution of new tariff rates with the regulator.
- Basic earnings per share increased by 5.1 per cent to U.S. 5.11 cents (HK39.9 cents) from U.S. 4.86 cents (HK37.9 cents).
- An interim dividend of HK4.00 cents (U.S. 0.51 cent) (2008: HK3.00 cents or U.S. 0.38 cent) per ordinary share has been declared.
- Equity attributable to owners of the parent increased by 17.4 per cent to US\$1,327.0 million (HK\$10,350.6 million) at 30 June 2009 from US\$1,130.1 million (HK\$8,814.8 million) at 31 December 2008.
- Consolidated gearing ratio improved to 0.98 times at 30 June 2009, compared with 1.06 times at 31 December 2008.

CONDENSED INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT - UNAUDITED

For the six months ended 30 June	Notes	2009	2008	2009*	2008*
		US\$m	(Restated) ⁽ⁱ⁾ US\$m	HK\$m	(Restated) ⁽ⁱ⁾ HK\$m
Turnover	2	1,809.1	2,044.8	14,111.0	15,949.4
Cost of sales		(1,279.8)	(1,503.6)	(9,982.5)	(11,728.0)
Gross profit		529.3	541.2	4,128.5	4,221.4
Gain on divestments and dilutions		-	9.8	-	76.4
Distribution costs		(137.8)	(165.7)	(1,074.7)	(1,292.5)
Administrative expenses		(138.5)	(113.0)	(1,080.3)	(881.4)
Other operating income, net		96.9	81.2	755.7	633.4
Net borrowing costs	3	(110.7)	(60.6)	(863.5)	(472.7)
Share of profits less losses of associated companies and joint ventures		114.1	113.6	890.0	886.1
Profit before taxation	4	353.3	406.5	2,755.7	3,170.7
Taxation	5	(52.7)	(103.3)	(411.0)	(805.7)
Profit for the period from continuing operations		300.6	303.2	2,344.7	2,365.0
Profit for the period from a discontinued operation	6	2.7	2.3	21.0	17.9
Profit for the period		303.3	305.5	2,365.7	2,382.9
Attributable to:					
Owners of the parent	7	164.3	156.8	1,281.5	1,223.0
Minority interest		139.0	148.7	1,084.2	1,159.9
		303.3	305.5	2,365.7	2,382.9

Ordinary share dividend

HK4.00 cents (U.S. 0.51 cent)

(2008: HK3.00 cents or U.S. 0.38 cent) per share

For the six months ended 30 June	Notes	2009	2008	2009*	2008*
		US¢	(Restated) ⁽ⁱ⁾ US¢	HK¢	(Restated) ⁽ⁱ⁾ HK¢
Earnings per share attributable to owners of the parent	9				
Basic					
- For profit from continuing operations		5.01	4.81	39.1	37.5
- For profit from a discontinued operation		0.10	0.05	0.8	0.4
- For profit for the period		5.11	4.86	39.9	37.9
Diluted					
- For profit from continuing operations		4.95	4.62	38.6	36.0
- For profit from a discontinued operation		0.10	0.04	0.8	0.3
- For profit for the period		5.05	4.66	39.4	36.3

(i) Refer to Note 16

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME - UNAUDITED

For the six months ended 30 June	2009	2008	2009*	2008*
	US\$m	US\$m	HK\$m	HK\$m
Profit for the period	303.3	305.5	2,365.7	2,382.9
Other comprehensive income/(loss)				
Exchange differences on translating foreign operations	89.6	(35.5)	698.9	(276.9)
Realized exchange reserve upon divestment and dilution of interest in an associated company	-	(0.3)	-	(2.3)
Unrealized gains/(losses) on available-for-sale assets	28.3	(5.6)	220.7	(43.7)
Realized gains on available-for-sale assets	-	(0.1)	-	(0.8)
Realized losses on cash flow hedges	0.7	-	5.5	-
Unrealized losses on cash flow hedges	(2.1)	(7.5)	(16.4)	(58.5)
Income tax related to cash flow hedges	0.1	-	0.8	-
Share of revaluation increment of an associated company's assets	5.0	-	39.0	-
Other comprehensive income/ (loss) for the period, net of tax	121.6	(49.0)	948.5	(382.2)
Total comprehensive income for the period	424.9	256.5	3,314.2	2,000.7
Attributable to:				
Owners of the parent	214.0	94.5	1,669.2	737.1
Minority interest	210.9	162.0	1,645.0	1,263.6
	424.9	256.5	3,314.2	2,000.7

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

		(Unaudited)	(Audited)	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
		At	At 31	At	At 31
		30 June	December	30 June	December
		2009	2008	2009*	2008*
	Notes	US\$m	US\$m	HK\$m	HK\$m
Non-current assets					
Property, plant and equipment		934.5	808.4	7,289.1	6,305.5
Plantations		889.4	744.5	6,937.3	5,807.1
Associated companies and joint ventures		1,184.8	1,202.3	9,241.4	9,377.9
Goodwill		718.5	675.6	5,604.3	5,269.7
Other intangible assets	10	1,546.7	1,538.5	12,064.3	12,000.3
Accounts receivable, other receivables and prepayments	11	4.3	3.0	33.5	23.4
Prepaid land premiums		160.7	153.2	1,253.5	1,195.0
Available-for-sale assets		91.5	1.7	713.7	13.2
Deferred tax assets		46.2	38.7	360.4	301.9
Other non-current assets		270.2	217.1	2,107.5	1,693.4
		5,846.8	5,383.0	45,605.0	41,987.4
Current assets					
Cash and cash equivalents		616.5	625.9	4,808.7	4,882.0
Pledged deposits and restricted cash		30.8	12.0	240.2	93.6
Available-for-sale assets		55.7	56.9	434.5	443.8
Accounts receivable, other receivables and prepayments	11	408.3	435.5	3,184.8	3,396.9
Inventories		602.9	557.4	4,702.6	4,347.8
Assets held for sale		8.4	-	65.5	-
		1,722.6	1,687.7	13,436.3	13,164.1
Assets of a disposal group classified as held for sale	6	-	128.3	-	1,000.7
		1,722.6	1,816.0	13,436.3	14,164.8
Current liabilities					
Accounts payable, other payables and accruals	12	631.5	667.4	4,925.7	5,205.7
Short-term borrowings		1,068.2	1,207.0	8,332.0	9,414.6
Provision for taxation		23.4	55.8	182.5	435.3
Current portion of deferred liabilities and provisions		81.6	39.4	636.4	307.3
		1,804.7	1,969.6	14,076.6	15,362.9
Liabilities directly associated with the assets classified as held for sale	6	-	106.1	-	827.6
		1,804.7	2,075.7	14,076.6	16,190.5
Net current liabilities		(82.1)	(259.7)	(640.3)	(2,025.7)
Total assets less current liabilities		5,764.7	5,123.3	44,964.7	39,961.7
Equity					
Issued share capital		32.2	32.1	251.2	250.4
Retained earnings		335.6	196.0	2,617.7	1,528.8
Other components of equity		959.2	902.0	7,481.7	7,035.6
Equity attributable to owners of the parent		1,327.0	1,130.1	10,350.6	8,814.8
Minority interest		1,410.1	1,245.1	10,998.8	9,711.8
Total equity		2,737.1	2,375.2	21,349.4	18,526.6
Non-current liabilities					
Long-term borrowings		2,256.5	1,951.7	17,600.7	15,223.2
Deferred liabilities and provisions		405.1	432.4	3,159.8	3,372.7
Deferred tax liabilities		366.0	364.0	2,854.8	2,839.2
		3,027.6	2,748.1	23,615.3	21,435.1
		5,764.7	5,123.3	44,964.7	39,961.7

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY - UNAUDITED

	Equity attributable to owners of the parent											Minority interest	Total equity
	Issued share capital	Share premium	Share options issued	Exchange reserve	Unrealized	Unrealized	Income tax related to cash flow hedges	Capital and other reserves	Retained earnings	Total			
					(losses) on available-for-sale assets	(losses) on cash flow hedges							
US\$m	US\$m	US\$m	US\$m	US\$m	US\$m	US\$m	US\$m	US\$m	US\$m	US\$m	US\$m	US\$m	
Balance at 1 January 2008	32.2	971.7	17.6	44.1	10.3	11.0	(3.7)	(2.3)	55.6	1,136.5	992.6	2,129.1	
Total comprehensive income for the period	-	-	-	(51.8)	(3.0)	(11.1)	3.6	-	156.8	94.5	162.0	256.5	
Issue of shares upon the exercise of share options	0.1	2.4	(0.9)	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.6	-	1.6	
Repurchase and cancellation of shares	(0.1)	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.1	(4.3)	(4.3)	-	(4.3)	
Equity-settled share option arrangements	-	-	11.1	-	-	-	-	-	-	11.1	-	11.1	
2007 special and final dividends paid	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(32.9)	(32.9)	-	(32.9)	
Dividends declared to minority shareholders	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(19.2)	(19.2)	
Balance at 30 June 2008	32.2	974.1	27.8	(7.7)	7.3	(0.1)	(0.1)	(2.2)	175.2	1,206.5	1,135.4	2,341.9	
Balance at 1 January 2009	32.1	974.1	34.7	(116.0)	11.7	2.1	(0.2)	(4.4)	196.0	1,130.1	1,245.1	2,375.2	
Total comprehensive income for the period	-	-	-	16.5	29.4	(1.3)	0.1	5.0	164.3	214.0	210.9	424.9	
Issue of shares upon the exercise of share options	0.1	1.2	(0.4)	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.9	-	0.9	
Equity-settled share option arrangements	-	-	6.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.8	-	6.8	
2008 final dividend paid	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(24.7)	(24.7)	-	(24.7)	
Dividends declared and paid to minority shareholders	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(32.9)	(32.9)	
Acquisition of minority interest	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(6.6)	(6.6)	
Disposal of a disposal group classified as held for sale	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(0.1)	-	(0.1)	(6.4)	(6.5)	
Balance at 30 June 2009	32.2	975.3	41.1	(99.5)	41.1	0.8	(0.1)	0.5	335.6	1,327.0	1,410.1	2,737.1	

	Equity attributable to owners of the parent											Minority interest	Total equity
	Issued share capital	Share premium	Share options issued	Exchange reserve	Unrealized	Unrealized	Income tax related to cash flow hedges	Capital and other reserves	Retained earnings	Total			
					(losses) on available-for-sale assets	(losses) on cash flow hedges							
HK\$m*	HK\$m*	HK\$m*	HK\$m*	HK\$m*	HK\$m*	HK\$m*	HK\$m*	HK\$m*	HK\$m*	HK\$m*	HK\$m*	HK\$m*	
Balance at 1 January 2008	251.2	7,579.3	137.3	344.0	80.3	85.8	(28.9)	(18.0)	433.7	8,864.7	7,742.3	16,607.0	
Total comprehensive income for the period	-	-	-	(404.0)	(23.4)	(86.6)	28.1	-	1,223.0	737.1	1,263.6	2,000.7	
Issue of shares upon the exercise of share options	0.8	18.7	(7.0)	-	-	-	-	-	-	12.5	-	12.5	
Repurchase and cancellation of shares	(0.8)	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.8	(33.6)	(33.6)	-	(33.6)	
Equity-settled share option arrangements	-	-	86.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	86.6	-	86.6	
2007 special and final dividends paid	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(256.6)	(256.6)	-	(256.6)	
Dividends declared to minority shareholders	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(149.8)	(149.8)	
Balance at 30 June 2008	251.2	7,598.0	216.9	(60.0)	56.9	(0.8)	(0.8)	(17.2)	1,366.5	9,410.7	8,856.1	18,266.8	
Balance at 1 January 2009	250.4	7,598.0	270.7	(904.8)	91.3	16.3	(1.6)	(34.3)	1,528.8	8,814.8	9,711.8	18,526.6	
Total comprehensive income for the period	-	-	-	128.7	229.3	(10.1)	0.8	39.0	1,281.5	1,669.2	1,645.0	3,314.2	
Issue of shares upon the exercise of share options	0.8	9.3	(3.1)	-	-	-	-	-	-	7.0	-	7.0	
Equity-settled share option arrangements	-	-	53.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	53.0	-	53.0	
2008 final dividend paid	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(192.6)	(192.6)	-	(192.6)	
Dividends declared and paid to minority shareholders	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(256.6)	(256.6)	
Acquisition of minority interest	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(51.5)	(51.5)	
Disposal of a disposal group classified as held for sale	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(0.8)	-	(0.8)	(49.9)	(50.7)	
Balance at 30 June 2009	251.2	7,607.3	320.6	(776.1)	320.6	6.2	(0.8)	3.9	2,617.7	10,350.6	10,998.8	21,349.4	

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS - UNAUDITED

For the six months ended 30 June	2009	2008	2009*	2008*
	US\$m	(Restated) ⁽ⁱ⁾ US\$m	HK\$m	(Restated) ⁽ⁱ⁾ HK\$m
Profit before taxation				
From continuing operations	353.3	406.5	2,755.7	3,170.7
From a discontinued operation	1.7	2.8	13.3	21.8
Adjustments for:				
Interest expenses	123.3	79.4	961.7	619.3
Amortization of other intangible assets	44.1	-	344.0	-
Depreciation	40.8	42.2	318.2	329.2
Equity-settled share option expense	5.7	11.1	44.4	86.5
Recognition of prepaid land premiums	2.8	3.2	21.8	25.0
Share of profits less losses of associated companies and joint ventures	(114.1)	(113.6)	(890.0)	(886.1)
Gain on changes in fair value of plantations	(53.8)	(69.8)	(419.6)	(544.4)
Foreign exchange and derivative (gains)/losses, net	(32.0)	1.1	(249.6)	8.6
Increase in other non-current assets	(30.5)	(14.1)	(237.9)	(110.0)
Interest income	(12.6)	(18.8)	(98.2)	(146.6)
Increase in accounts receivables, other receivables and prepayment (Non-current)	(1.1)	(0.1)	(8.6)	(0.8)
Gain on sale of property, plant and equipment	(0.3)	(0.5)	(2.3)	(3.9)
Gain on divestment and dilution of interest in an associated company	-	(9.8)	-	(76.4)
Others	7.2	5.5	56.2	42.9
	334.5	325.1	2,609.1	2,535.8
Increase in working capital ⁽ⁱⁱ⁾	(141.1)	(153.7)	(1,100.6)	(1,198.9)
Net cash generated from operations	193.4	171.4	1,508.5	1,336.9
Interest received	9.0	17.2	70.2	134.2
Interest paid	(110.1)	(88.2)	(858.8)	(688.0)
Tax paid	(100.9)	(79.1)	(787.0)	(617.0)
Net cash (outflow)/inflow from operating activities	(8.6)	21.3	(67.1)	166.1
Dividend received from associated companies	127.3	140.1	992.9	1,092.8
Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment	1.4	3.9	10.9	30.4
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	(111.6)	(55.8)	(870.4)	(435.2)
Acquisition of available-for-sale assets	(59.3)	(36.1)	(462.5)	(281.6)
Investments in other intangible assets	(43.7)	-	(340.8)	-
Investments in plantations	(32.6)	(38.2)	(254.3)	(298.0)
Investments in associated companies	(15.5)	(11.8)	(120.9)	(92.0)
Increased investments in subsidiary companies	(8.1)	-	(63.2)	-
(Advances to)/repayment from associated companies, net	(0.1)	1.9	(0.8)	14.8
Proceeds from disposal of available-for-sale assets	-	7.2	-	56.2
Loans to a joint venture, net	-	(19.0)	-	(148.2)
Deposit for acquisition of a subsidiary company	-	(4.1)	-	(32.0)
Net cash outflow from investing activities	(142.2)	(11.9)	(1,109.1)	(92.8)
Net borrowings raised	187.4	200.6	1,461.7	1,564.7
Proceeds from the exercise of share options	0.9	1.6	7.0	12.5
Increase in time deposits with original maturity of more than three months	(61.3)	-	(478.1)	-
Dividends paid to shareholders	(24.7)	(32.9)	(192.6)	(256.6)
Increase in restricted cash	(18.8)	-	(146.7)	-
Dividends paid to minority shareholders by subsidiary companies	(14.2)	-	(110.8)	-
Share issue expenses of a subsidiary company	(0.3)	-	(2.3)	-
Repurchase of shares	-	(4.3)	-	(33.6)
Net cash inflow from financing activities	69.0	165.0	538.2	1,287.0
Net (decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents	(81.8)	174.4	(638.0)	1,360.3
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 January	625.9	600.8	4,882.0	4,686.2
Exchange translation	11.1	4.7	86.6	36.7
Cash and cash equivalents at 30 June	555.2	779.9	4,330.6	6,083.2
Representing				
Cash and cash equivalents	616.5	779.9	4,808.7	6,083.2
Less time deposits with original maturity of more than three months	(61.3)	-	(478.1)	-
Cash and cash equivalents at 30 June	555.2	779.9	4,330.6	6,083.2

(i) Refer to Note 16

(ii) Changes in working capital are stated excluding movements due to acquisition and disposal of subsidiary companies.

* The Company maintains its accounts and reports to its shareholders in United States dollars. The figures shown in Hong Kong dollars are for illustration only and are based on a fixed exchange rate of 7.8 Hong Kong dollars to one United States dollar.

Notes:-

1. Basis of preparation and impact of new and revised HKFRSs

(A) Basis of preparation

The Condensed Interim Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with Hong Kong Accounting Standard (HKAS) 34 "Interim Financial Reporting" issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants (HKICPA) and the disclosure requirements of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the Listing Rules) issued by The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (SEHK). The Condensed Interim Financial Statements have been prepared on a basis consistent with the accounting policies adopted in the Group's 2008 audited financial statements.

(B) Impact of new and revised HKFRSs

Certain changes to Hong Kong Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) have been implemented during 2009 as a consequence of the following new and revised Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards (HKFRSs) (which include all HKFRSs, HKASs and Interpretations) issued by the HKICPA:

HKAS 1 (Revised)	"Presentation of Financial Statements" ⁽ⁱ⁾
HKAS 23 (Revised)	"Borrowing Costs" ⁽ⁱ⁾
HKAS 32 and HKAS 1 Amendments	"Puttable Financial Instruments and Obligations Arising on Liquidation" ⁽ⁱ⁾
HKAS 39 Amendments	"Eligible Hedged Items" ⁽ⁱⁱⁱ⁾
HKFRS 1 and HKAS 27 Amendments	"Cost of an Investment in a Subsidiary, Jointly Controlled Entity or Associate" ⁽ⁱ⁾
HKFRS 2 Amendments	"Share-based Payment – Vesting Conditions and Cancellations" ⁽ⁱ⁾
HKFRS 7 Amendments	"Financial Instruments: Disclosures" ⁽ⁱ⁾
HKFRS 8	"Operating Segments" ⁽ⁱ⁾
HK(IFRIC)-Int 9 and HKAS 39 Amendments	"Reassessment of Embedded Derivatives" ⁽ⁱⁱⁱ⁾
HK(IFRIC)-Int 13	"Customer Loyalty Programmes" ^(iv)
HK(IFRIC)-Int 15	"Agreements for the Construction of Real Estate" ⁽ⁱ⁾
HK(IFRIC)-Int 16	"Hedges of a Net Investment in a Foreign Operation" ^(v)
Annual Improvements to HKFRSs	"Improvements to HKFRSs" ^(vi)
	"Improvements to HKFRSs 2009" ^(vii)

(i) Effective for annual periods commencing on or after 1 January 2009

(ii) Effective for annual periods commencing on or after 1 July 2009

(iii) Effective for annual periods ending on or after 30 June 2009

(iv) Effective for annual periods commencing on or after 1 July 2008

(v) Effective for annual periods commencing on or after 1 October 2008

(vi) Generally effective for annual periods commencing on or after 1 January 2009, unless otherwise stated in the specific HKFRSs

(vii) Generally effective for annual periods commencing on or after 1 January 2010, unless otherwise stated in the specific HKFRSs

The adoption of the above pronouncements has had no effect on both the profit attributable to owners of the parent for the periods ended 30 June 2009 and 30 June 2008 and equity attributable to owners of the parent at 30 June 2009 and 31 December 2008, but only results in certain changes in the financial statements presentation and disclosures.

2. Turnover and segmental information

For the six months ended 30 June	2009	2008	2009*	2008*
	US\$m	(Restated) US\$m	HK\$m	(Restated) HK\$m
Turnover				
Sale of goods	1,624.3	2,003.8	12,669.5	15,629.6
Rendering of services	184.8	41.0	1,441.5	319.8
Total	1,809.1	2,044.8	14,111.0	15,949.4

An operating segment is a component of the Group that engages in business activities from which it may earn revenues and incur expenses (including revenues and expenses relating to transactions with other components of the Group), whose operating results is regularly reviewed by the Group's chief operating decision maker who makes decisions about how resources are to be allocated to the segment and assesses its performance, and for which discrete financial information is available to him.

The Board of Directors considers the business from both product or service and geographical perspective. From a product or service perspective, the Group business interests are divided into four main segments, which are telecommunications, infrastructure, consumer food products and natural resources. Geographically, the Board of Directors considers the businesses of the Group are operating in the Philippines and Indonesia, respectively.

The Board of Directors assesses the performance of the operating segments based on a measure of recurring profit. This measurement basis measures the profit attributable to owners of the parent excluding the effects of foreign exchange and derivative gains/losses, gain/loss on changes in fair value of plantations and non-recurring items. Non-recurring items represent certain items, through occurrence or size, which are not considered as usual operating items.

The revenue, results, total assets, total liabilities and other information regarding the Group's reportable businesses for the six months ended 30 June 2009 and 2008 and at 30 June 2009 and 31 December 2008 are as follows.

By principal business activity - 2009

For the six months ended/at 30 June	The Philippines			Indonesia		2009 Total US\$m	2009* Total HK\$m
	Telecom- munications US\$m	Infrastructure US\$m	Natural Resources US\$m	Food Products US\$m	Head Office US\$m		
Revenue							
Turnover	-	156.2	-	1,652.9	-	1,809.1	14,111.0
Results							
Recurring profit	102.9	14.6	2.1	31.8	(23.9)	127.5	994.5
Assets and liabilities							
Associated companies and joint ventures	1,007.0	54.9	116.1	3.1	3.7	1,184.8	9,241.4
Other assets	-	1,765.2	-	4,450.1	169.3	6,384.6	49,799.9
Total assets	1,007.0	1,820.1	116.1	4,453.2	173.0	7,569.4	59,041.3
Borrowings	-	672.3	-	1,872.0	780.4	3,324.7	25,932.7
Other liabilities	-	534.8	-	876.7	96.1	1,507.6	11,759.2
Total liabilities	-	1,207.1	-	2,748.7	876.5	4,832.3	37,691.9
Other information							
Depreciation and amortization	-	(37.3)	-	(47.4)	(0.2)	(84.9)	(662.2)
Interest income	-	5.4	-	6.4	0.8	12.6	98.2
Interest expenses	-	(38.9)	-	(72.0)	(12.4)	(123.3)	(961.7)
Share of profits less losses of associated companies and joint ventures	107.1	3.1	3.9	-	-	114.1	890.0
Taxation	-	23.2	-	(69.5)	(6.4)	(52.7)	(411.0)
Additions to non-current assets (other than financial instruments and deferred tax assets)	-	53.5	-	186.8	-	240.3	1,874.3

By principal business activity - 2008

For the six months ended 30 June/ at 31 December	The Philippines			Indonesia		2008 (Restated) Total US\$m	2008* (Restated) Total HK\$m
	Telecom- munications US\$m	Infrastructure US\$m	Natural Resources US\$m	Food Products US\$m	Head Office US\$m		
Revenue							
Turnover	-	-	-	2,044.8	-	2,044.8	15,949.4
Results							
Recurring profit	106.9	1.1	-	50.6	(32.1)	126.5	986.7
Assets and liabilities							
Associated companies and joint ventures	1,040.5	48.0	95.1	15.4	3.3	1,202.3	9,377.9
Other assets	-	1,940.6	-	4,039.9	16.2	5,996.7	46,774.3
Total assets	1,040.5	1,988.6	95.1	4,055.3	19.5	7,199.0	56,152.2
Borrowings	-	677.7	-	1,696.6	784.4	3,158.7	24,637.8
Other liabilities	-	745.0	-	862.7	57.4	1,665.1	12,987.8
Total liabilities	-	1,422.7	-	2,559.3	841.8	4,823.8	37,625.6
Other information							
Depreciation and amortization	-	(0.5)	-	(41.4)	(0.3)	(42.2)	(329.2)
Interest income	-	4.6	-	8.0	6.2	18.8	146.6
Interest expenses	-	(4.6)	-	(54.8)	(20.0)	(79.4)	(619.3)
Share of profits less losses of associated companies and joint ventures	117.8	(3.9)	-	(0.3)	-	113.6	886.1
Taxation	-	3.1	-	(101.3)	(5.1)	(103.3)	(805.7)
Additions to non-current assets (other than financial instruments and deferred tax assets)	-	1.0	-	108.7	-	109.7	855.7

A reconciliation between profit before taxation as shown in the consolidated income statement and recurring profit is as follows.

For the six months ended 30 June	2009	2008	2009*	2008*
	US\$m	(Restated) US\$m	HK\$m	(Restated) HK\$m
Profit before taxation				
- Continuing operations	353.3	406.5	2,755.7	3,170.7
- A discontinued operation	1.7	2.8	13.3	21.8
Exclusion of:				
- Foreign exchange and derivative (gains)/losses	(23.2)	2.4	(181.0)	18.7
- Gain on changes in fair value of plantations	(53.8)	(69.8)	(419.6)	(544.4)
- Non-recurring items	(14.9)	(17.5)	(116.3)	(136.5)
Deduction of attributable taxation and minority interest	(135.6)	(197.9)	(1,057.6)	(1,543.6)
Recurring profit	127.5	126.5	994.5	986.7

3. Net borrowing costs

For the six months ended 30 June	2009	2008	2009*	2008*
	US\$m	(Restated) US\$m	HK\$m	(Restated) HK\$m
Total borrowing costs	123.3	79.4	961.7	619.3
Less interest income	(12.6)	(18.8)	(98.2)	(146.6)
Net Borrowing Costs	110.7	60.6	863.5	472.7

4. Profit before taxation

For the six months ended 30 June	2009	2008	2009*	2008*
	US\$m	US\$m	HK\$m	HK\$m
Profit before taxation is stated after (charging)/crediting⁽ⁱ⁾				
Cost of inventories sold	(750.8)	(1,212.6)	(5,856.2)	(9,458.3)
Employee remuneration	(182.7)	(182.0)	(1,425.1)	(1,419.6)
Cost of services rendered	(94.1)	(19.7)	(734.0)	(153.7)
Amortization of other intangible assets	(44.1)	-	(344.0)	-
Depreciation	(40.8)	(42.2)	(318.2)	(329.2)
Impairment losses for accounts receivable ⁽ⁱⁱ⁾	(3.9)	(4.6)	(30.4)	(35.9)
Recognition of prepaid land premiums	(2.8)	(3.2)	(21.8)	(25.0)
Gain on changes in fair value of plantations	53.8	69.8	419.6	544.4
Foreign exchange and derivative gains/(losses), net	32.0	(1.1)	249.6	(8.6)
Gain on sale of property, plant and equipment	0.3	0.5	2.3	3.9
Gain on divestment and dilution of interest in an associated company	-	9.8	-	76.4
Realized gains on sale of available-for-sale assets	-	0.1	-	0.8

(i) Include amounts (charged)/credited in respect of a discontinued operation

(ii) Included in distribution costs

5. Taxation

No Hong Kong profits tax (2008: Nil) has been provided as the Group had no estimated assessable profits (2008: Nil) in Hong Kong for the period. Taxation on assessable profits generated outside Hong Kong has been provided at the rates of taxation prevailing in the countries in which the Company's subsidiary companies operate.

For the six months ended 30 June	2009	2008	2009*	2008*
	US\$m	(Restated) US\$m	HK\$m	(Restated) HK\$m
Subsidiary companies - overseas				
Current taxation	61.0	87.6	475.8	683.3
Deferred taxation	(8.3)	15.7	(64.8)	122.4
Total	52.7	103.3	411.0	805.7

Included within share of profits less losses of associated companies and joint ventures is taxation of US\$45.5 million (HK\$354.9 million) (2008: US\$77.1 million or HK\$601.4 million) and which is analyzed as follows.

For the six months ended 30 June	2009	2008	2009*	2008*
	US\$m	US\$m	HK\$m	HK\$m
Associated companies and joint ventures - overseas				
Current taxation	42.2	46.5	329.2	362.7
Deferred taxation	3.3	30.6	25.7	238.7
Total	45.5	77.1	354.9	601.4

6. A discontinued operation

Following a strategic review of MPIC's businesses which focus on core infrastructure, MPIC's directors decided in late 2008 to divest part of its interest in the property business, Landco Pacific Corporation (Landco), which was operated by MPIC. As at 31 December 2008, the Group's investment in Landco was classified as a disposal group held for sale. In June 2009, MPIC disposed 17.0% interest in Landco for Pesos 203 million (US\$4.2 million or HK\$32.8 million), thereby reducing its interest in Landco from 51.0% to 34.0%. Following this transaction, the Group's remaining 34.0% interest in Landco was classified as non-current assets held for sale.

7. Profit attributable to owners of the parent

The profit attributable to owners of the parent includes US\$3.3 million (HK\$25.7 million) of net foreign exchange and derivative gains (2008: losses of US\$4.8 million or HK\$37.4 million) on foreign exchange translation differences on the Group's unhedged foreign currency denominated borrowings and payables and the changes in the fair values of derivatives, US\$8.4 million (HK\$65.5 million) (2008: US\$12.7 million or HK\$99.1 million) of gain on changes in fair value of plantations and US\$25.1 million (HK\$195.8 million) (2008: US\$22.4 million or HK\$174.7 million) of net non-recurring gains.

Analysis of foreign exchange and derivative gains/(losses)

For the six months ended 30 June

	2009	2008	2009*	2008*
	US\$m	US\$m	HK\$m	HK\$m
Foreign exchange and derivative gains/(losses)				
- Subsidiary companies	32.0	(1.1)	249.6	(8.6)
- Associated companies and joint ventures	(8.8)	(1.3)	(68.6)	(10.1)
Subtotal	23.2	(2.4)	181.0	(18.7)
Attributable to taxation and minority interest	(19.9)	(2.4)	(155.3)	(18.7)
Total	3.3	(4.8)	25.7	(37.4)

The non-recurring gains of US\$25.1 million (HK\$195.8 million) for 2009 mainly represent Maynilad's reversal of provision for deferred credits following a resolution of new tariff rates with the regulator. The non-recurring gains of US\$22.4 million (HK\$174.7 million) for 2008 mainly comprise a gain on divestment and dilution of the Group's interest in PLDT of US\$9.8 million (HK\$76.4 million).

8. Ordinary share dividend

At a meeting held on 4 September 2009, the Directors declared an interim cash dividend of HK4.00 cents (U.S. 0.51 cent) (2008: HK3.00 cents or U.S. 0.38 cent) per ordinary share.

9. Earnings per share attributable to owners of the parent

The calculation of basic earnings per share is based on the profit for the period attributable to owners of the parent of US\$164.3 million (HK\$1,281.5 million) (2008: US\$156.8 million or HK\$1,223.0 million), and the weighted average number of ordinary shares of 3,214.3 million (2008: 3,226.4 million) in issue during the period.

The calculation of diluted earnings per share is based on: (i) the profit for the period attributable to owners of the parent of US\$164.3 million (HK\$1,281.5 million) (2008: US\$156.8 million or HK\$1,223.0 million) reduced by the dilutive impact of (a) US\$0.1 million (HK\$0.8 million) (2008: US\$0.1 million or HK\$0.8 million) in respect of the exercise of share options issued by its associated companies and (b) nil (2008: US\$3.4 million or HK\$26.5 million) in respect of the convertible notes issued by its previous joint venture DMWC (which became a subsidiary company since July 2008) and (ii) a share base equal to the aggregate of the weighted average number of ordinary shares of 3,214.3 million (2008: 3,226.4 million) in issue during the period (as used in the basic earnings per share calculation) and the weighted average number of ordinary shares of 37.6 million (2008: 59.9 million) assumed to have been issued at no consideration on the deemed exercise of all share options of the Company during the period.

The impact upon full conversion of the MPIC's share options has not been taken into account in calculating the diluted earnings per share because their anti-dilutive effect on the basic earnings per share for the period would actually increase the earnings per share.

10. Other intangible assets

	At 30 June 2009 US\$m	At 31 December 2008 US\$m	At 30 June 2009* HK\$m	At 31 December 2008* HK\$m
Concession assets-Water	840.3	837.9	6,554.4	6,535.6
Concession assets-Tollroad	345.4	354.6	2,694.1	2,765.9
Brands	361.0	346.0	2,815.8	2,698.8
Total	1,546.7	1,538.5	12,064.3	12,000.3

Concession assets-Water represent the concession held by Maynilad for its exclusive right granted by Metropolitan Waterworks and Sewerage System (MWSS) on behalf of the Philippine government to provide water and sewerage services and charge users for the services provided in the area of West Metro Manila during its concession period. Concession assets-Tollroad represent the concession held by Manila North Tollways Corporation (MNTC) for its right, interests and privileges to finance, design, construct, operate and maintain toll roads, toll facilities and other facilities generating toll-related and non-toll related income in respect of the Manila North Expressway (also known as North Luzon Expressway (NLEX)) during its concession period. Brands represent the brands held by PT Indolakto for its various milk-related products.

11. Accounts receivable, other receivables and prepayments

Included in accounts receivable, other receivables and prepayments are trade receivables of US\$259.5 million (HK\$2,024.1 million) (31 December 2008: US\$258.1 million or HK\$2,013.2 million) with an ageing profile as below.

	At 30 June 2009 US\$m	At 31 December 2008 US\$m	At 30 June 2009* HK\$m	At 31 December 2008* HK\$m
0 to 30 days	209.8	204.3	1,636.4	1,593.5
31 to 60 days	10.0	12.0	78.0	93.6
61 to 90 days	5.7	6.7	44.5	52.3
Over 90 days	34.0	35.1	265.2	273.8
Total	259.5	258.1	2,024.1	2,013.2

Indofood allows export customers 60 days of credit and local customers an average of 30 days of credit. MPIC (a) allows 60 days of credit for its water service customers, (b) collects toll fees through its associated company, Tollways Management Corporation (TMC), by cash, the users' prepaid and reloadable electronic toll collection devices and credit card payment arrangements.

12. Accounts payable, other payables and accruals

Included in accounts payable, other payables and accruals are trade payables of US\$195.3 million (HK\$1,523.3 million) (31 December 2008: US\$233.4 million or HK\$1,820.5 million) with an ageing profile as below.

	At 30 June 2009 US\$m	At 31 December 2008 US\$m	At 30 June 2009* HK\$m	At 31 December 2008* HK\$m
0 to 30 days	163.9	220.7	1,278.4	1,721.5
31 to 60 days	5.8	8.5	45.2	66.3
61 to 90 days	1.0	2.6	7.8	20.3
Over 90 days	24.6	1.6	191.9	12.4
Total	195.3	233.4	1,523.3	1,820.5

13. Contingent liabilities

At 30 June 2009, except for US\$56.9 million (HK\$443.8 million) (31 December 2008: US\$53.7 million or HK\$418.9 million) guarantees given by Indofood for loan facilities obtained by certain plantation farmers in relation to arrangements for those farmers' production and sale of fresh fruit bunches to Indofood, neither the Group nor the Company had any significant contingent liabilities (31 December 2008: Nil).

14. Employee information

For the six months ended 30 June	2009 US\$m	2008 US\$m	2009* HK\$m	2008* HK\$m
Employee remuneration (including Directors' remuneration)	182.7	182.0	1,425.1	1,419.6
Number of employees			2009	2008
At 30 June			67,904	62,480
Average for the period			66,982	62,463

15. Subsequent events

- (A) On 10 July 2009, LAWL Pte. Ltd (LAWL) completed the subscription of 791.1 million of new common shares issued by MPIC for Pesos 2.0 billion (approximately US\$41.6 million or HK\$324.5 million), which reduced the Group's economic interest in MPIC from approximately 97.9% to approximately 90.3%. The Group is expected to record a dilution gain of approximately US\$10 million (HK\$78 million) from this transaction.
- (B) On 14 July 2009, Pilipino Telephone Corporation (Piltel), a subsidiary company of PLDT, completed the acquisition of 223.0 million common shares of Manila Electric Company (Meralco) from First Philippine Utilities Corporation at a total consideration of Pesos 20.1 billion (approximately US\$418.8 million or HK\$3,266.6 million).

On 17 July 2009 (the Reference Date), MPIC entered into two separate preliminary agreements (term sheets) with (a) Beneficial Trust Fund of PLDT (BTF Term Sheet) and (b) Crogan Limited (Crogan), a wholly-owned subsidiary company of the Company, and Metro Pacific Holdings, Inc. (MPHI), a Philippine affiliate of the Company (MPHI Term Sheet), respectively. The BTF Term Sheet contemplates that MPIC will purchase 113.3 million common shares of Meralco (representing an approximately 10.17% interest in Meralco) from BTF at a total consideration of Pesos 14.3 billion (approximately US\$297.4 million or HK\$2,319.7 million), which will be partly funded by the cash proceeds from BTF's subscription of 2.7 billion new common shares of MPIC, at a price of Pesos 3.5 (US\$0.073 or HK\$0.57) per share, for a total subscription price of Pesos 9.5 billion (approximately US\$197.4 million or HK\$1,539.7 million). The MPHI Term Sheet contemplates that MPIC will purchase 31.1 million common shares of Meralco (representing approximately 2.79% interest in Meralco) from Crogan at a total consideration of Pesos 3.9 billion (approximately US\$81.6 million or HK\$636.5 million), which will be partly funded by the cash proceeds from MPHI's subscription of 742.5 million new common shares of MPIC, at a price of Pesos 3.5 per share (US\$0.073 or HK\$0.57), at a total consideration of Pesos 2.6 billion (approximately US\$54.1 million or HK\$422.0 million). In addition, according to the MPHI Term Sheet, Crogan has the option to (a) apply the remaining amount of consideration payable by MPIC to Crogan of Pesos 1.3 billion (approximately US\$27.5 million or HK\$214.5 million) for the purchase of Meralco common shares in subscribing for more common shares of MPIC at the price of Pesos 3.5 per share (US\$0.073 or HK\$0.57) and (b) assign to MPHI its right to receive the said total consideration for the sale of Meralco common shares to MPIC.

Upon completion of the above transactions, the Group's economic interest in MPIC will be reduced from approximately 90.3% to either 73.0% or 73.7%, and the Group is expected to record a dilution gain of either US\$40 million (HK\$312.0 million) or US\$42 million (HK\$327.6 million), depending on whether Crogan exercises the right to subscribe for more MPIC common shares (as mentioned above).

In addition, MPIC has undertaken in the BTF Term Sheet that, subject to favourable market conditions as determined by its board of directors, MPIC will conduct a fund raising exercise (a "Re-launch" of its listed shares) to broaden its current investor base, which will be effected by way of a public offering or placement of MPIC's shares to independent investors and result in an offering to public shareholders of a minimum of the lower of (a) 15% of MPIC's fully diluted equity and (b) US\$100 million (HK\$780 million) in value of shares valued at the Re-launch issue price. MPIC agreed that it would not, within a period of 90 days from the Reference Date, issue shares or other securities at a price less than the Pesos 3.5 (US\$0.073 or HK\$0.57 per share) and in the alternative, that if MPIC do so, MPIC will compensate BTF and MPHI for the difference between the aggregate subscription price paid by BTF and MPHI for the above-mentioned subscriptions and the value of those shares at the Re-launch issue price in the form of additional MPIC common shares, to be issued at the Re-launch issue price.

16. Comparative amounts

As explained in Note 1(B) to the Condensed Interim Financial Statements, due to the adoption of HKAS 1 (Revised) and HKFRS 8 during the period, the presentation of certain items and balances has been revised to comply with such changes. Accordingly, certain comparative amounts have been reclassified to conform with the current period's accounting presentation. In addition, the comparative income statement has been restated as if a discontinued operation had been discontinued at the beginning of the comparative period.

REVIEW OF OPERATIONS

The operating environment has been difficult during the period, particularly with respect to the lower global demand for commodities. However, our pro-active management of the Group's operating businesses has seen growth, improved performance and stronger cash flows. The strong dividend inflow to First Pacific has enabled an increasing dividend payout since 2005.

Below is an analysis of results by individual company.

Contribution Summary

For the six months ended 30 June US\$ millions	Turnover		Contribution to Group profit ⁽ⁱ⁾	
	2009	2008 (Restated) ⁽ⁱⁱ⁾	2009	2008
PLDT ⁽ⁱⁱⁱ⁾	-	-	102.9	106.9
MPIC ⁽ⁱⁱ⁾	156.2	-	14.6	1.1
Indofood	1,652.9	2,044.8	31.8	50.6
Philex ⁽ⁱⁱⁱ⁾	-	-	2.1	-
From operations	1,809.1	2,044.8	151.4	158.6
Head Office items:				
- Corporate overhead			(7.8)	(7.8)
- Net interest expense			(11.7)	(12.8)
- Other expenses			(4.4)	(11.5)
Recurring profit			127.5	126.5
Foreign exchange and derivative gains/(losses) ^(iv)			3.3	(4.8)
Gain on changes in fair value of plantations			8.4	12.7
Non-recurring items ^(v)			25.1	22.4
Profit attributable to owners of the parent			164.3	156.8

(i) After taxation and minority interest, where appropriate

(ii) The Group has restated its 1H08 turnover following a classification of the Group's investment in Landco Pacific Corporation (Landco) as a disposal group classified as held for sale in December 2008. MPIC's 1H2008 contribution includes US\$0.8 million contribution from Landco. Following MPIC's disposal of a 17.0% interest in Landco in June 2009, which reduced MPIC's interest in Landco from 51.0% to 34.0%, the Group's investment in Landco was reclassified from a disposal group classified as held for sale to assets held for sale in the Condensed Interim Financial Statements.

(iii) Associated companies

(iv) Foreign exchange and derivative gains/losses represents the gains/losses on foreign exchange translation differences on the Group's unhedged foreign currency denominated borrowings and payables and the changes in the fair values of derivatives.

(v) 1H09's non-recurring gains of US\$25.1 million mainly represents Maynilad's reversal of provision for deferred credits following a resolution of new tariff rates with the regulator. 1H08's non-recurring gains of US\$22.4 million mainly include a gain on divestment and dilution of the Group's interest in PLDT of US\$9.8 million.

Turnover ↓12%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to US\$1,809.1 million from US\$2,044.8 million reflected the respective 12% and 16% depreciation of average peso and rupiah against US\$ exchange rates, partly offset by strong operational performance at MPIC
Recurring profit ↑1%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to US\$127.5 million from US\$126.5 million comprising a significantly improved performance by MPIC, a lower contribution by Indofood in view principally of the decline in crude palm oil prices and the depreciation of the average rupiah exchange rate, and strong results by PLDT which however when translated into U.S. dollars have been impacted negatively by the depreciation of the average peso exchange rate
Non-recurring gains ↑12%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to US\$25.1 million from US\$22.4 million mainly represents Maynilad's reversal of provision for deferred credits following the resolution of new tariff rates implemented from May 2009
Reported profit ↑5%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to US\$164.3 million from US\$156.8 million reflecting the increase in recurring profit and non-recurring gain referred to above mainly reflecting 7% appreciation of the closing rupiah against the U.S. dollar giving rise to a net foreign exchange and derivative gains of US\$3.3 million (1H08: loss of US\$4.8 million) recognized US\$8.4 million (1H08: US\$12.7 million) gain on increase in fair value of plantations as crude palm oil prices have recovered during the second quarter of 2009

The Group's operating results are denominated in local currencies, principally the peso and rupiah, which are translated and consolidated to provide the Group's results in U.S. dollar. The changes of these currencies against the U.S. dollar are summarized below.

	At 30	At 31	Six	At		Six months	12 months		Six months	
	June	December	months	30 June	One year	ended	ended 31	Six	ended	One year
Closing	2009	2008	change	2008	change	30 June	December	months	30 June	change
Peso	48.13	47.52	-1.3%	44.90	-6.7%	Peso	48.06	44.68	42.28	-12.0%
Rupiah	10,225	10,950	+7.1%	9,225	-9.8%	Rupiah	11,022	9,700	9,254	-16.0%

During the period, the Group recorded net foreign exchange and derivative gains of US\$3.3 million (1H08: losses of US\$4.8 million), which may be further analyzed as follows:

For the six months ended 30 June	2009	2008
US\$ millions		
Head Office	(0.9)	(2.9)
PLDT	(6.2)	3.2
MPIC	0.2	(5.5)
Indofood	10.2	0.4
Total	3.3	(4.8)

Foreign currency hedging

At the Head Office, First Pacific hedges only declared dividends from operating companies, mainly peso dividends from PLDT. Rupiah dividends from Indofood are not hedged due to the high cost of such.

Debt profile

At 30 June 2009, gross debt at the Head Office stood at US\$780.4 million. The company is in advanced discussion with financial institutions for refinancing the US\$150 million due to be repaid in the fourth quarter of 2009. The remaining balance of US\$630.4 million will mature between 2011 and 2013. All bank loans are on a floating interest rate basis.

Interest rate hedging

Since all the bank loans are on a floating rate basis, to manage the interest rate risk, a 3.75 years interest rate swap contract to convert the interest rate of a US\$200 million from floating to fixed was entered in April 2009.

Interest cover

For the first six months, Head Office's recurring operating cash inflow was approximately US\$59 million and interest payments were approximately US\$11 million. Interest cover stood at approximately 5 times.

Interim dividend

The Board has declared an interim cash dividend of HK4.00 cents (U.S. 0.51 cent) (1H08: HK3.00 cents (U.S. 0.38 cent)) per ordinary share representing a dividend payout of approximately 13% (1H08: 10%). Dividend warrants will be dispatched to shareholders on or about 9 October 2009. Dividend yield increased to approximately 0.8% (1H08: 0.6%) based on closing price of HK\$5.37 on 4 September 2009.

Outlook

First Pacific is expecting a challenging operating environment during the second half of the year. However, given the improvements in operations over the last few years and further growth through managed capex and marketing initiatives, the company anticipates a reasonably strong second half performance.

With respect to further investments, First Pacific continues to review mining opportunities given that there are significant mining reserves and a more favorable regulatory environment in the Philippines; MPIC continues to study other water distribution concessions and enhancements to its tollroad portfolio along with other infrastructure opportunities. PLDT through Piltel completed its investment in Meralco in July. MPIC plans to complete its investment in Meralco by October 2009 and intends to acquire further shares in Meralco when opportunities arise.

PLDT

PLDT contributed a profit of US\$102.9 million to the Group (1H08: US\$106.9 million). This represents 68% of First Pacific's aggregate contribution derived from the operations of subsidiary and associated companies for the period. This profit contribution (after the impact of a 12% depreciation of the average peso against U.S. dollar) was a reflection of higher wireless service revenue, lower provision for income taxes on account of the lower Philippine corporate income tax rate, higher employee compensation and benefit costs, and larger rental expenses.

During the period, the inflation rate in the Philippines decreased to 5.0% from 7.6% for the same period of 2008.

Consolidated core net income ↑11%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to Pesos 20.8 billion (US\$432.8 million) from 18.7 billion (US\$442.3 million) reflecting a 4% increase in service revenues an 8% increase in cash operating expenses lower provision for income tax resulting from the reduction of the Philippine corporate income tax rate to 30% from 35% starting 2009
Reported net income ↑2%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to Pesos 19.7 billion (US\$409.9 million) from Pesos 19.3 billion (US\$456.5 million) resulting from an 11% increase in consolidated core net income and forex and derivative losses of Pesos 1.7 billion (US\$35.4 million) due to the depreciation of the peso against US\$, as well as movements in the peso and U.S. dollar interest rates
Consolidated service revenues ↑4%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to Pesos 72.9 billion (US\$1,516.9 million) from Pesos 70.3 billion (US\$1,662.7 million) resulting from a 17% increase in cellular and broadband subscribers year-on-year a 6% increase in data and ICT revenues (which together accounted for 54% of total service revenues) and stable voice revenues
EBITDA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> steady at Pesos 44.1 billion (US\$917.6 million) compared with Pesos 43.9 billion (US\$1,038.3 million) for the same period last year
EBITDA margin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> declined slightly to 60% of service revenues with 63% for wireless, 52% for fixed line and 10% for ICT
Consolidated free cash flow ↑12%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to Pesos 31.6 billion (US\$657.5 million) from Pesos 28.2 billion (US\$667.0 million) cash generated from operations increased 6% to Pesos 42.7 billion (US\$888.5 million) capex increased 23% to Pesos 10.7 billion (US\$222.6 million)
Consolidated debt ↑13%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to US\$1.8 billion from US\$1.6 billion 63% is denominated in US\$ (79% previously) ; 27% of total debt is unhedged taking into account the peso debts, hedges and U.S. dollar cash holdings 66% of total debt are fixed-rate loans while 34% are floating-rate loans US\$929 million of total debt matures in 2013 and beyond
Consolidated net debt	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> US\$900 million
Net debt/EBITDA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0.5x

Approximately 29% or Pesos 21.3 billion (US\$443.0 million) of PLDT Group's consolidated service revenues are U. S. dollar-denominated or linked to the U.S. dollar.

Interim Dividend

PLDT sustained its strong performance and robust free cash position despite the continued uncertainty in the global and domestic markets. PLDT declared an interim regular dividend of Pesos 77 (US\$1.6), a 10% increase from the first half of 2008 and representing the committed 70% payout of core earnings.

Share Buyback

In 2008, PLDT's board approved a share buyback program of up to 5 million shares. As of 30 June 2009, PLDT had bought back 2.7 million shares into treasury at an average cost of Pesos 2,388 (US\$50) per share. PLDT will continue to buy back its shares from the market on opportunistic basis.

On 2 March 2009, Piltel's board approved a share buyback program of up to 25 million shares, representing approximately 0.2% of Piltel's issued shares. Piltel completed this during the period at an average cost of Pesos 7.48 (US\$0.156) per share. On 3 August 2009, another buyback program was approved for up to 61.5 million shares, representing the remaining 0.5% outstanding shares of Piltel.

Wireless

Smart and Piltel's combined 2G/3G subscriber base grew 16% to 38.5 million (1H08: 33.2 million) representing approximately 52% of the total cellular market in the Philippines based on subscribers and approximately 60% in terms of revenue. Total broadband subscribers – DSL fixed and wireless – grew 26% to over a million.

New services launched during the period included:

Sandbox - employing web platform for social networking, online music, game and video downloading, and other web services

Smartalk – unlimited calls offer to all Smart Buddy and Smart Gold subscribers on the Smart network

Wireless service revenues ↑5%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to Pesos 48.1 billion (US\$1,000.8 million) from Pesos 45.8 billion (US\$1,083.3 million) accounted for 66% of PLDT's consolidated service revenues reflecting revenue growth in wireless broadband, cellular voice and data businesses
Wireless EBITDA ↑2%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to Pesos 30.2 billion (US\$628.4 million) from Pesos 29.7 billion (US\$702.5 million) supported by the growth in subscriber base
EBITDA margin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> declined to 63% from 65% reflecting higher compensation and employee benefits expenses largely due to merit-based increases and provisions for pension costs and incentive plans; as well as higher rental costs for international and domestic leased circuits and sites
Cellular data revenues ↑2%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to Pesos 24.2 billion (US\$503.5 million) from Pesos 23.8 billion (US\$562.9 million) revenues from text messages totaled Pesos 23.0 billion (US\$478.6 million), of which Pesos 13.9 billion (US\$289.2 million) are from bucket plans accounted for 54% of cellular service revenues prepaid service revenues accounted for 93% of data and voice revenues
Wireless broadband revenues ↑29%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to Pesos 2.6 billion (US\$54.1 million) from Pesos 2.0 billion (US\$47.3 million) subscriber base grew by 26% to 689,262 compared to the end of 2008
Cellular voice revenues ↑5%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to Pesos 19.1 billion (US\$397.4 million) from Pesos 18.1 billion (US\$428.1 million) due to the growth in inbound international call volumes and the favorable effect of the depreciation of peso accounted for 43% of cellular revenues
Net blended ARPU ↓11%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to Pesos 195 (US\$4.1) from Pesos 220 (US\$5.2) most of the net adds were from the lower end of the market subscribers shifted to bucket-priced SMS packages which accounted for 57% of total cellular data revenues

Smart continues its commitment to offer affordable premier telecommunication services to its customers that respond to their needs and economic conditions. In addition to bucket-priced SMS packages, it will accelerate the rollout of 3G and the 850 MHz HSPA networks by the end of this year to meet increasing demand for higher quality broadband services.

Fixed Line

Fixed line subscribers remained stable at 1.8 million.

Fixed line service revenues ↑3%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to Pesos 25.4 billion (US\$528.5 million) from Pesos 24.6 billion (US\$581.8 million) increased to 35% of PLDT's consolidated service revenues reflecting significant increases in corporate data and Digital Subscriber Line (DSL) services revenues lower revenues from local exchange, national long distance and international long distance call services as some customers shifted to other means of communication
Data and other network services revenues ↑17%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to Pesos 10.5 billion (US\$218.5 million) from Pesos 9.0 billion (US\$212.9 million) increased to 41% of fixed line service revenues from 36% the previous period primarily contributed from increases in leased lines, IP-based and packet-based data services, particularly global data connectivity and PLDT DSL DSL subscribers increased 52% to 509,687 from the end of December 2008
International long distance service revenues ↓13%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to Pesos 3.2 billion (US\$66.6 million) from Pesos 3.7 billion (US\$87.5 million) accounted for 13% of fixed line service revenues reflecting decrease in call volumes which were partially offset by the depreciation of average Peso/US\$ exchange rate
Fixed line EBITDA ↓3%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to Pesos 13.3 billion (US\$276.7 million) from Pesos 13.7 billion (US\$324.0 million) reflecting higher cash operating expenses, pension costs and rental expenses for international leased circuits
EBITDA margin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 52% similar to 2008 year end

The fixed line business continues to leverage on PLDT's fixed and wireless networks as it aims to expand its offers to the residential, corporate and small- and medium-sized enterprise (SME) markets to generate new and higher ARPUs. Among its segment-specific services and offerings are the fixed-wireless landline services *PLDT Landline Plus*, and *Call All* which allow free landline calls within a limited calling area. Tailor- made voice and broadband bundled packages are offered to SMEs.

Information and Communications Technology (ICT)

ePLDT provides customer interaction services (CIS) under the *Ventus* brand and knowledge processing solutions (KPS) services primarily through SPi Technologies, Inc. (SPi). CIS employs over 6,300 staff with combined seats of approximately 6,500 offering services at six customer interaction service facilities.

ePLDT's service revenues ↑5%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to Pesos 5.2 billion (US\$108.2 million) from Pesos 5.0 billion (US\$118.3 million) accounted for 7% of PLDT's consolidated service revenues reflecting primarily a 59% growth in data center revenue due to an increase in co-location rental revenues and from server hosting
ePLDT EBITDA ↑4%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to Pesos 511 million (US\$10.6 million) from Pesos 493 million (US\$11.7 million) reflecting a 14% appreciation of average US\$/Peso exchange rate as 76% of ePLDT revenues are U.S. dollar denominated and higher cash operating expenses in relation to compensation, maintenance and cost of sales
EBITDA margin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> remained stable at 10%

During the period, *Vitro* data center sustained its revenue growth with the trend expected to continue in the second half of 2009. SPi continues to focus on growing the publishing and medical billing businesses. ePLDT remains focused on improving operating margins as well as exploring new business opportunities.

Investment in Meralco

On 14 July 2009, PLDT – through its subsidiary Piltel – completed the acquisition of a 20% interest in the Manila Electric Company (Meralco) with full payment of the consideration of Pesos 20.1 billion (US\$417.6 million). Three nominees from the group were elected to Meralco’s board at the Meralco Annual General Meeting held on 26 May 2009. The CFO of Meralco nominated by the group assumed the position on 1 July 2009.

A synergy team composed of members of PLDT and Meralco management, is identifying cooperative and efficiency enhancing opportunities. These are in the areas of sharing of facilities, power pole agreements, cross marketing and selling to subscriber bases, broadband over power lines, prepaid metering and others.

To consolidate the PLDT Group’s cellular businesses, Piltel’s shareholders agreed to sell the *Talk ‘N Text* brand, its existing subscribers and GSM fixed assets to PLDT’s wholly-owned subsidiary, Smart Communications, Inc., for a consideration of approximately Pesos 11.4 billion (US\$236.9 million). The transaction is expected to be completed by the third quarter 2009. Post the transaction, Piltel’s primary asset and source of income will be its 20% investment in Meralco.

With the change in Piltel’s business, Smart undertook a tender offer to Piltel’s minority shareholders. With the completion of Smart’s tender offer on 29 July, 2009, Smart’s shareholding in Piltel increased to 99.5% from 92.8%. On 12 August 2009, Smart paid a total of Pesos 6.6 billion (US\$137.1 million) to those who availed of the tender offer.

The PLDT Beneficial Trust Fund (BTF) agreed to sell its approximately 10.17% interest in Meralco to Metro Pacific Investments Corporation (MPIC) for a combination of cash and new shares of MPIC for a total consideration equivalent to Pesos 14.3 billion (US\$297.1 million), which equates to a sale price of Pesos 126 (US\$2.6) per share of Meralco. BTF will own 2.7 billion new shares of MPIC worth Pesos 9.5 billion (US\$197.4 million) and will receive cash of Pesos 4.8 billion (US\$99.7 million). The transaction is expected to be completed by October 2009.

Outlook

While PLDT’s wireless, broadband and data-related businesses sustained their strong performance in the first half of the year, growth prospects for the second half may be impacted by the lagged effect of the global financial crisis which may slow the Philippine economy. However, the low broadband penetration offers a high growth opportunity for both wireless and fixed line businesses. The budgeted capex of Pesos 27 billion (US\$561.8 million) represents approximately 18% of this year’s total service revenues, and is mainly for expanding PLDT Group’s broadband capacity and upgrading the fixed line network.

Reconciliation of reported results between PLDT and First Pacific

PLDT’s operations are principally denominated in peso, which averaged Pesos 48.06 (1H08: 42.28) to the U.S. dollar. Its financial results are prepared under Philippine GAAP and reported in peso. First Pacific’s financial results are prepared under Hong Kong GAAP and reported in U.S. dollars. Philippine GAAP and Hong Kong GAAP are largely based on International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRSs), however, certain adjustments need to be made to PLDT’s reported peso results to ensure full compliance with Hong Kong GAAP. An analysis of these adjustments follows.

For the six months ended 30 June	2009	2008
Peso millions		
Net income under Philippine GAAP	19,720	19,270
Preference dividends ⁽ⁱ⁾	(45)	(44)
Net income attributable to common shareholders	19,675	19,226
Differing accounting and presentational treatments ⁽ⁱⁱ⁾	(2,075)	(1,285)
Adjusted net income under Hong Kong GAAP	17,600	17,941
Foreign exchange and derivative losses/(gains) ⁽ⁱⁱⁱ⁾	1,119	(563)
PLDT’s net income as reported by First Pacific	18,719	17,378
US\$ millions		
Net income at prevailing average rates for 1H09: Pesos 48.06 and 1H08: Pesos 42.28	389.5	411.0
Contribution to First Pacific Group profit, at an average shareholding of 1H09: 26.4% and 1H08: 26.0%	102.9	106.9

(i) First Pacific presents net income after deduction of preference dividends.

(ii) Differences in accounting treatment under Philippine GAAP, compared with Hong Kong GAAP and other presentational differences. The adjustment principally relates to the accrual of withholding tax on PLDT’s net income in accordance with the requirements of Hong Kong Accounting Standard (HKAS) 12 “Income Taxes”.

(iii) To illustrate the underlying operational results and profit contributions, foreign exchange and derivative losses/gains (net of related tax) are excluded and presented separately.

MPIC

MPIC is becoming the leading infrastructure group in the Philippines and invested a total of Pesos 22.3 billion (US\$475.9 million) in 2008 to expand its water distribution, tollroads and healthcare businesses which now comprise:

- 58.0% in Maynilad Water Services, Inc. (Maynilad)
- 99.8% in Metro Pacific Tollways Corporation (MPTC), which owns 67.1% in Manila North Tollways Corporation (MNTC) and 46.0% in Tollways Management Corporation (TMC)
- 32.3% in Medical Doctors, Inc. (MDI), which owns 100% of Colinas Verdes Hospital Managers Corporation (CVHMC), the operator of Cardinal Santos Medical Center (CSMC)
- 34.9% in Davao Doctors Hospital (DDH)

During the period, MPIC's contribution to the Group increased 12 times to US\$14.6 million (1H08: US\$1.1 million) reflecting the consolidation of MPTC for the period, higher ownership and bigger contribution from Maynilad, together with increased contribution from the healthcare businesses.

Revenues	• at Pesos 7,508 million (US\$156.2 million)
Reported net income ↑4 times	• to Pesos 1,695 million (US\$35.3 million) from Pesos 339 million (US\$8.0 million) • reflecting the consolidation (for 6 months) of MPTC, higher contributions from Maynilad, MDI and DDH
Core income ↑47 times	• to Pesos 716 million (US\$14.9 million) from Pesos 15 million (US\$0.4 million) • reflecting Maynilad's increased contribution which rose 16 times to Pesos 423 million (US\$8.8 million) from Pesos 25.0 million (US\$0.6 million) • MPTC's contribution of Pesos 680 million (US\$14.1 million) • Healthcare businesses' contribution growing 105% to Pesos 76 million (US\$1.6 million)

Water distribution

Maynilad owns the sole water distribution concession for the western half of Metro Manila until 2022. It is in the process of seeking a 15-year extension of the concession from the regulator. Currently, only 6.9 million of the 8.9 million population within the concession area are able to receive water services.

Maynilad's net contribution to MPIC's core income increased 17 times to Pesos 423 million (US\$8.8 million) (1H08: Pesos 25 million (US\$0.6 million)).

Service revenues ↑22%	• to Pesos 4,743 million (US\$98.7 million) from Pesos 3,903 million (US\$92.3 million) • reflecting increased billed water volume and average tariff, and lower non-revenue water
Core EBITDA ↑24%	• to Pesos 3,025 million (US\$62.9 million) from Pesos 2,438 million (US\$57.7 million) being a reflection of a lower increase in cash operating expenses than revenue growth
Core income ↑8%	• to Pesos 1,307 million (US\$27.2 million) from Pesos 1,208 million (US\$28.6 million)
Total billed water volume ↑12%	• to 167 million cubic meters from 149 million cubic meters • reflecting an increase in consumption per connection and a decrease in non-revenue water • partly offset by a 1.3% reduction in water supply
Total billed customers ↑7%	• to 777,160 from 725,054
Average non-revenue water ↓7%	• to 60.9% from 65.5% in the first half of 2008 • reflecting leakage identification and the redirection of excess water to areas where customers require water

From May 2009, Maynilad's average tariff increased by Pesos 7.44 per cubic meter or 22.6% which comprises Pesos 5.02 for rate rebasing and Pesos 2.42 for Consumer Price Index (CPI) adjustment. It plans to invest a total of Pesos 32 billion (US\$665.9 million) in capital expenditure over the next four years in order to increase coverage area, to improve water pressure and to provide 24-hour water service, and to further reduce non-revenue water.

Tollroads

MPTC, through MNTC and TMC, operates the North Luzon Expressway (NLEX), Subic Clark Tarlac Expressway and Subic Freeport Expressway totaling 187 kilometers which comprises 70% of all toll roads in the Philippines. The concession for NLEX runs until 2037.

Service revenues ↑2%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to Pesos 2,765 million (US\$57.5 million) from Pesos 2,704 million (US\$64.0 million) reflecting increase in traffic volume, improvement in operating efficiencies and cost management initiatives partly offset by an average 3% reduction in toll rates imposed in July 2008
Core EBITDA ↑5%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to Pesos 1,718 million (US\$35.7 million) from Pesos 1,643 million (US\$38.9 million) being a reflection of a lower rate of increase in cash operating expenses than that of revenue salaries and wages and outside services decreased 18% and 24%, respectively
Core income ↑6%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to Pesos 636 million (US\$13.2 million) from Pesos 601 million (US\$14.2 million)
Daily traffic volume ↑5%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to 151,653 vehicles from 144,643 vehicles stimulated by lower fuel prices

The NLEX has been granted options to expand its tollroad network. The construction of Segment 8.1, a 2.7 kilometer tollroad linking Mindanao Avenue to the NLEX gateway in Valenzuela City, is expected to be completed by April 2010. It plans to commence the construction of Segment 9 (link NLEX to MacArthur Highway) and Segment 10 (link NLEX to the Port Area and C3) in the last quarter of 2010 or first quarter of 2011.

In February 2009, MPTC signed a memorandum of understanding with the Philippine National Railways to build the Skyway Connector to connect the NLEX and the South Luzon Expressway. This connector road is expected to drive traffic volumes and reduce journey time by an hour.

Healthcare

MPIC is the single largest shareholder of MDI and DDH which are two of the leading private hospitals in the Philippines. MPIC is developing the first nationwide premier healthcare chain to deliver improved services in particular in diagnostic, therapeutic and preventive medical services.

MDI operates and manages the Makati Medical Center (Makati Med) which has a 770 bed capacity and a training facility for approximately 1,000 nursing students. The construction of a new 8-storey out-patient annex building with a 5-floor basement parking was inaugurated in February 2009.

DDH is the largest private hospital in Davao City with a 330 bed capacity and is considered the best medical facility in Mindanao. DDH operates a teaching institution Davao Doctors College Inc., which currently has approximately 3,500 students taking courses in nursing, radiologic technology, physical therapy, optometry, hotel and restaurant management and general education. It is in the process of establishing an eye center and will open a new parking building that will be completed in September 2009.

In February 2009, CVHMC, received approval from the Roman Catholic Archbishop of Manila for a 20-year operating contract for the CSMC. MPIC is committed to invest at least Pesos 750 million (US\$15.8 million) over the next 10 years to upgrade CSMC's medical facilities and equipment and parking facilities to enhance the range and quality of services. CSMC is a 212-bed hospital located in Metro Manila.

Combined revenues ↑40%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to Pesos 2,680 million (US\$44.9 million) from Pesos 1,913 million (US\$33.6 million) reflecting the consolidation of CSMC of Pesos 599 million (US\$12.5 million) from March 2009, Pesos 195 million (US\$4.1 million) from MDI and Pesos 32 million (US\$0.7 million) from DDH
Core EBITDA ↑28%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to Pesos 584 million (US\$12.2 million) from Pesos 456 million (US\$10.8 million) reflecting the contribution from CSMC the growth in revenues from the new facilities at Makati Med did not fully offset the increase in cash operating expenses
Core income ↑35%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to Pesos 245 million (US\$5.1 million) from Pesos 182 million (US\$4.3 million) reflecting the consolidation of Cardinal CSMC's core income of Pesos 61 million (US\$1.3 million) to MDI and higher core income of DDH MDI's core income increased 43% to Pesos 175 million (US\$3.6 million) from Pesos 122 million (US\$2.9 million) DDH's core income increased 17% to Pesos 70 million (US\$1.5 million) from Pesos 60 million (US\$1.4 million)

The healthcare division is renovating Makati Med's old building, finalizing the capital expenditure plan for CSMC, increasing doctor capacity at DDH and seeking opportunities to expand its portfolio.

Progress of acquiring interest in Meralco

MPIC has agreed to acquire a total of approximately 12.96% interest in Meralco of which 10.17% will come from PLDT's Beneficial Trust Fund (BTF) and 2.79% from Crogan Limited (Crogan), a wholly-owned subsidiary of First Pacific. The settlement with BTF will be a combination of cash and new shares of MPIC with a total consideration equivalent to Pesos 14.3 billion (US\$297.4 million). MPIC will issue 2.7 billion of its common shares worth Pesos 9.5 billion (US\$197.4 million) and will pay cash of Pesos 4.8 billion (US\$100.0 million). The consideration for Crogan's 2.79% interest in Meralco is Pesos 3.9 billion (US\$81.6 million) of which Pesos 2.6 billion (US\$54.1 million) will be settled by issuing 742.5 million common shares of MPIC, Crogan has the option of receiving cash or additional 376.1 million common shares of MPIC for the remaining consideration of Pesos 1.3 billion (US\$27.5 million). The valuation per share of Meralco of these two transactions is Pesos 126 (US\$2.6) per share.

This investment is expected to be completed by October 2009. MPIC intends to acquire further shares in Meralco when opportunities arise.

Outlook

MPIC's assets are expected to show further growth and higher contributions to MPIC in the second half of the year as volume builds in both of the water and tollroad businesses.

MPIC will manage the capital expenditure and marketing programs of its businesses and review any suitable acquisition opportunities in the tollroad, water distribution and healthcare sectors in addition to acquiring an increased interest in Meralco.

Reconciliation of reported results between MPIC and First Pacific

MPIC's operations are principally denominated in peso, which averaged Pesos 48.06 (1H08: 42.28) to the U.S. dollar. Its financial results are prepared under Philippine GAAP and reported in peso. First Pacific's financial results are prepared under Hong Kong GAAP and reported in U.S. dollars. Philippine GAAP and Hong Kong GAAP are largely based on IFRSs, however, certain adjustments need to be made to MPIC's reported peso results to ensure full compliance with Hong Kong GAAP. An analysis of these adjustments follows.

For the six months ended 30 June	2009	2008
Peso millions		(Restated) ⁽ⁱ⁾
Net income under Philippine GAAP	1,696	339
Differing accounting and presentational treatments ⁽ⁱⁱ⁾		
– Reclassification of non-recurring items	(971)	(610)
– Revenue recognition regarding pre-completion contracts for sale of development properties	-	29
Adjusted net income/(loss) under Hong Kong GAAP	725	(242)
Foreign exchange and derivative (gains)/losses ⁽ⁱⁱⁱ⁾	(9)	296
MPIC's net income as reported by First Pacific	716	54
US\$ millions		
Net income at prevailing average rates for 1H09: Pesos 48.06 and 1H08: Pesos 42.28	14.9	1.3
Contribution to First Pacific Group profit, at an average shareholding of 1H09: 97.8% and 1H08: 85.6%	14.6	1.1

(i) MPIC has restated its 1H08 net income from Pesos 362 million to Pesos 339 million in relation to its adoption of International Financial Reporting Interpretations Committee-Interpretation 12 "Service Concession Arrangements".

(ii) Differences in accounting treatment under Philippine GAAP, compared with Hong Kong GAAP and other presentational differences. The principal adjustments include:

- Reclassification of non-recurring items: Certain items, through occurrence or size, are not considered usual, operating items which are reallocated and presented separately. Adjustment for 1H09 of Pesos 1.0 billion principally represents Maynilad's reversal of provision of deferred credits following a resolution of new tariff rates with the regulator. Adjustment for 1H08 of Pesos 0.6 billion principally represents a gain on sale of assets of Pesos 0.3 billion, a recognition of the excess of the fair value of the acquired interest in MDI over the acquisition cost paid for it as income of Pesos 0.2 billion and gain realized from debt settlement of Pesos 0.1 billion.
- Revenue recognition regarding pre-completion contracts for sale of development properties: Under Philippine GAAP, MPIC recognizes revenue from pre-completion contracts for sale of development properties based on the percentage of completion method. HKAS 18 "Revenue" and Hong Kong Interpretation 3 "Revenue - Pre-completion Contracts for the Sale of Development Properties" requires the recognition of revenue for such contracts based on the satisfaction of certain conditions, which includes the transfer of significant risks and rewards of ownership of the properties to the buyers and the absence of continuing managerial involvement to the degree usually associated with ownership and effective control over the properties sold.

(iii) To illustrate the underlying operational results and profit contributions, foreign exchange and derivative gains/losses (net of related tax) are excluded and presented separately.

INDOFOOD

Indofood offers and distributes a wide range of food products throughout Indonesia through its four complementary strategic business groups: Consumer Branded Products, Bogasari, Agribusiness and Distribution.

Indofood's contribution to the Group decreased 37.2% to US\$31.8 million (1H08: US\$50.6 million) principally reflecting lower average selling prices of crude palm oil (CPO) and higher net interest expenses.

Consolidated net sales ↓4%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to Rupiah 18.2 trillion (US\$1,652.9 million) from Rupiah 18.9 trillion (US\$2,044.8 million) reflecting the lower sales in the Agribusiness division resulting from lower average CPO prices sales contribution of Consumer Branded Products, Bogasari, Agribusiness and Distribution contribute respectively, 43%, 30%, 19% and 8% of consolidated revenues
Gross profit margin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> increased marginally to 26.7% from 26.4% reflecting lower raw material costs for the Noodles operation
Consolidated operating expenses ↑6%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to Rupiah 2,637.5 billion (US\$239.3 million) from Rupiah 2,482.6 billion (US\$268.3 million) due to higher variable selling expenses in conjunction with sales volume increases and higher employee related expenses
EBIT margin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> decreased to 12.2% from 13.2% resulting from the lower sales and higher operating expenses
Core net income ↓28%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to Rupiah 595.2 billion (US\$54.0 million) from Rupiah 826.0 billion (US\$89.3 million) reflecting lower operating income
Consolidated net debt ↑6%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to Rupiah 15,216.7 billion (US\$1,488.1 million) from Rupiah 14,308.0 billion (US\$1,306.5 million) reflecting lower cash balance and a slight increase in debt
Net gearing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> stable at 1.1 times after taking into account the equity of Minority Interest in subsidiaries

Refinancing and debt profile

During the period, Indofood issued a Rupiah 1.6 trillion (US\$157 million) 5-year rupiah bond to refinance a Rupiah 1 trillion (US\$98 million) bond due in July 2009 and other short-term bank loans. As at 30 June 2009, Indofood recorded gross debt of Rupiah 19,141.7 billion (US\$1,872.0 million). IndoAgri's subsidiary, SIMP, is in the process of the issuance of a Rupiah 1.0 trillion (US\$98 million) 5-year bond to refinance IndoAgri's short-term debt.

Resale of Lonsum's treasury stock

From July to August 20, 2009, Lonsum resold to third parties a total of 4,576,000 treasury shares equivalent to approximately 0.3% of its issued capital for a consideration of Rupiah 32.3 billion (US\$3.2 million). There remains 19,388,000 shares as treasury stock.

Consumer Branded Products (CBP)

CBP group comprises Noodles, Dairy, Food Seasonings, Snack Foods and Nutrition and Special Foods. Supported by Indofood's competitiveness, strong brand equity and distribution network, CBP group reported significantly improved performance.

Sales ↑37%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to Rupiah 8,076.0 billion (US\$732.7 million) from Rupiah 5,902.5 billion (US\$637.8 million) accounted for 43% (1H08: 30%) of Indofood's consolidated sales reflecting generally higher sales volume driven by enhanced marketing strategy and higher average selling prices the consolidation of Indolakto which was acquired in December 2008
EBIT margin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to 10.0% from 3.0% reflecting margin improvement across the divisions

Indofood's **Noodles** division has 15 production plants in Indonesia with combined annual production capacity of 15 billion packs. Its strategy of focusing on higher value added noodles products complemented performance.

Sales ↑9%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to Rupiah 5,777.2 billion (US\$524.2 million) from Rupiah 5,288 billion (US\$571.4 million) resulting from higher average selling prices as well as volume growth
Sales volume ↑2%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to 5.6 billion packs from 5.5 billion packs as demand stimulated by lower inflation
EBIT margin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to 11.0% from 2.9% reflecting higher average selling prices as well as lower input costs

Dairy

Indofood completed the acquisition of PT Indolakto (Indolakto) in December 2008 which enlarged Indofood's CBP portfolio. Indolakto has been one of the leading dairy products manufacturers in Indonesia, producing sweetened condensed milk, powder milk, liquid milk, butter and ice cream.

Sales	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> was Rupiah 1,517.6 billion (US\$137.7 million)
Sales volume	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 81.4 thousand tonnes and 42.2 million liters
EBIT margin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7.3%

Food Seasonings division manufactures a range of products including soy sauce, chili sauce, tomato sauce, condiments, instant seasonings and syrups.

Sales ↑25%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to Rupiah 252.0 billion (US\$22.9 million) from Rupiah 201.7 billion (US\$21.8 million) reflecting higher volume and average selling
Sales volume ↑18%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to 29.9 thousand tonnes from 25.3 thousand tonnes resulting from the success of <i>bumbu Racik</i>, higher chili and syrup sales volume
EBIT margin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to 5.2% from 3.6% reflecting higher sales

Indofood's **Snack Foods** division maintained its leadership position supported by focusing on its leading brands *Chitato* and *Lays* (potato chips), and *Qtela* (cassava chips, a traditional style snack food), and introduction of new products and packaging.

Sales ↑35%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to Rupiah 326.1 billion (US\$29.6 million) from Rupiah 241.0 billion (US\$26.1 million) contributed from higher sales volume and improve product mix
Sales volume ↑17%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to 6,284 tonnes from 5,389 tonnes contributed by the high growth in <i>Qtela</i> and potato chips, stimulated by focused marketing program, enhanced product visibility in the modern and traditional outlets as well as increased distribution penetration in traditional outlets
EBIT margin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to 6.4% from 0.3% reflecting higher sales volume and product mix

Nutrition and Special Foods division produces food for babies, children and expectant mothers. The division increases product visibility and brand awareness via educational health programs through partnerships with clinics and doctors.

Sales ↑18%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to Rupiah 203.1 billion (US\$18.4 million) from Rupiah 172.3 billion (US\$18.6 million) resulting from higher sales volume and average selling price
Sales volume ↑14%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to 6,128 tonnes from 5,369 tonnes volume growth was driven by improved product visibility and enhanced sales team in retail outlets
EBIT margin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to 12.6% from 9.6% reflecting higher volume and improved efficiency

Bogasari's flour mills located in Jakarta and Surabaya have combined annual milling capacity of 3.8 million tonnes of wheat flour. It also manufactures pasta and biscuits for both domestic and international markets. Its five vessels are mainly for transporting wheat from Australia, United States and Canada to Indonesia.

Sales ↓1%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to Rupiah 7,182 billion (US\$651.6 million) from Rupiah 7,262.9 billion (US\$784.8 million) accounted for 30% (1H08: 30%) of Indofood's consolidated sales reflecting lower average selling prices in response to lower wheat costs
Sales volume of food flour ↑15%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to 1,138.8 thousand tonnes from 987.7 thousand tonnes reflecting demand recovery as prices have stabilized
Sales volume of pasta ↓26%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to 11.8 thousand tonnes from 15.9 thousand tonnes due to lower export demand
EBIT margin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to 7.0% from 10.1%

Agribusiness

Indofood operates its agribusiness through its Singapore listed subsidiary Indofood Agri Resources Ltd (IndoAgri) and IndoAgri's Indonesia-listed subsidiary, PT PP London Sumatra Indonesia Tbk (Lonsum). Through its three operational divisions – plantations, cooking oils and fats (COF) and commodities – Agribusiness group is involved in research and development, oil palm seed breeding, cultivation of oil palms as well as refining, branding and marketing of cooking oils, margarine and shortening. It also engages in the cultivation of other crops such as rubber, sugar cane, cocoa and tea.

Sales ↓29%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to Rupiah 5,595.1 billion (US\$507.6 million) from Rupiah 7,934.4 billion (US\$857.4 million) accounted for 19% (1H08: 28%) of Indofood's consolidated sales mainly due to lower average selling price of CPO and cooking oil
EBIT margin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to 15.0% from 21.6% reflecting lower CPO prices

CPO price rebounded strongly in the second quarter of 2009 from two significantly factors - low harvest of the Argentinean soybean crop caused by a severe drought and strong demand for palm oil, especially from India and China, as it remains the most cost competitive vegetable oil. CPO price is expected to remain volatile for the rest of 2009 but as demand remains resilient, the mid-term outlook is positive.

Agribusiness Group is on track towards self sufficiency in supply of CPO. It plans to complete, in the second quarter of 2010, the construction of a refinery with an annual capacity of 420,000 tonnes in Jakarta.

Plantations

IndoAgri and Lonsum have a combined plantation land bank of 545,243 hectares of which 217,012 hectares is planted. Dominant crop is oil palm and 38% of the trees are below seven years old, followed by rubber. During the period, oil palm planted area increased by 2,186 hectares and average CPO yield remained at 2.1 tonnes per hectare.

Sales ↓28%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to Rupiah 2,676.7 billion (US\$242.9 million) from Rupiah 3,706.5 billion (US\$400.5 million) accounted for 37.4% of agribusiness's sales reflecting lower selling prices of palm oil products and rubber
Sales volume ↓1%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to 467.3 thousand tonnes from 470.2 thousand tonnes
EBIT margin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to 28.1% from 40.4% reflecting lower average selling prices

Cooking Oils and Fats

This division has refinery capacity of 1.7 million tonnes per annum and approximately 70% of this division's refinery needs coming from the plantation division's CPO production.

Sales ↓25%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to Rupiah 2,526.0 billion (US\$229.2 million) from Rupiah 3,345.7 billion (US\$361.5 million) reflecting lower selling prices in line with decline in CPO prices
Branded cooking oils sales volume ↓5%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to 197.0 thousand tonnes from 207.7 thousand tonnes reinstatement of VAT on branded cooking oils
Sales volume of margarine ↑9%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to 88.2 thousand tonnes from 80.9 thousand tonnes resulting from recovery in the SME business in line with the recovery in demand for flour
EBIT margin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> maintained at 4.3%

Commodity

This division mainly produces crude coconut oil (CNO) and derivative products, most of which are exported to the U.S., Europe, China and South Korea.

Sales ↓56%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to Rupiah 392.3 billion (US\$35.6 million) from Rupiah 882.2 billion (US\$95.3 million) reflecting lower average selling prices of copra-based and palm-based products
Sales volume of CNO ↓38%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to 35.2 thousand tonnes from 57.0 thousand tonnes
EBIT margin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to negative 5.8% from positive 8.0% reflecting lower average selling prices

Distribution

Indofood has the most extensive distribution network in Indonesia, its stock point distribution system distributes the majority of Indofood's consumer products and third-party products to over 7,000 islands in the country.

Sales ↓35%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to Rupiah 1,405.3 billion (US\$127.5 million) from Rupiah 2,152.2 billion (US\$232.6 million) reflecting sales of Dairy products is now booked in the CBP division, it accounted for approximately 80% of this division's sales for 2008
EBIT margin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> maintained at 1.5%

Outlook

Consumer Branded Products recorded a strong performance, higher margin and contribution for the period. Indofood continues to monitor closely and adjust quickly to the development in the operating environment by leveraging its competitive advantages which exist across all of its businesses.

Reconciliation of reported results between Indofood and First Pacific

Indofood's operations are principally denominated in rupiah, which averaged Rupiah 11,022 (1H08: 9,254) to the U.S. dollar. Its financial results are prepared under Indonesian GAAP and reported in rupiah. First Pacific's financial results are prepared under Hong Kong GAAP and reported in U.S. dollars. Accordingly, certain adjustments need to be made to Indofood's reported rupiah results to ensure compliance with Hong Kong GAAP. An analysis of these adjustments follows.

For the six months ended 30 June	2009	2008
Rupiah billions		
Net income under Indonesian GAAP	800	827
Differing accounting and presentational treatments ⁽ⁱ⁾		
- Reclassification of non-recurring items	21	21
- Gain on changes in fair value of plantations	185	228
- Foreign exchange accounting	27	27
- Others	76	41
Adjusted net income under Hong Kong GAAP	1,109	1,144
Foreign exchange and derivative gains ⁽ⁱⁱ⁾	(225)	(7)
Gain on changes in fair value of plantations ⁽ⁱⁱ⁾	(185)	(228)
Indofood's net income as reported by First Pacific	699	909
US\$ millions		
Net income at prevailing average rates for 1H09: Rupiah 11,022 and 1H08: Rupiah 9,254	63.4	98.2
Contribution to First Pacific Group profit, at an average shareholding of 1H09: 50.1% and 1H08: 51.5%	31.8	50.6

(i) Differences in accounting treatment under Indonesian GAAP, compared with Hong Kong GAAP and other presentational differences. The principal adjustments include:

- Reclassification of non-recurring items: Certain items, through occurrence or size, are not considered usual operating items which are reallocated and presented separately. Adjustment for 1H09 of Rupiah 21 billion (1H08: Rupiah 25 billion) represents manpower rightsizing costs. In 1H08, a Rupiah 4 billion gain on settlement of insurance claim was recorded.
- Gain on changes in fair value of plantations: Under Indonesian GAAP, Indofood measures its plantations (biological assets) on a historical cost basis. HKAS 41 "Agriculture" requires the measurement of plantations at fair value less estimated point-of-sale costs. The adjustment relates to the change in fair value of plantations during the period.
- Foreign exchange accounting: The adjustment relates to the reversal of the amortization of foreign exchange losses that were previously capitalized by Indofood on certain fixed assets under construction, as the originating capitalized foreign exchange losses has already been written off by First Pacific.

(ii) To illustrate the underlying operational results and profit contributions, foreign exchange and derivative gains (net of related tax) and gain on changes in fair value of plantations are excluded and presented separately.

Philex Mining Corporation

First Pacific Group made its initial investment in mining with the acquisition of a 20% interest in Philex in November 2008. During the period, Philex's contribution to the Group for the period amounted to US\$2.1 million.

Philex has been operating the Padcal mine since 1958. It is the first underground block cave operation in the Far East, producing concentrates the majority of which are shipped to the Saganoseki smelter of Pan Pacific Copper Co., Ltd. in Japan. The Padcal mine has a work force of 2,589, and its operating life has recently been extended to 2017 based on the proven reserves of 74 million tonnes.

Total ore milled in the first half of 2009 amounted to 4.0 million tonnes at an average grade of 0.624 grams per tonne gold and 0.239% copper, producing 65.3 thousand ounces of gold and 17.6 million pounds of copper which comprises approximately 59% and 40%, respectively, of mining revenue - all of which are denominated in U.S. dollars. For the first half of 2009, the average realized prices for gold was US\$881 per ounce and for copper was US\$2.18 per pound. As of 30 June 2009, Philex had net cash balances of US\$48.8 million.

Net income attributable to equity holders of the parent company ↓47%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to Pesos 1,170 million (US\$24.3 million) from Pesos 2,220 million (US\$52.5 million) reflecting lower copper prices (to US\$2.18 from US\$3.60 per pound in the previous period) which have been adversely impacted by the global economic downturn. Copper revenue declined 56% to Pesos 1,598 million (US\$33.3 million) from Pesos 3,601 million (US\$85.2 million) and gold revenue decreased 7% to Pesos 2,503 million (US\$52.1 million) from Pesos 2,678 million (US\$63.3 million) production volume of gold and copper declined to 65.3 thousand ounces from 70.6 thousand ounces and to 17.6 million pounds from 21.3 million pounds, respectively the expiration of the income tax holiday for Padcal mine
Operating costs and expenses ↑6%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to Pesos 2,820 million (US\$58.7 million) from Pesos 2,650 million (US\$62.7 million) reflecting a 6% in production costs a 72% rise in expenses and general and administrative expenses mainly due to the consolidation of Forum Energy Plc., a 61% owned subsidiary, starting in December 2008
Capital expenditure ↑49%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to Pesos 594 million (US\$12.4 million) from Pesos 400 million (US\$9.5 million)
Net interest income ↑16%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to Pesos 44 million (US\$0.9 million) from Pesos 38 million (US\$0.9 million) resulting from higher investment of free funds in short-term deposits
Net foreign exchange loss/gain	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to Pesos 14 million (US\$0.3 million) loss from Pesos 205 million (US\$4.8 million) gain in the previous period reflecting principally the peso-to-dollar closing rate declined 1% to Pesos 48.13 for the first half of 2009 for the US\$ denominated monetary assets and liabilities

Hedging Positions

As of 30 June 2009, Philex has the following outstanding financial instruments: Three gold purchase put options totaling 29,700 ounces at strike price ranged from US\$750 to US\$800 per ounce, with the corresponding sold call options at the strike price ranged from US\$1,060 to US\$1,180 per ounce, maturing in December 2009. Two contracts for purchased gold put options totaling 54,000 ounces at the strike price of US\$610 per ounce, with the corresponding sold call options at the strike price of US\$800 per ounce, maturing up to March and April 2011. The marked-to-market loss of Pesos 422 million (US\$8.8 million) on these outstanding gold options qualify for hedge accounting and are thus carried in equity.

One currency forward contract with a balance of US\$11 million with weekly maturity of US\$1 million at the forward rate of Pesos 42 per \$1 maturing up to September 2009, with earlier termination provisions when the target profit is achieved and doubling of the notional amount if the fixing rate is higher than the forward rate.

Philex unrealized marked-to-market gains or losses on gold and copper options, and currency forwards are non-cash in nature.

Silangan Project

Located in the Northeast of Mindanao in the Philippines, this project combines the development of Boyongan deposit and Bayugo prospect which principal metals comprise gold, copper and silver.

In February 2009, Philex purchased the remaining 50% equity interest in the Boyongan deposit from Anglo American Exploration BV and Anglo American Exploration (Philippines) Inc. for a consideration of US\$55 million. A pre-feasibility study completed in November 2008 by Independent Resources Estimations of South Africa concluded that based on the assumptions used in their report, the Boyongan deposit is technically and financially feasible, with proven mineral reserve of 65.8 million tonnes containing 1.39 grams of gold per tonne and 0.87% copper.

Resource definition and in-fill drilling programs for the Bayugo prospect are underway, target estimate of resource is 200 million tonnes of gold and copper ore.

Investment

In July 2009, Philex consolidated full ownership in Philex Petroleum Corporation (PPC) by acquiring the remaining 49% interest in PPC from Anatolian Property BV. PPC's principal investment is related to petroenergy through its interest in Pitkin Petroleum Plc, Forum Energy Plc and Petroenergy Resources Corporation.

Outlook

During the first half of 2009, the gold price stabilized at a high level and copper price recovered some momentum. The current uncertain global financial environment remains a key factor on the stability of metal prices. The extension of the operating life of Padcal mine offers resources to the development of the Silangan project and possible further investments in petroenergy.

Reconciliation of reported results between Philex and First Pacific

Philex's operations are principally denominated in peso, which averaged Pesos 48.06 to the U.S. dollar. Its financial results are prepared under Philippine GAAP and reported in peso. First Pacific's financial results are prepared under Hong Kong GAAP and reported in U.S. dollars. Philippine GAAP and Hong Kong GAAP are largely based on IFRSs, however, certain adjustments need to be made to Philex's reported peso results to ensure full compliance with Hong Kong GAAP. An analysis of these adjustments follows.

For the six months ended 30 June	2009
Peso millions	
Net income under Philippine GAAP	1,170
Differing accounting and presentational treatments ⁽ⁱ⁾	
– Depreciation of revaluation increment of assets	(390)
– Revenue recognition regarding sale of mine products	(173)
– Others	(117)
Adjusted net income under Hong Kong GAAP	490
Foreign exchange and derivative gains ⁽ⁱⁱ⁾	(8)
Philex's net income as reported by First Pacific	482
US\$ millions	
Net income at prevailing average rates for 1H09: Pesos 48.06	10.0
Contribution to First Pacific Group profit, at an average shareholding of 1H09: 21.5%	2.1

(i) Differences in accounting treatments under Philippine GAAP, compared with Hong Kong GAAP and other presentational differences. The principal adjustments include:

- Depreciation of revaluation increment of assets: A fair value assessment was performed at the date of acquisition of Philex and certain revaluation increment adjustments have been made to property, plant and equipment. The adjustment relates to the recognition of additional depreciation based on the revalued fair value of property, plant and equipment.
- Revenue recognition regarding sale of mine products: Philex recognizes revenue based on the production of mine products. HKAS 18 "Revenue" requires the recognition of revenue based on the satisfaction of certain conditions, which includes the transfer of significant risks and rewards of ownership of the products to the buyers and the absence of continuing managerial involvement to the degree usually associated with ownership and effective control over the products sold.

(ii) To illustrate the underlying operational results and profit contributions, foreign exchange and derivative gains (net of related tax) are excluded and presented separately.

2009 GOALS: HALF-YEAR REVIEW

First Pacific

Goal: Enhance the profitability of operating companies, in particular continue to improve the profitability of MPIC and of PLDT

Achievement: Achieved. Recurring profit slightly increased to US\$127.4 million from US\$126.5 million. MPIC's operational performance was strong across its three businesses, PLDT sustained growth, and whilst Indofood was adversely impacted by lower commodity prices, strong performance in its other businesses partially offset this impact. Philex suffered from lower commodity prices and slightly reduced ore milled as demand declined.

Goal: Manage the projected profitability of Indofood given the downturn in the CPO prices which will impact the profitability of Agribusiness

Achievement: Ongoing. The business development, particularly in the Consumer Branded Products division, has broadened the portfolio and thus together with improved performance generally reduced the impact from the significant downturn in the Agribusiness.

Goal: Continue to evaluate complementary investment opportunities in telecoms, infrastructure, consumer products and natural resources in the emerging markets of Asia

Achievement: Ongoing. First Pacific continues to review mining opportunities given that there are significant mining reserves and a more favorable regulatory environment in the Philippines; MPIC continues to study other water distribution concessions and enhancements to its tollroad portfolio along with other infrastructure opportunities. PLDT through Piltel completed its investment in Meralco in July. MPIC plans to complete its investment in Meralco by October 2009 and intends to acquire further shares in Meralco when opportunities arise.

Goal: Manage capital within the Group's financial resources and its overall investment plans to enhance shareholder returns

Achievement: Ongoing. First Pacific share price up 65% while the Hang Seng Index increased 28% during the period. The Board has declared an interim cash dividend of HK4.00 cents (U.S. 0.51 cent) per ordinary share, an increase of 33% over the previous period.

PLDT

Goal: Sustain wireless and broadband growth momentum

Achievement: Achieved and ongoing. Combined 2G/3G subscriber bases of Smart and Piltel grew 16% year-on-year to 38.5 million. Total broadband subscribers – DSL fixed and wireless – grew 26% to over a million. PLDT Group consolidated service revenues increased 4% to Pesos 72.9 billion (US\$1,516.9 million) from Pesos 70.3 billion (US\$1,662.7 million) the previous period.

Goal: Manage transformation to next generation network

Achievement: Ongoing. The transformation of PLDT fixed line network to the all-IP next generation network (NGN) from the traditional circuit-switched network continues, comprises both internal and outside plant facilities, align internal processes and human resources-related initiatives. The full migration to NGN is expected by 2012.

Goal: Achieve improved operating results from ePLDT

Achievement: Achieved and ongoing. Service revenues increased 5% to Pesos 5.2 billion (US\$108.2 million) from Pesos 5.0 billion (US\$118.3 million), while EBITDA margin was stable at 10% compared to the same period last year.

Goal: Conclude Piltel's proposed acquisition of a 20% interest in Manila Electric Company

Achievement: Achieved. The acquisition was completed on 14 July 2009 when Piltel fully paid Pesos 20.1 billion (US\$417.6 million) for the 20% stake in Meralco. Three nominees from the group were elected to Meralco's board at Meralco Annual General Meeting held on 26 May 2009. The CFO of Meralco nominated by the group assumed the position on 1 July 2009.

MPIC

Goal: Conclude the proposed acquisition of a 10.17% interest in Manila Electric Company and play a key role in improving the financial performance of Meralco

Achievement: Ongoing. MPIC has agreed to acquire 12.96% interest in Meralco from the Beneficial Trust Fund (BTF) of PLDT and Crogan Limited (a wholly-owned subsidiary of First Pacific) for a total consideration of Pesos 18.2 billion (US\$379.0 million) through a combination of cash and new shares of MPIC. This investment is expected to be completed by October 2009 and MPIC intends to acquire further shares in Meralco when opportunities arise.

Goal: Further enhance profitability of Maynilad and NLEX through capex and marketing initiatives
Achievement: Achieved and ongoing. Contributions from Maynilad increased 16 times to Pesos 423 million (US\$8.8 million) while NLEX contributed Pesos 680 million (US\$14.1 million). The capital expenditure at Maynilad for the period was Pesos 3,337 million (US\$69.4 million). Traffic volume on NLEX improved by 5%.

Goal: Expand tollroad portfolio principally through the NLEX expansion options and make further strategic acquisitions as opportunities arise
Achievement: Ongoing. The construction of Segment 8.1 (link Mindanao Avenue to NLEX) commenced in April 2009 and is expected to be completed by April 2010. The construction of Segment 9 (link NLEX to MacArthur Highway) and Segment 10 (link NLEX to the Port Area and C3) is expected to start in late 2010 or early 2011. In February 2009, MPTC signed a memorandum of understanding with the Philippine National Railways to build the Skyway Connector to connect the NLEX and the South Luzon Expressway.

Goal: Expand healthcare portfolio through organic growth and acquisition
Achievement: Achieved and ongoing. Contributions from the healthcare businesses increased 105% to Pesos 76 million (US\$1.6 million). In addition to the investments in MDI & DDH, MDI, through a wholly-owned subsidiary Colinas Verdes Hospital Managers Corp. (CVHMC), secured the 20-year contract to operate Cardinal Santos Medical Center (CSMC).

Goal: Increase the liquidity/free float to a minimum of 20% of the issued share capital
Achievement: Ongoing. MPIC wishes to see a higher float. With its growth and acquisition plans, MPIC is actively considering raising equity.

Indofood

Goal: Further improve operational and cost efficiencies
Achievement: Ongoing. Consolidated net sales decreased 4% to Rupiah 18.2 trillion (US\$1,652.9 million) from Rupiah 18.9 trillion (US\$2,044.8 million) reflecting lower sales in Agribusiness division resulting mainly from significantly lower average CPO prices. Despite the significant impact of lower CPO prices, gross profit margin increased marginally to 26.7% from 26.4% reflecting lower raw material costs.

Goal: Maintain market leadership position through product innovation and focused advertising and promotion programs, as well as increasing distribution penetration
Achievement: Achieved and ongoing. The principal business units continued to maintain their market leadership positions and some remain as "Top of Mind" brands. New products for noodles, pasta, biscuit and snack units were launched during the period.

Goal: Develop key account team to manage all group products
Achievement: Ongoing. Established the Food Service team to serve the key account customers in the food industry, offering all Indofood products.

Goal: Continue the integration of IndoAgri and Lonsum's operations
Achievement: Ongoing. Key organizational and operational areas are being addressed, comprising overhead reduction, alignment of IT system, joint purchasing and developing infrastructure.

Goal: Preserve cash by tightening cash flow management and prioritizing capital expenditure
Achievement: Ongoing. Agribusiness group slowed down its new planting program.

Goal: Refinance short-term debts to longer term facilities
Achievement: Partially achieved and ongoing. In June 2009, Indofood issued a Rupiah 1.61 trillion (US\$157 million) bond due in June 2014 to refinance a Rupiah 1 trillion (US\$98 million) bond due in July 2009 and other short-term debts.

SIMP, a subsidiary of IndoAgri, is in the process of the issuance of a Rupiah 1 trillion (US\$98 million) 5-year bond to refinance IndoAgri's short-term debt.

Philex Mining Corporation

Goal: Maintain production of approximately 9 million tonnes of ore
Achievement: Ongoing. Total ore milled in the first half amounted to 4.0 million tonnes.

Goal: Allocate additional resources to advance the Silangan Project
Achievement: Ongoing. A total of 7,717 meters in 12 holes were completed in continuation of the on going in-fill drilling program for the Bayugo as per schedule.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

LIQUIDITY AND FINANCIAL RESOURCES

NET DEBT AND GEARING

An analysis of net debt and gearing for principal consolidated and associated companies follows.

Consolidated

US\$ millions	At 30 June 2009			At 31 December 2008		
	Net debt/ (cash) ⁽ⁱ⁾	Total equity	Gearing (times)	Net debt/ (cash) ⁽ⁱ⁾	Total equity	Gearing (times)
Head Office	682.4	1,551.9	0.44x	731.3	1,558.3	0.47x
MPIC	506.9	569.3	0.89x	483.0	416.4	1.16x
Indofood	1,488.1	1,684.1	0.88x	1,306.5	1,479.2	0.88x
Group adjustments ⁽ⁱⁱ⁾	-	(1,068.2)	-	-	(1,078.7)	-
Total	2,677.4	2,737.1	0.98x	2,520.8	2,375.2	1.06x
Associated						
PLDT	852.7	2,094.3	0.41x	846.5	2,251.0	0.38x
Philex	(48.8)	327.1	-	(140.4)	283.1	-

(i) Includes pledged deposits and restricted cash

(ii) Group adjustments mainly represents elimination of goodwill arising from acquisitions prior to 1 January 2001 against the Group's retained earnings and other standard consolidation adjustments to present the Group as a single economic entity.

Head Office's gearing declined principally because of dividends received from PLDT. MPIC's gearing decreased due mainly to a growth of its total equity as a result of a conversion of advances into equity and the profit recorded for the period. Indofood's gearing remained broadly at the same level, reflecting an increase in both of its net debt (mainly because of payments for capital expenditure) and total equity (principally because of the profit recorded for the period). PLDT's gearing increased as increased dividend payment reduced total equity.

The Group's gearing improved to 0.98 times level principally as a result of a growth of the Group's total equity as a result of the profit recorded for the period.

MATURITY PROFILE

The maturity profile of debt of consolidated and associated companies follows.

Consolidated

US\$ millions	Carrying amounts		Nominal values	
	At	At	At	At
	30 June 2009	31 December 2008	30 June 2009	31 December 2008
Within one year	1,068.2	1,207.0	1,068.3	1,207.3
One to two years	596.3	110.4	597.5	111.6
Two to five years	1,230.0	1,311.3	1,239.1	1,321.4
Over five years	430.2	530.0	438.4	538.7
Total	3,324.7	3,158.7	3,343.3	3,179.0

The change in the Group's debt maturity profile at 30 June 2009 principally reflects Indofood's issuance of a 5-year Rupiah 1.6 trillion (US\$157.5 million) bond due in June 2014 and other long-term borrowings to refinance short-term borrowings.

Associated

US\$ millions	PLDT				Philex			
	Carrying amounts		Nominal values		Carrying amounts		Nominal values	
	At 30	At 31	At 30	At 31	At 30	At 31	At 30	At 31
	June 2009	December 2008	June 2009	December 2008	June 2009	December 2008	June 2009	December 2008
Within one year	271.0	315.9	273.3	318.3	57.2	85.0	57.2	85.0
One to two years	155.3	155.8	158.6	158.8	-	-	-	-
Two to five years	814.4	559.8	895.3	565.1	-	-	-	-
Over five years	474.1	523.9	476.3	609.5	-	-	-	-
Total	1,714.8	1,555.4	1,803.5	1,651.7	57.2	85.0	57.2	85.0

CHARGES ON GROUP ASSETS

At 30 June 2009, certain bank and other borrowings were secured by the Group's property, plant and equipment, plantations, other intangible assets, accounts receivable, prepaid land premiums, cash and cash equivalents and inventories equating to a net book value of US\$1,433.5 million (31 December 2008: US\$1,455.3 million) and the Group's interest of 20.9% (31 December 2008: 17.6%) in PLDT, 6.4% (31 December 2008: 8.5%) in MPIC, 20.0% (31 December 2008: 20.1%) in Philex, 99.8 per cent in MPTC (31 December 2008: 99.8%), 24.5% in DMWC (31 December 2008: 24.5%) and 9.9% in Maynilad (31 December 2008: 9.9%).

FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT

FOREIGN CURRENCY RISK

(A) Company risk

As the Head Office debts are currently denominated in U.S. dollars, foreign currency risk relates mainly to the receipt of cash dividends and to the translation of non-U.S. dollar denominated investments in subsidiary and associated companies.

The Company actively reviews the potential benefits of hedging based on forecast dividend flows and enters into hedging arrangements (including the use of forward exchange contracts) for managing its foreign currency exposure in respect of dividend income and payments in foreign currency on a transactional basis. However, the Company does not actively seek to hedge risks arising on the translation of foreign currency denominated investments due to the non-cash nature of such investments and the high costs associated with such hedging. Accordingly, the Company is exposed to the impact of foreign currency fluctuations on the translated U.S. dollar value of its foreign currency denominated investments.

With the exception of the Head Office, the principal components of the Group's NAV relate to investments denominated in the peso and rupiah. Accordingly, any change in these currencies, against their respective 30 June 2009 exchange rates, would have an effect on the Group's NAV in U.S. dollar terms.

The following table illustrates the estimated effect on the Group's adjusted NAV for a one per cent change of the peso and rupiah against the U.S. dollar.

Company	Effect on adjusted NAV ⁽ⁱ⁾ US\$ millions	Effect on adjusted NAV per share HK cents
PLDT	24.6	5.96
MPIC	9.8	2.38
Indofood	8.1	1.96
Philex	1.6	0.39
Total	44.1	10.69

(i) Based on quoted share prices as at 30 June 2009 applied to the Group's economic interest

(B) Group risk

The Group's operating results are denominated in local currencies, principally the peso and rupiah, which are translated and consolidated to give the Group's results in U.S. dollars.

NET DEBT BY CURRENCY

It is often necessary for operating entities to borrow in U.S. dollars, which results in the risk of a translation impact on local currency results. A summary of consolidated and associated companies' net debt by currency follows.

Consolidated

US\$ millions	US\$	Peso	Rupiah	Others	Total
Total borrowings	1,634.8	499.2	1,190.7	-	3,324.7
Cash and cash equivalents ⁽ⁱ⁾	(326.2)	(116.5)	(184.0)	(20.6)	(647.3)
Net debt/(cash)	1,308.6	382.7	1,006.7	(20.6)	2,677.4
Representing:					
Head Office	750.3	(66.8)	-	(1.1)	682.4
MPIC	57.4	449.5	-	-	506.9
Indofood	500.9	-	1,006.7	(19.5)	1,488.1
Net debt/(cash)	1,308.6	382.7	1,006.7	(20.6)	2,677.4

Associated

US\$ millions	US\$	Peso	Others	Total
Net debt/(cash)				
PLDT	750.5	108.5	(6.3)	852.7
Philex	17.6	(66.4)	-	(48.8)

(i) Includes pledged deposits and restricted cash

As a result of unhedged U.S. dollar net debt, the Group's results are sensitive to fluctuations in U.S. dollar exchange rates. The following table illustrates the estimated effect on the Group's reported profitability for a one per cent change in the principal operating currencies of subsidiary and associated companies. This does not reflect the indirect effect of fluctuating exchange rates on revenues and input costs at the operating company level.

US\$ millions	Total US\$ exposure	Hedged amount	Unhedged amount	Profit effect of 1% currency change	Group net profit effect
Head Office ⁽ⁱ⁾	750.3	-	750.3	-	-
MPIC	57.4	52.5	4.9	-	-
Indofood	500.9	-	500.9	5.0	1.8
PLDT	750.5	421.2	329.3	3.3	0.6
Philex	17.6	-	17.6	0.2	-
Total	2,076.7	473.7	1,603.0	8.5	2.4

(i) As the Group reports its results in U.S. dollars, unhedged U.S. dollar debt at the Head Office does not give rise to any significant exchange exposure.

INTEREST RATE RISK

The Company and its operating entities are exposed to changes in interest rates to the extent that they impact the cost of variable interest rate borrowings. An analysis of this for consolidated and associated companies follows.

Consolidated

US\$ millions	Fixed interest rate borrowings	Variable interest rate borrowings	Cash and cash equivalents ⁽ⁱ⁾	Net debt/ (cash)
Head Office ⁽ⁱⁱ⁾	197.8	582.6	(98.0)	682.4
MPIC ⁽ⁱⁱⁱ⁾	408.8	263.5	(165.4)	506.9
Indofood	446.4	1,425.6	(383.9)	1,488.1
Total	1,053.0	2,271.7	(647.3)	2,677.4

Associated

PLDT	1,081.5	633.3	(862.1)	852.7
Philex	-	57.2	(106.0)	(48.8)

(i) Includes pledged deposits and restricted cash

(ii) In April 2009, a wholly-owned subsidiary company of the Company entered into an interest rate swap agreement, which effectively changed a US\$200.0 million bank loan of the Head Office from London Inter-bank Offer Rate (LIBOR)-based variable interest rate to fixed interest rate.

(iii) MNTC, a subsidiary company of MPIC, entered into certain interest rate swap agreements, which effectively changed US\$34.5 million of its bank loans at 30 June 2009 from LIBOR-based and Philippine Reference Rates (PHIREF)-based variable interest rates to fixed interest rates.

The following table illustrates the estimated effect on the Group's reported profitability for a one per cent change in average annual interest rates in respect of the variable interest rate borrowings.

US\$ millions	Variable interest rate borrowings	Profit effect of 1% change in interest rates	Group net profit effect
Head Office	582.6	5.8	5.8
MPIC	263.5	2.6	1.8
Indofood	1,425.6	14.3	5.0
PLDT	633.3	6.3	1.2
Philex	57.2	0.6	0.1
Total	2,962.2	29.6	13.9

ADJUSTED NAV PER SHARE

There follows a calculation of the Group's underlying worth.

US\$ millions	Basis	At 30 June 2009	At 31 December 2008
PLDT	(i)	2,459.8	2,200.1
MPIC	(i)	977.4	388.3
Indofood	(i)	812.6	373.4
Philex	(i)	163.5	80.3
Head Office - Receivables	(ii)	42.1	149.2
- Net debt		(682.4)	(731.3)
Total valuation		3,773.0	2,460.0
Number of ordinary shares in issue (millions)		3,216.9	3,213.4
Value per share			
- U.S. dollar		1.17	0.77
- HK dollars		9.15	5.97
Company's closing share price (HK\$)		4.45	2.69
Share price discount to HK\$ value per share (%)		51.4	54.9

(i) Based on quoted share prices applied to the Group's economic interest

(ii) Represents receivables from MPIC

PURCHASE, SALE OR REDEMPTION OF LISTED SECURITIES

Neither the Company, nor any of its subsidiary companies, has made any purchase, sale or redemption of any of the Company's listed securities during the period.

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

First Pacific is committed to building and maintaining high standards of corporate governance. The Company has adopted its own Code on Corporate Governance Practices (the First Pacific Code), which incorporates the principles and requirements set out in the Code on Corporate Governance Practices (CG Code) contained in Appendix 14 of the Listing Rules.

First Pacific has applied these principles and complied with all the CG Code mandatory provisions and has also met all of the recommended best practices in the CG Code throughout the current financial period, except for the following:-

1. The appointment of Independent Non-executive Directors (INEDs) representing at least one-third of the board, currently only three out of thirteen Directors are INEDs.
2. The disclosure of details of remuneration payable to members of senior management on an individual and named basis in the annual reports and accounts.
3. The announcement and publication of quarterly financial results within 45 days after the end of the relevant quarter.

Further information concerning our corporate governance practices has been set out on pages 61 to 76 of the Company's 2008 Annual Report.

Having made specific enquiry, the Company can confirm that all of the Directors have complied with the Company's code of conduct regarding directors' securities transactions, prepared and adopted on terms no less exacting than the required standard set out in the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers, Appendix 10 of the Listing Rules.

Connected and Continuing Connected Transactions

The Independent Non-executive Directors discussed with the Directors in relation to the following connected and continuing connected transactions and approved the disclosure in the form of published announcements:-

- 6 January 2009: entering into of contracts involving provision of insurance services by connected persons of the Company to Indolakto on a continuing basis; and the revision of Indofood Insurance Caps for the years from 2008 to 2010.
- 7 January 2009: entering into of two new construction contracts between Maynilad and DMCI group in 2008 with expiry dates in 2009, which were awarded in accordance with Maynilad's open and public bidding process.
- 23 February 2009: entering into of a new construction contract between Maynilad and DMCI group which was awarded in accordance with Maynilad's open and public bidding process.
- 25 March 2009: entering into of a framework agreement between Maynilad and DMCI group as well as a lease agreement between Maynilad and DMCI Project Developers, Inc.

- 17 April 2009: entering into of a Civil Works Contract between Manila North Tollways Corporation (MNTC) and Leighton Contractors (Asia) Limited – Philippine Branch; as well as a Fixed Operating Equipment Design, Supply and Installation Contract between MNTC and Egis Projects Philippines, Inc. (Egis).
- 20 May 2009: revision of the annual cap relating to the framework agreement between Maynilad and DMCI group for the year 2009.
- 24 June 2009: disposal of 17.0% interest in Landco Pacific Corporation by MPIC to AB Holdings Corporation.
- 17 July 2009: entering into of a System Upgrade Contract between MNTC and Egis
- 20 July 2009: Discloseable and Connected Transactions relating to deemed disposal of interest in MPIC arising from share subscription by Beneficial Trust Fund (BTF) of PLDT in MPIC; as well as acquisition of interest in Manila Electric Company by MPIC from BTF.

Risk Management and Internal Control

The Board is responsible for maintaining an adequate system of internal controls in the Group and reviewing its effectiveness through the Audit Committee.

In addition, during the period ended 30 June 2009, the Audit Committee reviewed and advised that:

- The internal controls and accounting systems of the Group function effectively and are designed to provide reasonable assurance that material assets are protected, business risks attributable to the Group are identified and monitored, material transactions are executed in accordance with management's authorization and the financial statements are reliable for publication and compliant with all relevant laws and regulations.
- There are processes in place for identifying, evaluating and managing the material business risks faced by the Group. Such processes are incorporated in all the Group's businesses.
- There are initiatives to improve certain processes to further strengthen internal controls and enhance risk management within the Group.

REVIEW STATEMENTS BY THE AUDIT COMMITTEE AND EXTERNAL AUDITORS

The Audit Committee and external auditors have reviewed the 2009 interim results, including the accounting policies and practices adopted by the Group.

INTERIM DIVIDEND

The Board has declared an interim cash dividend of HK4.00 cents (U.S. 0.51 cent) per ordinary share. It is expected that the interim dividend will be paid in the currencies in accordance with the registered address of the shareholders (i.e. HK dollars for Hong Kong, Macau and PRC shareholders, Sterling pounds for UK shareholders and U.S. dollars for shareholders of all other countries). Dividend warrants will be dispatched to shareholders on or about 9 October 2009.

CLOSURE OF REGISTER OF MEMBERS

The Register of Members will be closed from 23 to 25 September 2009, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares will be registered. In order to qualify for the interim dividend, all properly completed transfer forms accompanied by the relevant share certificates must be lodged for registration with the Company's Hong Kong Branch Registrar, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited, at Rooms 1712-1716, 17th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong not later than 4.30 p.m. on Tuesday, 22 September 2009.

INTERIM REPORT

The 2009 Interim Report will be mailed to shareholders and will be available on the Company's website at www.firstpacific.com by the end of September 2009.

On behalf of the Board of Directors
First Pacific Company Limited
Manuel V. Pangilinan
Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer

4 September 2009

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

Anthoni Salim, *Chairman*
 Manuel V. Pangilinan, *Managing Director and CEO*
 Edward A. Tortorici
 Robert C. Nicholson
 Napoleon L. Nazareno
 Ambassador Albert F. del Rosario
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Tedy Djuhar
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