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FIRST PACIFIC COMPANY LIMITED

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ANNOUNCEMENT MADE BY PHILIPPINE LONG DISTANCE TELEPHONE COMPANY IN RELATION TO ITS AUDITED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2009

This Announcement is made by First Pacific Company Limited (“First Pacific” or the “Company”) pursuant to the requirements of Rule 13.09 of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited to provide shareholders of First Pacific and the public with the audited consolidated financial results of Philippine Long Distance Telephone Company (“PLDT”), a major operating associate of the Company, for the year ended 31 December 2009.

Summary

On 2 March 2010, the board of directors of PLDT approved the release of the audited consolidated financial results for the year ended 31 December 2009. PLDT’s audited consolidated financial results have been submitted to the Philippine Stock Exchange on 2 March 2010, which have also been disclosed as the Company’s Overseas Regulatory Announcement on the websites of the HKEX and the Company. In addition, such results will also be submitted to the New York Stock Exchange by way of disclosure.

PLDT, a major operating associate of First Pacific, is a company incorporated in the Philippines whose shares are listed on the Philippine Stock Exchange. In addition, PLDT’s American Depositary Receipts (ADRs) are listed on the New York Stock Exchange. First Pacific has a 26.5% attributable interest in PLDT. On 2 March 2010, the board of directors of PLDT approved the release of the audited consolidated financial results for the year ended 31 December 2009. PLDT’s audited consolidated financial results have been submitted to the Philippine Stock Exchange on 2 March 2010, which have also been disclosed as the Company’s Overseas Regulatory announcement on the websites of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (“HKEX”) and the Company. In addition, such results will also be submitted to the New York Stock Exchange by way of disclosure. The audited consolidated financial statements have been prepared in conformity with the Philippine Financial Reporting Standards. PLDT’s audited Consolidated Income Statement for the year ended 31 December 2009 and the audited Consolidated Statement of Financial Position as at 31 December 2009 are provided below:

PHILIPPINE LONG DISTANCE TELEPHONE COMPANY AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEARS ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2009 AND 2008
(in million pesos, except earnings per common share amounts)

	2009	2008
REVENUES		
Service revenues	145,647	142,873
Non-service revenues	2,346	2,709
	<u>147,993</u>	<u>145,582</u>
EXPENSES		
Depreciation and amortization	25,607	24,709
Compensation and employee benefits	23,100	20,709
Repairs and maintenance	8,631	8,569
Selling and promotions	5,749	5,695
Cost of sales	5,432	5,252
Asset impairment	5,061	4,180
Professional and other contracted services	4,361	4,591
Rent	4,055	3,656
Taxes and licenses	2,881	2,736
Communication, training and travel	1,902	1,993
Insurance and security services	1,264	1,196
Amortization of intangible assets	368	377
Provisions	–	898
Other expenses	1,700	1,225
	<u>90,111</u>	<u>85,786</u>
	<u>57,882</u>	<u>59,796</u>
OTHER INCOME (EXPENSES)		
Interest income	1,539	1,668
Foreign exchange gains (losses) – net	909	(6,170)
Equity share in net earnings (losses) of associates and joint ventures	2	(176)
Gains (losses) on derivative financial instruments – net	(1,006)	3,812
Financing costs – net	(6,556)	(6,104)
Others	2,069	1,665
	<u>(3,043)</u>	<u>(5,305)</u>
INCOME BEFORE INCOME TAX	54,839	54,491
PROVISION FOR INCOME TAX	14,744	19,193
NET INCOME FOR THE YEAR	40,095	35,298
ATTRIBUTABLE TO:		
Equity holders of PLDT	39,781	34,635
Non-controlling interests	314	663
	<u>40,095</u>	<u>35,298</u>
Earnings Per Share For The Year Attributable to Common Equity Holders of PLDT		
Basic	210.38	181.65
Diluted	210.36	181.64

PHILIPPINE LONG DISTANCE TELEPHONE COMPANY AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2009 AND 2008

(in million pesos, except par value and number of shares)

	2009	2008
ASSETS		
Noncurrent Assets		
Property, plant and equipment – net	161,256	160,326
Investments in associates and joint ventures	22,233	1,174
Available-for-sale financial assets	134	131
Investment in debt securities – net of current portion	462	635
Investment properties – net	1,210	617
Goodwill and intangible assets – net	13,024	10,450
Deferred income tax assets – net	7,721	9,605
Prepayments – net of current portion	8,663	2,501
Advances and refundable deposits – net of current portion	1,102	1,086
Total Noncurrent Assets	215,805	186,525
Current Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	38,319	33,684
Short-term investments	3,824	6,670
Current portion of investment in debt securities	–	1,656
Trade and other receivables – net	14,729	15,909
Inventories and supplies – net	2,165	2,069
Derivative financial assets	6	56
Current portion of prepayments	5,098	4,164
Current portion of advances and refundable deposits	202	1,825
Total Current Assets	64,343	66,033
TOTAL ASSETS	280,148	252,558
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES		
Equity		
Preferred stock, Php10 par value per share, authorized – 822,500,000 shares; issued and outstanding – 441,631,062 shares as at 31 December 2009 and 441,480,512 shares as at 31 December 2008	4,416	4,415
Common stock, Php5 par value per share, authorized – 234,000,000 shares; issued – 189,480,260 shares and outstanding – 186,797,304 shares as at 31 December 2009; and issued – 189,456,127 shares and outstanding – 187,483,837 shares as at 31 December 2008	947	947
Treasury stock – 2,682,956 shares as at 31 December 2009 and 1,972,290 shares as at 31 December 2008	(6,405)	(4,973)
Stock options issued	–	6
Capital in excess of par value	62,890	68,337
Retained earnings	37,744	37,177
Other comprehensive income	(1,017)	(378)
Total Equity Attributable to Equity Holders of PLDT	98,575	105,531
Non-controlling Interests	550	1,438
TOTAL EQUITY	99,125	106,969

	2009	2008
Noncurrent Liabilities		
Interest-bearing financial liabilities – net of current portion	86,079	58,910
Deferred income tax liabilities	1,321	1,288
Derivative financial liabilities	2,751	1,761
Pension and other employee benefits	374	5,467
Customers' deposits	2,166	2,251
Deferred credits and other noncurrent liabilities	14,438	10,582
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Total Noncurrent Liabilities	107,129	80,259
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Current Liabilities		
Accounts payable	19,601	18,268
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities	35,446	24,381
Derivative financial liabilities	–	87
Provisions for assessments	1,555	1,555
Current portion of interest-bearing financial liabilities	12,714	15,080
Dividends payable	1,749	1,379
Income tax payable	2,829	4,580
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Total Current Liabilities	73,894	65,330
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TOTAL LIABILITIES	181,023	145,589
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TOTAL EQUITY AND LIABILITIES	280,148	252,558
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Shareholders should note that the above audited consolidated financial results pertain only to PLDT and not to First Pacific itself.

The above information only refers to certain sections of PLDT's disclosure and shareholders should refer to PLDT's original filing submitted to the Philippine Stock Exchange (<http://www.pse.org.ph>) and to be submitted to the New York Stock Exchange (<http://www.nyse.com>), as well as disclosed as the Company's Overseas Regulatory Announcement on the websites of the HKEX and the Company on 2 March 2010.

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

Hong Kong, 2 March 2010

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

Anthoni Salim, <i>Chairman</i>	Tedy Djuhar
Manuel V. Pangilinan, <i>Managing Director and CEO</i>	Sutanto Djuhar
Edward A. Tortorici	Ibrahim Risjad
Robert C. Nicholson	Benny S. Santoso
Napoleon L. Nazareno	Graham L. Pickles*
Ambassador Albert F. del Rosario	Professor Edward K.Y. Chen*, <i>GBS, CBE, JP</i>
Sir David W.C. Tang*, <i>KBE</i>	Jun Tang*

* *Independent Non-executive Directors*