



SAN MIGUEL CORPORATION

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Disclosure Department

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Pasig City

Attention: **Ms. Janet A. Encarnacion**
Head - Disclosure Department

Gentlemen:

We reply with respect to the Business Circuit news column published in the October 1, 2009 issue of the Malaya. The article reported in part that:

“....the Group of Ramon ang of San Miguel Corp. has started negotiating for the purchase of Pilipinas Shell.”

By way of clarification to the aforesaid new column, we advise that the Company may have an interest in the Select Shops of Pilipinas Shell if the same are offered for sale. The Company is not negotiating with Pilipinas Shell.

Very truly yours,


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