



SAN MIGUEL CORPORATION

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Attention: **Ms. Janet A. Encarnacion**
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Gentlemen:

We reply with respect to the news article entitled "San Miguel seeks more ventures; eyes \$600M from asset sales," published in the September 18, 2009 issue of the BusinessWorld. The article reported in part that:

"... San Miguel is eyeing investing in a new gold and copper mine in southern Mindanao region, with the mine having the potential to be bigger than existing ones in the country, Ramon S. Ang told Reuters in an interview yesterday. "There is a very, very good gold reserve, which I plan to recommend to San Miguel to invest in. It is very big." Mr Ang said. "It's a new one. We'll develop it in partnership with an international mining company. This will be the biggest gold and copper venture of the Philippines," said 54-year-old Mr. Ang... "All the new businesses will deliver at least 20% ROE (return on equity) down the line. That's the target," Mr. Ang said... The firm was in talks with banks for a \$600-million three-year-loan. "That is in preparation for more acquisitions," Mr. Ang said.... It is waiting to complete deals to sell 49% of Pure Foods Corp. and Ginebra San Miguel, 14% of its packaging unit and its international beer operations. The stake sales in Pure Foods and the packaging unit alone may give San Miguel an extra \$600 million, Mr. Ang said..."

We confirm that the Company is evaluating a possible investment in the mining industry for the development and exploration of new gold and copper mine in the Southern Mindanao region which has an estimated ROE of 20%. We further confirm that the Company is negotiating for a \$600 Million three-year loan with certain banks to fund its contemplated acquisitions. Finally, the Company has on-going discussions for the sale of a portion of its equity stake in San Miguel Pure Foods Company, Inc., Ginebra San Miguel, Inc., its packaging units and international beer operations, respectively, which collectively may generate \$600 million for the Company.

Very truly yours,


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