#### SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

### SEC FORM – ACGR

### ANNUAL CORPORATE GOVERNANCE REPORT

### **GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS**

#### (A) Use of Form ACGR

This SEC Form shall be used to meet the requirements of the Revised Code of Corporate Governance.

#### (B) Preparation of Report

These general instructions are not to be filed with the report. The instructions to the various captions of the form shall not be omitted from the report as filed. The report shall contain the numbers and captions of all items. If any item is inapplicable or the answer thereto is in the *negative*, an appropriate statement to that effect shall be made. Provide an explanation on why the item does not apply to the company or on how the company's practice differs from the Code.

#### (C) Signature and Filing of the Report

- A. Three (3) complete sets of the report shall be filed with the Main Office of the Commission.
- B. At least one complete copy of the report filed with the Commission shall be **manually** signed.
- C. All reports shall comply with the full disclosure requirements of the Securities Regulation Code.
- D. This report is required to be filed annually together with the company's annual report.

#### (D) Filing an Amendment

Any material change in the facts set forth in the report occurring within the year shall be reported through SEC Form 17-C. The cover page for the SEC Form 17-C shall indicate "Amendment to the ACGR".

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- 1. Report is Filed for the Year 2014
- 2. Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter FIRST ABACUS FINANCIAL HOLDINGS CORPORATION
- 3. Unit E-2902D PSE Center, Exchange Road, Pasig City Address of Principal Office

**1605** Postal Code

4. SEC Identification Number **ASO94-001420** 

5. (SEC Use Only)

Industry Classification Code

- 6. BIR Tax Identification Number 043-003-507-219
- 7. (632) 634-5104/10

Issuer's Telephone number, including area code

8. N/A

Former name or former address, if changed from the last report

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### A. BOARD MATTERS

### 1) Board of Directors

Number of Directors per Articles of Incorporation	7
Actual number of Directors for the year	7

### (a) Composition of the Board

Complete the table with information on the Board of Directors:

Director's Name	TYPE [Executive (ED), Non- Executive (NED) or INDEPENDENT DIRECTOR (ID)]	IF NOMINE E, IDENTIFY THE PRINCIPA L	Nominator in The last election (if ID, state the relationship with the nominator)	Date First ELECTE D	DATE LAST ELECTED (IF ID, STATE THE NUMBER OF YEARS SERVED AS ID)	ELECTED WHEN (ANNUAL /SPECIAL MEETING )	NO. OF YEARS SERVED AS DIRECTO R
Paulino S. Soo	ED	N/A		1994	<u>25 Sept. 2014</u>	А	<u>20</u>
Jack T. Huang	ED	N/A		1995	<u>25 Sept. 2014</u>	А	<u>19</u>
Vicente Co Chien, Jr.	NED	N/A		1995	<u>25 Sept. 2014</u>	А	<u>19</u>
Jimmy S. Soo	NED	N/A		1995	<u>25 Sept. 2014</u>	А	<u>19</u>
A. Bayani K. Tan	NED	N/A		1995	<u>25 Sept. 2014</u>	А	<u>19</u>
Ma. Therese G. Santos	ID	N/A	Jimmy S. Soo (no relation)	2006	<u>25 Sept. 2014</u>	A	<u>8</u>
Jimmy Chua Alabanza	ID	N/A	Paulino S. Soo (no relation)	2008	<u>25 Sept. 2014</u>	A	<u>6</u>

(b) Provide a brief summary of the corporate governance policy that the board of directors has adopted. Please emphasize the policy/ies relative to the treatment of all shareholders, respect for the rights of minority shareholders and of other stakeholders, disclosure duties, and board responsibilities.

The Company believes that good corporate governance is a necessary component of what constitutes sound strategic business management. The Company commits to undertake every effort to create awareness within the organization of good corporate governance principles as embodied in its Manual for Corporate Governance.

(c) How often does the Board review and approve the vision and mission?

The Company periodically reviews the vision and mission of the organization. The review, while not formally done, is incorporated during the Company's annual strategic planning for the coming year's plans and programs.

- (d) Directorship in Other Companies
  - (i) Directorship in the Company's Group<sup>1</sup>

Identify, as and if applicable, the members of the company's Board of Directors who hold the office of director in other companies within its Group:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Group is composed of the parent, subsidiaries, associates and joint ventures of the company.

Director's Name	Corporate Name of the Group Company	Type of Directorship (Executive, Non-Executive, Independent). Indicate if director is also the Chairman.
Paulino S. Soo	Abacus Securities Corporation	ED (Chairman)
	Abacus Capital & Investment Corporation	ED (Chairman)
Jack T. Huang	Abacus Securities Corporation	
	Abacus Capital & Investment Corporation	
Vicente Co Chien, Jr.	Abacus Securities Corporation	
	Abacus Capital & Investment Corporation	
	Vista Holdings Corporation	
Jimmy S. Soo	Abacus Capital & Investment Corporation	

(ii) Directorship in Other Listed Companies

Identify, as and if applicable, the members of the Company's Board of Directors who are also directors of publicly-listed companies outside of its Group:

Director's Name	Name of Listed Company	Type of Directorship (Executive, Non-Executive, Independent). Indicate if director is also the Chairman.
A. Bayani K. Tan	I-Remit, Inc.	NED
	First Abacus Financial Holdings, Corp.	NED
	Sinophil Corporation	NED
TKC Steel Corporation		NED
	Belle Corporation	NED
	Pacific Online Systems Corporation	NED
	Discovery World Corporation	NED
	Vantage Equities, Inc.	NED
Asia United Bank		<u>NED</u>
Jimmy S. Soo	Music Semiconductors Corporation	
	Prime Gaming Philippines, Inc.	

(iii) Relationship within the Company and its Group

Provide details, as and if applicable, of any relation among the members of the Board of Directors, which links them to significant shareholders in the Company and/or in its group:

Paulino S. Soo, Chairman of the Board, is the brother of Jimmy S. Soo, Director. No member of the Board of Directors is related to significant shareholders of the Company.

Director's Name	Name of the Significant Shareholder	Description of the relationship
None		

(iv) Has the Company set a limit on the number of board seats in other companies (publicly listed, ordinary and companies with secondary license) that an individual director or CEO may hold simultaneously? In particular, is the limit of five board seats in other publicly listed companies imposed and observed? If yes, briefly describe other guidelines:

	Guidelines	Maximum Number of Directorships in other companies
Executive Director	Please see explanation below.	
Non-Executive Director		
CEO		

The Company has not set any limits on the number of board seats that an individual director or CEO may hold simultaneously. As the executive profile of the Company will show, most directors of the Company have very few concurrent directorships and officerships.

(e) Shareholding in the Company

Complete the following table on the members of the Company's Board of Directors who directly and indirectly own shares in the Company:

Name of Director	Number of Direct shares	Number of Indirect shares / Through (name of record owner)	% of Capital Stock
Paulino S. Soo	133,000,000	0	11.15%
Jack T. Huang	500,000	0	0.04%
Jimmy S. Soo	10,010,000	0	0.84%
Vicente Co Chien	6,130,000	0	0.51%
A. Bayani K. Tan	100,000	0	0.01%
Ma. Therese G. Santos	10,000	0	0.00%
Jimmy Chua Alabanza	10,000	0	0.00%
TOTAL	149,760,000	0	12.55%

#### 2) Chairman and CEO

(a) Do different persons assume the role of Chairman of the Board of Directors and CEO? If no, describe the checks and balances laid down to ensure that the Board gets the benefit of independent views.

Yes

No	X
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Identify the Chair and CEO:

Chairman of the Board/CEO	Paulino S. Soo
President	Jack T. Huang

(b) Roles, Accountabilities and Deliverables

Define and clarify the roles, accountabilities and deliverables of the Chairman and CEO.

	Chairman	Chief Executive Officer
Role	<ul> <li>Preside at the meetings of the directors and shareholders</li> <li>Exercise such powers and perform such duties as the Board of Directors assign to him.</li> <li>Together with the rest of the Board of Directors, provide strategic direction to the Company.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Supervise and control all the business and affairs of the Company.</li> <li>In the absence of the Chairman and the Vice Chairman of the Board, preside at all meetings of the Board of Directors and stockholders.</li> <li>Perform all duties incident to</li> </ul>

		the office of CEO, those provided in existing laws and regulations and the By-Laws, and such other duties as may be prescribed by the Board from time to time.
Accountabilities	<ul> <li>Attest to the accuracy of the minutes of stockholders' meetings prepared by the Corporate Secretary.</li> <li>Together with other officers designated by the Board, sign all checks, drafts, or other orders with respect to any funds of the Company maintained in any bank, certificates of stock of the Company, any deed, mortgage, bond, contract, or other instrument which the Board of Directors has authorized to be executed.</li> <li>Designate a Compliance Officer primarily responsible for monitoring and ensuring adherence to the provisions of the Manual on Corporate Governance.</li> </ul>	Together with other officers designated by the Board, sign all checks, drafts, or other orders with respect to any funds of the Company maintained in any bank, certificates of stock of the Company, any deed, mortgage, bond, contract, or other instrument which the Board of Directors has authorized to be executed.
Deliverables	<ul> <li>Minutes of stockholders' meetings.</li> <li>Various regulatory submissions that may require the signature of the Chairman of the Board of Directors.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Budgets and statements of account of the Company.</li> <li>Reports to the Board and stockholders.</li> <li>Signed certificates of stock.</li> </ul>

3) Explain how the board of directors plans for the succession of the CEO/Managing Director/President and the top key management positions?

The Company's senior officers work closely with the CEO and the President, and under the guidance of the Board of Directors to ensure that they are given ample training and experience in running the Company. This approach exposes the senior officers to the day-to-day demands of Company operations.

4) Other Executive, Non-Executive and Independent Directors

Does the Company have a policy of ensuring diversity of experience and background of directors in the board? Please explain.

The Nomination Committee evaluates the nominees for election as directors to ensure that there is diversity of experience and backgrounds. This is part of the duty of the Nomination Committee when they pre-screen and shortlist the nominees for election as directors.

Does it ensure that at least one non-executive director has an experience in the sector or industry the company belongs to? Please explain.

Yes. Jimmy S. Soo was admitted to the Philippine Bar in 1985 and is the Managing Partner of Soo Gutierrez Leogardo and Lee Law Offices. He is also an officer and/or director of various companies, and is well-versed in regulations governing local capital and equities market.

Define and clarify the roles, accountabilities and deliverables of the Executive, Non-Executive and Independent Directors:

		Executive		Non-Executive	In	dependent Director
Role	•	Determine and	•	Determine and	٠	Determine and
		establish the		establish the		establish the
		Company's purpose,		Company's purpose,		Company's purpose,
		mission and vision,		mission and vision,		mission and vision,
		objectives, policies		objectives, policies		objectives, policies
		and procedures, and		and procedures, and		and procedures, and
		the strategies and		the strategies and		the strategies and
		means to carry out		means to carry out		means to carry out
		its objectives and		its objectives and		its objectives and
		attain its goals.		attain its goals.		attain its goals.
	•	Establish minimum	•	Establish minimum	•	Establish minimum
		internal control		internal control		internal control
		mechanisms for		mechanisms for		mechanisms for
		monitoring and		monitoring and		monitoring and
		overseeing		overseeing		overseeing
		management		management		management
		performance.		performance.		performance.
	•	Implement a process	•	Implement a process	•	Implement a process
		of selection to		of selection to		of selection to
	Í	ensure a mix of		ensure a mix of		ensure a mix of
		competent directors		competent directors		competent directors
		and officers and		and officers and		and officers and
		specify minimum		specify minimum		specify minimum
		qualifications and		qualifications and		qualifications and
		disqualifications for		disqualifications for		disqualifications for
		these positions to		these positions to		these positions to
		add value and		add value and		add value and
		contribute		contribute		contribute
		independent		independent		independent
		judgment to the		judgment to the		judgment to the
		formulation of		formulation of		formulation of
		corporate strategies		corporate strategies		corporate strategies
		and policies.		and policies.		and policies.
	•	Ensure that the	•	Ensure that the	•	Ensure that the
		Company complies		Company complies		Company complies
		with all relevant		with all relevant		with all relevant
		laws, regulations		laws, regulations		laws, regulations
		and codes of best		and codes of best		and codes of best
		business practices.		business practices.		business practices.
	•	Periodically evaluate	•	Periodically evaluate	•	Periodically evaluate
		and monitor		and monitor		and monitor
		implementation of		implementation of		implementation of
		its strategic policies		its strategic policies		its strategic policies
		and programs.		and programs.		and programs.
	•	Identify the	•	Identify the	•	Identify the
		Company's major		Company's major		Company's major
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		stakeholders and		stakeholders and		stakeholders and
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		policy on		policy on		policy on
	Í	communicating or		communicating or		communicating or
		relating with them		relating with them		relating with them
	Í	through an effective		through an effective		through an effective
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performance		performance		performance
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regulation.		regulation.		regulation.
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Executive,		Executive,		Executive,
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Nomination		Nomination		Nomination
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Corporation's		Corporation's		Corporation's
performance,		performance,		performance,
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	<ul> <li>audit executive to render to the Audit Committee and senior management an annual report on the internal audit department's activity, purpose, authority, responsibility and performance relative to the audit plans and strategies approved by the Audit Committee.</li> <li>Appoint competent, professional, honest, and highly motivated management officers.</li> <li>Adopt an effective succession-planning program for management.</li> <li>Provide sound strategic policies and guidelines to management on major capital expenditures.</li> <li>Establish and maintain alternative dispute resolution system that can amicably settle conflicts or differences between the Company and its stockholders, and third parties.</li> <li>Appoint a Compliance Officer, who shall have the rank of at least vice president of the Corporation.</li> <li>Run the day-to-day operations of the</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>audit executive to render to the Audit Committee and senior management an annual report on the internal audit department's activity, purpose, authority, responsibility and performance relative to the audit plans and strategies approved by the Audit Committee.</li> <li>Appoint competent, professional, honest, and highly motivated management officers.</li> <li>Adopt an effective succession-planning program for management.</li> <li>Provide sound strategic policies and guidelines to management on major capital expenditures.</li> <li>Establish and maintain alternative dispute resolution system that can amicably settle conflicts or differences between the Company and its stockholders, and third parties.</li> <li>Appoint a Compliance Officer, who shall have the rank of at least vice president of the Corporation.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>audit executive to render to the Audit Committee and senior management an annual report on the internal audit department's activity, purpose, authority, responsibility and performance relative to the audit plans and strategies approved by the Audit Committee.</li> <li>Appoint competent, professional, honest, and highly motivated management officers.</li> <li>Adopt an effective succession-planning program for management.</li> <li>Provide sound strategic policies and guidelines to management on major capital expenditures.</li> <li>Establish and maintain alternative dispute resolution system that can amicably settle conflicts or differences between the Company and its stockholders, and third parties.</li> <li>Appoint a Compliance Officer, who shall have the rank of at least vice president of the Corporation.</li> </ul>
	operations of the department or unit that he/she heads.		
Accountabilities	<ul> <li>Conduct fair business transactions with the Company and ensure that personal interests do not prejudice Board</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Conduct fair business transactions with the Company and ensure that personal interests do not prejudice Board</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Conduct fair business transactions with the Company and ensure that personal interests do not prejudice Board</li> </ul>

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	t	to properly discharge		to properly discharge		to properly discharge
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	,	responsibilities.		responsibilities.		responsibilities.
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		exercise independent		exercise independent		exercise independent
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		regulatory		regulatory		regulatory
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		other regulatory		other regulatory		other regulatory
		agencies.		agencies.		agencies.
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		Observe	•	Observe	•	Observe
		confidentiality.		confidentiality.		confidentiality.
		Ensure the	•	Ensure the	•	Ensure the
		continuing		continuing		continuing
	-	soundness,		soundness,		soundness,
		effectiveness and		effectiveness and		effectiveness and
	0	adequacy of the		adequacy of the		adequacy of the
	(	Company's control		Company's control		Company's control
	e	environment.		environment.		environment.
	• •	Attend regular and	•	Attend regular and	•	Attend regular and
		special meetings of		special meetings of		special meetings of
		the Board in person		the Board in person		the Board in person
		or by		or by		or by
		teleconferencing,		teleconferencing,		teleconferencing,
		subject to existing		subject to existing		subject to existing
		regulations.		regulations.		regulations.
Deliverables			•			
Deliverables		Attend Board	-	Attend Board	•	Attend Board
		meetings Fatalalish internal		meetings		meetings
		Establish internal	•	Establish internal	•	Establish internal
		control mechanisms.		control mechanisms.		control mechanisms.
		Policy on	•	Policy on	•	Policy on
		communicating with		communicating with		communicating with
	9	stakeholders.		stakeholders.		stakeholders.
	• 9	System of internal	•	System of internal	•	System of internal
		checks and balances.		checks and balances.		checks and balances.
		Constitute Executive,	•	Constitute Executive,	•	Constitute Executive,
		Compensation and		Compensation and		Compensation and
	<u> </u>		L	compensation una	J	compensation and

Remuneration,	Remuneration,	Remuneration,
Audit, and	Audit, and	Audit, and
Nomination	Nomination	Nomination
Committees.	Committees.	Committees.
Succession planning	Succession planning	Succession planning
program for	program for	program for
Management.	Management.	Management.
Policies and	Policies and	Policies and
guidelines on major	guidelines on major	guidelines on major
capital expenditures.	capital expenditures.	capital expenditures.
Establish an	Establish an	Establish an
alternative dispute	alternative dispute	alternative dispute
resolution system.	resolution system.	

Provide the Company's definition of "independence" and describe the company's compliance to the definition.

The Company defines "independence" as freedom from any business, family, professional, or other relationship that could, or could reasonably be perceived to, materially interfere with an officer's independent judgment in carrying out responsibilities. The Company complies with this view of independence by ensuring that the independent directors elected not only meet the professional criteria of competence but also are able to freely profess their views on the policies and operations of the Company untainted or unhampered by any relationship or other considerations other than what is best for the Company, its stockholders, and the community where the Company operates.

Does the company have a term limit of five consecutive years for independent directors? If after two years, the company wishes to bring back an independent director who had served for five years, does it limit the term for no more than four additional years? Please explain.

The Company has adopted the guidelines set by the SEC in the term limits of independent directors. Consistent with SEC Memorandum Circular No. 9, Series of 2011, the Company has a term limit of five (5) years for independent directors. Following a two (2) year 'rest period,' a person who previously served as independent director may seek reelection for another period of five (5) years. The Company adheres to the maximum limit of ten (10) years set by the SEC. Thus, an independent director who has served for a total of 10 years shall no longer be nominated for election as independent director.

- 5) Changes in the Board of Directors (Executive, Non-Executive and Independent Directors)
  - (a) Resignation/Death/Removal

Indicate any changes in the composition of the Board of Directors that happened during the period:

For the period covered by this report, there were no changes in the membership of the Board of Directors.

Name	Position	Date of Cessation	Reason
N/A			

(b) Selection/Appointment, Re-election, Disqualification, Removal, Reinstatement and Suspension

Describe the procedures for the selection/appointment, re-election, disqualification, removal, reinstatement and suspension of the members of the Board of Directors. Provide details of the processes adopted (including the frequency of election) and the criteria employed in each procedure:

Procedure	Process Adopted	Criteria
a. Selection/Appointment		
(i) Executive Directors	Nominations for election as directors shall be submitted to the Nomination Committee not	• Holder of at least one (1) share of stock of the Corporation.

	later than 30 January of each year. Thereafter, the Nomination Committee meets to consider all nominees in accordance with the qualifications and disqualifications set by the Manual of Corporate Governance and by the Board.	<ul> <li>At least a holder of a Bachelor's Degree, or to substitute for such formal education, must have adequate competency and understanding of business.</li> <li>Of legal age.</li> <li>Of proven integrity and probity.</li> <li>Possesses other qualifications as shall be prescribed by the Board.</li> </ul>
(ii) Non-Executive Directors	Nominations for election as directors shall be submitted to the Nomination Committee not later than 30 January of each year. Thereafter, the Nomination Committee meets to consider all nominees in accordance with the qualifications and disqualifications set by the Manual of Corporate Governance and by the Board.	<ul> <li>Holder of at least one (1) share of stock of the Corporation.</li> <li>At least a holder of a Bachelor's Degree, or to substitute for such formal education, must have adequate competency and understanding of business.</li> <li>Of legal age.</li> <li>Of proven integrity and probity.</li> <li>Possesses other qualifications as shall be prescribed by the Board.</li> </ul>
(iii) Independent Directors	Nominations for election as directors shall be submitted to the Nomination Committee not later than 30 January of each year. Thereafter, the Nomination Committee meets to consider all nominees in accordance with the qualifications and disqualifications set by the Manual of Corporate Governance and by the Board.	<ul> <li>In addition to the requirements for a regular director, an independent director must meet the following requirements:</li> <li>Not a director or officer of the Company or of its related companies or any of its substantial shareholder except when the same shall be an independent director of any of the foregoing.</li> <li>Does not own more than 2% of the shares of the Company and/or of its related companies or any of its substantial shareholders.</li> <li>Is not related to any director, officer or substantial shareholder of the Company, any of its related companies or any of its substantial shareholders.</li> <li>Is not related to any director, officer or substantial shareholder sor any of its substantial shareholder of the Company, any of its related companies or any of its substantial shareholders.</li> <li>Is not related to any director, officer or substantial shareholder sor any of its substantial shareholder sor any of its substantial shareholders.</li> <li>Is not related to any director, officer or substantial shareholder sor any of its substantial shareholders. For this purpose, relatives include spouse, parent, child, brother, sister, and the</li> </ul>

spouse of such child, brother or sister. Is not acting as a
• Is not acting as a
nominee or
representative of any
director or substantial
shareholder of the
Company, and/or any of
its related companies
and/or any of its
substantial shareholders,
pursuant to a Deed of
Trust or under any contract or arrangement.
Has not been employed in
any executive capacity by
the Company, any of its
related companies
and/or by any of its
substantial shareholders
within the last 5 years.
• Is not retained as
professional adviser by
the Company and/or any of its related companies
and/or any of its
substantial shareholders
within the last 5 years.
<ul> <li>Is not retained, either</li> </ul>
personally or through his
firm or any similar entity,
as professional adviser by
the Company, any of its
related companies
and/or any of its substantial shareholders,
either personally or
through his firm.
Has not engaged and
does not engage in any
transaction with the
Company and/or with
any of its related
companies and/or with
any of its substantial shareholders, whether by
himself and/or with other
persons and/or through a
firm of which he is a
partner and/or a
company of which he is a
director or substantial
shareholder, other than
transactions which are
conducted at arms length and are immaterial.
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c. Permanent Disqualification		
(i) Executive Directors	The Nomination Committee pre-screens and shortlists all candidates nominated to become a member of the Board. In case the ground for disqualification arises during the incumbency of a director, he shall automatically cease to become a member and shall	<ul> <li>Convicted by final judgment or order by a competent judicial or administrative body of any crime (a) that involves the purchase or sale of securities, as defined in the SRC; (b) arises out of the person's</li> </ul>

immediately vacate the office.	conduct as an
	underwriter, broker,
	dealer, investment
	adviser, principal,
	distributor, mutual fund
	dealer, futures
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	commission merchant,
	commodity trading
	advisor, or floor broker;
	or (c) arises out of his
	fiduciary relationship
	with a bank, quasi-bank
	trust company,
	investment house or as
	an affiliated person of
	any of them.
	<ul> <li>By reason of misconduct,</li> </ul>
	after hearing, is
	permanently enjoyed by
	a final judgment or order
	of the SEC or any court of
	administrative body of
	competent jurisdiction
	from: (a) acting as
	underwriter, broker,
	dealer, investment
	adviser, principal
	distributor, mutual fund
	dealer, futures
	commission merchant,
	commodity trading
	advisor, or floor broker;
	(b) acting as director or
	officer of a bank, quasi-
	bank, trust company,
	investment house, or
	investment company (c)
	engaging in or continuing
	any conduct or practice in
	any of the capacities
	mentioned in sub-
	paragraphs (a) and (b)
	above, or willfully
	violating the laws that
	govern securities and
	banking activities.
	<ul> <li>Currently the subject of</li> </ul>
	an order of the SEC or
	any court or
	administrative body
	denying, revoking,
	suspending any
	registration, license or
	permit issued to him
	under the Corporation
	Code, the SRC or any
	other law administered
	by the SEC or the BSP, or

		under any rule or
		regulation issued by the
		SEC or the BSP.
		Has been restrained to
		engage in activity
		nvolving securities and
		banking.
		s currently the subject of
		an effective order of a
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		organization suspending
		or expelling him from
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	-	participation or
		association with a
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		he organization.
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		udgment or order by a court or competent
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		embezzlement, theft,
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		nisappropriation,
		forgery, bribery, false
		affirmation, perjury or
		other fraudulent acts.
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	Ķ	procured the violation of
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		he Corporation Code or
		any other law
		administered by the SEC
		or the BSP, or any rule,
		regulation or order of the
		SEC or the BSP.
		Has been judicially
		declared to be insolvent.
		Finally found guilty by a
		foreign court or
		equivalent financial
		regulatory authority of
		acts, violations or
		misconduct similar to any of the acts, violations or
		nisconduct listed in the
		foregoing paragraphs.
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		udgment of an offense
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		period exceeding 6 years, or a violation of the Corporation Code committed within 5 years prior to the date of his election or appointment.
(ii) Non-Executive Directors	The Nomination Committee pre-screens and shortlists all candidates nominated to become a member of the Board. In case the ground for disqualification arises during the incumbency of a director, he shall automatically cease to become a member and shall immediately vacate the office.	<ul> <li>Convicted by final judgment or order by a competent judicial or administrative body of any crime (a) that involves the purchase or sale of securities, as defined in the SRC; (b) arises out of the person's conduct as an underwriter, broker, dealer, investment adviser, principal, distributor, mutual fund dealer, futures commission merchant, commodity trading advisor, or floor broker; or (c) arises out of his fiduciary relationship with a bank, quasi-bank trust company, investment house or as an affiliated person of any of them.</li> <li>By reason of misconduct, after hearing, is permanently enjoyed by a final judgment or order of the SEC or any court of administrative body of competent jurisdiction from: (a) acting as underwriter, broker, dealer, futures commission merchant, commodity trading advisor, or floor broker; (b) acting as director or officer of a bank, quasi- bank, trust company, investment house, or investment house, or investment company (c) engaging in or continuing any conduct or practice in any of the capacities mentioned in sub- paragraphs (a) and (b) above, or willfully</li> </ul>

<ul> <li>violating the laws that govern securities and banking activities.</li> <li>Currently the subject of an order of the SEC or any court or administrative body denying, revoking, suspending any registration, license or permit issued to him under the Corporation Code, the SRC or any other law administered by the SEC or the BSP, or under any rule or regulation issued by the SEC or the BSP.</li> <li>Has been restrained to engage in activity involving securities and banking.</li> <li>Is currently the subject of an effective order of a self-regulatory organization suspending or expelling him from membership, participation or association with a member of participant of the organization.</li> <li>Convicted by final judgment or order by a court or competent administrative body of an offense involving moral turpitude, fraud, embezzlement, theft, estafo, counterfeiting, misopropriation, forgery, bribery, false affinistrative body of an offense involvind a to sec infully oided or the radivided or any provision of the SEC the Corporation or advision of the sec or a court or other administrative body to the sec or any provision of the SEC or the SEC or the SEC</li> </ul>		
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		•	Has been judicially
			declared to be insolvent.
		•	Finally found guilty by a
			foreign court or
			equivalent financial
			regulatory authority of
			acts, violations or
			misconduct similar to any
			of the acts, violations or
			misconduct listed in the
			foregoing paragraphs.
		•	Convicted by final
			judgment of an offense punishable by
			imprisonment for a
			period exceeding 6 years,
			or a violation of the
			Corporation Code
			committed within 5 years
			prior to the date of his
			election or appointment.
(iii) Independent Directors	The Nomination Committee	•	Convicted by final
( , ) ) ) ) ) ) ) ) ) ) ) ) ) ) ) ) ) )	pre-screens and shortlists all		judgment or order by a
	, candidates nominated to		competent judicial or
	become a member of the		administrative body of
	Board. In case the ground for		any crime (a) that
	disqualification arises during		involves the purchase or
	the incumbency of a director,		sale of securities, as
	he shall automatically cease to		defined in the SRC; (b)
	become a member and shall		arises out of the person's
	immediately vacate the office.		conduct as an
			underwriter, broker,
			dealer, investment
			adviser, principal,
			distributor, mutual fund
			dealer, futures
			commission merchant,
			commodity trading
			advisor, or floor broker;
			or (c) arises out of his
			fiduciary relationship with a bank, quasi-bank
			trust company,
			investment house or as
			an affiliated person of
			any of them.
		•	By reason of misconduct,
			after hearing, is
			permanently enjoyed by
			a final judgment or order
			of the SEC or any court of
			administrative body of
			competent jurisdiction
			from: (a) acting as
			underwriter, broker,
			dealer, investment
		1	adviser, principal
			distributor, mutual fund

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	dealer, futures
	commission merchant,
	commodity trading
	advisor, or floor broker;
	(b) acting as director or
	officer of a bank, quasi-
	bank, trust company,
	investment house, or
	investment company (c)
	engaging in or continuing
	any conduct or practice in
	any of the capacities
	mentioned in sub-
	paragraphs (a) and (b)
	above, or willfully
	violating the laws that
	govern securities and
	banking activities.
	• Currently the subject of
	an order of the SEC or
	any court or
	administrative body
	denying, revoking,
	suspending any
	registration, license or
	permit issued to him
	under the Corporation
	Code, the SRC or any
	other law administered
	by the SEC or the BSP, or
	under any rule or
	regulation issued by the
	SEC or the BSP.
	Has been restrained to
	engage in activity
	involving securities and
	banking.
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	• Is currently the subject of
	an effective order of a
	self-regulatory
	organization suspending
	or expelling him from
	membership,
	participation or
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		other fraudulent acts.
		• Finally found by the SEC
		or a court or other
		administrative body to
		have willfully violated or
		willfully aided, abetted,
		counseled, induced or
		procured the violation of
		any provision of the SRC,
		the Corporation Code or
		any other law
		administered by the SEC
		or the BSP, or any rule,
		regulation or order of the
		SEC or the BSP.
		Has been judicially
		declared to be insolvent.
		• Finally found guilty by a
		foreign court or
		equivalent financial
		regulatory authority of
		acts, violations or
		misconduct similar to any
		of the acts, violations or
		misconduct listed in the
		foregoing paragraphs.
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		judgment of an offense
		punishable by
		imprisonment for a
		period exceeding 6 years,
		or a violation of the
		Corporation Code
		committed within 5 years
		prior to the date of his
		election or appointment.
		Becomes an officer or
		employee of the
		Company.
d. Temporary Disqualification	1	
(i) Executive Directors	If the ground for	The Board may, by resolution,
	disqualification is refusal to	prescribe grounds for
	comply with the disclosure	temporary disqualification of
	requirements, the	a director, which may include
	disqualification shall be in	any of the following:
	effect as long as the refusal	<ul> <li>Refusal to comply with</li> </ul>
	persists.	the disclosure
		requirements of the SRC
	In case the ground is habitual	and its IRR, which
	absence, the disqualification	disqualification shall be
	shall apply for purposes of the	in effect as long as the
	succeeding election.	refusal persists.
	If the ground is dismissal or	Absence or non-
	termination for cause as	participation for
	director of any corporation	whatever reason for
	covered by the SRC, the	more than 50% of all
	disqualification shall be in	Board meetings, both
	effect until he has cleared	regular and special,
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	himself from any involvement		during his incumbency or
	in the cause that gave rise to		any 12-month period
	his dismissal or termination.		during said incumbency,
	If the beneficial equity		which disqualification
	ownership of an independent		applies for purposes of
	director in the Company or its		the succeeding election.
	subsidiaries and affiliates	•	Dismissal/termination
	exceeds two percent of its		from directorship in
	subscribed capital stock, the		another listed
	disqualification shall be lifted if		corporation for cause,
	the limit is later complied with.		which disqualification
	A temporarily disqualified		shall be in effect until he
	director shall, within 60		has cleared himself from
	business days from such		any involvement in the
	disqualification, take the		alleged irregularity.
	appropriate action to remedy	•	Being under preventive
	or correct the disqualification.		suspension by the
	If he fails or refuses to do so for		Company.
	unjustified reasons, the	•	Conviction that has not
	disqualification shall become	<sup>-</sup>	yet become final
	permanent.		referred to in the
			grounds for the
			disqualification of
			directors.
(ii) Non-Executive Directors	If the ground for	The	Board may, by resolution,
(II) NOI-Executive Directors	disqualification is refusal to		cribe grounds for
	comply with the disclosure		porary disqualification of
	requirements, the		rector, which may include
	disqualification shall be in	uny	of the following:
	effect as long as the refusal	•	Refusal to comply with
	persists.		the disclosure
	In case the ground is habitual		requirements of the SRC
	absence, the disqualification		and its IRR, which
	shall apply for purposes of the		disqualification shall be
	succeeding election.		in effect as long as the
	If the ground is dismissal or		refusal persists.
	termination for cause as	•	Absence or non-
	director of any corporation		participation for
	covered by the SRC, the		whatever reason for
	disqualification shall be in		more than 50% of all
	effect until he has cleared		Board meetings, both
	himself from any involvement		regular and special,
	in the cause that gave rise to		during his incumbency or
	his dismissal or termination.		any 12-month period
	If the beneficial equity		during said incumbency,
	ownership of an independent		which disqualification
	director in the Company or its		applies for purposes of
	subsidiaries and affiliates		the succeeding election.
	exceeds two percent of its	•	Dismissal/termination
	subscribed capital stack the		from directorship in
	subscribed capital stock, the		
	disqualification shall be lifted if		another listed
			another listed corporation for cause,
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	If he fails or refuses to do so for	suspension by the
	unjustified reasons, the disqualification shall become permanent.	<ul> <li>Company.</li> <li>Conviction that has not yet become final referred to in the grounds for the disqualification of</li> </ul>
		directors.
(iii) Independent Directors	If the ground for disqualification is refusal to comply with the disclosure requirements, the disqualification shall be in effect as long as the refusal persists. In case the ground is habitual absence, the disqualification shall apply for purposes of the succeeding election. If the ground is dismissal or termination for cause as director of any corporation covered by the SRC, the disqualification shall be in effect until he has cleared himself from any involvement in the cause that gave rise to his dismissal or termination. If the beneficial equity ownership of an independent director in the Company or its subsidiaries and affiliates exceeds two percent of its subscribed capital stock, the disqualification shall be lifted if the limit is later complied with. A temporarily disqualified director shall, within 60 business days from such disqualification, take the appropriate action to remedy or correct the disqualification. If he fails or refuses to do so for unjustified reasons, the disqualification shall become permanent.	<ul> <li>The Board may, by resolution, prescribe grounds for temporary disqualification of a director, which may include any of the following:</li> <li>Refusal to comply with the disclosure requirements of the SRC and its IRR, which disqualification shall be in effect as long as the refusal persists.</li> <li>Absence or non-participation for whatever reason for more than 50% of all Board meetings, both regular and special, during his incumbency or any 12-month period during said incumbency, which disqualification applies for purposes of the succeeding election.</li> <li>Dismissal/termination from directorship in another listed corporation for cause, which disqualification shall be in effect until he has cleared himself from any involvement in the alleged irregularity.</li> <li>Being under preventive suspension by the Company.</li> <li>Conviction that has not yet become final referred to in the grounds for the disqualification of directors.</li> <li>Beneficial security ownership in the Company or in related companies exceeds 10%.</li> <li>Director or officer of the Company or of its related companies or any of its substantial</li> </ul>

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	shareholders except
	when the same shall be
	an independent director
	of any of the foregoing.
	• Related to any director,
	officer or substantial
	shareholder of the
	Company, any of its
	related companies or
	any of its substantial
	shareholders. For this
	purpose, relatives
	include spouse, parent,
	child, brother, sister and
	spouse of such child,
	brother or sister.
	Acting as nominee or
	representative of any
	director or substantial
	shareholder of the
	Company and/or any of
	its related companies
	and/or any of its
	substantial
	shareholders, pursuant
	to a Deed of Trust or
	under any contract or
	arrangement.
	<ul> <li>Employed in any</li> </ul>
	executive capacity by the
	Company, any of its
	related companies
	and/or by any of its
	related shareholders
	within the last 5 years.
	Retained as professional
	adviser by the Company
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	companies and/or any of
	its substantial
	shareholders within the
	last 5 years.
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	personally or through his
	firm or any similar
	entity, as professional
	adviser by the Company,
	any of its related
	companies and/or any of
	its substantial
	shareholders, either
	personally or through his
	firm.
	<ul> <li>Engaged in any</li> </ul>
	transaction with the
	Company and/or with
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		its substantial
		shareholders, whether
		by himself and/or with
		other persons and/or
		through a firm of which
		he is a partner and/or a
		company of which he is
		a director or substantial
		shareholder, other than
		transactions which are
		conducted at arms
		length and are
		immaterial.
e. Removal	Γ	
(i) Executive Directors	The Board, by resolution at a	
	meeting called for the purpose,	
	shall remove a director as soon	
	as the grounds for permanent	
	disqualification are discovered.	
	Moreover, if a director violates	
	any of the provisions of the	
	Revised Manual on Corporate	
	Governance, he shall likewise	
	be ousted from office.	
(ii) Non-Executive Directors	The Board, by resolution at a	
	meeting called for the purpose,	
	shall remove a director as soon	
	as the grounds for permanent	
	disqualification are discovered.	
	Moreover, if a director violates	
	any of the provisions of the	
	Revised Manual on Corporate	
	Governance, he shall likewise	
	be ousted from office.	
(iii) Independent Directors	The Board, by resolution at a	
	meeting called for the purpose,	
	shall remove a director as soon	
	as the grounds for permanent	
	disqualification are discovered.	
	Moreover, if a director violates	
	any of the provisions of the	
	Revised Manual on Corporate	
	Governance, he shall likewise	
	be ousted from office.	
f. Re-instatement		
(i) Executive Directors	If the ground is refusal to	
	comply with the disclosure	
	requirements, the director shall	
	be reinstated after he complies	
	with the said requirements.	
	If the ground is dismissal or	
	termination for cause as	
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	director of any corporation	
	covered by the SRC, the	
	director shall be reinstated	
	after he has cleared himself	
	from any involvement in the	
	cause that gave rise to his	

	dismissal or termination.	
(ii) Non-Executive Directors	If the ground is refusal to	
(ii) Non-Executive Directors	comply with the disclosure	
	requirements, the director shall	
	be reinstated after he complies	
	with the said requirements.	
	If the ground is dismissal or	
	termination for cause as	
	director of any corporation	
	covered by the SRC, the	
	director shall be reinstated	
	after he has cleared himself	
	from any involvement in the	
	cause that gave rise to his	
	dismissal or termination.	
	If the ground is refusal to	
	comply with the disclosure	
	requirements, the director shall	
	be reinstated after he complies	
	with the said requirements.	
	If the ground is dismissal or	
	termination for cause as	
	director of any corporation	
(iii) Independent Directors	covered by the SRC, the	
	director shall be reinstated	
	after he has cleared himself	
	from any involvement in the	
	cause that gave rise to his	
	dismissal or termination.	
	If the ground is exceeding the	
	10% beneficial ownership limit,	
	he shall be reinstated as soon	
<u> </u>	as the limit is complied with.	
g. Suspension		
(i) Executive Directors	To strictly observe and	The guidelines mandated in
	implement the provisions of	the Company's Manual of
	the Company's Revised Manual	Corporate Governance and
	on Corporate Governance,	other standards as may be set
	suspension is imposed on	by the Board.
	directors in case of second	
	violation of any of the provisions of said manual.	
(ii) Non-Executive Directors	To strictly observe and	The quidelines mandated in
(ii) Non-Executive Directors	implement the provisions of	The guidelines mandated in the Company's Manual of
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	the Company's Revised Manual	Corporate Governance and
	the Company's Revised Manual on Corporate Governance,	Corporate Governance and other standards as may be set
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	the Company's Revised Manual on Corporate Governance, suspension is imposed on directors in case of second	Corporate Governance and other standards as may be set
	the Company's Revised Manual on Corporate Governance, suspension is imposed on directors in case of second violation of any of the	Corporate Governance and other standards as may be set
(iii) Independent Directors	the Company's Revised Manual on Corporate Governance, suspension is imposed on directors in case of second violation of any of the provisions of said manual.	Corporate Governance and other standards as may be set by the Board.
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(iii) Independent Directors	the Company's Revised Manual on Corporate Governance, suspension is imposed on directors in case of second violation of any of the provisions of said manual. To strictly observe and implement the provisions of the Company's Revised Manual on Corporate Governance,	Corporate Governance and other standards as may be set by the Board. The guidelines mandated in the Company's Manual of Corporate Governance and other standards as may be set
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Voting Result of the last Annual General Meeting

The following directors were re-elected to the Board during the Company's 2013 annual stockholders' meeting:

Paulino S. Soo Jack T. Huang Vicente Co Chien, Jr. Jimmy S. Soo A. Bayani K. Tan Ma. Therese G. Santos Jimmy Chua Alabanza

The voting for the directors was conducted via viva voce. Considering that there were as many nominees as there were seats to be filled, and upon the confirmation of the inspectors appointed by the Board that there was no indication of dissent among the stockholders, the Chairman requested the Corporate Secretary to cast all votes for the nominees.

- 6) Orientation and Education Program
  - (a) Disclose details of the company's orientation program for new directors, if any.

The Company has no specific training program for new directors. New directors are given an orientation on the business of the Company. They are also given access to the Company's directors and officers to address any questions or clarifications that new directors may raise.

New directors are asked to undergo workshops or seminars on corporate governance in order to ensure that they meet the regulatory requirements of the SEC and PSE.

(b) State any in-house training and external courses attended by Directors and Senior Management<sup>2</sup> for the past three (3) years:

The Company has not conducted any special in-house training for directors and senior management for the past 3 years.

(c) Continuing education programs for directors: programs and seminars and roundtables attended during the year.

Name of Director/Officer	Date of Training	Program	Name of Training Institution
None			

### B. CODE OF BUSINESS CONDUCT & ETHICS

1) Discuss briefly the company's policies on the following business conduct or ethics affecting directors, senior management and employees:

В	usiness Conduct & Ethics	Directors	Senior Management	Employees
(a)	Conflict of Interest	business interests, sharel directly or indirectly confi responsibilities. The Boa	under the penalty of perjury, t holdings, personal activities of lict with the performance of t rd determines whether each p activities or relationships resu	r relationships that may heir intended duties and person's business interests,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Senior Management refers to the CEO and other persons having authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the company.

		and responsibilities in the Company. All employees shall conduct fair business transactions with the Company and ensure that his personal interests do not conflict with the interests of the Company.
(b)	Conduct of Business and Fair Dealings	The Company shall not enter into arrangements with its competitors to arbitrarily set prices of products and other terms of the market/industry. Customers and suppliers should be dealt with fairly.
(c)	Receipt of gifts from third parties	Acceptance of gifts and other favors from customers, suppliers, or any other third party which might compromise one's ability to make objective decisions or which might affect the performance of one's duty is strictly prohibited.
(d)	Compliance with Laws & Regulations	Compliance with applicable laws, rules and regulations must never be compromised. Moreover, the Company has an anti-bribery policy. Everyone is prohibited from giving anything of value to a government official in exchange for a favorable treatment.
(e)	Respect for Trade Secrets/Use of Non- public Information	Information acquired by virtue of office shall be treated with utmost confidentiality. The Company's non-public information should be safeguarded and shall not be disclosed to third parties. Trading in Company's stocks based on material non- public information will be dealt with criminally.
(f)	Use of Company Funds, Assets and Information	Company assets and funds cannot be used for personal benefit or for the benefit of anyone other than the Company. Everyone is discouraged from engaging in personal activities during working hours.
(g)	Employment & Labor Laws & Policies	Labor Laws are strictly complied with. Moreover, the safety and welfare of all people working in the Company should be prioritized at all times.
(h)	Disciplinary action	The Compliance Officer is responsible for determining violation of the Manual of Corporate Governance through notice and hearing. He recommends to the Chairman of the Board the imposable penalty for such violation, for further review and approval of the Board. The Board shall impose a penalty that is in accordance with the Company's Human Resource policy and commensurate to the transgression of the person involved on other violations.
<i>(i)</i>	Whistle Blower	Whenever a report is made to the Compliance Officer, the Human Resource Department Head, or to any member of the Audit Committee, anonymity and confidentiality consistent with conducting a thorough and fair investigation are prioritized. Since the Company values people who identify issues that need to be addressed, any form of retaliation is proscribed.
(j)	Conflict Resolution	Conflicts are resolved internally as much as possible. It should be resolved in the lowest possible level using procedure that addresses and respects the needs, interests and rights of the parties involved.

2) Has the code of ethics or conduct been disseminated to all directors, senior management and employees?

Yes. All directors, members of senior management, and employees were furnished copies of the Company's code of ethics upon their assumption of their respective positions in the Company.

3) Discuss how the company implements and monitors compliance with the code of ethics or conduct.

Everyone is mandated to report any violation of the Company's Code of Business Conduct and Ethics to the Compliance Officer, to the Human Resource Department Head, or to any member of the Audit Committee.

- 4) Related Party Transactions
  - (a) Policies and Procedures

Describe the company's policies and procedures for the review, approval or ratification, monitoring and recording of related party transactions between and among the company and its parent, joint ventures, subsidiaries, associates, affiliates, substantial stockholders, officers and directors, including their spouses, children and dependent siblings and parents and of interlocking director relationships of members of the Board.

Related Party Transactions	Policies and Procedures
(1) Parent Company	
(2) Joint Ventures	
(3) Subsidiaries	
(4) Entities Under Common Control	The Company adapts a policy of full disclosure with recard to
(5) Substantial Stockholders	The Company adopts a policy of full disclosure with regard to related party transactions. All terms and conditions of related party transactions are reported to the Board of Directors.
(6) Officers including spouse/children/siblings/parents	
<ul><li>(7) Directors including spouse/children/siblings/parents</li></ul>	
<ul><li>(8) Interlocking director relationship of Board of Directors</li></ul>	

- (b) Conflict of Interest
  - (i) Directors/Officers and 5% or more Shareholders

Identify any actual or probable conflict of interest to which directors/officers/5% or more shareholders may be involved.

	Details of Conflict
	of Interest (Actual or Probable)
None	

The Company has not entered into any transactions either direct or indirect with the Company's directors, officers or significant shareholders.

(ii) Mechanism

Describe the mechanism laid down to detect, determine and resolve any possible conflict of interest between the company and/or its group and their directors, officers and significant shareholders.

	Directors/Officers/Significant Shareholders
Company	Among the duties of the Compensation and Remuneration
	Committee is to ensure that all incoming officers and
	directors disclose fully their existing business interests or
	shareholdings that may directly or indirectly conflict with
	the performance of their intended duties and
	responsibilities, under the penalty of perjury, and to review
Group	the existing Human Resources Development or Personnel
	Handbook or its equivalent, to strengthen provisions on
	conflict of interest. On the other hand, the Nomination
	Committee considers the possibility of conflicting interest in
	determining the number of directorships that may be held
	by a director.

- 5) Family, Commercial and Contractual Relations
  - (a) Indicate, if applicable, any relation of a family,<sup>3</sup> commercial, contractual or business nature that exists between the holders of significant equity (5% or more), to the extent that they are known to the company:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Family relationship up to the fourth civil degree either by consanguinity or affinity.

Names of Related Significant Shareholders	Type of Relationship	Brief Description of the Relationship	
Paulino S. Soo and Jimmy S. Soo	Family	Siblings	

(b) Indicate, if applicable, any relation of a commercial, contractual or business nature that exists between the holders of significant equity (5% or more) and the company:

Names of Related Significant Shareholders	Type of Relationship	Brief Description
None		

(c) Indicate any shareholder agreements that may impact on the control, ownership and strategic direction of the company:

Name of Shareholders	% of Capital Stock affected (Parties)	Brief Description of the Transaction
None		

### 6) Alternative Dispute Resolution

Describe the alternative dispute resolution system adopted by the company for the last three (3) years in amicably settling conflicts or differences between the corporation and its stockholders, and the corporation and third parties, including regulatory authorities.

	Alternative Dispute Resolution System
Corporation & Stockholders	Conflicts are usually resolved through
Corporation & Third Parties	mediation between the parties. A
	mediator will be selected by the parties
	to facilitate communication and
Corporation & Regulatory Authorities	negotiation and to assist them in
	reaching a voluntary agreement
	regarding the issue involved.

### C. BOARD MEETINGS & ATTENDANCE

1) Are Board of Directors' meetings scheduled before or at the beginning of the year?

As far as practicable, schedules of Board meetings are determined at the beginning of the year. However, actual details as to date, time, and venue thereof are subject to change depending on the availability of directors and senior management.

# 2) Attendance of Directors

Board	Name	Date of Election	No. of Meetings Held during the year	No. of Meetings Attended	%
Chairman	Paulino S. Soo	<u>25 September 2014</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>	100%
Member	Jack T. Huang	25 September 2014	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>	100%
Treasurer	Vicente Co Chieng, Jr.	<u>25 September 2014</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>	100%
Member	Jimmy S. Soo	<u>25 September 2014</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>	100%
Corp. Sec.	A. Bayani K. Tan	<u>25 September 2014</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>	100%
Independent	Ma. Therese G. Santos	<u>25 September 2014</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>	100%
Independent	Jimmy Chua Alabanza	<u>25 September 2014</u>	3	3	100%

3) Do non-executive directors have a separate meeting during the year without the presence of any executive? If yes, how many times?

No. The non-executive directors of the Board do not meet separately.

4) Is the minimum quorum requirement for Board decisions set at two-thirds of board members? Please explain.

The Company uses the minimum quorum requirement as set forth in the Corporation Code. Thus, when majority of the directors are present, the Board proceeds with the transaction of business as stated in the agenda for each meeting.

- 5) Access to Information
  - (a) How many days in advance are board papers<sup>4</sup> for board of directors meetings provided to the board?

The Company has adopted a standard that the board materials should be provided to the members of the Board a week in advance to enable the directors to adequately prepare for the meeting.

(b) Do board members have independent access to Management and the Corporate Secretary?

Yes. The Company's Manual of Corporate Governance provides that directors shall enjoy independent access to Management and the Corporate Secretary, especially with regard to access to information and documents.

(c) State the policy of the role of the company secretary. Does such role include assisting the Chairman in preparing the board agenda, facilitating training of directors, keeping directors updated regarding any relevant statutory and regulatory changes, etc.?

As part of its Manual of Corporate Governance, the Company has prescribed that the role of the Corporate Secretary be, as follows:

- Gather and analyze all documents, records and other information essential to his duties;
- Attend all board meetings, except in justifiable cases;
- Ensure strict compliance with Board procedures and rules and regulations;
- Inform the directors of agenda of meetings and the Board materials thereon;
- Keep in custody and preserve the integrity of minutes of the Board meetings and other official records;
- Assist the Board in making business judgments;
- Ensure that the Board have before them accurate information to arrive at intelligent decisions on matters that require their approval;
- Work fairly and objectively with the Board of Directors, Management, and stockholders; and
- Have adequate knowledge of the rules and regulations necessary in the performance of his duties and responsibilities, as well as the strategic objectives, policies, and procedures of the Company.
- (d) Is the company secretary trained in legal, accountancy or company secretarial practices? Please explain should the answer be in the negative.

Yes. Atty. A. Bayani K. Tan is a director and the Corporate Secretary of the Company. He is currently a director and/or corporate secretary of several reporting companies, as well as other corporations not listed in the stock exchange. He also served as Assistant Corporate Secretary and Legal Counsel of the Philippine Stock Exchange. He is a member of the Philippine Bar since 1981.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Board papers consist of complete and adequate information about the matters to be taken in the board meeting. Information includes the background or explanation on matters brought before the Board, disclosures, budgets, forecasts and internal financial documents.

#### (e) Committee Procedures

Disclose whether there is a procedure that Directors can avail of to enable them to get information necessary to be able to prepare in advance for the meetings of different committees:

Yes	х	No	
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Committee	Details of the procedures
Executive	The Manual of Corporate Governance ensures that the members
Audit	of the Board have unhampered access to the reports produced
Nomination	by the different committees as well as to the individual members
Remuneration	of the committees and senior officers of the Corporation.
Others (Risk)	Inquiries can be made by a member of the Board at any time to enable him to properly perform his duties and responsibilities.

#### 6) External Advice

Indicate whether or not a procedure exists whereby directors can receive external advice and, if so, provide details:

Procedures	Details
The Manual of Corporate Governance provides	This independent professional advice may be
that the members of the Board, whether	sourced from the Corporation's retained external
individually or as a Board, shall have access to	legal counsel or auditors. The Board may
independent professional advice at the	likewise choose to engage professionals in
Corporation's expense.	specific matters.

### 7) Change/s in existing policies

Indicate, if applicable, any change/s introduced by the Board of Directors (during its most recent term) on existing policies that may have an effect on the business of the company and the reason/s for the change:

There were no significant changes introduced by the Board during the period covered by this report that may have a material effect on the business of the Company. In compliance with the requirements of the SRC, any such changes are immediately reported to the SEC and the PSE.

Existing Policies	Changes	Reason
N/A		

### D. REMUNERATION MATTERS

#### 1) Remuneration Process

Disclose the process used for determining the remuneration of the CEO and the four (4) most highly compensated management officers:

Process	CEO	Top 4 Highest Paid Management Officers	
(1) Fixed remuneration	The Compensation and Remuneration Committee is tasked with		
(2) Variable remuneration	coming up with a formal and transparent procedure for developing a policy for executive remuneration and fixing the remuneration packages for corporate officers and directors, and provide oversight		
(3) Per diem allowance			

(4) Bonus	over remuneration of senior management and key personnel to
(5) Stock Options and other financial instruments	ensure that compensation levels are consistent with the Corporation's culture, strategy, and environment. The Committee also determines the amount of remuneration of directors and officers. The Committee answers that their remuneration is
(6) Others (specify)	officers. The Committee ensures that their remuneration is sufficient to attract and retain personnel.

2) Remuneration Policy and Structure for Executive and Non-Executive Directors

Disclose the company's policy on remuneration and the structure of its compensation package. Explain how the compensation of Executive and Non-Executive Directors is calculated.

	Remuneration Policy	Structure of Compensation Packages	How Compensation is Calculated
Executive Directors	Compensation of directors is determined by the Board, keeping in mind the Company's culture, strategy and control environment.		
Non-Executive Directors			

Do stockholders have the opportunity to approve the decision on total remuneration (fees, allowances, benefitsin-kind and other emoluments) of board of directors? Provide details for the last three (3) years.

Remuneration Scheme	Date of Stockholders' Approval
The remuneration scheme, as disclosed to the stockholders via SEC Form 20-IS, is ratified by the stockholders as part of the acts of the Board of Directors of the Company on the previous year during each annual stockholders' meeting.	<u>25 September 2014</u>

# 3) Aggregate Remuneration

Complete the following table on the aggregate remuneration accrued during the most recent year:

	Remuneration Item	Executive Directors	Non-Executive Directors (other than independent directors)	Independent Directors
(a)	Fixed Remuneration	P480,000.00	N/A	N/A
(b)	Variable Remuneration	N/A	N/A	N/A
(c)	Per diem Allowance	N/A	N/A	N/A
(d)	Bonuses	N/A	N/A	N/A
(e)	Stock Options and/or other financial instruments	N/A	N/A	N/A
(f)	Others (Specify)	N/A	N/A	N/A
	Total	P480,000.00	P0.00	P0.00

	Other Benefits	Executive Directors	Non-Executive Director (other than independent directors)	Independent Directors
1)	Advances	N/A	N/A	N/A
2)	Credit granted	N/A	N/A	N/A
3)	Pension Plan/s Contributions	N/A	N/A	N/A
(d)	Pension Plans, Obligations incurred	N/A	N/A	N/A
(e)	Life Insurance Premium	N/A	N/A	N/A
(f)	Hospitalization Plan	N/A	N/A	N/A
(g)	Car Plan	N/A	N/A	N/A
(h)	Others (Specify)	N/A	N/A	N/A
	Total	P0.00	P0.00	P0.00

### 4) Stock Rights, Options and Warrants

(a) Board of Directors

Complete the following table, on the members of the company's Board of Directors who own or are entitled to stock rights, options or warrants over the company's shares:

Director's Name	Number of Direct Option/Rights/ Warrants	Number of Indirect Option/Rights/ Warrants	Number of Equivalent Shares	Total % from Capital Stock
None of the membe Company's shares.	rs of the Board own	or is entitled to stock	rights, options or wo	irrants over the

### (b) Amendments of Incentive Programs

Indicate any amendments and discontinuation of any incentive programs introduced, including the criteria used in the creation of the program. Disclose whether these are subject to approval during the Annual Stockholders' Meeting:

Incentive Program	Amendments	Date of Stockholders' Approval
The Company has no existing ince		

Incentive Program	Amendments	Date of Stockholders' Approval
None		

### 5) Remuneration of Management

Identify the five (5) members of management who are <u>not</u> at the same time executive directors and indicate the total remuneration received during the financial year:

Name of Officer/Position	Total Remuneration
Schubert Caesar C. Austero/Vice President	
Sheila Marie Aguilar/Vice President	
Melanio C. Dela Cruz/Vice President	

# E. BOARD COMMITTEES

# 1) Number of Members, Functions and Responsibilities

Provide details on the number of members of each committee, its functions, key responsibilities and the power/authority delegated to it by the Board:

	N	lo. of Mer	nbers				
Committee	Exec utiv e Dire ctor (ED)	Non- execut ive Direct or (NED)	Indepen dent Director (ID)	Committee Charter	Functions	Key Responsibilities	Power
Executive	2	1	1	N	It shall exercise all such powers as may be delegated to it by the Board.		
Audit	1	1	1	N	Its oversight function covers financial reporting and disclosures, risk management and internal controls, management and internal audit, and external audit.	Its responsibilities include assisting the Board in the performance of its oversight responsibility for the financial reporting process, system of internal control, audit process, and monitoring of compliance with applicable laws, rules and regulations; providing oversight over Management's activities in managing credit, market, liquidity, operational, legal and other risks of the Company and over the Company's Internal and External Auditors; reviewing the annual internal audit plan and organize an	It has the power to disallow any non-audit work that will conflict with the duties of the External Auditor or may pose a threat to his independen ce. It also has the power to call attendees as required, including having open access to Manageme nt and auditors. It has the right to seek additional information as necessary to fulfill its responsibiliti es.

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						internal audit department; monitoring and evaluating the adequacy and effectiveness of the internal control system; and coordinating, monitoring and facilitating compliance with laws, rules and regulations.	
Nomination	2		1	N	It is responsible for reviewing the structure, size and composition of the Board and ensuring that both are comprised of the right balance of skills, knowledge and experience.	Its responsibilities include pre- screening and shortlisting all candidates nominated to become a member of the Board and re- defining the role, duties and responsibilities of the CEO by integrating the dynamic requirements of the business as a going concern and future expansionary prospects within the realm of good corporate governance.	It has the power to seek any information that it requires from employees of the Company, all of whom are directed to co- operate with any request it makes. Moreover, it has the power to employ the services of such advisers as it deems necessary to fulfill its responsibiliti es.
Remuneration	1	1	1	N	Its function is to establish a formal and transparent procedure for developing a policy on remuneration packages of corporate officers, directors, senior management and other key personnel to ensure that the compensation levels are consistent with the	Its responsibilities include determining the amount of remuneration for the Company's directors and officers; ensuring that all incoming officers and directors disclose fully their existing business interests or shareholdings that may directly or indirectly conflict with the performance of their intended duties and responsibilities; reviewing the	It has the power to engage an adviser as it deems necessary to carry out its duties. It also has unrestricted access to members of managemen t, employees and relevant information.

	Company's culture, strategy and control environment.	existing Human Resources Development or Personnel Handbook to strengthen provisions on conflict of interest, salaries and benefits policies, promotion and career advancement directives and compliance of personnel concerned with all
		concerned with all statutory requirements.

# 2) Committee Members

# (a) Executive Committee

Office	Name	Date of Appointment	No. of Meetings Held	No. of Meetings Attended	%	Length of Service in the Committee
Chairman	Paulino S. Soo	<u>25 September</u> <u>2014</u>	<u>None</u>	-	<u>100%</u>	<u>3</u>
Member (ED)	Jack T. Huang	<u>25 September</u> <u>2014</u>	<u>None</u>	=	<u>100%</u>	<u>3</u>
Member (NED)	Vicente Co Chien, Jr.	<u>25 September</u> <u>2014</u>	<u>None</u>	=	<u>100%</u>	<u>3</u>
Member (ID)	Ma. Therese G. Santos	<u>25 September</u> <u>2014</u>	<u>None</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>100%</u>	<u>3</u>

# (b) Audit Committee

Office	Name	Date of Appointment	No. of Meetings Held	No. of Meetings Attended	%	Length of Service in the Commi ttee
Chairman	Jimmy Chua Alabanza	<u>25 September</u> <u>2014</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>100%</u>	<u>3</u>
Member (ED)	Jack T. Huang	<u>25 September</u> <u>2014</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>100%</u>	<u>3</u>
Member (NED)	Vicente Co Chien, Jr.	<u>25 September</u> <u>2014</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>100%</u>	<u>3</u>
Member (ED)	Paulino S. Soo	<u>25 September</u> <u>2014</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>100%</u>	<u>3</u>
Member (NED)	Jimmy S. Soo	<u>25 September</u> <u>2014</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>100%</u>	<u>3</u>

Disclose the profile or qualifications of the Audit Committee members.

Paulino S. Soo holds a Master in Business Administration degree from the University of Pittsburgh Graduate School of Business and Bachelor of Science degree in Industrial Management Engineering from the De La Salle College. He is also the Chairman of Philippine Gaming Management Corporation (2002-present). He is the Chairman of Abacus Securities Corporation and Abacus Capital & Investment Corporation (1994-present).

Jack T. Huang is the incumbent President of the Company. He holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Economics from the Ateneo de Manila University. He is concurrently a director of Abacus Capital & Investment Corporation (1995-present) and Abacus Securities Corporation (1995-present). He is the President of Cebu Business Continuous Forms (1994-present).

Vicente Co Chien, Jr. is the Treasurer of the Corporation. He holds a Bachelor's degree in Business Economics from Hongkong Shuen Yan College. He is the President of Boston Clinics and Diagnostic Services (1994present) and Providence HealthCare Consultants (1999-present). He is concurrently director of Abacus Capital and Investment Corporation (1995-present), Abacus Securities Corporation (1995-present) and Vista Holdings Corporation (1995-present). He is director of Rokett Realty Co., Inc. (1995-present), South Sea Realty Development Corporation (2004-present), Loumont Trading Corporation (1993-present) and Loumont Construction & Development Corporation (1993-present).

*Mr.* Paulino S. Soo holds a Master in Business Administration degree from the University of Pittsburgh Graduate School of Business and Bachelor of Science degree in Industrial Management Engineering from the De La Salle College. He is also the President of Philippine Gaming Management Corporation (2002- present) and Berjaya Pizza Philippines Inc. (2010- present). He is Chairman of Abacus Securities Corp. & Abacus Capital & Investment Corporation (1994 – present).

Atty. Jimmy S. Soo is a Director of the Corporation. He obtained his Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Law Degrees from the University of the Philippines. He is the Managing Partner of Soo Gutierez Leogardo and Lee Law Offices (1992-present). He is currently the Corporate Secretary of Abacus Capital & Investment Corporation (1995- present) and a Director of First Abacus Financial Holdings Corporation (1995-present). He is the Chairman of Music Corporation, a publicly listed company (2002-present). He is also a Director and/or Corporate Secretary of various companies.

Describe the Audit Committee's responsibility relative to the external auditor.

The Company's Manual of Corporate Governance enumerates the responsibilities of the Audit Committee relative to the external auditor, to wit:

- Perform oversight functions over the Company's Internal and External Auditors. It should ensure that the Internal and External Auditors act independently from each other, and that both auditors are given unrestricted access to all records, properties and personnel to enable them to perform their respective audit functions.
- Prior to the commencement of the audit, discuss with the External Auditor the nature, scope and expenses of the audit, and ensure proper coordination if more than one audit firm is involved in the activity to secure proper coverage and minimize duplication of efforts.
- Review the reports submitted by the External Auditors.
- Evaluate and determine the non-audit work, if any, of the External Auditor, and review periodically the non-audit fees paid to the External Auditor in relation to their significance to the total annual income of the External Auditor and to the Company's overall consultancy expenses. The Committee shall disallow any non-audit work that will conflict with his duties as an External Auditor or may pose a threat to his independence. The non-audit work, if allowed, should be disclosed in the Company's annual report.

# (c) Nomination Committee

Office	Name	Date of Appointment	No. of Meetings Held	No. of Meetings Attended	%	Length of Service in the Commi ttee
Chairman	Paulino S. Soo	<u>25 September</u> <u>2014</u>	<u>None</u>			<u>3</u>
Member (ED)	Jack T. Huang	<u>25 September</u> <u>2014</u>	<u>None</u>			<u>3</u>
Member (ID)	Ma. Therese G. Santos	<u>25 September</u> <u>2014</u>	<u>None</u>			<u>3</u>

## (d) Remuneration Committee

Office	Name	Date of Appointment	No. of Meetings Held	No. of Meetings Attended	%	Length of Service in the Committe e
Chairman	Paulino S. Soo	<u>25 September</u> <u>2014</u>	<u>None</u>			<u>3</u>
Member (NED)	Vicente Co Chien, Jr.	<u>25 September</u> <u>2014</u>	<u>None</u>			<u>3</u>
Member (ID)	Ma. Therese G. Santos	<u>25 September</u> <u>2014</u>	<u>None</u>			<u>3</u>

# (e) Others (Specify) - None

Provide the same information on all other committees constituted by the Board of Directors:

Office	Name	Date of Appoint ment	No. of Meetings Held	No. of Meetings Attended	%	Length of Service in the Committee
Chairman	N/A					
Member (ED)						
Member (NED)						
Member (ID)						
Member						

3) Changes in Committee Members

Indicate any changes in committee membership that occurred during the year and the reason for the changes:

Name of Committee	Name	Reason
Executive	None	
Audit	None	
Nomination	None	
Remuneration	None	
Others	N/A	

#### 4) Work Done and Issues Addressed

Describe the work done by each committee and the significant issues addressed during the year.
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Name of Committee	Work Done	Issues Addressed
Executive	None	None
Audit	The Committee passed upon and approved the Company's audited financial statements before endorsing for the approval of the Board.	No significant issues addressed.
Nomination	The Committee passed upon the list of nominees for election as members of the Board and prepared the final short list of nominees.	No significant issues addressed.
Remuneration	None	None
Others	N/A	N/A

#### 5) Committee Program

Provide a list of programs that each committee plans to undertake to address relevant issues in the improvement or enforcement of effective governance for the coming year.

Name of Committee	Planned Programs	Issues to be Addressed
Executive	None	None
Audit	None	No significant issues addressed.
Nomination	None	No significant issues addressed.
Remuneration	None	No significant issues addressed.
Others (specify)	N/A	N/A

#### F. RISK MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

- 1) Disclose the following:
  - (a) Overall risk management philosophy of the company;

The Company's risk management program focuses on safeguarding shareholder value to manage unpredictability of risks and minimize potential adverse impact on its operating performance and financial condition.

The Company does not actively engage in the trading of financial assets for speculative purposes nor does it write options.

(b) A statement that the directors have reviewed the effectiveness of the risk management system and commenting on the adequacy thereof;

The Company's Board of Directors is directly responsible for risk management and the Management carries out risk management policies approved by the Board. After the Management identifies, evaluates reports and monitors significant risks, and submits appropriate recommendations, the Board approves formal policies for overall risk management, as well as written policies covering specific areas, such as foreign exchange risk, credit risk and liquidity risk.

(c) Period covered by the review;

The period covered by the review is from <u>1 January 2014 up to 31 December 2014</u>.

(d) How often the risk management system is reviewed and the directors' criteria for assessing its effectiveness; and

The Board annually reviews the Company's approaches to risk management and recommends to the Board the changes or improvements to key elements of its processes and procedures. No significant issues were addressed by the Committee in 2013.

(e) Where no review was conducted during the year, an explanation why not.

No significant issued were addressed by the Committee in 2013.

- 2) Risk Policy
  - (a) Company

Give a general description of the company's risk management policy, setting out and assessing the risk/s covered by the system (ranked according to priority), along with the objective behind the policy for each kind of risk:

Risk Exposure	Risk Management Policy	Objective	
Risk Exposure Interest Rate Risk	Risk Management Policy The Company policy is to minimize interest rate cash flow risk exposures on long-term financing.	<td co<="" td=""></td>	
Foreign Currency Risk	The Company's policy is to limit its foreign currency transactions to the extent possible. The Company does not enter into forward contracts or hedging transactions.	The Company aims to mitigate the effect of its foreign currency exposure.	
Credit Risk	The Company's policy is to deal only with creditworthy counterparties.	The Company aims to minimize its exposure to counterparties that fail to discharge an obligation to the Company under various financial instruments. The	

		Company continuously monitors defaults of customers and other counterparties identified either individually or by group, and to incorporate this information into its credit risk controls.
Liquidity Risk	The Company's policy is to maintain liquidity requirements for up to 60-day periods. Excess cash are invested in time deposits, mutual funds or short-term marketable securities. Funding for long-term liquidity needs is additionally secured by the Company's ability to sell long- term financial assets.	The Company aims to maintain liquidity needs in various time bands, on a day-to-day and week- to-week basis, as well as on the basis of a rolling 30-day projection. Long-term liquidity needs for a 6-month and a 1-year period are identified monthly.
Other Market Price Risk	The Company's policy is to mitigate the risk arising from changes in market price through monitoring changes in market price of investments. No specific hedging activities are undertaken in relation to investments in listed equity securities considered as long-term strategic investments.	The Company aims to manage the observed volatility rates using standard deviation of fair values of the Company's investments held at fair value versus such investments' impact on the Company's net profit and other comprehensive income.

# (b) Group

Give a general description of the Group's risk management policy, setting out and assessing the risk/s covered by the system (ranked according to priority), along with the objective behind the policy for each kind of risk:

Risk Exposure	Risk Management Policy	Objective	
N/A			

Since the Company is the parent of Abacus Capital & Investment Corporation, Abacus Securities Corporation and Vista Holdings Corporation, the Company's risk management policy has been adopted by its wholly-owned subsidiaries.

### (c) Minority Shareholders

Indicate the principal risk of the exercise of controlling shareholders' voting power.

Risk to Minority Shareholders
N/A

# 3) Control System Set Up

## (a) Company

Briefly describe the control systems set up to assess, manage and control the main issue/s faced by the company:

Risk Exposure	Risk Assessment (Monitoring and Measurement Process)	Risk Management and Control (Structures, Procedures, Actions Taken)
Financial Risk	It monitors potential sources of the risk through monitoring of investments and assets, and projected cash flows from operations. The Company also maintains a financial strategy that the scheduled principal and interest payments are well within the Company's ability to generate cash from its business operations.	The Company regularly monitors financial trends. The Company regularly keeps track of its capital position and assesses business conditions to ensure early detection and determination of risks, and its consequent adverse impact. It adopts measures, as may be deemed necessary and appropriate, to mitigate risks.
Operational Risks	The Company closely monitors demand and trends in the coal mining and power industry. The Company likewise closely monitors any regulatory amendments that may affect the Company's operations. Finally, the Company maintains good working relationship with the local government leaders in its mining sites and work with them in monitoring peace and order concerns.	Any operational risks monitored are brought to the attention of the Risk Committee and addressed therein, together with inputs from corporate officers. The findings and recommendations are then brought to the Board for approval. There has been no significant operational risk determined by the Company in its operations in the past year.

### (b) Group

Briefly describe the control systems set up to assess, manage and control the main issue/s faced by the company:

Risk Exposure	Risk Assessment (Monitoring and Measurement Process)	Risk Management and Control (Structures, Procedures, Actions Taken)
Financial Risk	N/A	
Operational Risks		

Since the Company is the parent, conduct of a risk assessment on its subsidiaries is done whenever a risk assessment of the parent company is conducted.

(c) Committee

Identify the committee or any other body of corporate governance in charge of laying down and supervising these control mechanisms, and give details of its functions:

Committee/Unit	Control Mechanism	Details of its Functions
Board of Directors	Policies with respect to risk assessment and risk management including the	It oversees the Company's practices and processes relating to risk assessment and

Company's major financial and	risk management, and
business risk exposures are laid	maintaining an appropriate
out.	risk culture, reporting of
	financial and business risks and
The culture of risk	associated internal controls.
management, which includes	It also provides a framework to
determining the appropriate	identify, assess, monitor and
risk appetite (risk-taker or risk-	manage the risks associated
averse) or level of exposure as	with the Company's business.
a whole or on any relevant	It adopts practices designed to
individual issue, and	identify significant areas of
determining what types of risk	business and financial risks and
are acceptable and which are	to effectively manage those
not, are set up.	risks in accordance with
	Company's risk profile.

#### G. INTERNAL AUDIT AND CONTROL

1) Internal Control System

Disclose the following information pertaining to the internal control system of the company:

(a) Explain how the internal control system is defined for the company;

Internal control system pertains to the Company's corporate governance processes with regard to integrity of financial statements and disclosures; effectiveness of internal control systems; independence and performance of internal and external auditors; compliance with accounting standards, legal and regulatory requirements; and evaluation of management's process to assess and manage the risk issues.

(b) A statement that the directors have reviewed the effectiveness of the internal control system and whether they consider them effective and adequate;

One of the responsibilities of the Board as stated in the Manual of Corporate Governance is to adopt a system of check and balance within the Board, conduct a regular review of the effectiveness of such system to ensure the integrity of the decision-making and reporting processes at all times and perform a continuing review of the Company's internal control system in order to maintain its adequacy and effectiveness.

(c) Period covered by the review;

The period covered by the review is from <u>1 January 2014 up to 31 December 2014</u>.

(d) How often internal controls are reviewed and the directors' criteria for assessing the effectiveness of the internal control system; and

The Audit Committee regularly updates the Board on its activities and makes recommendations whenever necessary. The Audit Committee likewise ensures that the Board is aware of matters that may significantly impact the financial condition or the Company's operations.

The Management formulated, under the supervision of the Audit Committee, the rules and procedures on internal control in accordance with the following guidelines:

- 1. An effective system of internal control that will ensure the integrity of the financial reports and protection of the assets of the Company should be maintained; and
- 2. On the basis of the approved audit plans, internal audit examinations should cover, at the minimum, the evaluation of the adequacy and effectiveness of controls that cover the Company's governance, operations and information systems, including the reliability and integrity of financial and operational information, effectiveness and efficiency of operations, protection of assets, and compliance with contracts, laws, rules and regulations.

(e) Where no review was conducted during the year, an explanation why not.

N/A

- 2) Internal Audit
  - (a) Role, Scope and Internal Audit Function

Give a general description of the role, scope of internal audit work and other details of the internal audit function.

Role	Scope	Indicate whether In- house or Outsource Internal Audit Function	Name of Chief Internal Auditor/Auditing Firm	Reporting process
The internal auditor	Internal audit	In house		The Internal
provides reasonable	examinations cover the			Auditor submits
assurance that the	evaluation of the			to the Audit
Company's key	adequacy and			Committee and
organizational and	effectiveness of controls			Management an
procedural controls are	that cover the			annual report on the internal audit
effective, appropriate, and complied with.	Company's governance, operations and			department's
unu complieu with.	information systems,			activities,
	including the reliability			responsibilities
	and integrity of financial			and performance
	and operational			relative to the
	information,			audit plans and
	effectiveness and			strategies as
	efficiency of operations,			approved by the
	protection of assets,			Audit Committee.
	and compliance with			The annual report
	contracts, laws, rules			includes
	and regulations.			significant risk
				exposures and
				control issues.

(b) Do the appointment and/or removal of the Internal Auditor or the accounting /auditing firm or corporation to which the internal audit function is outsourced require the approval of the audit committee?

One of the duties of the Audit Committee as stated in the Manual of Corporate Governance is to organize an internal audit department and consider the appointment of an independent internal auditor and the terms and conditions of its engagement and removal. Since the Audit Committee has oversight functions over the Internal Auditor, the removal of the latter is subject to the affirmation of the former.

(c) Discuss the internal auditor's reporting relationship with the audit committee. Does the internal auditor have direct and unfettered access to the board of directors and the audit committee and to all records, properties and personnel?

The Audit Committee reviews the activities and organizational structure of the internal audit function, including the need to outsource certain internal audit activities, and ensures that no unjustified restrictions or limitations are made. It likewise approves the strategic and operational plans of the Internal Audit unit and ensures that the internal audit reporting process is operating as planned.

The Audit Committee and the Internal Audit Unit meets periodically to discuss the results of audit work and

the implications of audit findings on the overall quality of internal control and procedures within the organization. Moreover, the internal auditor is given direct access to the board and to all records, properties and employees of the Company to enable him to fulfill his duties and responsibilities.

#### (d) Resignation, Re-assignment and Reasons

Disclose any resignation/s or re-assignment of the internal audit staff (including those employed by the thirdparty auditing firm) and the reason/s for them.

Name of Audit Staff	Reason
N/A	

(e) Progress against Plans, Issues, Findings and Examination Trends

State the internal audit's progress against plans, significant issues, significant findings and examination trends.

Progress Against Plans	N/A
Issues <sup>5</sup>	
Findings <sup>6</sup>	
Examination Trends	

[The relationship among progress, plans, issues and findings should be viewed as an internal control review cycle, which involves the following step-by-step activities:

- 1) Preparation of an audit plan inclusive of a timeline and milestones;
- 2) Conduct of examination based on the plan;
- 3) Evaluation of the progress in the implementation of the plan;
- 4) Documentation of issues and findings as a result of the examination;
- 5) Determination of the pervasive issues and findings ("examination trends") based on single year result and/or year-to-year results;
- 6) Conduct of the foregoing procedures on a regular basis.]
- (f) Audit Control Policies and Procedures

Disclose all internal audit controls, policies and procedures that have been established by the company and the result of an assessment as to whether the established controls, policies and procedures have been implemented under the column "Implementation."

Policies & Procedures	Implementation
The internal audit controls, policies, and pro Governance.	cedures are based on the Manual of Corporate

(g) Mechanisms and Safeguards

State the mechanism established by the company to safeguard the independence of the auditors, financial analysts, investment banks and rating agencies (example, restrictions on trading in the company's shares and imposition of internal approval procedures for these transactions, limitation on the non-audit services that an external auditor may provide to the company):

Auditors (Internal and External)	Financial Analysts	Investment Banks	Rating Agencies
The Audit Committee	The Company engages	The Company ensures	The Company ensures
disallows any non-	the services of an	that the investment	that the rating agency
audit work that will	external financial	bank is accredited by	it engages does not
conflict with the duties	analyst so that	regulatory agencies	own shares of stocks of
of the External Auditor	individual	and does not own	the Company. A

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> "Issues" are compliance matters that arise from adopting different interpretations.

 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm 6}$  "Findings" are those with concrete basis under the company's policies and rules.

or may pose a threat to his independence. The non-audit work, if allowed, should be disclosed in the Company's annual report. In compliance with the SRC, the engagement of the Company's external auditor does not	independence is not put at risk. A general impartiality requirement is implemented to provide a distance between the analyst and the analyzed security.	shares of stocks of the Company. A rotations scheme is likewise implemented to avoid occurrence or appearance of bias.	rotation scheme is likewise implemented to avoid occurrence or appearance of biases.
auditor does not exceed 5 consecutive years.			

(h) State the officers (preferably the Chairman and the CEO) who will have to attest to the company's full compliance with the SEC Code of Corporate Governance. Such confirmation must state that all directors, officers and employees of the company have been given proper instruction on their respective duties as mandated by the Code and that internal mechanisms are in place to ensure that compliance.

Paulino S. Soo and Jimmy Chua Alabanza shall attest to the Company's full compliance with the Revised Code of Corporate Governance.

# H. ROLE OF STAKEHOLDERS

#### 1) Disclose the company's policy and activities relative to the following:

	Policy	Activities
Customers' welfare	The Company is committed to deliver the best value to its customers through professional management, sound investment advisory, strong research team, real-market information and commitment to technology and training.	
Supplier/contractor selection practice	The Company ensures that any supplier/contractor engaged for services related to stock brokering and property development have sufficient professional experience and tools to carry out the required service.	
Environmentally friendly value- chain	N/A	
Community interaction	N/A	
Anti-corruption programmes and procedures?	N/A	
Safeguarding creditors' rights	The Company ensures that operations and investments are managed well so as not to impair the Company's ability to repay its creditors.	

2) Does the company have a separate corporate responsibility (CR) report/section or sustainability report/section?

The Company has a discussion and analysis of Company operations that covers the key issues that may affect the

long-term sustainability of the Company.

- 3) Performance-enhancing mechanisms for employee participation.
  - (a) What are the company's policy for its employees' safety, health, and welfare?

The Company aims to provide quality and timely health and welfare services to its employees in order to avoid interruption on their jobs and to prevent conditions (physical, mental or social) that will preclude them from giving their full attention to their work.

(b) Show data relating to health, safety and welfare of its employees.

None available.

(c) State the company's training and development programs for its employees. Show the data.

The Company conducts training programs to its employees on a regular basis and on occasions required by government regulatory bodies.

(d) State the company's reward/compensation policy that accounts for the performance of the company beyond short-term financial measures

None.

4) What are the company's procedures for handling complaints by employees concerning illegal (including corruption) and unethical behavior? Explain how employees are protected from retaliation.

Employees are encouraged to promptly report concerns about any illegal and unethical behavior. Reports can be made anonymously to the Company's Compliance Officer, Human Resource Department Head, or to any member of the Audit Committee. To enable the Company to verify and act on the report, employees are encouraged to make reports that contain as much information as possible, including the person involved, any witnesses, the location of any other information that would assist in investigating the concerns, and any supporting documentation. All whistle blower reports are handled in a confidential manner and confidentiality will be maintained to the fullest extent possible, consistent with the need to conduct an adequate investigation of the report and to perform subsequent remedial measures.

All reports received are forwarded to the Audit Committee, which would then make the preliminary assessment of the issues raised. The Audit Committee will then determine whether there is justification for an investigation and how it should be handled, should one be necessary. Depending on the issues involved, the Audit Committee may, in some cases, decide to delegate responsibility for an investigation to the Compliance Officer or to a legal counsel who will report directly to the Audit Committee.

Prompt and appropriate corrective action will be taken in response to any finding of illegal and unethical behavior. If after the investigation, the Audit and Risk Committee concludes that disciplinary measures are necessary, it will recommend such measures to the Board.

#### I. DISCLOSURE AND TRANSPARENCY

- 1) Ownership Structure
  - (a) Holding 5% shareholding or more

Sha	areholder	Number of Shares	Percent	Beneficial Owner
PCD	Nominee	<u>815,058,000</u>	<u>68.31%</u>	
Corporat	ion			
Paulino S	S. Soo	133,000,000	11.15%	
Abacus C	apital and	82,191,000	5.21%	
Investme	nt Corporation			

Name of Senior	Number of Direct shares	Number of Indirect shares / Through	% of Capital
Management		(name of record owner)	Stock
Paulino S. Soo	133,000,000	Nil	11.15%

2) Does the Annual Report disclose the following:

Key risks	Ŷ
Corporate objectives	Ŷ
Financial performance indicators	Ŷ
Non-financial performance indicators	Ŷ
Dividend policy	Ŷ
Details of whistle-blowing policy	N
Biographical details (at least age, qualifications, date of first appointment, relevant experience, and any other directorships of listed companies) of directors/commissioners	Y
Training and/or continuing education programme attended by each director/commissioner	N
Number of board of directors/commissioners meetings held during the year	N
Attendance details of each director/commissioner in respect of meetings held	N
Details of remuneration of the CEO and each member of the board of directors/commissioners	Ŷ

Should the Annual Report not disclose any of the above, please indicate the reason for the non-disclosure.

- Details of whistle-blowing policy While the Company adopts an open stance toward corporate whistle-blowers and is receptive to any information coming from them, the Company presently does not have a formal and written whistle-blowing policy.
- Training and/or continuing education program attended by each director/commissioner The Company discloses the educational background, continuing education information, and general training of each director. However, training or specific seminars attended by each director during a reporting period is not disclosed since the Company does not obtain these information from the directors.
- Number of directors/commissioners meetings held during the year While not included in the annual report, this information is submitted to the SEC each year and also made available to the public as part of the Company's corporate disclosures via the PSE and its own website.
- Attendance details of each director/commissioner in respect of meetings held This information is also submitted to the SEC and disclosed to the public via the PSE and the Company's website.

# 3) External Auditor's fee

Name of auditor	Audit Fee	Non-audit Fee
Punongbayan & Araullo	1,890,000.00	0.00

#### 4) Medium of Communication

List down the mode/s of communication that the company is using for disseminating information.

In communicating with its shareholders, the Company makes use of the following:

- Direct mailing of Company materials;
- Disclosures via the PSE website; and

- Posting to the Company website.
- 5) Date of release of audited financial report: N/A
- 6) Company Website

Does the company have a website disclosing up-to-date information about the following?

Business operations	Ν
Financial statements/reports (current and prior years)	Ν
Materials provided in briefings to analysts and media	Ν
Shareholding structure	Ν
Group corporate structure	Ν
Downloadable annual report	Ν
Notice of AGM and/or EGM	Ν
Company's constitution (company's by-laws, memorandum and articles of association)	Ν

Should any of the foregoing information be not disclosed, please indicate the reason thereto.

Up-to-date information on the said matters are available in reports submitted to the SEC and the PSE and may also be secured from the Company upon request therefor.

# 7) Disclosure of RPT

RPT	Relationship	Nature	Value
Management Service	Paulino S. Soo is the	The Company renders	Management fees
Agreement with	Chairman of both the	management services to	received by the
Philippine Gaming	Company and Philippine	Philippine Gaming	Company amounted to
Management	Gaming Management	Management	P68,181,486.00 in 2013.
Corporation	Corporation.	Corporation.	

When RPTs are involved, what processes are in place to address them in the manner that will safeguard the interest of the company and in particular of its minority shareholders and other stakeholders?

Full disclosure of the nature of related party transactions are made to, and the terms and conditions thereof are approved by, the Board of Directors. Shareholders are informed of these transactions via the annual reports and definitive information statements. Information on these transactions is also passed upon by the external auditor. The Company ensures that all contracts with related parties are made on an arms length basis.

# J. RIGHTS OF STOCKHOLDERS

- 1) Right to participate effectively in and vote in Annual/Special Stockholders' Meetings
  - (a) Quorum

Give details on the quorum required to convene the Annual/Special Stockholders' Meeting as set forth in its By-laws.

Quorum Required	Presence, in person or by proxy, of stockholders holding 50% + 1 of the outstanding capital stock of the Company.
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#### (b) System Used to Approve Corporate Acts

Explain the system used to approve corporate acts.

System Used	Ratification by stockholders during the annual stockholders meetings.
Description	The actions of the Company's Board and senior management are presented to the stockholders during the annual stockholders meeting. These are ratified by the stockholders during the meeting.

#### (c) Stockholders' Rights

List any Stockholders' Rights concerning Annual/Special Stockholders' Meeting that differ from those laid down in the Corporation Code.

Stockholders' Rights under	Stockholders' Rights not in	
The Corporation Code	The Corporation Code	
The rights of the stockholders under the Corporation Code are duly recognized by the Company. No		
deviations or modifications were implemented by the Company.		

#### Dividends

Declaration Date	Record Date	Payment Date
None		

- (d) Stockholders' Participation
  - State, if any, the measures adopted to promote stockholder participation in the Annual/Special Stockholders' Meeting, including the procedure on how stockholders and other parties interested may communicate directly with the Chairman of the Board, individual directors or board committees. Include in the discussion the steps the Board has taken to solicit and understand the views of the stockholders as well as procedures for putting forward proposals at stockholders' meetings.

Measures Adopted	Communication Procedure
All stockholders who will not, are unable, or do not expect to attend the meeting in person are encouraged to fill out, date, sign and send a proxy.	The Annual Stockholders' Meeting provides the avenue for shareholders to exercise their rights, including the right to raise questions or issues concerning the Company. During the annual stockholders meeting, the Chairman of the Board or any of the officers of the Company addresses the questions and the suggestions of the stockholders.
The date of the Annual Stockholders Meeting is announced through disclosure in the PSE more than a month before the scheduled date.	The information statement accompanying the notice of the Annual Stockholders' Meeting indicates the Company's contact information, which the stockholders may utilize to voice their concerns.

- 2. State the company policy of asking shareholders to actively participate in corporate decisions regarding:
  - a. Amendments to the company's constitution
  - b. Authorization of additional shares
  - c. Transfer of all or substantially all assets, which in effect results in the sale of the company

The Company complies with the requirements of the Corporation Code that a stockholders' meeting be called to approve the forgoing matters. A vote of stockholders holding at least 2/3 of the Company's outstanding capital stock is required to approve the foregoing matters.

3. Does the company observe a minimum of 21 business days for giving out of notices to the AGM where items to be resolved by shareholders are taken up?

The Company complies with the requirement under the SRC that notice of an annual or special stockholders' meeting be sent to stockholders not later than 15 business days before the meeting.

- a. Date of sending out notices: <u>4 September 2014</u>
- b. Date of the Annual/Special Stockholders' Meeting: 25 September 2014
- 4. State, if any, questions and answers during the Annual/Special Stockholders' Meeting.

None.

5. Result of Annual/Special Stockholders' Meeting's Resolutions

Resolution	Approving	Dissenting	Abstaining
Ratification of the acts and proceedings of the Board of Directors and Management for the year	100%		
Election of Directors	100%		
Appointment of External Auditor	100%		

6. Date of publishing of the result of the votes taken during the most recent AGM for all resolutions:

The results of the annual meeting of stockholders were disclosed to the public via the PSE on 10 October 2013.

(e) Modifications

State, if any, the modifications made in the Annual/Special Stockholders' Meeting regulations during the most recent year and the reason for such modification:

Modifications	Reason for Modification
None	

- (f) Stockholders' Attendance
  - (i) Details of Attendance in the Annual/Special Stockholders' Meeting Held:

Type of Meeting	Names of Board members / Officers present	Date of Meeting	Voting Procedure (by poll, show of hands, etc.)	% of SH Attendin g in Person	% of SH in Proxy	Total % of SH attendance
Annual	<u>Paulino S. Soo</u> <u>Jack T. Huang</u> <u>Vicente Co Chien, Jr.</u> <u>A Bayani K. Tan</u> <u>Jimmy S. Soo</u> <u>Ma. Therese G. Santos</u> <u>Jimmy Chua Alabanza</u>	<u>25</u> <u>September</u> <u>2014</u>	<u>Vica voce</u>	<u>11.15</u>	<u>58.23</u>	<u>69.38</u>

(ii) Does the company appoint an independent party (inspectors) to count and/or validate the votes at the ASM/SSMs?

An inspector is appointed by the Board before or at each meeting of the stockholders at which an election of directors is to take place. If no appointment shall have been made or if the inspector appointed by the Board refuses to act or fails to attend, the appointment shall be made by the presiding officer of the meeting.

Atty. A. Bayani K. Tan, the Company's Corporate Secretary, was tasked to validate the ballots and count the votes.

(iii) Do the company's common shares carry one vote for one share? If not, disclose and give reasons for any divergence to this standard. Where the company has more than one class of shares, describe the voting rights attached to each class of shares.

The Company's common shares are entitled to one vote for each share.

(g) Proxy Voting Policies

State the policies followed by the company regarding proxy voting in the Annual/Special Stockholders' Meeting.

	Company's Policies	
Execution and acceptance of proxies	All stockholders who will not, are unable, or do not expect to attend the meeting in person were encouraged to fill out, date, sign and send a proxy to the Company's Corporate Secretary. For corporate stockholders, the proxies should be accompanied by a Secretary's Certificate on the appointment of the Company's authorized signatory.	
Notary	Proxy should be duly notarized. A Notary Public is available in the office of the Corporate Secretary to notarize the proxy executed by the shareholders.	
Submission of Proxy	The stockholders were informed in the Notice that the proxy should be submitted to the Company's Corporate Secretary at 2704 East Tower, Philippine Stock Exchange Centre, Exchange Road, Ortigas Center, 1605 Pasig City. To be considered, all proxies should be received by the Corporate Secretary on or before 7 October 2013.	
Several Proxies	Where one stockholder names several proxy holders, it is their responsibility to determine among themselves which of them will cast the vote, and how.	
Validity of Proxy	Unless otherwise provided in the proxy, it is considered valid only for the meeting at which it has been presented to the Secretary.	
Proxies executed abroad	<i>Proxies executed abroad must be duly authenticated by the</i> <i>Philippine Embassy or Consular Office.</i>	
Invalidated Proxy	Proxies may be revoked by the stockholders either in an instrument in writing duly presented and recorded with the Secretary prior to scheduled meeting or by their personal presence at the meeting.	
Validation of Proxy	Proxies submitted were validated by a Committee of Inspectors on 8 October 2013 at 10 o'clock in the morning at the aforementioned address.	
Violation of Proxy	Votes cast in violation of the proxy are considered as stray votes.	

## (h) Sending of Notices

State the company's policies and procedure on the sending of notices of Annual/Special Stockholders' Meeting.

Policies	Procedure
The Company shall exercise transparency and fairness in the conduct of the Company's annual and special stockholders' meetings. The stockholders are encouraged to personally attend such meetings.	Pursuant to the By-Laws of the Company, notices for regular or special meetings of stockholders may be sent by the Secretary by personal delivery or by mail at least 2 weeks prior to the date of the meeting to each stockholder of record at his last known post office address or by publication in a newspaper of general circulation. The notice shall state the place, date and hour of the meeting, and the purpose and purposes for which the meeting is called. In case of special
	meetings, only matters stated in the notice can be the subject of motions or deliberations at such meeting. However, considering that the Securities Regulation Code requires notices of stockholders' meetings to be sent 15 business days prior to the meeting, the Company adheres to the requirements of the SRC.

(i) Definitive Information Statements and Management Report

Number of Stockholders entitled to receive	
Definitive Information Statements and	109
Management Report and Other Materials	
Date of Actual Distribution of Definitive	
Information Statement and Management Report	A Contombox 2014
and Other Materials held by market	<u>4 September 2014</u>
participants/certain beneficial owners	
Date of Actual Distribution of Definitive	
Information Statement and Management Report	<u>4 September 2014</u>
and Other Materials held by stockholders	
State whether CD format or hard copies were	The Definitive Information Statements and
distributed	Management Report were distributed in CD
	format.
If yes, indicate whether requesting stockholders	Yes.
were provided hard copies	163.

(j) Does the Notice of Annual/Special Stockholders' Meeting include the following:

Each resolution to be taken up deals with only one item.	Y
Profiles of directors (at least age, qualification, date of first appointment, experience, and directorships in other listed companies) nominated for election/re-election.	Ŷ
The auditors to be appointed or re-appointed.	Ŷ
An explanation of the dividend policy, if any dividend is to be declared.	N/A
The amount payable for final dividends.	N/A

Documents required for proxy vote.	Y

Should any of the foregoing information be not disclosed, please indicate the reason thereto.

# 2) Treatment of Stockholders

(a) State the company's policies with respect to the treatment of minority stockholders.

The Company's Manual of Corporate Governance provides for the protection of minority stockholders' rights in terms of voting, inspection of corporate records, right to information, right to dividends, and the exercise of appraisal rights.

The Manual of Corporate Governance vests in the Board the duty to promote shareholder rights, remove impediments to exercise of shareholder's rights, and allow possibilities to seek redress for violation of their rights. The Board is also tasked to encourage the shareholders to exercise their voting rights and the solution of collective action problems through appropriate mechanisms. The Board shall also be instrumental in removing excessive costs and other administrative or practical impediments to shareholder participation.

Policies	Implementation
Voting rights	All shareholders, including minority shareholders, have the right to elect, remove, and replace directors. They also have the right to vote on certain corporate acts, as provided under the Corporation Code. With the use of cumulative voting, minority shareholders may vote together to ensure the election of a director.
Inspection of corporate records	All shareholders are allowed to inspect the corporate books and records during office hours. They may also be furnished with annual reports, including financial statements, without cost or restrictions.
Right to information	Aside from the right to be provided with copies of periodic reports upon request, minority shareholders shall have the right to propose the holding of a meeting. Minority shareholders shall also have access to any and all information relating to matters for which the management is accountable. The minority shareholders may propose the inclusion of matters pertaining to management accountability in the agenda of the stockholders' meeting.
Right to dividends	All stockholders are entitled to receive dividends upon the declaration thereof by the Board. The Board may also make arrangements with stockholders whereby dividends and other distributions may be reinvested in new shares instead of being paid in cash to stockholders.
Appraisal right	Shareholders have the appraisal right or the right to dissent and demand payment of the fair value of their shares as provided under Section 82 of the Corporation Code under any of the following circumstances: a. Amendment of articles of incorporation has the effect of changing or restricting the rights of any stockholders or class of shares, or of authorizing preferences in any

respect superior to those of outstanding shares of any class, or of extending or shortening the term of corporate existence; b. In case of sale, lease, exchange, transfer, mortgage, pledge or other disposition of all or substantially all of the corporate
property and assets as provided in the
Corporation Code; and
c. In case of merger or consolidation.

(b) Do minority stockholders have a right to nominate candidates for board of directors?

Yes. All shareholders have the right to nominate candidates for the board of directors. However, they must conform to the eligibility requirements under the Corporation Code and Manual of Corporate Governance, as well as the guidelines set by the Nomination Committee.

# K. INVESTORS RELATIONS PROGRAM

1) Discuss the company's external and internal communications policies and how frequently they are reviewed. Disclose who reviews and approves major company announcements. Identify the committee with this responsibility, if it has been assigned to a committee.

The Company has an internal vetting process for communications to ensure that all information disseminated are accurate. Communications are also reviewed by the Compliance Officer to ensure that the regulatory requirements of the PSE and SEC are met. Finally, in cases where there may be legal implications or repercussions to the Company, the opinion of the Corporate Secretary is also sought.

2) Describe the company's investor relations program including its communications strategy to promote effective communication with its stockholders, other stakeholders and the public in general. Disclose the contact details (e.g. telephone, fax and email) of the officer responsible for investor relations.

The Company's Compliance Officer, Mr. Melanio C. Dela Cruz, is in-charge of investor relations. He may be contacted through the following:

	Details
(1) Objectives	To establish and maintain an investor relations program that will keep stockholders informed of the important developments in the Company and ensure them that the Company values their investment.
(2) Principles	Accuracy, transparency, and timeliness are the core principles that guide the Company's Investor Relations Program.
(3) Modes of Communications	The Company sends notices of meetings via direct mail to its stockholders. Updates on the Company's activities and other periodic reports to regulatory bodies are posted in the PSE website.
(4) Investors Relations Officer	Melanio C. Dela Cruz Compliance Officer (632) 667-8900 milan.delacruz@abacus-sec.com

3) What are the company's rules and procedures governing the acquisition of corporate control in the capital markets, and extraordinary transactions such as mergers, and sales of substantial portions of corporate assets?

In all of its transactions, particularly in extraordinary matters such as mergers and sales of substantial corporate assets, the Company ensures that it obtains the terms and conditions most beneficial to the corporation and maximizes shareholder value. The Company conducts due diligence in assessing the transaction and engages the services of consultants, legal counsel or independent auditors. The findings and recommendations of these experts are taken into account by the Board in making decisions and the corresponding approvals of the stockholders, in

cases where the law prescribes that approval be obtained, are sought.

Name of the independent party the board of directors of the company appointed to evaluate the fairness of the transaction price.

The Company engages the services of consultants, external legal counsel, or external auditors to evaluate and determine the fairness of the transaction price.

## L. CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY INITIATIVES

Discuss any initiative undertaken or proposed to be undertaken by the company.

Initiative	Beneficiary
N/A	

#### M. BOARD, DIRECTOR, COMMITTEE AND CEO APPRAISAL

Disclose the process followed and criteria used in assessing the annual performance of the board and its committees, individual director, and the CEO/President.

	Process	Criteria
Board of Directors	Annual self-assessment of Board performance	Criteria used to evaluate performance are based on the standards set in the Company's Manual of Corporate Governance.
Board Committees	Each committee conducts a self- assessment.	Criteria used are based on the standards set in the Company's Manual of Corporate Governance.
Individual Directors	The Board evaluates the performance of individual directors. On the other hand, the Nomination Committee passes upon the performance of a director when it examines fitness of nominees for re- election as directors.	Criteria used are based on the standards set in the Manual of Corporate Governance.
CEO/President	The Board evaluates the performance of the CEO and the President.	Criteria used are based on the standards set in the Manual of Corporate Governance.

### N. INTERNAL BREACHES AND SANCTIONS

Discuss the internal policies on sanctions imposed for any violation or breach of the corporate governance manual involving directors, officers, management and employees

Violations	Sanctions
First violation	Reprimand.
Second violation	Suspension from office, the duration of which shall depend on the gravity of the violation.
Third violation	Removal from office.

Pursuant to the requirement of the Securities and Exchange Commission, this Annual Corporate Governance Report is signed on behalf of the registrant by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Pasig on \_\_\_\_\_ January 2015.

## SIGNATURES

PAULINO S. SOO Chairman and Chief Executive Officer MA. THERESE G. SANTOS Independent Director

MELANIO C. DELA CRUZ Compliance Officer JIMMY CHUA ALABANZA Independent Director

**SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN** to before me this <u>day</u> of January 2015, the following affiants exhibited to me their Community Tax Certificates and competent evidences of their identity:

Name	Community Tax Certificate	Competent Evidence of Identity

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