

## FIRST PACIFIC COMPANY LIMITED

(Incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability)
Website: http://www.firstpacco.com
(Stock code: 00142)

## **ANNOUNCEMENT**

### DISCLOSEABLE TRANSACTION

# COMPLETION OF ACQUISITION OF INTEREST IN PHILEX MINING CORPORATION

## Introduction

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Reference is made to the discloseable transaction announcements of First Pacific Company Limited (the "Company") dated 6 October 2008, 16 October 2008 and 20 November 2008 and the Company's circular dated 6 November 2008 relating to the acquisition of interest in Philex Mining Corporation ("Philex").

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By Order of the Board

First Pacific Company Limited

Nancy L.M. Li

Company Secretary

Hong Kong, 28 November 2008

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

Anthoni Salim, Chairman

Manuel V. Pangilinan, Managing Director and CEO

Edward A. Tortorici

Robert C. Nicholson

Napoleon L. Nazareno

Ambassador Albert F. del Rosario

Sutanto Djuhar

Ibrahim Risjad

Benny S. Santoso

Graham L. Pickles\*

Professor Edward K.Y. Chen\*, GBS, CBE, JP

Sir David W.C. Tang\*, KBE

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