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## MORNING NOTES

### PSEi performance

PSEi Index 22 Jan 2010:	3,023.47	- 62.11
Value T/O, net	Php 2,051 million	
52-week High	3,133.53	
Low	1,745.39	
Foreign Buying:	Php 990 million	
Foreign Selling:	Php 1,445 million	

### Regional performance

Dow Jones	: 10,172.98	- 216.90
FTSE 100	: 5,302.99	- 32.11
Nikkei 225	: 10,590.55	- 277.86

### Trading snapshot

Index Movers	Points
Manila Electric Co.	-15.6
BPI	-13.3
SM Investments	-6.3
Ayala Corp.	-5.6
Aboitiz Equity	+5.0

Index Out-performers	Up
Aboitiz Equity	6.8
Aboitiz Power	2.1
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Index Under-performers	Down
Manila Electric Co.	8.3
BPI	6.3
First Gen	4.8
SM Investments	4.6
Robinsons Land	3.8

### Calendar

Jan 26	Nov '09 External Trade Performance
Jan 26	Nov '09 MISSI
Jan 28	4Q'09 National Income Accounts
Jan 28	Monetary Policy Stance

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## HEADLINES

### Bank curb fears, disappointing 4Q results continue to slam Wall Street

Financials (e.g., JPMorgan, -3.4%, Goldman Sachs, -4.2%) bore the brunt of a sell-down on Friday (Jan 22) on fears that Obama's plan to curb bank risk-taking would cut profits. Tech shares also tumbled after Google (-5.7%) posted quarterly revenue that missed expectations. Capital One (-12.1%) and American Express (-8.5%) posted higher-than-forecast 4Q earnings but gave a cautious outlook for credit cards. Multinationals and commodity-related companies like Alcoa Inc (-6%) and Caterpillar Inc (-4.6%) suffered from China's efforts to prevent its economy from overheating. Uncertainty about Bernanke's confirmation for another term as Fed chairman added to the volatility. The CBOE Volatility index registered its biggest 3-day rise in nearly 3 years, increasing 55.4%.

### Metro Pacific, FPHC extend deadline for share deal (MPI/FPH; P2.85/P50.50)

Metro Pacific Investments Corp. (MPI) and First Philippine Holdings Corp. (FPHC) have extended the deadline to sign the call option agreement that will allow MPI to increase its stake to 41.4% in Manila Electric Co. to Friday (Jan 29) from the original date of Jan 15. This would not affect the date (on or before Mar 31) when MPI can exercise the option to buy an additional stake in Meralco from First Holdings.

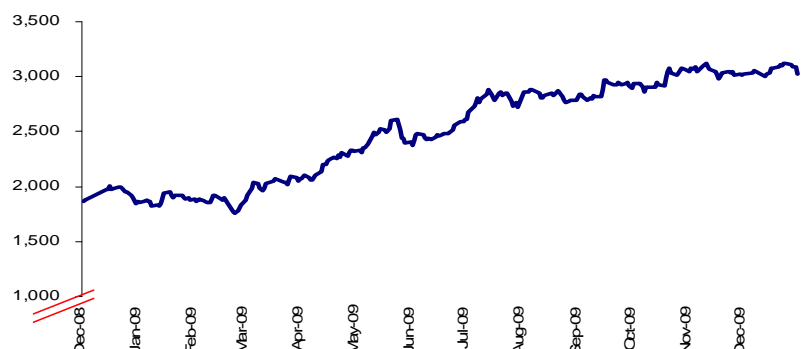
### SM retail unit to open 20 stores this year (SM; P310.00)

The retail unit of Sy-led SM Group is planning to spend up to P2B this year to put up 20 new stores. Robert Kwee, executive vice president of SM Hypermarket, said bulk of the new stores would be SaveMore outlets, and will be located in different parts of the country. SM's retail unit consists of SM Hypermarkets, supermarkets, department stores, SaveMore branches, and Makro outlets. The company had a total of 83 stores last year. This year, SM aims to go over 100 stores.

### Digital subscriber count reaches 10 million in 2009 (DGTL; P1.32)

Digital Telecom Philippines Inc.'s mobile communications arm registered more than 10M subscribers in 2009. The number of Sun Cellular subscribers increased by about 2M last year from 8.2M in 2008. The company aims to add 5M to 6M new subscribers every year.

### PSEi : 1-Year Price Chart



Source: Philippine Stock Exchange

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