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THE PHILIPPINE STOCK EXCHANGE, INC.
Listing and Disclosure Group
4th Floor Philippine Stock Exchange Centre
Exchange Road, Ortigas Center
Pasig City

Attention: Ms. Janet A. Encarnacion
Head, Disclosure Department

Gentlemen:

We refer to your letter of even date, requesting for confirmation/clarification of the news article entitled "Meralco stocks surge on Sy Jr. offer; PLDT Group mulls options" published in the November 4, 2009 issue of The Philippine Star, quoted as follows:

"..... But Pangilinan, who chairs both PLDT and Metro Pacific Investments Corp. (MPIC), indicated yesterday that they are carefully studying their options – either matching the Triratna offer or exercising their "tag-along rights." The tag-along rights, which both PLDT subsidiary Pilipino Telephone Corporation (Pitel) and MPIC have, means that either or both Pitel and MPIC can put up their shares in Meralco for sale together with the Lopezes on the same terms and conditions. In turn, the Lopezes also have both the right of first refusal and tag-along rights in case the PLDT Group sells its stake in Meralco. "We will do what's best for PLDT and Metro Pacific. But we are taking a long-term view of Meralco. We believe it can have an exciting future," Pangilinan emphasized....."

We confirm that under Pritel's agreement with the Lopez Group, either party has a right of first refusal to purchase the selling party's shares in Meralco or a tag-along right to include its shares in Meralco in the proposed sale of the selling party's shares in Meralco.

Pitel has not seen the Triratna offer but should there be any such offer, we confirm our Chairman's statements that Pritel will carefully study its options and decide on what is best for the Company.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,


MA. LOURDES C. RAUSA-CHAN
Corporate Secretary