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Ms. Janet A. Encarnacion Head, Disclosure Department Philippine Stock Exchange 3rd Floor, PSE Center Ayala Triangle, Ayala Ave., Makati City

Attn: Mr. Juan Federico C. De Leon Analyst

Dear *Ms. Encarnacion*:

We write in reference to your letter dated December 21, 2011 seeking clarification on the news article entitled "Phoenix Petroleum eyeing P25-B revenues" published in Manila Bulletin today which in part provides:

Keeping eye on shoring up its market share to 5.0-percent, Phoenix Petroleum Philippines Inc. is hoping to cap the year with 25-billion revenues, an 11 billion jump from the last year's 14 billion.

In an interview, Phoenix Petroleum president and chief executive officer Dennis A. Uy noted that the targeted market share expansion is buoyed by key factors as volume growth and propped market prices.

"We stick to our target of increasing our market share to 4.5 to 5.0 percent from 2.5-percent last year... although, I must say that we are not done yet with fourth quarter," he stressed.

The oil firm indicated plans of continuously expanding its retail portfolio – with set targets of additional 80 stations by 2012. This will then cement its fortified network to around 300 stations from 220 this 2011.

Phoenix Petroleum has programmed capital expenditure (capex) of P1.5 billion for 2011, around 70-percent of which has already been spent for various projects.

Mr. Uy's statement was candidly made during a casual encounter with the reporter in a hotel while our Company was having our Christmas party.

PHOENIX PETROLEUM PHILIPPINES, INC.



The figure quoted was merely a latest estimate forthrightly given by Mr. Uy considering that the Company recently concluded its Monthly Management Review last December 7, 2011. Nonetheless, we affirm Mr. Uy's further statement that the figure is not final since the Company has yet to conclude its fourth quarter report or its audited financial statement which will be concluded by January 2012 in time for its Annual Stockholders' Meeting on March 8, 2012.

We hope we have sufficiently clarified the matter from our end.

Thank you and warm regards.

Very truly yours, ocorro Ermac Cabreros **Corporate Secretary**