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FIRST PACIFIC SIGNS SALE AND PURCHASE AGREEMENT ON BERLI JUCKER

First Pacific announces that it has today signed the sale and purchase agreement with Nakornchuen Co. Ltd., a member of the T.C.C. Group, relating to the disposal of its entire 83.5 per cent interest in Berli Jucker for US\$125 million.

First Pacific will make a further announcement on completion of the sale and purchase, which is expected to be on or around 19 December 2001.

Background

Berli Jucker, which is based and listed in Bangkok, focuses on the manufacturing, marketing and distribution of glass, consumer, technical and imaging products. On 21 November 2001, First Pacific announced that it had reached agreement to sell its entire 83.5 per cent interest in Berli Jucker to the Pacific Capital International Group of Companies and/or the T.C.C. Group of Companies, for US\$125 million.

ING Barings advised First Pacific on the transaction.

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