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# FIRST PACIFIC COMPANY LIMITED

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# (Stock Code: 00142)

# **OVERSEAS REGULATORY ANNOUNCEMENT**

(This overseas regulatory announcement is issued pursuant to Rule 13.09(2) of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited.)

Please refer to the attached documents filed by Philex Mining Corporation ("Philex"), a company which First Pacific holds a 31.4% economic interest (In addition, Two Rivers Pacific Holdings Corporation, a Philippine affiliate of First Pacific holds a 15.0% interest in Philex.), with the Philippine Stock Exchange, in relation to the following: -

- (i) SEC Form 17-Q relating to Philex's Management's Discussion and Analysis and the accompanying Unaudited Consolidated Financial Statements for the six months ended 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2010; and
- (ii) SEC Form 17-C attached with the press release relating to unaudited consolidated financial results for the six months ended 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2010.

Dated this the 5<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2010

As at the date of this announcement, the Board of Directors of First Pacific Company Limited ("First Pacific") comprises the following Directors:

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

\*Independent Non-executive Directors

# **COVER SHEET**



# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

# SEC FORM 17-Q

# QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 17 OF THE SECURITIES REGULATION CODE AND SRC RULE 17(2)(b) THEREUNDER

- 1. For the quarterly period ended June 30, 2010
- 2. Commission identification number 10044
- 3. BIR Tax Identification No. 000-283-731-000
- 4. Exact name of issuer as specified in its charter

PHILEX MINING CORPORATION

5. Province, country or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization

Manila, Philippines

- 6. Industry Classification Code: (SEC Use Only)
- 7. Address of issuer's principal office Postal Code

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Philex Building, No. 27 Brixton Street, Pasig City, Philippines

8. Issuer's telephone number, including area code

(632) 631-1381 to 88

9. Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last report

Philex Mining Corporation has not changed its name since its incorporation

# 10. Securities registered pursuant to Sections 8 and 12 of the Code, or sections 4 and 8 of the RSA

Number of Shares of Stock Outstanding – 4,915,886,407 (As of June 30, 2010)

Amount of Debt Outstanding – P474,170,000

11. Are any or all the securities listed on a Stock Exchange?

Yes [X] No []

If yes, state the name of such Stock Exchange and the class/es of securities listed therein:

Philippine Stock Exchange

# **12.** Indicate by check mark whether the registrant:

- (a) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 17 of the Code and SRC Rule 17 thereunder or Sections 11 of the RSA and RSA Rule 11(a)-1 thereunder, and Sections 26 and 141 of the Corporation Code of the Philippines, during the preceding twelve(12) months (or for such shorter period the registrant was required to file such reports)
  - Yes [X] No []
- (b) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past ninety (90) days.

Yes [X] No []

# PART I - FINANCIAL INFORMATION

# Item 1. Financial Statements.

The Unaudited Consolidated Financial Statements for the period ending June 30, 2010 are hereto attached.

# Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations.

The Company's consolidated net income for the first six months of 2010 amounted to P965.0 million or P0.198 per share, 14% lower than the net income of P1.1 billion or P0.240 per share (as adjusted for the effect of stock dividends in June 2009) for the same period in 2009 which included a non-recurring gain of P330.0 million from currency hedging transactions. Were it not for this gain last year, net income this year would have been better than last year as reflected in the Company's core net income which amounted to P983.9 million compared to P948.3 million in 2009. EBITDA before extraordinary and non-recurring items at P1.8 billion this year is higher than the P1.6 billion in last year.

Operating revenue for the six months period increased by 10% to P4.9 billion this year from P4.4 billion last year as copper generated higher revenue of P2.2 billion from the revenue of P1.7 billion in 2009 due to stronger realized copper price per pound of \$3.04 in 2010 from \$2.18 in 2009 (net of the amortization of hedging costs per pound of \$0.14 in 2010 and \$0.08 in 2009 applied against revenue) despite the decrease in production volume to 16.1 million pounds this year from 17.6 million pounds last year. The increase in copper revenue was slightly offset by the lower revenue from gold at P2.5 billion in 2010 from P2.6 billion in 2009 with gold production volume also lower at 51,122 ounces this year from 65,269 ounces last year despite the stronger realized gold price of \$1,054 per ounce from \$881 per ounce (net of the amortization of hedging costs applied against revenue of \$88 and \$27 per ounce in 2010 and 2009, respectively). Consolidated revenue this year also included higher petroleum revenue of P116.1 million from P9.7 million last year contributed by Forum Energy PLC(FEP), a 51.95% effectively owned subsidiary, and coal revenue of P14.1 million compared to nil last year from Brixton Energy & Mining Corp. (BEMC), a wholly-owned subsidiary. The revenue of FEP came from its share of

the Galoc, Nido and Matinloc production, while the revenue of BEMC was from the trading of its coal purchases. Marketing charges of P309.9 million and operating costs and expenses of P3.1 billion this semester were higher than in 2009 at P301.1 million and P2.8 billion, respectively. Nevertheless, because of the increase in revenue, the Company's income from operations is higher at P1.4 billion this year compared to P1.3 billion last year.

Despite the increase in income from operations, the income before income tax this period was lower at P1.4 billion from P1.6 billion last year as net interest income decreased to P8.9 million this year from P43.8 million last year because of lower money-market placements this period. Other charges of P68.9 million also increased this year, primarily comprising of equity in net losses of associates of P29.6 million and provision for losses of P31.6 million, compared to other charges of P34.6 million last year mostly from share-based compensation expense of P15.0 million and provision for losses of P25.0 million. The lower income subject to tax also resulted to a lower provision for income tax of P406.1 million this year compared to P492.1 million last year.

The Company recorded a net hedging loss for the semester period of P309.7 million in 2010 consisting of P177.8 million for the amortization of the unwinding cost for the pre-termination in October 2009 of the outstanding gold collars at that time, and P31.5 million and P107.3 million, respectively, for the amortization of the premiums for gold and copper put options bought to cover the Company's 2010 revenue, partly offset by a P 6.9 million gain realized on copper put options exercised during the period. In 2009, a net hedging loss of P122.8 million was recorded consisting of P83.1 million from gold, and P65.3 million from copper, partly offset by a gain of P25.7 million from currency hedging. Hedging gains and losses are applied to adjust the Company's revenue, while the marked-to-market gains and losses of outstanding hedges treated under hedge accounting are charged against the Company's equity.

For the second quarter, the Company generated almost the same operating revenue of P2.4 billion in 2010 and 2009. But with higher operating costs and expenses of P1.6 billion this year from P1.5 billion in last year, partly offset by the lower marketing charges of P154.7 million in 2010 from P181.1 million in 2009, net income from operations was 13% lower at P663.9 million this year from P762.2 million last year.

The lower net interest income of P5.6 million this quarter period from P19.1 million last year, the foreign exchange loss of P15.5 million this year from the gain of P21.3 million last year, and the marked-to-market gain of P194.0 million on currency hedging in the second quarter of 2009, all contributed to lower net income before tax of P631.3 million this year from P981.1 million in 2009. Provision for income tax accordingly decreased to P187.6 million this quarter from P301.2 million last year. Consequently, net income declined to P443.8 million in 2010 from P679.9 million in 2009.

As of June 30, 2010, Total Assets of the Company increased to P22.5 billion from P21.4 billion as of the end of 2009. Current Assets increased to P5.6 billion from P5.0 billion primarily due to the increases in Mine Products and Material and Supplies Inventory by P1.1 billion, in Derivative Assets by P157.2 million from the premiums paid on gold and copper bought put options amounting to P257.2 million, and in Other Current Assets by P132.2 million particularly on input value added tax receivable on importation of materials and supplies. These were partially offset by the decrease in Cash and Cash Equivalents by P828.1 million. Non-current Assets also increased to P16.9 billion from P16.4 billion as of the beginning of the year principally from the exploration activities in the Silangan project which is in full steam in its feasibility studies stage,

the Company aiming to start development phase by next year to be its second mine in operation in the future. This was partly offset by the decrease in Available-for-sale (AFS) Financial Assets to P666.2 million from P756.9 million as of the beginning of the year.

Total Liabilities of the Company increased to P4.4 billion as of June 30, 2010 from P3.7 billion at the end of 2009. Current Liabilities, increased to P1.8 billion from P1.2 billion due to the availment of short-term banks loans of P474.2 million, and the increases in Income Tax Payable by P199.3 million and in Dividends Payable by P37.0 million with the declaration of cash dividend in April 2010, although Accounts Payable and Accrued Expenses decreased by P37.3 million and Provisions and Other Payables decreased by P39.3 million. Non-current Liabilities also increased to P2.6 billion from P2.5 billion due to the increase in Deferred Income Tax Liabilities.

Stockholders' Equity at the end of the first half of 2010 increased to P18.1 billion from the P17.7 billion balance at the beginning of the year, principally from the first semester's net earnings and the decrease in Cumulative Adjustments on Hedging Instruments by P216.6 million reduced by the cash dividend declared of P0.09 per share during the quarter which amounted to P442.2 million, the decrease in Net Unrealized Gain in Value of AFS Financial Assets of P90.7 million and the Effect of Transaction with Minority of P256.0 million on account of the purchase of all the outstanding common shares of Philex Gold, Inc. (PGI) from its existing minority shareholders at \$0.75 per share.

For the first six months, the Company's net cash provided by operating activities amounted to P463.4 million in 2010 million compared to the net cash used of P152.8 million in 2009 as proceeds from shipments were higher this year compared to last year and also increase in Other Liabilities particularly Income Tax Payable this year compared to the decrease in last year. Net cash used in investing activities consisting of acquisitions of Property, Plant and Equipment, the purchase of the outstanding PGI minority shares at \$0.75 per share for US\$5.8 million which made PGI now fully owned by the Company, and expenses for ongoing exploration projects totaling P1.3 billion this period. In 2009, net cash used of P4.2 billion primarily for the acquisition of Anglo American Exploration (Philippines) B.V.'s 50% interest in the Silangan Project for \$55 million. Net cash provided by financing activities amounted to P57.0 million this year from the net availment of short-term loans of P464.4 million, reduced by payment of cash dividends of P405.3 million. In 2009, financing activities resulted in the net cash used of P1.3 billion primarily for the net repayment of short-term loans. As of June 30, Cash and Cash Equivalents amounted to P2.1 billion in 2010 compared to P5.1 billion in 2009.

As of June 30, 2010 The Company's outstanding financial instruments are presented in the following table:

De al Datas		Total	Monthly	Strike	Demoini	n a Dania d
Deal Dates		Quantity	Maturity	Price	Remaini	ng Period
		(Ounces)	(Ounces)	(\$ per oz.)	From	То
Oct 06, 2009	Put	15,000	2,500	802.00	July 2010	Dec 2010
Oct 06, 2009	Put	15,000	2,500	802.00	July 2010	Dec 2010
Nov 3, 2009	Put	4,500	1,500	861.00	July 2010	Sept 2010
Jan 11, 2010	Put	9,000	1,500	912.25	July 2010	Dec 2010
Jan 15, 2010	Put	12,000	2,000	915.25	July 2010	Dec 2010
Total/average		55,500		849.15		

On Gold

# On Copper

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		Total	Monthly					
Deal Dates		Quantity	Maturity	Strike Pr	ice	Remaining Period		
		(DMT)	(DMT)	(\$ per DMT)	(\$ per lb.)	From	То	
Jan 15, 2010	Put	1,950	325	6,614.00	3.00	July 2010	Dec 2010	
Jan 15, 2010	Put	1,950	325	6,614.00	3.00	July 2010	Dec 2010	
Jan 15, 2010	Put	1,950	325	6,614.00	3.00	July 2010	Dec 2010	
Jan 15, 2010	Put	1,950	325	6,614.00	3.00	July 2010	Dec 2010	
Total/average		7,800		6,614.00	3.00			

# Top Five (5) Key Performance Indicators

# Average Metal Price

The average realized prices for the Company's products are key indicators in determining the Company's revenue level. While the world spot market prices quoted in the London Metal Exchange for gold, copper, and silver are applied on the Company's shipments and on mine products inventory, and provisional prices used to determine revenue are adjusted to forward prices at the end of each reporting period, a portion of the Company's production are also hedged from time to time to protect revenue from any wild fluctuations in prices and where reasonable floor levels could be provided. The spot, forward and hedge prices comprise the Company's average realized prices, which in the first half of 2010 amounted to \$1,054 per ounce gold and \$3.04 per pound copper (net of the amortization of hedging costs applied to adjust revenue of \$88 per ounce and \$0.14 per pound, respectively).

The copper price per pound is currently above \$3.30, higher than the \$3.04 average realized copper price in the first half of 2010. The gold price per ounce is currently above \$1,180, 12% higher than the P1,054 average realized gold price in first half of 2010.

# **Tonnes Milled and Ore Grade**

Tonnes milled and ore grade determine concentrates production and sales volume. The higher the tonnage and the grade of ore, the more metals are produced and sold. Ore milled for the six months period ended June 30, 2010 were 4.4 million tonnes at the average grade of 0.208% copper and 0.476 grams per tonne gold. Metal production were 16.1 million pounds copper and 51 thousand ounces gold. In the same period last year, ore milled were 4.0 million tonnes at the average grade of 0.239% copper and 0.624 grams per tonne gold. Metal production were 17.6 million pounds copper and 65 thousand ounces gold.

# Foreign Exchange Rate

As the Company's sales proceeds and bank loans are in US dollars, a higher Philippine peso to US dollar exchange rate means higher peso sales revenue (but would also reflect a foreign exchange loss on the restatement of the Company's dollar obligations). Conversely, a lower exchange rate reduces the Company's revenue in pesos (but brings about foreign exchange income on the loans). As a significant portion of the Company's cash and cash equivalents are also in US dollar, higher exchange rates would also reflect foreign exchange gain, but at lower exchange rate, a loss. The Company's average realized peso-to-dollar rates for the first

semester of 2010 was P45.75 in 2010 compared to P44.90 in 2009, which was the average after the effect of the Company's foreign currency hedging of a portion of dollar revenues at P42.00. As of June 30, the peso to dollar exchange rate was P46.310 in 2010 compared to P48.308 in 2009.

# Total Production Cost Per Tonne and Operating Cost Per Ounce Gold

The Company's average operating cost per tonne is a key measure of the operating performance of the Company. At the same cost level, the higher the production volume the lower the cost per tonne, as would also be the result at the same production volume but lower operating cost. Thus, a lower cost per tonne would generally reflect an improvement in operating efficiency. The same essentially applies to the cost per ounce gold as well, but with the gold grade as it affects metal production, the exchange rate as it affects the conversion from peso to dollars, and the copper revenue as by-product credit against operating cost, all getting into consideration.

In the first half of 2010, the total production cost (minesite cost and expenses excluding marketing charges, excise tax and royalties) per tonne of ore milled was P557 from the total production cost of P2.4 billion over ore milled of 4.4 million tonnes, slightly higher compared to the production cost per tonne of P555 from the total production cost of P2.2 billion over ore milled of 4.0 million tonnes in 2009.

Expressed in operating cost (all cost and expenses excluding corporate overhead) per ounce gold produced, operating cost before copper revenue as by-product credit was \$1,277 per ounce this year compared to \$896 per ounce in 2009. After copper revenue credit from the average realized copper price of \$3.04 per pound, the corresponding cost per ounce was \$298 compared to \$294 in 2009.

# Earnings Per Share

The earnings per share reflect the Company's bottom line operating results expressed in equivalent amount per share of the Company's average outstanding capital stock. Assuming a constant outstanding number of shares, as the Company's earnings increase, the earnings per share correspondingly increase. The earnings for the six months period of 2010 was P0.198 per share based on the 4,910,208,442 weighted average shares outstanding in the first six months. In 2009, the earnings for the same period was P0.240 per share based on 4,867,306,154 weighted average shares outstanding in 2009.

# Known Trends, Events or Uncertainties

There is no known event that will trigger direct or contingent financial obligation that is material to the Company, including any default or acceleration of an obligation that have not been booked, although the Company could be contingently liable for lawsuits and claims arising from the ordinary course of business which are not presently determinable.

On May 5, 2010, the Department of Environment and Natural Resources issued Administrative Order No. 2010-13 which provides an increase in the required Social Development and Management Program expenditures for mining operation from 1% of direct mining and milling costs to 1.5% of operating costs as defined in the Administrative Order. This, however, is still for discussion with all the concerned prior to implementation.

Other than what have been discussed above, there are no known significant trends, demands, commitments or uncertainties that will result in or that are reasonably likely to result in the

Company's liquidity increasing or decreasing in a material way. There are no material commitments for capital expenditures not reflected in the Company's financial statements. There are likewise no significant seasonality or cyclicality in its business operation that would have material effect on the Company's financial condition or results of operation. There were no other significant elements of income or loss that did not arise from the Company's continuing operations. There are no material off-balance sheet transactions, arrangements, obligations (including contingent obligations), and other relationship of the Company with unconsolidated entities or other persons created during the reporting period. There are no line items in the Company's financial statements not already explained for causes either above or in the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements other than due to the usual period-to-period fluctuations in amounts natural in every business operations.

#### PART II - OTHER INFORMATION

There are no other information for this interim period not previously reported in a report on SEC Form 17-C.

#### SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Regulation Code, the issuer has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

PHILEX MINING CORPORATION

(Issuer)

MANUEL V. PANGILINAN Chairman & Chief Executive Officer

RENATO N MIGRIÑO Treasurer, Chief Financial Officer & Vice President for Finance

**JOSE ERNESTO C. VILLALUNA JR.** President & Chief Operating Officer

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PARALUMAN M. NAVARRO Division Manager –Corporate Finance

Date: August 5, 2010

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# PHILEX MINING CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS June 30, 2010

Pasig City, Philippines

# PHILEX MINING CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(Amounts in Thousands, except Par Value Per Share)

		June 30 2010	December 31 2009		
ASSETS	(U	NAUDITED)	(AUDITED)		
Current Assets					
Cash and cash equivalents	Р	, , -	Ρ	2,881,115	
Accounts receivable - net		551,105		517,115	
Inventories - net		2,209,244		1,146,219	
Derivative asset		177,184		19,975	
Other current assets -net		590,045		457,844	
Total Current Assets		5,580,590		5,022,268	
Noncurrent Assets					
Available-for-sale (AFS) financial assets		666,243		756,948	
Investments in shares of stock		1,102,152		1,136,756	
Property, Plant and Equipment - net		4,679,851		4,668,892	
Deferred income tax assets		43		43	
Goodwill		258,593		258,593	
Deferred exploration costs and other noncurrent assets - net		10,166,816		9,534,913	
Total Noncurrent Assets		16,873,698		16,356,145	
TOTAL ASSETS	Ρ	22,454,288	Ρ	21,378,414	
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY					
Current Liabilities					
Short-term bank loans	Р	474,170	Р	-	
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	•	829,554	•	866,891	
Income tax payable		201,533		2,243	
Dividends payable		205,820		168,856	
Provisions and other payables		76,435		115,735	
Total Current Liabilities		1,787,512		1,153,725	
Noncurrent Liabilities					
Provision for losses		459,176		500,808	
Provision for mine rehabilitation costs		34,851		33,700	
Deferred income tax liabilities		2,060,592		1,976,320	
Accrued retirement benefits costs		30,324		30,324	
Total Noncurrent Liabilities		2,584,943		2,541,153	
Total Liabilities		4,372,455		3,694,878	
Equity					
Capital Stock - P1 par value		4,915,886		4,900,605	
Additional paid-in capital		803,496		774,494	
Retained Earnings		9,973,550		9,441,593	
Net unrealized gain on increase in value of AFS financial assets		354,572		445,277	
Cumulative adjustments on hedging instruments		(121,807)		(338,427	
Cumulative translation adjustments on foreign subsidiary		68,164		106,810	
Revaluation surplus		1,611,397		1,611,397	
Treasury shares		-		-	
Effect of transaction with minority		(214,503)		41,536	
Total equity attributable to equity holders of the Parent Company		17,390,754		16,983,285	
Minority Interest		691,079		700,251	
Total equity		18,081,833		17,683,536	
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	Р	22,454,288	Р	21,378,414	

# PHILEX MINING CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME

(Amounts in Thousands, except Earnings Per Share)

	2	2nd Quarter Ended June 30				
		2010		2009		
OPERATING REVENUE						
Gold	Ρ	1,342,437	Ρ	1,329,625		
Copper		973,275		1,049,469		
Silver		22,871		19,077		
Petroleum		81,059		8,857		
Coal		6,697		-		
		2,426,339		2,407,028		
Less: Marketing charges		154,720		181,073		
		2,271,619		2,225,955		
OPERATING COSTS AND EXPENSES						
Mining and milling (including depletion and depreciation)		1,237,479		1,131,224		
Mine product tax and royalties		119,314		139,128		
General and administrative		190,328		174,141		
Handling, hauling and storage		11,957		12,539		
Petroleum production costs		45,624		6,742		
Cost of sales-Coal		3,012		-		
		1,607,713		1,463,773		
INCOME FROM OPERATIONS		663,905		762,183		
OTHER INCOME (CHARGES) - Net						
Interest - net		5,583		19,141		
Forex gain (loss)		(15,494)		21,271		
Mark-to-market gain		(10,404)		193,998		
Others - net		(22,690)		(15,513)		
		(32,602)		218,898		
		004.000		004 000		
		631,303		981,080		
PROVISION FOR INCOME TAX		(187,529)		(301,227)		
NET INCOME	Р	443,774	Ρ	679,853		
Net income attributable to:						
Equity holders of the Parent Company		446,142		723,945		
Minority interests		(2,368)		(44,092)		
	Р	443,774		<b>679,853</b>		
			-	0.0,000		
BASIC EARNINGS PER SHARE	Ρ	0.0908	Ρ	0.1613		
DILUTED EARNINGS PER SHARE	Р	0.0906	Р	0.1480		
	Г	0.0300	Г	0.1400		

# PHILEX MINING CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME

(Amounts in Thousands, except Earnings Per Share)

\$		gs Per Share) Six months Ended June 30				
—		2010		2009		
OPERATING REVENUE						
Gold	Ρ	2,456,849	Ρ	2,617,262		
Copper		2,230,652		1,747,068		
Silver		42,457		39,769		
Petroleum		116,102		9,709		
Coal		14,071		-		
		4,860,131		4,413,808		
Less: Marketing charges		309,856		301,134		
		4,550,275		4,112,674		
OPERATING COSTS AND EXPENSES						
Mining and milling (including depletion and deprec		2,404,664		2,221,464		
Mine product tax & royalties		247,893		263,059		
General and administrative		347,609		293,202		
Handling, hauling and storage		23,428		24,761		
Petroleum production costs		75,483		17,989		
Cost of sales-Coal		6,215		-		
		3,105,292		2,820,474		
INCOME FROM OPERATIONS		1,444,983		1,292,199		
OTHER INCOME(CHARGES) - Net						
Interest - net		8,860		43,761		
Foreign exchange gains (losses)		(13,801)		(13,855		
Mark-to-market gains (losses)		-		330,008		
Others - net		(68,925)		(34,526		
		(73,865)		325,388		
INCOME BEFORE INCOME TAX		1,371,118		1,617,588		
PROVISION FOR INCOME TAX		(406,093)		(492,075		
NET INCOME	Ρ	965,025	Ρ	1,125,513		
Net income attributable to:						
Equity holders of the Parent Company		974,197		1,169,605		
		-				
Minority interests	-	(9,172)	-	(44,092		
	Ρ	965,025	Ρ	1,125,513		
BASIC EARNINGS PER SHARE (Note 6)	Ρ	0.1984	Ρ	0.2403		

# PHILEX MINING CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

(Amounts in Thousands)

		2010	2009
NET INCOME	Ρ	965,025	P 1,125,513
OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME			
Revaluation surplus on acquisition of subsidiaries		-	952,362
Unrealized loss on AFS financial assets		(90,705)	-
Gain (Loss) on translation of hedging instruments		216,619	(104,773)
Gain (Loss) on translation of financial statement of			
foreign subsidiaries		(38,646)	46,235
		87,268	893,824
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME	Ρ	1,052,294	P 2,019,337
Total Comprehensive Income Attributable to:			
Equity holders of the Parent Company		1,061,466	2,063,428
Minority interests		(9,172)	(44,092)
		1,052,294	2,019,337

# PHILEX MINING CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(Amount in Thousands)		Six months E	nded	June 30
		2010		2009
OPERATING ACTIVITIES				
Net Income before income tax	Ρ	1,371,118	Ρ	1,617,588
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash				
provided by operating activities:				
Depletion and depreciation		454,026		360,751
Net increase in derivative liability		38,831		(104,774)
Unrealized foreign exchange gain		9,807		49,433
Amortization of Prov for Mine Closure Cost		680		837
Interest Expense on Asset Retirement Obligation		1,151		1,066
Reserve provision		21,000		25,000
Share-based compensation expense		7,683		15,001
Amortization of DB hedging loss		177,788		-
Equity in net (income) loss of affiliates		29,547		-
Cumulative translation adjustments		-		46,235
Provision for (Benefit from) deferred income tax		0		171,674
Changes in non-cash components of working capital				
Decrease (increase) in:				
Accounts receivable		(29,301)		(536,609)
Inventories		(1,063,025)		(1,049,248)
Other current assets		(294,099)		(33,161)
Decrease in accounts payable and accrued exp.		(443,430)		(509,584)
Inrease (Decrease) in other liabilities		181,629		(207,020)
Cash provided by (used in) operating activities		463,406		(152,811)
		(405.000)		(504.000)
Additions to resource assets		(465,666)		(594,062)
Increase in Investments in stocks		(256,628)		(685,296)
Increase in other assets		(631,902)		(2,871,405)
Dividend income		5,645		-
Cash used in investing activities		(1,348,550)		(4,150,763)
FINANCING ACTIVITIES				
Net availments (payments) of short-term loans		464,363		(1,335,077)
Exercise of stock options		36,600		28,445
Decrease on cumulative translation adjustment on foreign subsidiary		(38,646)		-
Cash dividends		(405,277)		-
Cash provided by (used in) financing activities		57,041		(1,306,632)
DECREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		(828,103)		(5,610,207)
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS - BEGINNING		2,881,115		10,713,106
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS - END	Ρ	2,053,012	Р	5,102,900

(Amount in Thousands)

# PHILEX MINING CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN EQUITY (Amounts in Thousands)

		Attributable to Equity Holders of the Parent Company									
				Net							
				Unrealized		Cumulative		Effect of			
				Gain (Loss)	Cumulative	translation		transaction			
		Additional	Retained	on AFS	adjustments	adjustments		with			
	Capital Stock	Paid-in Capital	Earnings (Deficit)	Financial Assets	on hedging instruments	on foreign subsidiary	Revaluation Surplus	Minority Interest	Sub-total	Minority Interest	Total
Balances at December 31, 2009	4,900,605	774,494	9,441,593	445,277	(338,427)	· · · · · ·	1,611,397	41,536	16,983,285	700,251	17,683,536
Total Comprehensive income (loss) for the period	.,,		974,197	(90,705)		(38,646)		,	1,061,466	(9,172)	
Issuance of additional shares of stock	15,281	29,002		( , , ,	,	( , ,			44,283		44,283
Dividend declared for the period			(442,240)						(442,240)		(442,240)
Acquisition of minority interest in PGI								(256,040)	(256,040)		(256,040)
BALANCES AT JUNE 30, 2010	4,915,886	803,496	9,973,550	354,572	(121,807)	68,164	1,611,397	(214,503)	17,390,754	691,079	18,081,833
Balances at December 31, 2008	3,880,851	681,749	7,584,186	1,727	(335,185)	35,070	94,247	_	11,942,645	1,512,150	13,454,795
Total Comprehensive income (loss) for the period	-,,		1,169,605	.,	(104,774)		952,362		2,063,428	(44,092)	
Issuance of additional shares of stock	1,956,729	32,519							1,989,248	· · · /	1,989,248
Dividend declared for the period	(972,901)		(972,901)						(1,945,802)		(1,945,802)
Acquisition of 50% interest in the Silangan Project									-	223,394	223,394
BALANCES AT JUNE 30, 2009	4,864,679	714,268	7,780,890	1,727	(439,959)	81,305	1,046,609	-	14,049,519	1,691,452	15,740,971

#### PHILEX MINING COPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

#27 Brixton St., Pasig City

# SCHEDULE OF ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

As of June 30, 2010

Accounts Receivable - Trade Accounts Receivable - Miscellaneous 409,775,503 141,329,667

551,105,170

# AGING OF ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE - TRADE

As of June 30, 2010							
	0-30 days	31-60 days	61-90 days	over 90 days	Total		
<u>Trade</u> Pan Pacific Copper Co. Ltd. Louis Dreyfus Commodities Metals Suisse SA	87,072,101	12,848,187	58,396,968	139,398,956 112,059,290	139,398,956 270,376,546		
	87,072,101	12,848,187	58,396,968	251,458,246	409,775,503		

# PHILEX MINING CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

#27 Brixton St., Pasig City

# SCHEDULE OF LOANS PAYABLE

As of June 30, 2010

Bank of the Philippine Islands

474,170,000

# PHILEX MINING CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES NOTES TO UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS June 30, 2010

# 1. <u>Summary of Significant Accounting Policies and Financial Reporting Practices</u>

# Basis of Preparation

The unaudited consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Philippine Financial Reporting Standards (PFRS) Philippine Accounting Standard (PAS) 34, *Interim Financial Reporting*. Accordingly, the unaudited interim condensed consolidated financial statements of Philex Mining Corporation (the Parent Company) and subsidiaries (the Group) do not include all the information and disclosures required in the annual consolidated financial statements, and should be read in conjunction with the Group's annual financial statements as at December 31, 2009.

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared using the historical cost basis, except for mine products inventory that are measured at net realizable value (NRV) and available-for-sale (AFS) financial assets and derivative financial instruments that are measured at fair value. The consolidated financial statements are presented in Philippine Peso, which is the Parent Company's functional currency, rounded to the nearest thousand (**P**000) except when otherwise indicated.

# Statement of Compliance

The consolidated financial statements of the Group have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the Philippines. The Group prepared its consolidated financial statements in accordance with Philippine Financial Reporting Standards (PFRS), except for the Parent Company's mine products inventory that have been measured at NRV, which was permitted by the Philippine Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC). The significant accounting policies followed by the Group are disclosed below.

# Changes in accounting policies

The accounting policies adopted are consistent with those of the previous financial year except for the adoption of new and amended accounting standards that became effective beginning January 1, 2010. Adoption of the following changes in PFRS and Philippine Interpretations based on International Financial Reporting Interpretations Committee (IFRIC) interpretations did not have any significant impact on the Group's consolidated financial statements.

- Amendments to PFRS 2, *Share-based Payments Group Cash-settled Share-based Payment Transactions*, effective for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2010, clarifies the scope and the accounting for group cash-settled share-based payment transactions.
- PFRS 3, *Business Combinations* (Revised), and PAS 27, *Consolidated and Separate Financial Statements* (Revised), effective for annual periods beginning on or after July 1, 2009. PFRS 3 (Revised) significantly changes the accounting for business combinations occurring after this date including the valuation of non-controlling interest, the accounting

for transaction costs, the initial recognition and subsequent measurement of a contingent consideration and business combinations achieved in stages that will impact the amount of goodwill recognized, and the reported results in the current and future periods. PAS 27 (Revised) requires that a change in the ownership interest of a subsidiary without loss of control is accounted for as a transaction with owners in their capacity as owners (no resulting goodwill nor gain or loss). Furthermore, the revised standard changes the accounting for losses incurred by the subsidiary as well as the loss of control of a subsidiary.

The changes introduced by the revised PFRS 3 must be applied prospectively and PAS 27 must be applied retrospectively with a few exceptions.

- Amendment to PAS 39, *Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement Eligible Hedged Items*, effective for annual periods beginning on or after July 1, 2009, clarifies that an entity is permitted to designate a portion of the fair value changes or cash flow variability of a financial instrument as a hedged item. This also covers the designation of inflation as a hedged risk or portion in particular situations.
- Philippine Interpretation IFRIC 17, *Distributions of Non-Cash Assets to Owners*, effective for annual periods beginning on or after July 1, 2009 with early application permitted, provides guidance on how to account for non-cash distributions to owners. The interpretation clarifies when to recognize a liability, how to measure it and the associated assets, and when to derecognize the asset and liability.
- Philippine Interpretation IFRIC 18, *Transfers of Assets from Customers*, effective for annual periods beginning on or after July 1, 2009, applies to the accounting for transfers of items of property, plant and equipment by an entity that receive such transfers from its customer, wherein the entity must then use such transferred asset either to connect the customer to a network or to provide the customer with ongoing access to a supply of goods or services, or to do both.

Improvements to PFRS

- PFRS 2, *Share-based Payment*, clarifies that the contribution of a business on formation of a joint venture and combinations under common control are not within the scope of PFRS 2 even though they are out of scope of PFRS 3, *Business Combinations* (Revised).
- PFRS 5, Noncurrent Assets Held for Sale and Discontinued Operations, clarifies that the disclosures required in respect of noncurrent assets and disposal groups classified as held for sale or discontinued operations are only those set out in PFRS 5. The disclosure requirements of other PFRS only apply if specifically required for such noncurrent assets or discontinued operations.
- PFRS 8, *Operating Segment*, clarifies that segment assets and liabilities need only be reported when those assets and liabilities are included in measures that are used by the chief operating decision maker.
- PAS 1, *Presentation of Financial Statements*, clarifies that the terms of a liability that could result, at anytime; in its settlement by the issuance of equity instruments at the option of the counterparty do not affect its classification.

- PAS 7, *Statement of Cash Flows*, explicitly states that only expenditures resulting in a recognized asset can be classified as a cash flow from investing activities.
- PAS 17, *Leases*, removes the specific guidance on classifying land as a lease. Prior to the amendment, leases of land were classified as operating leases. The amendment now requires that leases of land are classified as either "finance" or "operating" in accordance with the general principles of PAS 17. The amendments will be applied retrospectively.
- PAS 36, *Impairment of Assets*, clarifies that the largest unit permitted for allocating goodwill, acquired in a business combination, is the operating segment as defined in PFRS 8 before aggregation for reporting purposes.
- PAS 38, *Intangible Assets*, clarifies that if an intangible asset acquired in a business combination is identifiable only with another intangible asset, the acquirer may recognize the group of intangible assets as a single asset provided the individual assets have similar useful lives. It also clarifies that the valuation techniques presented for determining the fair value of intangible assets acquired in a business combination that are not traded in active markets are only examples and are not restrictive on the methods that can be used.
- PAS 39, Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement, clarifies the following:
  - a. that a prepayment option is considered closely related to the host contract when the exercise price of a prepayment option reimburses the lender up to the approximate present value of lost interest for the remaining term of the host contract.
  - b. that the scope exemption for contracts between an acquirer and a vendor in a business combination to buy or sell an acquiree at a future date applies only to binding forward contracts, and not derivative contracts where further actions by either party are still to be taken.
  - c. that gains or losses on cash flow hedges of a forecast transaction that subsequently results in the recognition of a financial instrument or on cash flow hedges of recognized financial instruments should be reclassified in the period that the hedged forecast cash flows affect profit or loss.
- Philippine Interpretation IFRIC 9, *Reassessment of Embedded Derivatives*, clarifies that it does not apply to possible reassessment at the date of acquisition, to embedded derivatives in contracts acquired in a business combination between entities or businesses under common control or the formation of joint venture.
- Philippine Interpretation IFRIC 16, *Hedge of a Net Investment in a Foreign Operation*, states that, in a hedge of a net investment in a foreign operation, qualifying hedging instruments may be held by any entity or entities within the group, including the foreign operation itself, as long as the designation, documentation and effectiveness requirements of PAS 39 that relate to a net investment hedge are satisfied.

# Basis of Consolidation

The consolidated financial statements comprise the financial statements of the Parent Company and its subsidiaries as of June 30 of each year. The financial statements of the subsidiaries are prepared for the same reporting year as the Group using consistent accounting policies.

#### Subsidiaries

Subsidiaries are entities over which the Parent Company has the power to govern the financial and operating policies of the entities, or generally has an interest of more than one half of the voting rights of the entities. The existence and effect of potential voting rights that are currently exercisable or convertible are considered when assessing whether the Parent Company controls another entity. Subsidiaries are fully consolidated from the date on which control is transferred to the Group or Parent Company directly or through the holding companies. Control is achieved where the Parent Company has the power to govern the financial and operating policies of an entity so as to obtain benefits from its activities. They are deconsolidated from the date on which control ceases.

All intra-group balances, transactions, income and expenses, and profits and losses resulting from intra-group transactions that are recognized in assets are eliminated in full.

The Parent Company's subsidiaries and their respective nature of business are as follows:

Subsidiary	Nature of Business
Philex Gold Holdings, Inc. (PGHI)	Incorporated in the Philippines to serve as an intermediary holding company through which its subsidiaries and the Company conduct large-scale exploration, development and utilization of mineral resources. PGHI owns 100% of the outstanding shares of PGPI effective April 27, 2010,
Philippines Gold Mining Company B.V.(PGMC-BV)	Incorporated in the Netherlands, as previously the intermediary holding company of PGI.
Philex Gold, Inc. (PGI)	Incorporated in Canada and previously owned 100% of the outstanding shares of PGPI.
Philex Gold Philippines, Inc. (PGPI)	Incorporated in the Philippines as a wholly owned subsidiary of PGI and is primarily engaged in large- scale exploration, development and utilization of mineral resources, previously by the Bulawan mine and Sibutad Project. Currently owns 50% effective interest in SMMCI through SMECI.
Lascogon Mining Corporation (LMC)	Incorporated in the Philippines on October 20, 2005 to engage in exploration, development and utilization of mineral resources, principally the Lascogon Project in Surigao.

- Silangan Mindanao Incorporated in the Philippines on October 12, 1999 Exploration Co., Inc. (SMECI) primarily to engage in the business of large-scale exploration, development and utilization of mineral resources but currently the holding company of SMMCI.
- Silangan Mindanao & Mining Co., Inc. (SMMCI) Incorporated in the Philippines on January 4, 2000 primarily to engage in the business of large-scale exploration, development and utilization of mineral resources, principally the Silangan Project.
- Philex Petroleum Corporation Incorporated in the Philippines on December 27, 2007 (PPC) to carry on businesses related to any and all kinds of petroleum and petroleum products, oil, and other resources of energy
- Forum Energy Plc (FEP) A United Kingdom (UK)-based oil and gas exploration and production company registered in England and Wales, with a focus on the Philippines and whose shares are listed with the Alternative Investment Market of the London Stock Exchange.
- FEC Resources, Inc. (FEC) Incorporated under the laws of Alberta, Canada and is engaged primarily in the business of exploration and development of oil and gas and other mineral related opportunities, either directly or indirectly through companies in which FEC invests.
- Brixton Energy & Mining Corporation (BEMC) Incorporated in the Philippines on July 19, 2005 to engage in exploration, development and utilization of energy-related resources.
- Fidelity Stock Transfers, Inc Incorporated in the Philippines to act as a stock (FSTI) Incorporated and/or registrar of client corporations.
- Philex Land, Inc (PLI) Incorporated in the Philippines to own, use, develop, subdivide, sell, exchange, lease, and hold for investment or otherwise, real estate of all kinds including buildings, houses, apartments and other structures.
- Philex Insurance Agency, Inc. Incorporated in the Philippines on May 20, 1987 to act (PIAI) as a general agent for and in behalf of any domestic and/or foreign non-life insurance company or companies authorized to do business in the Philippines. PIAI is currently under dormant status.

PGHI PGMC-BV PGI		entages of <u>Dwnership</u> Indirect - 100.0 100.0 100.0 60.0
PGMC-BV PGI	Direct	Indirect - 100.0 100.0 100.0
PGMC-BV PGI	100.0 _ _ _	100.0 100.0
PGI	- - -	100.0 100.0
		100.0
	-	
PGPI	_	60.0
LMC		60.0
SMECI	_	60.0
SMMCI	_	83.3
PPC	100.0	_
FEP	_	38.8
FEC	51.2	_
LMC	_	40.0
FEP	_	25.6
BEMC	100.0	-
SMECI	40.0	_
SMMCI	16.7	_
FSTI	100.0	_
PLI	100.0	_
PIAI	100.0	_

The ownership of the Group over the foregoing companies is summarized as follows: As of June 30, 2010:

As of June 30, 2009:

or sure 30, 2003.	Percenta Own			
	Direct	Indirect		
PGHI	100.0	_		
PGMC-BV	-	100.0		
PGI	-	81.0		
PGPI	-	100.0		
LMC	_	60.0		
SMECI	_	. 60.		
SMMCI	-	83.3		
PPC	100.0	_		
FEP	_	36.8		
FEC	50.7	_		
LMC	-	40.0		
FEP	-	25.8		
BEMC	100.0	-		
SMECI	40.0	_		
SMMCI	16.7	_		
FSTI	100.0	_		
PLI	100.0	_		
PIAI	100.0	_		

# Minority Interest

Minority interest represents interest in a subsidiary which is not owned, directly or indirectly, by the Parent Company. Profit or loss and each component of other comprehensive income are attributed to the owners of the Parent Company and to the minority interest. Total comprehensive income is attributed to the owners of the Parent Company and to the minority interest even if this results in the minority interest having a deficit balance.

Minority interest represents the portion of profit or loss and the net assets not held by the Group. Transactions with minority interest are accounted for using the entity concept method, whereby the difference between the consideration and the book value of the share of the net assets acquired is recognized as an equity transaction.

# Investment in Associates

Associates are all entities over which the Group has significant influence but not control, generally accompanying a shareholding of between 20% to 50% of the voting rights. Investments in associates are accounted for by the equity method of accounting and are initially recognized at cost. The Group's share of its associates' post-acquisition profits or losses is recognized in the consolidated statements of income, and its share of post-acquisition movements in reserves is recognized in reserves. The cumulative post-acquisition movements are adjusted against the carrying amount of the investment. When the Group's share of losses in an associate equals or exceeds its interest in the associate, including any other unsecured receivables, the Group does not recognize further losses, unless it has incurred obligations or made payments on behalf of the associate.

Unrealized gains on transactions between the Group and its associates are eliminated to the extent of the Group's interest in the associates. Unrealized losses are also eliminated unless the transaction provides evidence of an impairment of the asset transferred. Accounting policies have been changed where necessary to ensure consistency with the policies adopted by the Group.

# Investment in Joint Venture Entities

Joint venture entities are all entities subject to a common control under a contractual arrangement with other parties. Investments in joint venture entities are accounted for under the equity method. Under the equity method, the investments are carried at cost plus post-acquisition changes in the Group's share in the net assets of the joint venture entity, less any impairment in value. Dividends are considered return on capital and deducted from the investment account. Unrealized gains arising from transactions with the joint ventures are eliminated to the extent of the Group's interests in the joint ventures, against the investments in those joint ventures. Unrealized losses are similarly eliminated but only to the extent that there is no evidence of the asset transferred.

The Group has investment in the shares of stock of a joint venture entity, Minphil Exploration Co., Inc. (MECI). MECI's wholly owned subsidiary, Northern Luzon Exploration & Mining Co., Inc. (NLEMCI) has not started productive operations as of June 30, 2010.

# Business Combination and Goodwill

Business combinations are accounted for using the acquisition method. This involves recognizing and measuring identifiable assets and liabilities of the acquired business initially at fair value. If the acquirer's interest in the net fair value of the identifiable assets and liabilities exceeds the cost of the business combination, the acquirer shall (a) reassess the identification and measurement of the acquiree's identifiable assets and liabilities and the

measurement of the cost of the combination; and (b) recognize immediately in profit or loss any excess remaining after that reassessment.

When a business combination involves more than one exchange transaction, each exchange transaction shall be treated separately using the cost of the transaction and fair value information at the date of each exchange transaction to determine the amount of any goodwill associated with that transaction. This results in a step-by-step comparison of the cost of the individual investments with the Group's interest in the fair value of the acquiree's identifiable assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities at each exchange transaction. The fair values of the acquiree's identifiable assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities and contingent liabilities may be different at the date of each exchange transaction. Any adjustments to those fair values relating to previously held interests of the Group is a revaluation to be accounted for as such and presented separately as part of equity. If the revaluation relates directly to an identifiable fixed asset, the revaluation will be transferred directly to retained earnings when the asset is derecognized in whole through disposal or as the asset concerned is depreciated or amortized.

Goodwill represents the excess of the cost of an acquisition over the fair value of the Group's share in the net identifiable assets of the acquired subsidiary or associate at the date of acquisition. Goodwill on acquisitions of subsidiaries is recognized separately as a noncurrent asset. Goodwill on acquisitions of associates is included in investments in associates and is tested annually for impairment as part of the overall balance.

Goodwill is reviewed for impairment, annually or more frequently if events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value may be impaired.

Impairment is determined for goodwill by assessing the recoverable amount of the cashgenerating unit (CGU) or group of CGUs to which the goodwill relates. Where the recoverable amount of the CGU or group of CGUs is less than the carrying amount of the CGU or group of CGUs to which goodwill has been allocated, an impairment loss is recognized. Impairment losses relating to goodwill cannot be reversed in future periods. The Group performs its impairment test of goodwill annually every December 31.

# Foreign Currency Translation of Foreign Operations

Each entity (subsidiaries and branches) in the Group determines its own functional currency and items included in the financial statements of each entity are measured using that functional currency. Transactions in foreign currencies are initially recorded in the functional currency rate at the date of the transaction. Outstanding monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are retranslated at the functional currency rate of exchange at balance sheet date. All exchange differences are recognized in the consolidated statement of income. Non-monetary items that are measured in terms of historical cost in a foreign currency are translated using the exchange rates as at the dates of the initial transactions. Non-monetary items measured at fair value in a foreign currency are translated using the exchange rates at the date when the fair value was determined.

Financial statements of consolidated foreign subsidiaries that are integral to the operations of the Group are translated as if the transactions of the foreign subsidiaries had been those of the Parent Company. At each balance sheet date, foreign currency monetary items are translated using the prevailing rate, non-monetary items which are carried at historical cost are translated using the historical rate as of the date of acquisition and non-monetary items which are carried at fair value are translated using the exchange rate that existed when the

values were determined. Income and expenses are translated at the average prevailing rates for year.

Financial statements of consolidated foreign branches and subsidiaries that are not integral to the operations of the Group are translated into the presentation currency of the Group (the Philippine Peso) at the rate of exchange at the balance sheet date and, their statement of income are translated at the exchange rates at the dates of transactions. The exchange differences arising from the translation are taken directly to a separate component of equity (under cumulative translation adjustment). On disposal of a foreign entity, the deferred cumulative amount recognized in equity relating to that particular foreign operation is recognized in the consolidated statement of income.

For purposes of consolidation, the consolidated financial statements of FEP, FEC and PGI, which are expressed in United States (US) Dollar amounts, have been translated to Philippine Peso amounts as follows:

- a. assets and liabilities for each consolidated balance sheet presented (i.e., including comparatives) are translated at the closing rate at the date of consolidated balance sheet;
- b. income and expenses for each consolidated statement of income (i.e., including comparatives) are translated at exchange rates at the dates of transactions; and
- c. all resulting exchange differences are recognized as a separate component of equity.

#### Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash includes cash on hand and in banks. Cash equivalents are short-term, highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash with original maturities of three months or less from dates of acquisition and that are subject to insignificant risk of change in value.

#### Financial Instruments

#### Date of recognition

The Group recognizes financial asset or a financial liability in the consolidated balance sheet when it becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. Purchases or sales of financial assets that require delivery of assets within the time frame established by regulation or convention in the marketplace are recognized on the settlement date.

# Initial recognition and classification of financial instruments

Financial instruments are recognized initially at fair value, which is the fair value of the consideration given (in case of an asset) or received (in case of a liability). The initial measurement of financial instruments, except for those financial assets and liabilities at fair value through profit or loss (FVPL), includes transaction cost.

On initial recognition, the Company classifies its financial assets in the following categories: financial assets at FVPL, loans and receivables, held-to-maturity (HTM) investments and AFS financial assets, as appropriate. The classification depends on the purpose for which the investments are acquired and whether they are quoted in an active market. Financial liabilities on the other hand, are classified into the following categories: financial liabilities at FVPL and other financial liabilities, as appropriate.

classification of its financial assets and financial liabilities at initial recognition and, where allowed and appropriate, re-evaluates such designation at every reporting date.

Financial instruments are classified as liabilities or equity in accordance with the substance of the contractual arrangement. Interest, dividends, gains and losses relating to a financial instrument or a component that is a financial liability are reported as expense or income. Distributions to holders of financial instruments classified as equity are charged directly to equity net of any related income tax benefits.

# Determination of fair value

The fair value of financial instruments that are actively traded in organized financial markets is determined by reference to quoted market bid prices at the close of business on the balance sheet date. For investments and all other financial instruments where there is no active market, fair value is determined using generally acceptable valuation techniques. Such techniques include using arm's length market transactions; reference to the current market value of another instrument, which are substantially the same; discounted cash flow analysis and other valuation models.

# Day1 Profit

Where the transaction price in a non-active market is different from the fair value based on other observable current market transactions in the same instrument or based on a valuation technique whose variables include only data from observable market, the Group recognizes the difference between the transaction price and fair value (a Day 1 profit) in the consolidated statement of income unless it qualifies for recognition as some other type of asset. In cases where use is made of data which is not observable, the difference between the transaction price and model value is only recognized in the consolidated statement of income observable or when the instrument is derecognized. For each transaction, the Group determines the appropriate method of recognizing the 'Day 1' profit amount.

# Derivatives and Hedging

The Parent Company uses currency and commodity derivatives such as forwards, swaps and option contracts to economically hedge its exposure to fluctuations in gold and copper prices. For accounting purposes, such derivative financial instruments are initially recognized at fair value on the date on which a derivative contract is entered into and are subsequently remeasured at fair value. Derivatives are carried as assets when the fair value is positive and as liabilities when the fair value is negative.

Derivatives are accounted for as at FVPL, where any gains or losses arising from changes in fair value on derivatives are taken directly to net profit or loss for the year, unless hedge accounting is applied.

For the purpose of hedge accounting, hedges are classified as:

- a. fair value hedges when hedging the exposure to changes in the fair value of a recognized asset or liability; or
- cash flow hedges when hedging exposure to variability in cash flows that is either attributable to a particular risk associated with a recognized asset or liability or a forecast transaction; or

c. hedges of a net investment in a foreign operation.

A hedge of the foreign currency risk of a firm commitment is accounted for as a cash flow hedge.

At the inception of a hedge relationship, the Parent Company formally designates and documents the hedge relationship to which the Parent Company wishes to apply hedge accounting and the risk management objective and strategy for undertaking the hedge. The documentation includes identification of the hedging instrument, the hedged item or transaction, the nature of the risk being hedged and how the entity will assess the hedging instrument's effectiveness in offsetting the exposure to changes in the hedged item's fair value or cash flows attributable to the hedged risk. Such hedges are expected to be highly effective in achieving offsetting changes in fair value or cash flows and are assessed on an ongoing basis to determine that they actually have been highly effective throughout the financial reporting periods for which they were designated.

Hedges that meet the strict criteria for hedge accounting are accounted for as follows:

# Cash flow hedges

Cash flow hedges are hedges of the exposure to variability in cash flows that is attributable to a particular risk associated with a recognized asset or liability or a highly probable forecast transaction and could affect profit or loss. The effective portion of the gain or loss on the hedging instrument is recognized directly in consolidated statement of comprehensive income while the ineffective portion is recognized in the consolidated statement of income.

Amounts taken to equity are transferred to the consolidated statement of income when the hedged transaction affects profit or loss, such as when hedged financial income or financial expense is recognized or when a forecast sale or purchase occurs. Where the hedged item is the cost of a non-financial asset or liability, the amounts are recognized as other comprehensive income.

If the forecast transaction is no longer expected to occur, amounts previously recognized in equity are transferred to consolidated statement of income. If the hedging instrument expires or is sold, terminated or exercised without replacement or rollover, or if its designation as a hedge is revoked, amounts previously recognized in equity remain in equity until the forecast transaction or firm commitment occurs. If the related transaction is not expected to occur, the amount is taken to consolidated statement of income.

# Hedges of a net investment in a foreign operation

Hedges of a net investment in a foreign operation, including a hedge of a monetary item that is accounted for as part of the net investment, are accounted for in a way similar to cash flow hedges. Gains or losses on the hedging instrument relating to the effective portion of the hedge are recognized directly in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income while any gains or losses relating to the ineffective portion are recognized in the consolidated statement of income. On disposal of the foreign operation, the cumulative value of any such gains or losses recognized directly in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income is transferred to the consolidated statement of income.

# Embedded derivatives

An embedded derivative is separated from the host financial or non-financial contract and accounted for as a derivative if all of the following conditions are met:

- the economic characteristics and risks of the embedded derivative are not closely related to the economic characteristic of the host contract;
- a separate instrument with the same terms as the embedded derivative would meet the definition of a derivative; and
- the hybrid or combined instrument is not recognized as at FVPL.

The Group assesses whether embedded derivatives are required to be separated from host contracts when the Group first becomes party to the contract. Reassessment only occurs if there is a change in the terms of the contract that significantly modifies the cash flows that would otherwise be required.

Embedded derivatives that are bifurcated from the host contracts are accounted for either as financial assets or financial liabilities at FVPL. Changes in fair values are included in the consolidated statement of income.

# Loans and receivables

Loans and receivables are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market. After initial measurement, loans and receivables are subsequently carried at amortized cost using the effective interest method less any allowance for impairment. Amortized cost is calculated taking into account any discount or premium on acquisition and includes transaction costs and fees that are an integral part of the effective interest rate and transaction costs. Gains and losses are recognized in the consolidated statement of income when the loans and receivables are derecognized or impaired, as well as through the amortization process. These financial assets are included in current assets if maturity is within twelve months from the balance sheet date. Otherwise, these are classified as noncurrent assets.

As of June 30, 2010 and 2009, included under loans and receivables are the Group's cash and cash equivalents and accounts receivable.

# AFS financial assets

AFS financial assets are non-derivative financial assets that are designated as AFS or are not classified in any of the three other categories. The Group designates financial instruments as AFS if they are purchased and held indefinitely and may be sold in response to liquidity requirements or changes in market conditions. After initial recognition, AFS financial assets are measured at fair value with unrealized gains or losses being recognized in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income as "Unrealized gain on AFS financial assets."

When the investment is disposed of, the cumulative gains or losses previously recorded in equity are recognized in the consolidated statement of income. Interest earned on the investments is reported as interest income using the effective interest rate method. Dividends earned on investments are recognized in the consolidated statement of income as 'Dividends income' when the right of payment has been established. The Group considers several factors in making a decision on the eventual disposal of the investment. The major factor of this decision is whether or not the Group will experience inevitable

further losses on the investment. These financial assets are classified as noncurrent assets unless the intention is to dispose of such assets within twelve months from the balance sheet date.

As of June 30, 2010, included in the AFS financial assets are the Group's quoted and unquoted equity investments.

# Other financial liabilities

Other financial liabilities are initially recorded at fair value, less directly attributable transaction costs. After initial recognition, interest-bearing loans and borrowings are subsequently measured at amortized cost using the effective interest rate method. Amortized cost is calculated by taking into account any issue costs, and any discount or premium on settlement. Gains and losses are recognized in the consolidated statement of income when the liabilities are derecognized as well as through the amortization process.

As of June 30, 2010 and 2009, included in other financial liabilities are the Group's shortterm bank loans, accounts payable and accrued liabilities, dividends payable, subscription payables, and provisions and other payables.

#### Offsetting Financial Instruments

Financial assets and financial liabilities are offset and the net amount is reported in the consolidated balance sheet if, and only if, there is a currently enforceable legal right to offset the recognized amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis, or to realize the asset and settle the liability simultaneously. This is not generally the case with master netting agreements, and the related assets and liabilities are presented gross in the consolidated balance sheet.

# Impairment of Financial Assets

The Group assesses at each balance sheet date whether there is objective evidence that a financial asset or group of financial assets is impaired. A financial asset or a group of financial assets is deemed to be impaired if, and only if, there is objective evidence of impairment as a result of one or more events that has occurred after the initial recognition of the asset (an incurred 'loss event') and that loss event (or events) has an impact on the estimated future cash flows of the financial asset or the group of financial assets that can be reliably estimated. Evidence of impairment may include indications that the contracted parties or a group of contracted parties is /are experiencing significant financial difficulty, default or delinquency in interest or principal payments, the probability that they will enter bankruptcy or other financial reorganization, and where observable data indicate that there is measurable decrease in the estimated future cash flows, such as changes in arrears or economic conditions that correlate with defaults.

# Financial assets carried at cost

If there is objective evidence that an impairment loss on an unquoted equity instrument that is not carried at fair value because its fair value cannot be reliably measured, or on a derivative asset that is linked to and must be settled by delivery of such an unquoted equity instrument has been incurred, the amount of the loss is measured as the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows discounted at the current market rate of return of a similar financial asset.

#### Loans and receivables

The Group first assesses whether objective evidence of impairment exists individually for financial assets that are individually significant, and individually or collectively for financial assets that are not individually significant. If there is objective evidence than an impairment loss on financial assets carried at amortized cost has been incurred, the amount of loss is measured as a difference between the asset's carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows (excluding future credit losses that have not been incurred) discounted at the financial asset's original effective interest rate (i.e. the effective interest rate computed at initial recognition). The carrying amount of the asset shall be reduced through the use of an allowance account. The amount of loss is recognized in the consolidated statement of income.

If it is determined that no objective evidence of impairment exists for an individually assessed financial asset, whether significant or not, the asset is included in the group of financial assets with similar credit risk and characteristics and that group of financial assets is collectively assessed for impairment. Assets that are individually assessed for impairment and for which an impairment loss is or continues to be recognized are not included in a collective assessment of impairment.

If, in a subsequent period, the amount of the impairment loss decreases and the decrease can be related objectively to an event occurring after the impairment was recognized, the previously recognized impairment loss is reversed. Any subsequent reversal of an impairment loss is recognized in the consolidated statement of income, to the extent that the carrying value of the asset does not exceed its amortized cost at the reversal date.

#### AFS financial assets

For AFS financial assets, the Group assesses at each balance sheet date whether there is objective evidence that a financial asset or group of financial assets is impaired. In case of equity investments classified as AFS financial assets, this would include a significant or prolonged decline in the fair value of the investments below its cost. The determination of what is 'significant' or 'prolonged' requires judgment. The Group treats 'significant' generally as 30% or more and 'prolonged' as greater than 12 months for quoted equity securities. Where there is evidence of impairment, the cumulative loss measured as the difference between the acquisition cost and the current fair value, less any impairment loss on that financial asset previously recognized in profit or loss is removed from equity and recognized in the consolidated statement of income.

Impairment losses on equity investments are recognized in the consolidated statement of income. Increases in fair value after impairment are recognized directly in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income

In the case of debt instruments classified as AFS financial assets, impairment is assessed based on the same criteria as financial assets carried at amortized cost. Interest continues to be accrued at the original effective interest rate on the reduced carrying amount of the asset and is recorded as part of 'interest income' in the consolidated statement of income. If subsequently, the fair value of a debt instrument increased and the increase can be objectively related to an event occurring after the impairment loss was recognized in the consolidated statement of income, the impairment loss is reversed through the consolidated statement of income.

# Derecognition of Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities

# Financial assets

A financial asset (or, where applicable, a part of a financial asset or part of a group of similar financial assets) is derecognized when:

- the rights to receive cash flows from the asset have expired;
- the Group retains the right to receive cash flows from the asset, but has assumed an obligation to pay them in full without material delay to third party under a 'pass-through' arrangement; or
- the Group has transferred its rights to receive cash flows from the asset and either (a) has transferred substantially all the risks and rewards of the asset, or (b) has neither transferred nor retained substantially all risks and rewards of the asset, but has transferred control of the asset.

Where the Group has transferred its rights to receive cash flows from an asset or has entered into a pass-through arrangement and has neither transferred nor retained substantially all the risks and rewards of the asset nor transferred control of the asset, the asset is recognized to the extent of the Group's continuing involvement in the asset. Continuing involvement that takes the form of a guarantee over the transferred asset is measured at the lower of the original carrying amount of the asset and the maximum amount of consideration that the Group could be required to repay. Where continuing involvement takes the form of a written and/or purchased option (including a cash-settled option or similar provision) on the transferred asset, the extent of the Group's continuing involvement is the amount of the transferred asset that the Group may repurchase, except that in the case of a written put option (including a cash-settled option or similar provision) on asset measured at fair value, the extent of the Group's continuing involvement is limited to the lower of the fair value of the transferred asset and the option exercise price.

# Financial liabilities

A financial liability is derecognized when the obligation under the liability is discharged, cancelled or has expired.

Where an existing financial liability is replaced by another from the same lender on substantially different terms, or the terms of an existing liability are substantially modified, such an exchange or modification is treated as a derecognition of the original liability and the recognition of a new liability, and the difference in the respective carrying amounts is recognized in the consolidated statement of income.

# Inventories

Mine products inventory, which consist of copper concentrates containing copper, gold and silver, are stated at NRV. Coal inventory and materials and supplies are valued at the lower of cost and NRV. Cost incurred in bringing materials and supplies to their present location and condition is accounted for as purchase cost determined on a weighted average basis.

NRV for mine products and coal inventory is the selling price in the ordinary course of business, less the estimated costs of completion and estimated costs necessary to make the sale. In the case of materials and supplies, NRV is the value of the inventories when sold at their condition at the balance sheet date.

# Input Tax Recoverable

Input tax recoverable is stated at 10% in prior years up to January 2006 and 12% starting February 2006 of applicable purchase cost of goods and services net of output tax liabilities and allowance for probable losses.

# Property, Plant and Equipment

Property, plant and equipment are stated at cost less accumulated depletion and depreciation and accumulated impairment in value, if any.

The initial cost of property, plant and equipment consists of its purchase price, including import duties, taxes, borrowing costs and any directly attributable costs of bringing the asset to its working condition and location for its intended use. Expenditures incurred after the property, plant and equipment have been put into operation, such as repairs and maintenance and overhaul costs, are normally charged to consolidated statement of income in the period in which costs are incurred. In situations where it can be clearly demonstrated that the expenditures would result in an increase in future economic benefits expected to be obtained from the use of an item of property, plant and equipment beyond its originally assessed standard of performance, the expenditures are capitalized as additional cost of such property, plant and equipment.

When assets are sold or retired, the cost and related accumulated depletion and depreciation and accumulated impairment in value are removed from the accounts and any resulting gain or loss is reflected in the consolidated statement of income.

Depletion or amortization of mine and mining properties is calculated using the units-ofproduction method based on estimated recoverable reserves. Depreciation of other items of property, plant and equipment is computed using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets as follows:

	No. of
	Years
Buildings and improvements	5 to 10
Machinery and equipment	2 to 20
Surface structures	10

Depreciation or depletion of an item of property, plant and equipment begins when it becomes available for use, i.e., when it is in the location and condition necessary for it to be capable of operating in the manner intended by management. Depreciation or depletion ceases at the earlier of the date that the item is classified as held for sale (or included in a disposal group that is classified as held for sale) in accordance with PFRS 5, *Noncurrent Assets Held for Sale and Discontinued Operations*, and the date the asset is derecognized.

The estimated recoverable reserves, useful lives, and depreciation and depletion methods are reviewed periodically to ensure that the estimated recoverable reserves, periods and methods of depletion and depreciation are consistent with the expected pattern of economic benefits from the items of property, plant and equipment.

Property, plant and equipment also include the estimated costs of rehabilitating the Padcal Mine, for which the Group is constructively liable. These costs, included under land, buildings and improvements, are amortized using the units-of-production method based on

the estimated recoverable mine reserves until the Group actually incurs these costs in the future.

Level and block development (included as part of mine and mining properties) and construction in progress are stated at cost, which includes the cost of construction, plant and equipment, other direct costs and barrowing costs, if any Block development and construction in progress are not depleted or amortized until such time as these are completed and become available for use.

# Deferred Exploration Costs

Expenditures for exploration works on oil and mining properties (i.e., acquisition of rights to explore, topographical, geological, geochemical and geophysical studies, exploratory drilling, trenching, sampling, and activities in relation to evaluating the technical feasibility and commercial viability of extracting an oil and mineral resource) are deferred as incurred and included under "Deferred exploration cost and other noncurrent assets" account in the consolidated balance sheet. If and when recoverable reserves are determined to be present in commercially producible quantities, the deferred exploration expenditures and subsequent oil and mine development costs are capitalized as part of the mine and mining properties account classified under property, plant and equipment.

A valuation allowance is provided for unrecoverable deferred oil and mine exploration costs based on the Group's assessment of the future prospects of the exploration project. Full provision is made for the impairment unless it is probable that such costs are expected to be recouped through successful exploration and development of the area of interest, or alternatively, by its sale. If the project does not prove to be viable, all revocable cost associated with the project and the related impairment provisions are written off. When a project is abandoned, the related deferred oil and mine exploration costs are written off. Exploration areas are considered permanently abandoned if the related permits of the exploration have expired and/or there are no definite plans for further exploration and/or development.

# Borrowing Costs

Borrowing costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of a qualifying asset as part of the cost of that asset is capitalized by the Company. The capitalization of borrowing costs: (i) commences when the activities to prepare the assets are in progress and expenditures and borrowing costs are being incurred; (ii) is suspended during the extended periods in which active development, improvement and construction of the assets are interrupted; and (iii) ceases when substantially all the activities necessary to prepare the assets are completed.

Other borrowing costs are recognized as an expense in the period in which it incurs them.

# Impairment of Noncurrent Non-financial Assets

The Group assesses at each reporting date whether there is indication that a noncurrent non-financial asset or cash generating unit (CGU) may be impaired. The Group's non-financial assets include property, plant and equipment, investments in shares of stock and deferred mine and oil exploration costs and other noncurrent assets. If any such indication exists, or when an annual impairment testing for such items is required, the Group makes an estimate of their recoverable amount. An asset's recoverable amount is the higher of an asset's or CGU's fair value less costs to sell and its value in use, and is determined for an individual item, unless such item does not generate cash inflows that are largely

independent of those from other assets or group of assets or CGUs. When the carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount, such item is considered impaired and is written down to its recoverable amount. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows to be generated by such items are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects the current market assessment of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset or CGU. Impairment losses of continuing operations are recognized in the consolidated statement of income in the expense categories consistent with the function of the impaired asset.

An assessment is made at least on each balance sheet date as to whether there is indication that previously recognized impairment losses may no longer exist or may have decreased. If any indication exists, the recoverable amount is estimated and a previously recognized impairment loss is reversed only if there has been a change in the estimate in the assets or CGU's recoverable amount since the last impairment loss was recognized. If so, the carrying amount of the item is increased to its new recoverable amount which cannot exceed the impairment loss recognized in prior years. Such reversal is recognized in the consolidated statement of income unless the asset or CGU is carried at its revalued amount, in which case the reversal is treated as a revaluation increase. After such a reversal, the depreciation charge is adjusted in future periods to allocate the asset's revised carrying amount less any residual value on a systematic basis over its remaining estimated useful life.

# Revenue Recognition

Revenue is recognized upon delivery to the extent that it is probable that the economic benefits associated with the transaction will flow to the Group and the amount of revenue can be reliably measured. The Group assesses its revenue arrangements against specific criteria in order to determine if it is acting as principal or agent. The Group has concluded that it is acting as principal in all of its revenue arrangements. The following specific recognition criteria must also be met before revenue is recognized:

# Revenue from sale of mine products

Revenue from sale of mine products is measured based on shipment value price, which is based on quoted metal prices, as adjusted to reflect the net realizable value of mine products inventory at the end of the financial reporting period.

# Revenue from sale of oil products

Revenue is derived from sale of oil to third party customers. Sale of oil is recognized at the time of delivery of the product to the purchaser. Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received, excluding discounts, rebates, and other sales tax or duty.

# Revenue from sale of coal

Revenue from sale of coal is recognized when the risks and rewards of ownership is transferred to the buyer, usually on the day of delivery of the coal.

# Interest Income

Interest income is recognized as it accrues using the effective interest method.

#### Cost and Expense Recognition

Cost and expenses are recognized in the consolidated statement of income in the year they are incurred.
#### Retirement Benefits Cost

Retirement benefits cost is actuarially determined using the projected unit credit method. Actuarial gains and losses are recognized as income or expense when the net cumulative unrecognized actuarial gains and losses for the Group's retirement plan at the end of the previous reporting year exceed 10% of the higher of the defined benefits obligation and the fair value of plan assets at that date. These gains or losses are recognized over the expected average remaining working lives of the employees participating in the plan.

Past service cost is recognized as an expense on a straight-line basis over the average period that the benefits become vested. If the benefits are vested immediately following the introduction of, or changes to, the retirement plan, past service cost is recognized immediately.

The defined benefits liability is either the aggregate of the present value of the defined benefits obligation and actuarial gains and losses not recognized, reduced by past service cost not yet recognized, and the fair value of plan assets from which the obligations are to be settled, or the aggregate of cumulative unrecognized net actuarial losses and past service cost and the present value of any economic benefits available in the form of refunds from the plans or reductions in future contributions to the plan.

If the asset is measured at the aggregate of cumulative unrecognized net actuarial losses and past service cost and the present value of any economic benefits available in the form of refunds from the plan or reductions in the future contributions to the plan, net actuarial losses of the current period and the past service cost of the current period are recognized immediately to the extent that they exceed any reduction in the present value of these economic benefits. If there is no change or there is an increase in the present value of economic benefits, the entire net actuarial losses of the current period and the past service cost of the current period are recognized immediately to the extent that they exceed any reduction in the present value of these economic benefits. Similarly, net actuarial gains of the current period after the deduction of past service cost of the current period exceeding any increase in the asset is measured with the aggregate of cumulative unrecognized net actuarial losses and past service cost at the present value of any economic benefits available in the form of refunds from the plan or reductions in the future contributions to the plan. If there is no change or there is a decrease in the present value of the economic benefits, the entire net actuarial gains of the current period after the deduction of past service cost of the current period are recognized immediately.

#### Share-based Payments

Certain officers and employees of the Group receive additional remuneration in the form of share-based payments of either the Parent Company, FEP or PGI, whereby equity instruments (or "equity-settled transactions") are awarded in recognition of their services.

The cost of equity-settled transactions with employees is measured by reference to their fair value at the date they are granted, determined using the acceptable valuation techniques.

The cost of equity-settled transactions, together with a corresponding increase in equity, is recognized over the period in which the performance and/or service conditions are fulfilled ending on the date on which the employees become fully entitled to the award ("vesting date"). The cumulative expense recognized for equity-settled transactions at each reporting date up to and until the vesting date reflects the extent to which the vesting period has expired, as well as the Group's best estimate of the number of equity instruments that will

ultimately vest. The consolidated statement of income charge or credit for the period represents the movement in cumulative expense recognized as the beginning and end of that period. No expense is recognized for awards that do not ultimately vest, except for awards where vesting is conditional upon a market condition, which awards are treated as vesting irrespective of whether or not the market condition is satisfied, provided that all other performance conditions are satisfied.

Where the terms of an equity-settled award are modified, as a minimum, an expense is recognized as if the terms had not been modified. An additional expense is likewise recognized for any modification which increases the total fair value of the share-based payment arrangement or which is otherwise beneficial to the employee as measured at the date of modification.

Where an equity-settled award is cancelled, it is treated as if it had vested on the date of cancellation, and any expense not yet recognized for the award is recognized immediately. If a new award, however, is substituted for the cancelled awards and designated as a replacement award, the cancelled and new awards are treated as if they were a modification of the original award, as described in the previous paragraph.

#### Foreign Currency-Denominated Transactions and Translations

Transactions denominated in foreign currencies are recorded using the exchange rate at the date of the transaction. Outstanding monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are restated using the rate of exchange at the balance sheet date. Non-monetary items that are measured at fair value in a foreign currency shall be translated using the exchange rates at the date when the fair value was determined.

When the gain or loss on a non-monetary item is recognized in other comprehensive income, any foreign exchange component of that gain or loss shall be recognized in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income. Conversely, when a gain or loss on a non-monetary item is recognized in the consolidated statement of income, any exchange component of that gain or loss shall be recognized in the consolidated statement of income, any exchange Related Party Relationships and Transactions

Related party relationships exist when the party has the ability to control, directly or indirectly, through one or more intermediaries, or exercise significant influence over the other party in making financial and operating decisions. Such relationships also exist between and/or among entities which are under common control with the reporting entity and its key management personnel, directors or stockholders. In considering each possible related party relationship, attention is directed to the substance of the relationships, and not merely to the legal form.

#### Income Taxes

#### Current income tax

Current income tax assets and liabilities for the current and prior periods are measured at the amount expected to be recovered from or paid to the taxation authorities. The tax rates and tax laws used to compute the amount are those that are enacted or substantively enacted at the balance sheet date.

#### Deferred income tax

Deferred income tax is provided, using the balance sheet liability method, on all temporary differences at the balance sheet date between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts for financial reporting purposes.

Deferred income tax liabilities are recognized for all taxable temporary differences. Deferred income tax assets are recognized for all deductible temporary differences, and carryforward benefits of the excess of minimum corporate income tax (MCIT) over the regular corporate income tax (RCIT) [excess MCIT] and net operating loss carryover (NOLCO), to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profits will be available against which the deductible temporary differences, excess MCIT and NOLCO can be utilized.

Deferred income tax liabilities are not provided on non-taxable temporary differences associated with investments in domestic subsidiaries, associates and interest in joint ventures. With respect to investments in other subsidiaries, associates and interests in joint ventures, deferred income tax liabilities are recognized except when the timing of the reversal of the temporary difference can be controlled and it is probable that the temporary difference will not reverse in the foreseeable future.

The carrying amount of deferred income tax assets is reviewed at each balance sheet date and reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that sufficient future taxable profits will be available to allow all or part of the deferred income tax assets to be utilized. Unrecognized deferred income tax assets are reassessed at each reporting date and are recognized to the extent that it has become probable that future taxable profits will allow the deferred income tax amount to be utilized.

Deferred income tax assets and liabilities are measured at the tax rates that are expected to apply to the period when the asset is realized or the liability is settled, based on tax rates and tax laws that has been enacted or substantively enacted at the balance sheet date.

Deferred income tax assets and deferred income tax liabilities are offset if a legally enforceable right exists to offset the current income tax assets against current income tax liabilities and the deferred income taxes relate to the same taxable entity and the same taxation authority.

#### Provisions and Contingencies

Provisions are recognized when the Group has a present obligation (legal or constructive) as a result of a past event, it is probable that an outflow of resources embodying economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation and a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation. If the effect of the time value of money is material, provisions are determined by discounting the expected future cash flows at a pre-tax rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and, where appropriate, the risks specific to the liability.

Where discounting is used, the increase in the provision due to the passage of time is recognized as interest expense. When the Group expects a provision or loss to be reimbursed, the reimbursement is recognized as a separate asset only when the reimbursement is virtually certain and its amount is estimable. The expense relating to any provision is presented in the consolidated statements of income, net of any reimbursement.

Contingent liabilities are not recognized in the consolidated financial statements. They are disclosed unless the possibility of an outflow of resources embodying economic benefits is remote. Contingent assets are not recognized in the consolidated financial statements but disclosed when an inflow of economic benefits is probable. Contingent assets are assessed continually to ensure that developments are appropriately reflected in the consolidated financial statements. If it has become virtually certain that an inflow of economic benefits

will arise, the asset and the related income are recognized in the consolidated financial statements.

#### Earnings Per Share

Basic earnings per share (EPS) is computed by dividing the net income attributable to equity holders of the Parent Company by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the year after giving retroactive effect to stock dividends declared and stock rights exercised during the year, if any.

#### Diluted Earnings Per Share

Diluted earnings per share amounts are calculated by dividing the net income attributable to equity holders of the Parent Company by the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding during the year plus the weighted average number of ordinary shares that would be issued on the conversion of all dilutive potential ordinary shares into ordinary shares.

#### Other Comprehensive Income

Other comprehensive income comprises items of income and expense (including items previously presented under the consolidated statement of changes in equity) that are not recognized in the consolidated statement of income for the year in accordance with PFRS.

#### Capital Stock

Ordinary or common shares are classified as equity. The proceeds from the increase of ordinary or common shares are presented in equity as capital stock to the extent of the par value issued shares and any excess of the proceeds over the par value or shares issued less any incremental costs directly attributable to the issuance, net of tax, is presented in equity as additional paid-in capital.

#### **Dividends on Common Shares**

Dividends on common shares are recognized as a liability and deducted from equity when approved by the respective shareholders of the Parent Company. Dividends for the year that are approved after the balance sheet date are dealt with as an event after the balance sheet date.

#### Treasury Shares

Own equity instruments which are reacquired (treasury shares) are deducted from equity and accounted for at weighted average cost. No gain or loss is recognized in the consolidated statement of income on the purchase, sale, issue or cancellation of the Parent Company's own equity instruments.

#### Retained Earnings

Retained earnings represent the cumulative balance of periodic net income or loss, dividend contributions, prior period adjustments, effect of changes in accounting policy and other capital adjustments. When the retained earnings account has a debit balance, it is called "deficit". A deficit is not an asset but a deduction from equity.

#### Events After the Balance Sheet Date

Events after the balance sheet date that provide additional information about the Group's position at the balance sheet (adjusting event) are reflected in the consolidated financial statements. Events after the balance sheet date that are not adjusting events, if any, are disclosed when material to the consolidated financial statements.

#### 2. <u>Significant Judgments and Estimates and Assumptions</u>

#### Classification of financial instruments

The Group exercises judgment in classifying financial instruments in accordance with PAS 39. The Group classifies a financial instrument, or its components, on initial recognition as a financial asset, a financial liability or an equity instrument in accordance with the substance of the contractual arrangement and the definitions of a financial asset, a financial liability or an equity instrument. The substance of a financial instrument, rather than its legal form, governs its classification in the Group's unaudited consolidated balance sheet.

Financial assets are classified into the following categories:

- a. Financial assets at FVPL
- b. Loans and receivables
- c. HTM investments
- d. AFS financial assets

Financial liabilities, on the other hand, are classified into the following categories:

- a. Financial liabilities at FVPL
- b. Other financial liabilities

The Group determines the classification at initial recognition and re-evaluates this classification, where allowed and appropriate, at every reporting date.

#### Valuation of financial assets and financial liabilities

The Group carries certain financial assets and financial liabilities (i.e., derivatives and AFS financial assets) at fair value, which requires the use of accounting estimates and judgment. While significant components of fair value measurement were determined using verifiable objective evidence (i.e., foreign exchange rates, interest rates, quoted security prices), the amount of changes in fair value would differ if the Group utilized a different valuation methodology. Any change in fair value of these financial assets and financial liabilities would affect the profit and loss and equity.

#### 3. Financial Risk Management Objectives and Policies

#### Financial Risk Management Objectives and Policies

The Group's principal financial instruments, other than derivatives, comprise mainly of cash and cash equivalents, receivables, AFS financial assets and accounts payable and accrued liabilities,. The main purpose of these financial instruments is to provide financing for the Group's operations and capital intensive projects.

The Board of Directors (BOD) is mainly responsible for the overall risk management approach and for the approval of risk strategies and principles of the Group.

#### Financial Risks

The main risks arising from the Group's financial instruments are credit and concentration risks, liquidity risk, and market risk. The market risk exposure of the Group can be further classified to foreign currency risk, cash flow interest rate risk, equity price risk, and commodity price risk. The BOD reviews and approves the policies for managing some of these risks and they are summarized as follows:

#### Credit and concentration risks

Credit risk is such risk where the Group could incur a loss if its counterparties fail to discharge their contractual obligations, although the Group trades only with recognized, creditworthy third parties. The Parent Company's mineral products sales are made to Pan-Pacific Co. Ltd. (Pan Pacific) and Louis Dreyfuss (LD) Metals. Correspondingly, the outstanding trade receivables are from Pan Pacific and LD Metals. The Parent Company has a long-term supply agreement, assuring Pan Pacific with sale of the Parent Company's mine products. This agreement is effective until end of the life of the mine currently declared as up to mid of 2017. The balance of the Company's annual mineral products sales is with LD Metals which is covered by a long-term agreement up to April 1, 2012.

With respect to credit risk arising from the other financial assets of the Group, which comprise of cash and cash equivalents and AFS financial assets, the Group's exposure to credit risk could arise from default of the counterparty, having a maximum exposure equal to the carrying amount of these instruments.

The table below summarizes the Group's exposure to credit risk for the components of the unaudited consolidated balance sheet as of June 30, 2010:

Cash and cash equivalents, excluding cash on hand:	
Cash in bank	₽442,873
Short-term deposits	1,605,699
Accounts receivable:	
Trade	409,776
Others	141,329
AFS financial assets:	
Quoted equity investments	732,954
Unquoted equity investments	14,560
Gross maximum credit risk exposure	₽3,347,191

The table below shows the credit quality of the Group's financial assets by class as of June 30, 2010 based on the Group's credit evaluation process:

	Neither pas impa		Past due or individually	
	High Grade	Standard	impaired	Total
Cash and cash equivalents, excluding cash on hand:				
Cash in bank	₽442,873	₽-	₽-	₽442,873
Short-term deposits	1,605,699	_	_	1,605,699
Accounts receivable:				
Trade	409,776	_	_	409,776
Others	_	141,329	1,675	143,004
AFS financial assets:				
Quoted equity investments	_	651,683	_	651,683
Unquoted equity investments	_	14,560	_	14,560
Total	₽2,458,348	₽807,572	₽1,675	₽3,267,595

Credit quality of cash and cash equivalents and AFS financial assets are based on the nature of the counterparty and the Group's internal rating system.

High grade accounts receivables pertain to those receivables from customers that consistently pay before maturity.

The Group has no past due but not impaired financial assets as of June 30, 2010.

#### Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is such risk where the Group becomes unable to meet its payment obligations when they fall due under normal and stress circumstances. The Group's objective is to maintain a balance between continuity of funding and flexibility through the use of bank loans. The Group addresses liquidity concerns primarily through cash flows from operations and short-term borrowings, if necessary.

The table below summarizes the maturity profile of the Group's non-derivative financial liabilities as of June 30, 2010, respectively based on contractual undiscounted repayment obligations (including interest):

			More than	
	On demand	Within 1 year	1 year	Total
Short-term bank loans	₽_	₽474,170	₽-	₽474,170
Accounts payable and				
accrued liabilities	_	829,554	_	829,554
Dividends payable	205,820	_	_	205,820
Provisions and other payables		76,435	_	76,435
Total undiscounted financial				
liabilities	₽205,820	₽1,380,159	₽-	₽1,585,979

#### Market risks

#### Foreign currency risk

Foreign currency risk is such risk where the value of the Group's financial instruments diminishes due to unfavorable changes in foreign exchange rates. The Parent Company's transactional currency exposures arise from sales in currencies other than its functional currency. All of the Parent Company's sales are denominated in US Dollar. Also, the Parent Company is exposed to foreign exchange risk arising from its US Dollar-denominated cash and cash equivalents, trade receivables, and long-term debt. For the six months ended June 30, 2010, the Parent Company recognized P8.5 million in foreign exchange gains arising from the translation of these foreign currency-denominated financial instruments.

As the need arises, the Parent Company enters into structured currency derivatives to cushion the effect of foreign currency fluctuations.

The following table summarizes the impact on the unaudited consolidated income before income tax of reasonably possible changes in the exchange rates of US Dollar against the Peso:

USD Appreciate/(Depreciate)	
1%	₽17,745
(1%)	(17,745)

There is no other impact on the Group's equity other than those affecting profit or loss.

#### Cash flow interest rate risk

Interest rate risk arises from the possibility that changes in interest rates would unfavorably affect future cash flows from financial instruments. As of June 30, 2010, Group's exposure to the risk in changes in market interest rates relates primarily to the Parent Company's short-term bank loans.

The Group relies on budgeting and forecasting techniques to address cash flow concerns. The Group also keeps its cash flow interest rate risk minimum by prepaying, to the extent possible, interest-bearing debt using operating cash flows.

The following table demonstrates the sensitivity to reasonably possible change in interest rates, with all other variables held constant, of the Group's first semester 2010 income before income tax:

Change in market	Effect on income
rate of interest	before income tax
(1.0%)	₽4,742
(0.5%)	₽2,371
1.0%	(₽4,742)
0.5%	(₽2,371)

There is no other impact on the Group's equity other than those affecting profit or loss.

#### Equity price risk

Equity price risk is such risk where the fair values of investments in quoted equity securities could decrease as a result of changes in the levels of equity indices and the value of individual stocks. The management strictly monitors the movement of the share prices pertaining to its investments. The Group is exposed to equity securities price risk because of investments held by the Parent Company, which are classified in the unaudited consolidated balance sheets as AFS financial assets.

The effect on equity, as a result of a possible change in the fair value of the Parent Company's equity instruments held as AFS financial assets as at June 30, 2010, that could be brought by changes in equity indices with all other variables held constant, are as follows:

Currency	Change in quoted prices of investments carried at fair value	
AU\$	Increase by 10%	₽60,443
	Increase by 5%	30,221
	Decrease by 10%	(60,443)
	Decrease by 5%	(30,221)
PHP	Increase by 10%	₽4,726
	Increase by 5%	2,363
	Decrease by 10%	(4,726)
	Decrease by 5%	(2,363)

The impact on the Group's equity excludes the impact on transactions affecting profit or loss.

#### Commodity price risk

The Parent Company's mine products revenues are based on international commodity quotations (i.e., primarily on the LME and London Bullion Metal Association quotes) over which the Parent Company has no significant influence or control. This exposes the Group's results of operations to commodity price volatilities that may significantly impact its cash inflows. The Parent Company enters into derivative transactions as a means to mitigate the risk of fluctuations in the market prices of its mine products.

The table below shows the effect on income before income tax should the change in the prices of copper and gold occur based on the inventory of the Parent Company as of June 30, 2010:

	Effect on income
Change in metal prices	before income tax
Increase by 10%	₽91,258
Decrease by 10%	(91,258)

#### 4. <u>Segment Information</u>

For management purposes, the Group is organized into business units based on their products and has two reportable segments as follows:

- The mining segment is engaged in mine explorations and production of copper concentrates
- The oil and gas segment is engaged in oil reserves explorations and production of oil and gas

Management monitors the operating results of its business units separately for the purpose of making decisions about resource allocation and performance assessment.

The following table presents the segment assets and liabilities and results of operations as of June 30, 2010 and 2009.

June 30, 2010									
					U	nallocated			
					0	Corporate			
		Mining	O	il and Gas		Balances	Eliminations		Total
Revenue									
Sales to external customers	Р	4,729,958	Ρ	130,173	Р	-		Р	4,860,131
Results									
Profit (loss) before tax, interest expense and									
interest income	Р	1,412,468		(P17,738)		-	(P32,472)	Ρ	1,362,258
Net interest income		8,388		472		-	-		8,860
Income (loss) before income tax		1,420,857		(17,266)		-	(32,472)		1,371,118
Income tax expense		404,643		1,450		-	-		406,093
Net income	Р	1,016,214		(P18,716)		-	(P32,472)	Р	965,025
Assets and Liabilities									
Segment assets	Р	18,922,923	Р	2,939,772	Р	5,938	(P435,268)	Р	21,433,363
Investments		3,519,577		944,555		-	(3,361,980)		1,102,152
Deferred income tax assets		-		43					43
Consolidated total assets	Р	22,442,500	Ρ	3,884,369	Р	5,938	(P3,797,249)	Р	22,535,558
Consolidated total liabilities	Р	8,145,744	Р	325,544	Р	77	(P4,098,909)	Р	4,372,455
Other Segment Information									
Additions to property, plant and equipment	Р	414,763	Р	50,903				Ρ	465,666
Depreciation and amortization		450,260		4,446					454,706

June 30, 2009									
					Uı	nallocated			
					C	Corporate			
		Mining	Oi	l and Gas		Balances	Eliminations		Total
Revenue									
Sales to external customers	Р	4,404,099	Р	9,709	Р	-		Р	4,413,808
Results									
Profit (loss) before tax, interest expense and									
interest income	P	1,640,030		(P66,202)		-	-	Ρ	1,573,828
Net interest income		43,570		191		-	-		43,761
Income (loss) before income tax		1,683,600		(66,012)		-	-		1,617,589
Income tax expense		492,065		10		-	-		492,075
Net income	Р	1,191,535		(P66,022)		-	-	Р	1,125,513
Assets and Liabilities									
Segment assets	P	20,074,134	Ρ	2,555,713	Ρ	6,130	(P1,776,160)	Ρ	20,859,816
Investments		1,391,746		910,855		-	(2,035,081)		267,520
Deferred income tax assets		-		-					-
Consolidated total assets	Р	21,465,880	Р	3,466,568	Р	6,130	(P3,811,241)	Р	21,127,336
Consolidated total liabilities	Р	8,834,792	Р	1,029,612	Ρ	33	(P4,478,072)	Р	5,386,365
Other Segment Information									
Additions to property, plant and equipment	Р	660,305	Р	(66,242)				Р	594,062
Depreciation and amortization		360,121		1,467					361,588

#### 5. <u>Related Party Transactions</u>

The following are the significant transactions with related parties:

- a. On September 25, 2008, the Board approved the Parent Company to pursue the acquisition of the 50% equity interest over the Silangan Project through SMECI and SMMCI from Anglo American Exploration Philippines B.V. (Anglo). The acquisition, which was consummated on February 6, 2009, was executed through a share and asset purchase agreement for a total consideration of US\$55,000 (or ₱2,619,375), US\$24,695 (or ₱1,176,114) for the shares, US\$43 (or ₱2,020) for the project properties, US\$27,053 (or ₱1,288,416) for the receivables and US\$3,209 (or ₱ 152,825) for the payment of loans of Anglo in joint venture companies. This acquisition effectively gave the Parent Company, together with PGPI, which currently owns the other 50% interest, control over the property.
- b. In conjunction, Anglo assigned to the Parent Company its receivables from SMMCI for cash advances to finance SMECI's operations and exploration activities. From this point, the Parent Company continued providing the cash advances to SMMCI

and SMECI. As of June 30, 2010, the outstanding cash advances to SMMCI and SMECI amounted to 2,545,989.

- c. The Parent Company advances PGPI's working capital and capital expenditure requirements which amounted to ₱907,948 and ₱742,678 as of June 30, 2010 and 2009, respectively. A portion of these advances are secured by mortgage participation certificates on certain mining assets of PGPI's Bulawan mine which is currently on care and maintenance basis.
- d. In April 2010, the Parent Company sold \$20 million to First Pacific Company Limited at the forward rate of P45.03 per dollar in converting part of the Company's dollar fund for routine working capital requirement.

#### 6. Basic/Diluted Earnings Per Share

Basic earnings per share as of June 30, 2010 and June 30, 2009 are computed as follows:

	2010	2009
Net income attributable to		
equity holders of the		
Parent Company	₽974,197	₽1,169,605
Divided by weighted average		
number of common shares		
outstanding during the	4,910,208,442	4,867,306,154
period		
Basic earnings per share	₽0.1984	₽0.2403

Diluted earnings per share as of June 30, 2010 and June 30, 2009 are computed as follows:

	2010	2009
Net income attributable to		
equity holders of the Parent Company	974,197	1,169,605
Divided by weighted average		
number of common shares outstanding during the period including outstanding vested options	4,922,328,805	4,889,942,510
Diluted earnings per share	0.1979	0.2392
Weighted average of common shares outstanding during the period	4,910,208,442	4,867,306,154
Effect of exercise of stock options	12,120,363	22,636,356
Weighted average number of common shares		
adjusted for the effect of exercise of stock options	4,922,328,805	4,889,942,510
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### 7. Seasonality and Cyclicality of Interim Operation

There are no significant seasonality or cyclicality in its business operation that would have material effect on the Company's financial condition or results of operation.

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#### SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

#### SEC FORM 17-C

CURRENT REPORT UNDER SECTION 17 OF THE SECURITIES REGULATION CODE AND SRC RULE 17.2(c) THEREUNDER

- 1 **August 5, 2010** Date of Report (date of earliest event reported)
- 2. SEC Identification No. <u>10044</u>. 3. BIR Tax Identification No. <u>043 000 283 731</u>
- 4. **PHILEX MINING CORPORATION** Exact name of issuer as specified in its charter
- 5. <u>Metro Manila, Philippines</u> Province, country or other jurisdiction of incorporation 6. (SEC Use Only) Industry Classification Code:
- 7. <u>Philex Bldg.</u>, Brixton and Fairlane Streets, Pasig City <u>1600</u> Address of principal office

Address of principal office

Postal Code

- 8. (632) 631-1381 (up to 88) Issuer's telephone number, including area code
- 9. The Issuer has not changed its address since its last <u>Report to this Honorable Commission.</u> Former name or former address, if changed since last report
- 10. Securities registered pursuant to Sections 8 and 12 of the SRC or Sections 4 and 8 of the RSA

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Shares	Title of	No. of Shares
<u>Registered</u>	Each Class	<u>Outstanding</u>
5,000,000,000		

	Common	4,910	5,431,732
Amount of Bank l	Debt Outstanding	Р	0

Item reported: <u>Item 4</u>

Copy of Philex Mining Corporation's press release regarding the unaudited financial results for the six months ended June 30, 2010.

Pursuant to the Securities Regulation Code, the issuer has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereto duly authorized.

PHILEX MINING CORPORATION Issuer JOSE ERNESTO C. VILLALUNA, JR.

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RNM-070-10 - First Half 2010 Results



# PHILEX FIRST HALF CORE NET INCOME RISES 4% TO P984 MILLION

Tonnes of Ore Milled, Metal Prices, Oil Production Show Increases

## <u>Highlights</u>

- Core Net Income up 3.8% to P983.9 million for the first half of 2010 versus P948.3 million for the first half of 2009
- Revenues up 10.1% to P4.860 billion versus P4.414 billion on greater oil revenues, tonnage of ore milled and metal prices
- Petroleum revenues of P116.1 million, up nearly 12 times from P9.7 million a year earlier
- EBITDA before extraordinary and non-recurring items up 13% to P1.831 billion versus P1.621 billion
- Tonnes milled up 7.7% to 4.36 million dry metric tonnes from 4.05 million DMT
- Reported net income down 14.3% to P965 million from P1.126 billion, owing to P330 million exceptional gain in 2009
- Realized blended price on gold at US\$1,054 per troy ounce versus US\$881 per ounce, and at US\$3.04 per pound versus US\$2.18 per pound for copper
- Core earnings per share at 20.04 centavos for the period versus 19.48 centavos a year earlier. Reported earnings per share at 19.84 centavos versus 24.03 centavos
- Interim dividend at 5.0 centavos per share, representing a payout ratio of about 25% of core earnings

MANILA, Philippines, August 5, 2010 – Philex Mining Corporation (PSE: PX) core net income rose 3.8% to P983.9 million for the six months ended June 30, 2010 compared with P948.3 million in the same period last year, as income from oil production and higher metal prices offset lower ore grades at its Padcal gold and copper mine.

Consolidated reported net income slipped to P965 million for the first half of the year from P1.126 billion in the same period last year. Earnings in the earlier period benefitted from a non-recurring gain of P330 million from currency hedging transactions.

Consolidated revenues increased 10.1% to P4.860 billion in the first half of the year from P4.414 billion a year earlier as copper revenues rose 27.7% to P2.231 billion from P1.747 billion. Gold revenues fell 6% to P2.457 billion from P2.617 billion owing largely to lower ore quality offsetting a rise in gold prices.

Consolidated revenues this year also included petroleum revenues of P116.1 million, up nearly 12 times from P9.7 million a year earlier, contributed by Forum Energy PLC (FEP), a 51.95% owned subsidiary, and coal revenues of P14.1 million from wholly-owned subsidiary Brixton Energy & Mining Corp. (BEMC) which is projected to commence commercial operations in the fourth quarter of this year.

Forum Energy's revenues came primarily from its share of production from the Galoc oil field offshore from northwest Palawan Island. Brixton Energy's revenues were derived from the sale of its coal purchases.

"While ore grades were disappointing in the first half of the year, we are confident that the second half of the year will be boosted by higher metal prices and better-quality ore which we are already mining now, as well as by the continuing greater contribution from our energy operations," said Manuel V. Pangilinan, Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of Philex. "The Board shares my confidence: today we have approved an interim dividend of 5 centavos per share, representing about a quarter of our recurrent earnings."

The average copper price is currently above \$3.30 per pound, while the price of gold is currently above \$1,180 per troy ounce.

Core earnings per share rose to 20.04 centavos in the first half of the year from 19.48 centavos a year earlier. Reported EPS fell 17.4% to 19.84 centavos versus 24.03 centavos a year earlier.

Earnings before interest, tax, depreciation and amortization before extraordinary and non-recurring items rose 13% to P1.831 billion versus P1.621 billion.

"With respect to production from the Padcal Mine for the remaining six months of 2010, we expect to have both greater volume and greater quality of ore than in the first half of the year," said Jose Ernesto C. Villaluna, Jr., President and Chief Operating Officer of Philex. "We are opening up new draw points which promise to deliver higher-quality ore in greater volumes."

Ore milled in the first six months of the year had an average grade of 0.208% copper and 0.476 grams of gold per tonne compared with 0.239% copper and 0.624 grams of gold per tonne a year earlier. As a result of the lower grade, the amount of concentrate produced by Philex fell 10.1% in the first half to 29,376 dry metric tonnes from 32,662 DMT even as the amount of ore milled rose 7.7% to 4.36 million DMT from 4.05 million DMT.

Philex benefitted from a stronger realized price per pound of \$3.04 in the first half of 2010 compared with \$2.18 in the first half of 2009 (net of the amortization of hedging costs per pound of \$0.14 in 2010 and \$0.08 in 2009). However, the lower ore quality pushed copper production down 8.4% to 16.15 million pounds in the first six months of the year from 17.62 million pounds in the same period last year.

The increase in copper revenues was slightly offset by the lower revenues from gold as production volume fell 21.7% to 51,122 ounces from 65,269 ounces in 2009 despite the stronger realized gold price of \$1,054 per ounce, compared with \$881 per ounce a year earlier (net of amortization of hedging costs applied against revenues of \$88 per ounce in 2010 and \$27 per ounce in 2009).

Marketing charges rose to P309.9 million from P301.1 million and operating costs and expenses rose to P3.105 billion from P2.820 billion. Higher revenues offset those increases, driving an 11.8% rise in income from operations to P1.445 billion this year compared with P1.292 billion last year.

"Looking forward, The Silangan Project is driving full steam ahead and we aim to start the development phase of this mine by next year," Pangilinan said. "Silangan will play a key role in building a bright future for Philex."

The Silangan copper-gold mine in Surigao del Sur Province is estimated to hold much higher resources than Philex's Padcal Mine, which has been in operation for half a century.

The first half of 2010 also saw great strides made in Philex's oil and gas business. In February, Forum Energy was awarded Service Contract 72 (SC72) over the GSEC 101 license area in offshore West Palawan. The company is actively considering a number of ways of progressing the contract work program for further exploration and appraisal of the 8,800 square kilometer license area.

Looking ahead in Philex's other oil and gas exploration interests, six exploration and appraisal wells are currently expected to be drilled across Pitkin Petroleum's (Philex 21%) existing interests by the end of 2011. This includes the appraisal of the Ca Rong Do (Red Emperor) discovery made in Vietnam in June 2009, and the redevelopment of a previously producing offshore oil field in the Philippines with the potential for first oil in 2013.

Philex's first half financial statement is unaudited.

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DPERATING REVENUE Gold Copper Silver	Si P	2010 2,456,849 2,230,652		June 30 2009	%Variance
Gold Copper Silver	Ρ	2,456,849	Р	2009	%Variance
Gold Copper Silver	Ρ		Р		
Copper Silver	Ρ		Ρ		
Silver		2 230 652		2,617,262	(6
		2,200,002		1,747,068	28
Detectory		42,457		39,769	7
Petroleum		116,102		9,709	1,096
Coal		14,071		-	-
		4,860,131		4,413,808	10
_ess: Marketing charges		309,856		301,134	(3
		4,550,275		4,112,674	11
DPERATING COSTS AND EXPENSES					
Mining and milling (including depletion and depreciation)		2,404,664		2,221,464	(8
Mine product tax & royalties		247,893		263,059	6
General and administrative		347,609		293,202	(16
Handling, hauling and storage		23,428		24,761	6
Petroleum production costs		75,483		17,989	(76
Cost of sales-Coal		6,215		-	-
		3,105,292		2,820,474	(9
NCOME FROM OPERATIONS		1,444,983		1,292,200	12
DTHER INCOME(CHARGES) - Net					
Interest - net		8,860		43,761	(80
Foreign exchange gains (losses)		(13,801)		(13,855)	(0
Marked-to-market gains (losses)		-		330,008	-
Others - net		(68,925)		(34,526)	(100
		(73,865)		325,388	(123
NCOME BEFORE INCOME TAX		1,371,118		1,617,589	(15
PROVISION FOR INCOME TAX		(406,093)		(492,075)	17
NET INCOME	Р	965,025	Р	1,125,514	(14

# PHILEX MINING CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

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