



EXPORT AND INDUSTRY BANK

10 March 2009

Philippine Stock Exchange, Inc.
4/F Philippine Stock Exchange Center
Exchange Road, Ortigas Center
Pasig City

Attention: Atty. Pete M. Malabanan
Head, Disclosure Department

Gentlemen:

This refers to your letter dated 06 March 2009 following up your request for additional information relative to the sale of the Bank's remaining non-core assets in favor of EIB Realty Developers, Inc., now renamed ArthaLand Corporation. (ALCO)

The information you have requested are reflected in our Annual Report and Audited Financial Statements¹ for the period ended 31 December 2007. We regret, however, that the Sale and Purchase Agreement executed by the parties include confidentiality provisions which prevent us from furnishing the Exchange copies of the same. Suffice it to state that the Bank sold to ALCO its rights, title and interests in Exportbank Plaza for a total consideration of ₱2.620 Billion payable in installments and upon the happening of certain conditions subsequent. The purchase price was based on the recent appraisal of the subject property conducted by Jones Lang LaSalle. The Bank recognized a gain on the sale amounting to ₱836.388MM. It will use the sale proceeds in its operations.

We trust we have finally clarified you on the foregoing and have completed the disclosure requirements of the Exchange on this matter.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

Riva Kristine V. Maala
Assistant Corporate Secretary

PSE-Exportbank Plaza reply to FU (10/09) corpsec-rvm

¹ Notes 12.2, 14 and 16, pp. 68, 72-75 and 79-82.