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FIRST PACIFIC COMPANY LIMITED

第一太平有限公司

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DISCLOSURE MADE IN THE PHILIPPINES BY METRO PACIFIC INVESTMENTS CORPORATION RELATING TO ITS INDIRECT SUBSIDIARIES, NLEX CORPORATION AND CAVITEX INFRASTRUCTURE CORPORATION

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RULINGS ON ARBITRATION CASES INVOLVING INDIRECT SUBSIDIARIES OF MPIC

In the disclosures filed by Metro Pacific Investments Corporation (“**MPIC**”) (a Philippine affiliate of First Pacific Company Limited) with the Philippine Stock Exchange on 7 September 2021 and 8 September 2021 (“**MPIC Disclosures**”), MPIC disclosed that on 7 September 2021, NLEX Corporation (“**NLEX**”) and CAVITEX Infrastructure Corporation (“**CAVITEX**”), each an indirect subsidiary of MPIC engaged in toll roads operations in the Philippines, received notice of the final rulings of the Permanent Court of Arbitration (“**Tribunal**”) in their respective arbitration cases filed with the Tribunal against the Republic of the Philippines (acting by and through the Toll Regulatory Board of the Philippines (the “**TRB**”). This announcement summarizes the information set forth in the MPIC Disclosures.

RULING ON THE NLEX CASE

The Tribunal decided in favor of the TRB and ruled against NLEX on its claims for damages arising from delayed approval of NLEX’s petitions for toll rate adjustments filed in 2012 and 2014 (“**2012 and 2014 Petitions**”). The rejection of the claim is without prejudice to further review by the TRB of the 2012 and 2014 Petitions. The Tribunal also noted that the TRB had already decided on the 2012 and 2014 Petitions when the TRB issued its resolution in 2018 approving an upward adjustment in the toll rates in NLEX, which has been implemented by NLEX since March 2019. The Tribunal ruled that each party shall bear the costs of arbitration in equal shares and will bear their own costs of legal representation and assistance.

RULING ON THE CAVITEX CASE

The Tribunal issued a final order terminating the CAVITEX arbitration case, following the earlier withdrawal of the claims for compensation from Cavitec and Philippine Reclamation Authority arising from non-approval of their petitions for rate adjustment filed in 2011 and 2014. In the meantime, the petitions are now being processed by the TRB.

EFFECT OF THE RULINGS

The Tribunal held that NLEX is not entitled to compensation for foregone revenues on account of the delay by the TRB on the 2012 and 2014 Petitions. While the decision will not result in any asset write down in the books of MPIC, MPIC group will take the decision into account in assessing future toll road projects. NLEX respects the decision of the Tribunal and will continue to work with the TRB on pending toll rate applications to ensure that NLEX is able to continue with its operations.

CAVITEX is working with the TRB on the processing of all petitions for toll rate adjustments filed in 2011 and 2014, which were the subject of the CAVITEX arbitration.

By Order of the Board
First Pacific Company Limited
Nancy L.M. Li
Company Secretary

Hong Kong, 8 September 2021

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

Executive Directors:

Manuel V. Pangilinan, *Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer*

Christopher H. Young, *Chief Financial Officer*

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Anthoni Salim, *Chairman*

Benny S. Santoso

Axton Salim

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Prof. Edward K.Y. Chen, *GBS, CBE, JP*

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Philip Fan Yan Hok

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