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Gentlemen:

We refer to the news article entitled "SMC joins queue to acquire Philamlife", published in the October 10, 2008 issue of the Philippine Daily Inquirer (Internet Edition). The article reported in part that:

"MANILA, Philippines – Beverage, food and packaging group San Miguel Corp. has joined the queue of suitors interested in acquiring the country's largest and most profitable insurer, Philippine American Life and General Insurance Co. (Philamlife). "San Miguel will listen to any good deal," SMC vice chairman and president Ramon Ang told the Philippine Daily Inquirer on Thursday, when asked about the company's possible bid for Philamlife..."

SMC is continuously looking for investment opportunities that will give value to its shareholders. The Company will make the appropriate disclosure as soon as a decision on any investment has been made.

Very truly yours,



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