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MORNING NOTES

PSEi performance

PSEi Index 23 Aug 2010: 3,613.37 + 19.77

Value T/O, net Php 2,924 million
52-week High 3,619.87

Low 2,713.52

Foreign Buying: Php 2,860 million
Foreign Selling: Php 1,851 million

Regional performance

Dow Jones : 10,174.41 - 39.21 FTSE 100 : 5,234.84 + 39.56 Nikkei 225 : 9,116.69 - 62.69

Trading snapshot

Index Movers	Points
PLDT	+11.40
Ayala Corp.	+8.11
SM Investments	+6.60
Energy Dev't Corp.	-6.01
Ayala Land	+3.91
Index Out-performers	Up
Ayala Corp.	4.33%
SM Investments	2.92%
Universal Robina	2.00%
PLDT	1.74%
Aboitiz Equity	1.59%
Index Under-performers	Down
Energy Dev't Corp.	3.68%
Metro Pacific Investments	2.35%
Philex Mining	2.33%
Robinsons Land	2.22%
Lepanto Consolidated A	1.96%

Calendar

Aug 25 Jun '10 External Trade, MISSI
 Aug 25 Dizon Copper, Benguet Corp. ASM
 Aug 26 Q National Accounts of the Phils.
 Aug 26 Fil-Estate Land ASM

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HEADLINES

Global growth concerns outweigh M&A deal news

■ U.S. stocks gave back early gains on Monday (Aug 23) as concerns about the global economy overshadowed M&A news which included Campbell Soup Co considering a bid for Britain's United Biscuits, HSBC's potential \$8B-plus stake deal with South Africa's Nedbank and Hewlett-Packard's (-2%) \$24 a share cash offer to data storage company 3PAR Inc (+44.6%). The \$1.6B offer topped a competing bid by Dell Inc (-1.1%) and sparked fears of a bidding war. The dollar strengthened against major currencies, with the euro hurt by slower August manufacturing growth and prospects of loose monetary policy for a longer period in the region. U.S. crude oil slid 0.98% to \$73.10 a barrel.

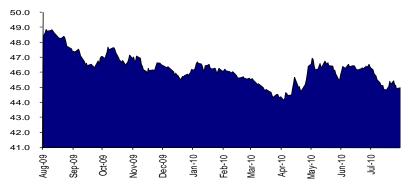
Lepanto Consolidated reports wider loss in 2Q 2010 (LC A/B; P0.25/P0.25)

■ Lepanto Consolidated Mining Co. reported a 2Q 2010 consolidated net loss of P138.42M, wider than last year's P69.97M deficit. Sales of gold, silver, and copper reached P298.27M, down from P371.99M last year, on fewer metric tons (MT) processed and lower-grade ores. Gold output decreased to 5,336 ounces from 8,222 ounces last year. Expenses increased to P419.96M from P408.91M last year. In 1H 2010, consolidated net loss amounted to P249.10M versus P116.66M for the same period last year. Lepanto expects tonnage for the whole of 2010 to reach 348,000 MT, while gold and silver productions are expected to reach 24,000 ounces and 40,000 ounces, respectively.

Fil-Estate turns in P2.63M profit in 9 months (LND; P0.425)

■ Fil-Estate Land Inc. (FELI) posted a net income of P2.63M (P0.0011 per share) in the nine months ending June 2010, a reversal of the P73.12M loss (P0.02183 per share) incurred in the same period a year ago. The turnaround was a result of the 28.5% reduction in costs and expenses to P549.47M despite a 16.7% drop in revenue to P392.9M. Sales of real estate and golf club and resort shares reached P136M, including units in Sto. Domingo, Quezon City; condotel units and forest cabins in Camp John Hay, Baguio; residential subdivision lots in Manila Southwoods in Cavite; and golf club and resort shares in Fairways and Bluewaters in Boracay. As of end-June this year, FELI had total assets of P14.88B.

Php versus US\$: 1-Year Price Chart



Source: Philippine Dealing and Exchange Corp.

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