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MORNING NOTES

PSEi performance

PSEi Index 02 May 2011: 4,326.76 + 7.25
Value T/O, net Php 2,531 million
52-week High 4,413.42
Low 3,073.71
Foreign Buying: Php 886 million
Foreign Selling: Php 1,024 million

Regional performance

Dow Jones : 12,807.36 - 3.18 FTSE 100 : 6,069.90 + 1.74 Nikkei 225 : 10,004.20 + 154.46

Trading snapshot

Index Movers	Points
PLDT	-10.36
Aboitiz Equity Ventures	+5.58
Energy Development Corp.	+3.73
Ayala Corp.	-3.46
Philex Mining	+2.68
Index Out-performers	Up
Lepanto Mining A	6.15%
Philex Mining	3.48%
First Gen Corp.	2.74%
Robinsons Land Inc.	2.56%
Aboitiz Equity Ventures	2.14%
Index Under-performers	Down
Universal Robina Corp.	2.68%
Lepanto Mining B	2.60%
Ayala Corp.	1.79%
PLDT	1.61%
Metro Pacific Investments	0.82%

Calendar

May 4 TDY ASM
May 5 CHIB, MFC ASM

May 5 Apr `11 Inflation Rate & CPI

May 6 AEV, AP, FLI 1Q`11 results briefing

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HEADLINES

US stocks closed lower as Bin Laden's death spurred mixed reactions

US stocks closed slightly lower on Monday (May 02) as news of Bin Laden's death spurred mixed reactions from investors. Stocks began rising after the news hit the market but some saw it as a selling opportunity causing indices to fall slightly, ending the consecutive rallies experienced recently. The S&P and the Nasdaq fell 0.2% and 0.3% respectively while the Dow closed relatively flat. US oil closed lower and the dollar weakened after reacting to the news. The CBOE volatility index rose 8.8% indicating more volatility due to the news but investors believe that the news is just a "feel good" item and its effects are just temporary. On earnings reports, Chrysler finally reported profits since filing for bankruptcy. Humana posted a profit increase of 22% causing its stocks to rise 0.5%. Dish Network's stocks rose 16% after settling a patent dispute with TiVo and reporting strong earnings. Meanwhile, Teva Pharmaceutical Industries said it would buy Cephalon Inc. for US\$6.8B causing the latter's stocks to rise 4%.

BPI Q1`11 net income up 4.5% to P2.8B (BPI; P58.55)

- BPI reported a Net Income of P2.8B (+4.5% YOY) for 1Q2011. It ended the quarter with P761B (+9% YOY) in Total Assets. Net Loans rose to P360B (+13% YOY), driven by 22% and 15% increases in middle market and consumer loans. Net Interest Income increased by 15%, while Non-Interest Income contracted by 9% due to lower trading gains. The increase in Operating Expenses was likewise managed at 9%.
- BPI reported a healthy increase in earnings despite the contraction in Non-Interest Income. This was more than compensated by the increase in Net Interest Income, driven by both asset and loan growth. Moving forward, we expect BPI to further push loan growth, with focus on middle market and consumer loans, to build a more solid earnings base.

Metrobank declares cash dividends of P1 per share (MBT; P69.1)

Metropolitan Banks and Trust Company's board approved the declaration of P1 per share of cash dividends payable to stockholders on record as of May 16, 2011 on May 23, 2011. Based on MBT's closing price on Monday of P69.1, this represents a dividend yield of 1.45%. Exdate for the said cash dividend is on May 11, 2011.

Semirara expects 40% increase in profits for 2011 (SCC; P221)

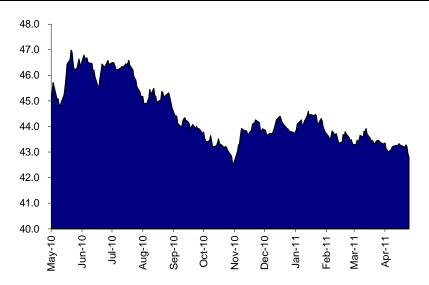
At Semirara Mining Corp.'s stockholders' meeting, the company's vice chairman and CEO Isidro Consunji said that they expect profits to increase by 40% for 2011 due to higher coal prices. The company also expects P30B in revenues, a growth of almost a third since last year. Coal output will however be steady at 7M metric tons. SCC also said that they are evaluating potential partners like Meralco for a new 600MW plant but they are also ready to take on the project themselves if no partnership deal can be set.

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Php versus US\$: 1-Year Price Chart



Source: Philippine Dealing and Exchange Corp.