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MORNING NOTES

PSEi performance

PSEi Index 13 Oct 2009: 2,930.09 - 0.88
Value T/O, net Php 1,805 million
52-week High 2,971.32
Low 1,684.75
Foreign Buying: Php 777 million
Foreign Selling: Php 867 million

Regional performance

Dow Jones : 9,871.06 - 14.74 FTSE 100 : 5,154.15 - 56.02 Nikkei 225 : 10.055.20 + 38.76

Trading snapshot

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Index Movers	Points
Manila Electric Co.	-4.7
Ayala Land	+4.4
Alliance Global	-2.9
SM Prime	+2.7
BPI	+2.2
Index Out-performers	Up
Manila Electric Co.	6.0%
Aboitiz Equity	5.3%
Megaworld Corp.	5.3%
Aboitiz Power	4.4%
PLDT	4.3%
Index Under-performers	Down
Vista Land	4.4%
Ayala Corp.	3.9%
San Miguel Corp. B	2.9%

Calendar

Oct 15 Alliance Global Group ASM
Oct 15 Aug '09 OF Remittances
Oct 16 Arthaland Corporation ASM
Oct 20 Philippine Realty Corporation ASM

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HEADLINES

Wall Street slips on J&J sales figure, bank downgrade

■ Johnson & Johnson's disappointing sales dragged U.S. stocks on Tuesday (Oct 13), as investors have been looking for improved outlooks and revenue-driven growth in third-quarter results. Financial shares were also weighed down after influential banking analyst Meredith Whitney downgraded Goldman Sachs Group Inc. The Nasdaq managed to eke marginal gains after Cisco Systems Inc agreed to buy Starent Networks Corp for \$2.9 billion, or \$35 per share. Meanwhile, Intel reported better-than-expected earnings and revenue after market closing, which bodes well for Wednesday's session.

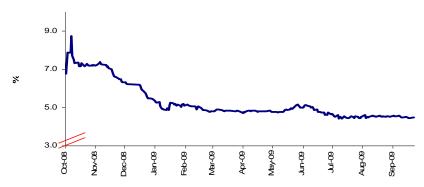
August 2009 merchandise exports posted 21.0% decline

■ Export earnings in August 2009 dropped by 21.0% to \$3.472 billion from \$4.395 billion reported in August 2008. Compared to previous month's level, however, it grew by 4.9% from \$3.311 billion in July 2009. Aggregate merchandise exports from January to August 2009, on the other hand, declined by 30.3% to \$24.004 billion from \$34.454 billion registered during the same eight-month period in 2008.

Meralco to test prepaid meters in another area by November (MER; P190.00)

- Manila Electric Co. (Meralco) vice president for customer retail services Robert Almazora said that the company is looking at testing another batch of prepaid meters in Malabon by next month. Meralco pilot-tested the use of prepaid meters in a selected site in August last year. Almazora explained that Malabon is one of the most difficult areas in terms of consumer connections under its franchise area. Meralco already has a number of suppliers for the prepaid meters and is testing one technology against the other.
- In July this year, the ERC approved the rules for prepaid retail electricity service (PRES) using a prepaid metering system, which will take effect 15 days after publication in a newspaper of general circulation. Almazora said the cost of meters and support systems are some of the factors the company is looking to address, as it continues assessing the dynamics of the PRES. He earlier pointed out that a prepaid meter would cost between P8,000 and P10,000.

PDS 1-Year Tenor Yield: 12-month period



Source: Philippine Dealing and Exchange Corp.

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