

## 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 SEC Form 17-C filed by Metro Pacific Investments Corporation ("MPIC") with Philippine Stock Exchange disclosing (1) Metro Pacific Holdings, Inc.'s exercise of its conversion rights on the loans made to MPIC; and (2) new Loan Agreement signed between MPIC and Inframetro Investments PTE Ltd.

Dated this 5<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2008

As at the date of this announcement, the board of directors of First Pacific Company Limited comprises the following directors:

Anthoni Salim, *Chairman* Manuel V. Pangilinan, *Managing Director and CEO* Edward A. Tortorici Robert C. Nicholson Albert F. del Rosario Edward K.Y. Chen\*, *GBS, CBE, JP*  Tedy Djuhar Sutanto Djuhar Ibrahim Risjad Benny S. Santoso Graham L. Pickles\* Sir David W.C. Tang\*, *KBE, Chevalier de L'Ordre des Arts et des Lettres* 

\* Independent Non-executive Directors



5 March 2008

PHILIPPINE STOCK EXCHANGE Disclosure Department 4/F PSE Center, Exchange Road Ortigas Center, Pasig City

Attention: ATTY. PETE M. MALABANAN Head Disclosure Department

Attached is SEC Form 17-C, disclosing the following:

- 1. Metro Pacific Holdings, Inc.'s exercise of its conversion rights on the loans made to Metro Pacific Investments Corporation ("MPIC").
- 2. New Loan Agreement signed between MPIC and inframetro Investments Pte Ltd.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

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MELODY M. DEL ROSARIO Assistant Vice President Media & Corporate Communications

#### 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. 05 March 2008 Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)
- 2. SEC Identification Number CS200604494
- 3. BIR Tax Identification No. 244-520-457-000
- 4. METRO PACIFIC INVESTMENTS CORPORATION Exact name of issuer as specified in its charter
- 5. METRO MANILA, PHILIPPINES

6.

Industry Classification Code:

(SEC Use Only)

Province, country or other jurisdiction of incorporation

7. 10<sup>th</sup> Floor, MGO BUILDING, LEGAZPI COR. DELA ROSA STREETS, LEGAZPI VILLAGE, MAKATI CITY, METRO MANILA, PHILIPPINES

Address of principal office

Postal Code

- 8. (632) 888-0888 Issuer's telephone number, including area code
- 9. NA

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

Title of Each Class

Number of Shares of Common Stock Outstanding and Amount of Debt Outstanding

COMMON SHARES OF STOCK

1,342,918,793

\*as reported by the stock transfer agent as of 31 December 2007.

- 11. Indicate the item numbers reported herein:
  - a) Metro Pacific Investments Corporation ("Issuer" or "MPIC") received a Conversion Notice from Metro Pacific Holdings Incorporated ("MPHI") in respect of its Convertible Loans in the aggregate amount of Two Billion Twenty Nine Million Eight Hundred Fifty Three Thousand Three Hundred Fifty One Pesos (Php2,029,853,351.00). In said Notice, MPHI has advised MPIC of its intention to convert the full amount of the loan into a total of 1,893,282,845 shares in MPIC, pursuant to Agreements previously entered into by MPIC and MPHI.

MPHI prior to such conversion held a total of 1,150,050,000 share of common stock in MPIC representing 85.6% of the total outstanding capital stock. The said conversion will increase its shareholdings in MPIC to 94.0%.

b) MPIC entered into a Loan Agreement ("the Inframetro Loan") with Inframetro Investments Pte Ltd. ("Inframetro") in the amount of P1,427,483,388.00. The Inframetro Loan retires an existing convertible loan of the same amount owed to Inframetro and is exchangeable into 1,200,000,000 common shares of DMCI-MPIC Water Company ("DMWC"). The exercise of the exchange right, however, is subject to the fulfillment of certain conditions, including the securing of consents from specific third party creditors. In the event that the Inframetro Loan is fully exchanged into shares of DMWC, MPIC's equity interest in DMWC will be reduced to 30% from the currently held 50%.

The Inframetro Loan has the first principal repayment date on 9 May 2008, extendable to a final principal repayment date on 31 January 2009. Inframetro is an affiliate of Ashmore Investment Management Limited.

#### 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 hereunto duly authorized.

METRO PACIFIC INVESTMENTS CORPORATION MPIC or Issuer

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