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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

SEC FORM 17-Q

**QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 17 OF THE SECURITIES
REGULATION CODE AND SRC RULE 17(2)(b) THEREUNDER**

1. For the quarterly period ended: **September 30, 2023**
2. SEC Identification number: **39587**
3. BIR Tax Identification No: **000-806-396-000**
4. Exact name of issuer as specified in its charter: **VISTAMALLS, INC.**
5. **Metro Manila, Philippines**
Province, country or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization
6. Industry Classification Code: (SEC Use Only)
7. **Lower Ground Floor, Building B, EVIA Lifestyle Center, Vista City,
Daanghari, Almanza II, Las Piñas City** **1747**
Address of issuer's principal office Postal Code
8. **(63) 2 8571-5948**
Issuer's telephone number, including area code
9. **STARMALLS, INC.**
Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last report
10. Securities registered pursuant to Sections 8 and 12 of the Code, or Sections 4 and 8 of the RSA

Title of each Class	Number of shares of common stock outstanding And amount of debt outstanding
Common stock	8,425,981,156 shares
Preferred stock	2,350,000,000 shares

11. Are any or all of the securities listed on a Stock Exchange?

Yes No

If yes, state the name of such Stock Exchange and the class/es of securities listed therein:

Philippine Stock Exchange **Common shares**

12. Check whether the registrant:

(a) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 17 of the Securities Regulation Code and SRC Rule 17 thereunder, and Section 25 and 177 of the Revised Corporation Code of the Philippines, during the preceding twelve (12) months (or for such shorter period of the registrant was required to file such reports.)

Yes No

(b) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days.

Yes No

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VISTAMALLS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 2023 AND DECEMBER 31, 2022
(In Million Pesos)

	Unaudited 09/30/2023	Audited 2022
ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents (Note 7)	416	3,516
Short-term cash investment (Note 8)	7	7
Investment at fair value through profit or loss (Note 8)	25	25
Receivables (Note 9)	6,132	8,098
Receivable from ultimate parent company	3,094	2,645
Real estate properties for sale	302	302
Other current assets (Note 11)	3,061	3,036
Total Current Assets	13,037	17,629
Noncurrent Assets		
Investments at fair value through other comprehensive income (Note 8)	1,241	1,241
Receivables - net of current portion (Note 9)	24,512	17,545
Property and equipment	28	37
Investment properties (Note 10)	48,943	44,900
Investment in associate (Note 8)	9,964	9,836
Other noncurrent assets (Note 11)	325	331
Total Noncurrent Assets	85,013	73,890
	98,050	91,519
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY		
Current Liabilities		
Accounts and other payables (Note 12)	4,238	5,147
Security deposits and advance rent	1,327	1,122
Payable to parent company	31,789	32,696
Income tax payable	86	11
Current portion of:		
Bank loans (Note 13)	345	456
Lease liabilities	462	462
Total Current Liabilities	38,247	39,893
Noncurrent Liabilities		
Bank loans - net of current portion (Note 13)	1,489	1,719
Lease liabilities - net of current portion	6,293	6,255
Pension Liabilities	56	49
Deferred tax liabilities – net	8,013	6,365
Other non-current liabilities	1,378	637
Total Noncurrent Liabilities	17,229	15,025
Total Liabilities	55,476	54,918
EQUITY (Note 14)		
Equity attributable to parent company's shareholders		
Capital Stock	8,449	8,449
Additional paid-in capital	6,389	6,389
Retained earnings	31,589	25,617
Revaluation reserves	-	-
Other Comprehensive Income	(4,012)	(4,012)
Total equity attributable to parent company's shareholders	42,415	36,443
Non-controlling interest	159	158
Total Equity	42,574	36,601
	98,050	91,519

VISTAMALLS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
FOR THE NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2023 AND 2022
(In Million Pesos)

	Unaudited Jul – Sept Q3 - 2023	Unaudited Jan – Sept 2023	Unaudited Jul – Sept Q3 - 2022	Unaudited Jan – Sept 2022
REVENUES				
Rental Income	3,373	9,516	2,380	7,264
Other Operating Income	149	803	226	1,195
	3,522	10,319	2,606	8,459
COSTS AND EXPENSES				
Depreciation and Amortization	435	1,129	451	1,291
Other operating and administrative (Note 15)	1,624	2,860	388	748
	2,059	3,989	839	2,039
OPERATING PROFIT	1,463	6,330	1,767	6,420
OTHER INCOME (CHARGES)				
Finance income	2	4	2	9
Finance costs – net	748	(502)	(167)	(474)
Gain from insurance proceeds (Note 10)	-	1,841	-	-
Equity in net earnings in associate	129	359	-	-
	879	1,702	(165)	(465)
INCOME BEFORE INCOME TAX	2,342	8,032	1,601	5,956
PROVISION FOR INCOME TAX	(585)	(1,794)	(74)	(857)
NET INCOME	1,757	6,238	1,675	5,098
NET INCOME ATTRIBUTABLE TO:				
Equity holders of the Parent Company	1,748	6,230	1,674	5,096
Non-controlling interest	7	8	2	2
	1,757	6,238	1,676	5,098
Weighted outstanding common shares	8,426	8,426	8,426	8,426
Basic / Diluted Earnings per share (Note 16)	0.207	0.739	0.199	0.605

VISTAMALLS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
FOR THE NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2023 AND 2022
(In Million Pesos)

	Unaudited Jul – Sept Q3 – 2023	Unaudited Jan – Sept 2023	Unaudited Jul – Sept Q3 – 2022	Unaudited Jan – Sept 2022
NET INCOME	1,757	6,238	1,676	5,098
OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)				
Fair value loss on investments at fair value through other comprehensive income	-	-	-	-
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME	1,757	6,238	1,676	5,098
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME ATTRIBUTABLE TO:				
Equity holders of the Parent Company	1,750	6,230	1,675	5,096
Non-controlling interest	7	8	1	2
	1,757	6,238	1,676	5,098
Weighted outstanding common shares	8,426	8,426	8,426	8,426
Basic/Diluted Earnings per Share (Note 16)	0.207	0.739	0.199	0.605

VISTAMALLS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY
FOR THE NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2023 AND 2022
(In Million Pesos)

	Unaudited Jan – Sept 2023	Unaudited Jan – Sept 2022
EQUITY ATTRIBUTABLE TO PARENT COMPANY’S SHAREHOLDERS		
COMMON STOCK		
Balance at beginning of period	8,426	8,426
Treasury shares	-	-
Balance at end of period	8,426	8,426
PREFERRED STOCK		
Balance at beginning of period	23	23
Treasury shares	-	-
Balance at end of period	23	23
ADDITIONAL PAID-IN CAPITAL		
Cost of additional life of Vistamalls	-	-
Balance at end of period	6,389	6,389
RETAINED EARNINGS		
Balance at beginning of period	25,617	17,475
Net income	6,230	5,098
Dividend declared	(258)	(221)
Minority interest	-	(2)
Balance at end of period	31,589	22,350
OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME		
Balance at beginning of period	(4,012)	(2,619)
Fair value gains	-	-
Balance at end of period	(4,012)	(2,619)
REVALUATION RESERVES	-	1,128
MINORITY INTEREST		
Balance at beginning of period	158	155
Share in net income	1	2
MINORITY INTEREST	159	157
TOTAL EQUITY	42,574	35,854

VISTAMALLS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2023 AND 2022
(In Million Pesos)

	Unaudited Jul – Sept Q3 – 2023	Unaudited Jan – Sept 2023	Unaudited Jul – Sept Q3 – 2022	Unaudited Jan – Sept 2022
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES				
Income before income tax	2,340	8,032	1,601	5,956
Adjustments for:				
Depreciation and amortization	435	1,129	451	1,291
Finance costs	(748)	502	167	473
Provision for probable losses	-	143	-	-
Interest income	(2)	(4)	(2)	(9)
Share in equity earnings from investment in associate	(129)	(359)	-	-
Operating income before changes in operating assets and liabilities	1,896	9,443	2,217	7,711
Decrease (Increase) in:				
Receivables	(3,057)	(5,144)	(775)	2,487
Other current assets	33	(25)	8	118
Increase (Decrease) in:				
Accounts and other payables	43	(1,166)	691	33
Security deposits and advance rent	(213)	204	(9)	172
Pension liabilities	2	6	-	-
Cash from operations	(1,296)	3,318	2,132	10,521
Payment of taxes	(37)	(72)	(17)	(53)
Interest received	2	4	1	9
Interest paid	748	(502)	(167)	(473)
Net Cash provided by Operating Activities	(583)	2,748	1,949	10,004
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES				
Acquisition of AFS investments	-	-	-	-
Increase in investment properties and property and equipment	(83)	(5,165)	(4,436)	(4,136)
Increase in investment in associate	114	229	-	-
Decrease (Increase) in other non-current assets	(1)	5	(2)	47
Increase (Decrease) in other liabilities	37	741	(80)	622
Net Cash used in Investing Activities	67	(4,190)	(4,518)	(3,467)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES				
Increase (Decrease) in payables to related parties – net	(380)	(1,356)	3,412	(3,568)
Payments of bank loans	(109)	(341)	(15)	(383)
Increase in lease liabilities	-	38	17	63
Decrease in short term cash investment	-	-	-	-
Increase in revaluation reserves	-	-	-	1,128
Net Cash used in Financing Activities	(465)	(1,659)	3,414	(2,760)
NET INCREASE IN CASH	(981)	(3,101)	845	3,777
CASH AT BEGINNING OF PERIOD	1,396	3,516	3,167	235
CASH AT END OF PERIOD	415	415	4,012	4,012

VISTAMALLS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
NOTES TO INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2023
(Amounts in Philippine Pesos)

1. CORPORATE INFORMATION

Vistamalls, Inc. (the Parent Company, or VMI) was incorporated in the Republic of the Philippines and duly registered with the Philippine Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) on October 16, 1969, originally to pursue mineral exploration. After obtaining Philippine SEC approval, the Parent Company later changed its primary business and is now presently engaged in holding investments in shares of stock and real estate business.

The Parent Company is the holding company of Vistamalls Group (the Group or VMI Group) which is engaged in leasing of retail malls and Business Process Outsourcing (“BPO”) commercial center. The Group has a wholly owned subsidiary, Masterpiece Asia Properties, Inc. (MAPI) and a 99.85% owned subsidiary, Manuela Corporation (MC).

The Parent Company is 88.34% owned by Vista Land & Lifescapes, Inc. (VLLI) and the rest by the public. VLLI is a publicly-listed investment holding company which is 65.17% owned by Fine Properties, Inc. (the Ultimate Parent Company), and 34.83% owned by the public. The Parent Company’s shares of stock are listed at the Philippine Stock Exchange (PSE).

The Parent Company’s accounting and administrative functions are handled by its subsidiaries, MC and MAPI (Note 10).

The Parent Company’s registered office and principal place of business is located at LGF, Building B, EVIA Lifestyle Center, Vista City, Daanghari, Almanza II, Las Piñas City.

Vista REIT

In contemplation of the Initial Public Offering of a REIT by VistaREIT, Inc. (formerly Vista One, Inc.) or “VREIT”, a subsidiary owned by the Intermediate Parent Company at 98.94% as of September 30, 2023, and in compliance with applicable regulatory requirements of the SEC for companies seeking registration of their securities, VREIT entered into and implemented the REIT Formation Transactions as follows:

On March 16, 2022, the BOD approved various amendments to the Articles of Incorporation and By- Laws of VREIT including, among others, the following: (a) change in the corporate name to “VISTAREIT, INC.”; (b) change in primary purpose to engage in the business of a real estate investment trust under Republic Act No. 9856 (the REIT Law), including the Revised Implementing Rules and Regulations of the REIT Law); (c) requirement to have independent directors in the Board; and (d) other amendments in connection with the initial public offering of VREIT as a REIT entity. Such amendments were approved by the SEC on April 18, 2022.

On May 5, 2022, the SEC approved the Registration Statement and issued a Pre-Effective Letter. Upon compliance with the requirements of the Pre-Effective Letter, VREIT expect the SEC to issue the Order of Registration of Securities and Certificate of Permit to Offer Securities for Sale. VREIT submitted a Registration Statement on March 24, 2022 with the SEC in accordance with the provisions of the Securities Regulation Code of the Philippines (Republic Act No. 8799, the “SRC”) for the registration of all the issued and outstanding Shares of the Company and the Offer Shares.

On May 12, 2022, The Philippine Stock Exchange, Inc. (“PSE”) issued its Notice of Approval, subject to compliance with certain conditions. VREIT filed on March 28, 2022, the Listing Application for the listing and trading of the issued and outstanding Shares of the Company and the Offer Shares.

On June 15, 2022, the Company was listed as a REIT company under the Main Board of the PSE, and the Secondary Offer Shares of 2,500,000,000 common shares held by the Sponsors were sold to the public at a price of P1.75 per share.

2. BASIS OF PREPARATION

The accompanying consolidated financial statements of the Group have been prepared on a historical cost basis, except for the financial assets measured at fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI) and fair value through profit or loss (FVTPL), which have been measured at fair value. The consolidated financial statements are presented in Philippine Peso (₱) which is the functional and presentation currency of the Parent Company, and all amounts are rounded to the nearest Philippine Peso unless otherwise indicated.

The consolidated financial statements provide comparative information in respect of the previous period. While there are recent signs of increased market activity with the easing of quarantine measures in key areas in the Philippines, management believes that the impact of COVID-19 situation remains fluid and evolving and the pace of recovery remains uncertain.

Statement of Compliance

The consolidated financial statements of the Group have been prepared in compliance with Philippine Financial Reporting Standards (PFRS).

Basis of Consolidation

The consolidated financial statements comprise the financial statements of the Parent Company and its subsidiaries as of September 30, 2023, and December 31, 2022, and for each of the nine months in the period ended September 30, 2023, and 2022.

Control is achieved when the Group is exposed, or has rights, to variable returns from its involvement with the investee and has the ability to affect those returns through its power over the investee.

Specifically, the Group controls an investee if and only if the Group has:

- Power over the investee (i.e., existing rights that give it the current ability to direct the relevant activities of the investee)
- Exposure, or rights, to variable returns from its involvement with the investee, and
- The ability to use its power over the investee to affect its returns

Generally, there is a presumption that a majority of voting rights result in control. To support this presumption and when the Group has less than a majority of the voting or similar rights of an investee, the Group considers all relevant facts and circumstances in assessing whether it has power over an investee, including:

- The contractual arrangement with the other vote holders of the investee
- Rights arising from other contractual arrangements
- The Group’s voting rights and potential voting rights

The Group re-assesses whether or not it controls an investee if facts and circumstances indicate that there are changes to one or more of the three elements of control. Consolidation of a subsidiary begins when the Group obtains control over the subsidiary and ceases when the Group loses control of the subsidiary. Assets, liabilities, income and expenses of a subsidiary

acquired or disposed of during the year are included or excluded in the consolidated financial statements from the date the Group gains control or until the date the Group ceases to control the subsidiary.

Profit or loss and each component of other comprehensive income (OCI) are attributed to the equity holders of the Parent Company and to the non-controlling interests (NCI), even if this results in the NCI having a deficit balance. The consolidated financial statements are prepared using uniform accounting policies for like transactions and other similar events. All intra-group assets and liabilities, equity, income, expenses and cash flows relating to transactions between members of the Group are eliminated in full on consolidation.

The consolidated financial statements include the financial statements of the Parent Company and the following subsidiaries. The voting rights held by the Group in these subsidiaries are in proportion of their ownership interest.

	Percentage of Ownership	
	30-Sept-23	31-Dec-22
Manuela Corporation	99.85%	99.85%
Masterpiece Asia Properties, Inc.	100.00%	100.00%

Non-controlling Interests

Non-controlling interests represent the portion of profit or loss and net assets not owned, directly or indirectly, by the Group.

Non-controlling interests are presented separately in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income, and within equity in the consolidated statement of financial position, separately from parent shareholder's equity. Profit or loss and each component of OCI are attributed to the equity holders of the Parent Company and to the NCI, even if this results in the NCI having a deficit balance. The acquisition of an additional ownership interest in a subsidiary without a change of control is accounted for as an equity transaction. Any excess or deficit of consideration paid over the carrying amount of the noncontrolling interest is recognized in equity of the parent in transactions where the noncontrolling interest are acquired or sold without loss of control.

As of September 30, 2023, and December 31, 2022, percentage of non-controlling interests pertaining to Manuela Corporation is 0.15%. The voting rights held by the non-controlling interest are in proportion of their ownership interest.

The Parent Company and the subsidiaries are all domiciled and incorporated in the Philippines and are in the business of leasing commercial spaces and buildings.

3. CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Adoption of New and Amended Accounting Standards and Interpretations

The accounting policies adopted are consistent with those of the previous financial year, except for the adoption of new standards effective as of January 1, 2021. The Group has not early adopted any standard, interpretation or amendment that has been issued but is not yet effective.

Unless otherwise indicated, adoption of these new standards did not have significant impact on the consolidated financial statements of the Group.

- Amendment to PFRS 16, *COVID-19-related Rent Concessions beyond 30 June 2021*

The amendment provides relief to lessees from applying the PFRS 16 requirement on lease modifications to rent concessions arising as a direct consequence of the COVID-19 pandemic. A lessee may elect not to assess whether a rent concession from a lessor is a lease modification if it meets all of the following criteria:

- The rent concession is a direct consequence of COVID-19;
- The change in lease payments results in a revised lease consideration that is substantially the same as, or less than, the lease consideration immediately preceding the change;
- Any reduction in lease payments affects only payments originally due on or before September 30, 2022; and
- There is no substantive change to other terms and conditions of the lease.

A lessee that applies this practical expedient will account for any change in lease payments resulting from the COVID-19 related rent concession in the same way it would account for a change that is not a lease modification, i.e., as a variable lease payment.

The amendment is effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after April 1, 2021. Early adoption is permitted. The Group adopted the amendments to PFRS 16 using practical expedients beginning January 1, 2021. There is no rent concession received in 2021.

- Amendments to PFRS 9, PAS 39, PFRS 7, PFRS 4 and PFRS 16, *Interest Rate Benchmark Reform - Phase 2*

The amendments provide the following temporary reliefs which address the financial reporting effects when an interbank offered rate (IBOR) is replaced with an alternative nearly risk-free interest rate (RFR):

- Practical expedient for changes in the basis for determining the contractual cash flows as a result of IBOR reform
- Relief from discontinuing hedging relationships
- Relief from the separately identifiable requirement when an RFR instrument is designated as a hedge of a risk component.

The Group shall also disclose information about:

- The nature and extent of risks to which the entity is exposed arising from financial instruments subject to IBOR reform, and how the entity manages those risks; and
- Their progress in completing the transition to alternative benchmark rates, and how the entity is managing that transition

The Group adopted the amendments beginning January 1, 2021.

- Adoption of PIC Q&A 2018-12 on Accounting for Common Usage Service Area (CUSA)

On February 14, 2018, the PIC issued PIC Q&A 2018-12 which provides guidance on some implementation issues of PFRS 15, *Revenue from Contracts with Customers* affecting the real estate industry. This includes PIC Q&A No. 2018-12-H which discussed accounting for CUSA charges wherein it was concluded that real estate developers are generally acting as principal for CUSA. On October 25, 2018, the SEC decided to provide relief to the real estate industry by deferring the application of the provisions of the PIC Q&A 2018-12-H

for a period of three years or until December 31, 2020. The deferral will only be applicable for real estate transactions.

The above guidance has no impact to the Group because its accounting policy has been aligned with the guidance since the initial adoption of PFRS 15 in 2018.

Voluntary Change in Accounting Policy

Starting January 1, 2021, considering the experience from the pandemic, management made a comparison of the prevailing practice in the industry and noted that most of the big players in commercial and office spaces leasing are using the simplified approach. Given this, management decided to align its accounting policy with what is prevailing in the industry which resulted in voluntarily changing its accounting policy to measure loss allowance for its lease receivables from general to simplified approach. The Group now measures the loss rate using net flow methodology.

Under the simplified approach, in calculating expected credit loss (ECL), the Group does not track changes in credit risk, but instead recognizes a loss allowance based on lifetime ECL at each reporting date. The Group has established a provision matrix for lease receivables, analyzed into third party and related party tenants, that is based on historical credit loss experience and incorporating forward-looking information (called overlays). The change in accounting policy was applied retroactively resulting in additional provision amounting to ₱24.79 million in 2021 and no significant impact for 2020 and 2019.

Management believes that the presentation of the consolidated statement of financial position as at the beginning of the earliest period presented is not necessary as the change in accounting policy has no significant impact on the Group's total assets and total equity as of January 1, 2019. The change in accounting policy did not impact the consolidated statement of cash flows for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019.

Standards Issued but not yet Effective

Pronouncements issued but not yet effective are listed below. The Group intends to adopt the following pronouncements when they become effective. Adoption of these pronouncements is not expected to have a significant impact on the Group's consolidated financial statements unless otherwise indicated.

Effective beginning on or after January 1, 2022

- Amendments to PFRS 3, *Reference to the Conceptual Framework*

The amendments are intended to replace a reference to the Framework for the Preparation and Presentation of Financial Statements, issued in 1989, with a reference to the Conceptual Framework for Financial Reporting issued in March 2018 without significantly changing its requirements. The amendments added an exception to the recognition principle of PFRS 3, Business Combinations to avoid the issue of potential 'day 2' gains or losses arising for liabilities and contingent liabilities that would be within the scope of PAS 37, *Provisions, Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets* or Philippine-IFRIC 21, *Levies*, if incurred separately.

At the same time, the amendments add a new paragraph to PFRS 3 to clarify that contingent assets do not qualify for recognition at the acquisition date.

The amendments are effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after January 1, 2022 and apply prospectively.

- Amendments to PAS 16, *Plant and Equipment: Proceeds before Intended Use*

The amendments prohibit entities deducting from the cost of an item of property, plant and equipment, any proceeds from selling items produced while bringing that asset to the location and condition necessary for it to be capable of operating in the manner intended by management. Instead, an entity recognizes the proceeds from selling such items, and the costs of producing those items, in profit or loss.

The amendment is effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after January 1, 2022 and must be applied retrospectively to items of property, plant and equipment made available for use on or after the beginning of the earliest period presented when the entity first applies the amendment.

- Amendments to PAS 37, *Onerous Contracts - Costs of Fulfilling a Contract*

The amendments specify which costs an entity needs to include when assessing whether a contract is onerous or loss-making. The amendments apply a “directly related cost approach”. The costs that relate directly to a contract to provide goods or services include both incremental costs and an allocation of costs directly related to contract activities. General and administrative costs do not relate directly to a contract and are excluded unless they are explicitly chargeable to the counterparty under the contract.

The amendments are effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after January 1, 2022.

The Group will apply these amendments to contracts for which it has not yet fulfilled all its obligations at the beginning of the annual reporting period in which it first applies the amendments.

- *Annual Improvements to PFRSs 2018-2020 Cycle*

- Amendments to PFRS 1, *First-time Adoption of Philippines Financial Reporting Standards, Subsidiary as a first-time adopter*

The amendment permits a subsidiary that elects to apply paragraph D16(a) of PFRS 1 to measure cumulative translation differences using the amounts reported by the parent, based on the parent’s date of transition to PFRS. This amendment is also applied to an associate or joint venture that elects to apply paragraph D16(a) of PFRS 1.

The amendment is effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after January 1, 2022 with earlier adoption permitted.

- Amendments to PFRS 9, *Financial Instruments, Fees in the ‘10 percent’ test for derecognition of financial liabilities*

The amendment clarifies the fees that an entity includes when assessing whether the terms of a new or modified financial liability are substantially different from the terms of the original financial liability. These fees include only those paid or received between the borrower and the lender, including fees paid or received by either the borrower or lender on the other’s behalf. An entity applies the amendment to financial liabilities that are modified or exchanged on or after the beginning of the annual reporting period in which the entity first applies the amendment.

The amendment is effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after January 1, 2022 with earlier adoption permitted. The Group will apply the amendments to financial

liabilities that are modified or exchanged on or after the beginning of the annual reporting period in which the entity first applies the amendment.

- Amendments to PAS 41, *Agriculture, Taxation in fair value measurements*

The amendment removes the requirement in paragraph 22 of PAS 41 that entities exclude cash flows for taxation when measuring the fair value of assets within the scope of PAS 41.

An entity applies the amendment prospectively to fair value measurements on or after the beginning of the first annual reporting period beginning on or after January 1, 2022 with earlier adoption permitted.

Effective beginning on or after January 1, 2023

- Amendments to PAS 12, *Deferred Tax related to Assets and Liabilities arising from a Single Transaction*

The amendments narrow the scope of the initial recognition exception under PAS 12, so that it no longer applies to transactions that give rise to equal taxable and deductible temporary differences.

The amendments also clarify that where payments that settle a liability are deductible for tax purposes, it is a matter of judgement (having considered the applicable tax law) whether such deductions are attributable for tax purposes to the liability recognized in the financial statements (and interest expense) or to the related asset component (and interest expense).

An entity applies the amendments to transactions that occur on or after the beginning of the earliest comparative period presented for annual reporting periods on or after January 1, 2023.

- Amendments to PAS 8, *Definition of Accounting Estimates*

The amendments introduce a new definition of accounting estimates and clarify the distinction between changes in accounting estimates and changes in accounting policies and the correction of errors. Also, the amendments clarify that the effects on an accounting estimate of a change in an input or a change in a measurement technique are changes in accounting estimates if they do not result from the correction of prior period errors.

An entity applies the amendments to changes in accounting policies and changes in accounting estimates that occur on or after January 1, 2023 with earlier adoption permitted. The amendments are not expected to have a material impact on the Group.

- Amendments to PAS 1 and PFRS Practice Statement 2, *Disclosure of Accounting Policies*

The amendments provide guidance and examples to help entities apply materiality judgements to accounting policy disclosures. The amendments aim to help entities provide accounting policy disclosures that are more useful by:

- Replacing the requirement for entities to disclose their ‘significant’ accounting policies with a requirement to disclose their ‘material’ accounting policies, and
- Adding guidance on how entities apply the concept of materiality in making decisions about accounting policy disclosures

The amendments to the Practice Statement provide non-mandatory guidance. Meanwhile, the amendments to PAS 1 are effective for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2023. Early application is permitted as long as this fact is disclosed. The amendments are not expected to have a material impact on the Group.

Effective beginning on or after January 1, 2024

- Amendments to PAS 1, *Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-current*

The amendments clarify paragraphs 69 to 76 of PAS 1, *Presentation of Financial Statements*, to specify the requirements for classifying liabilities as current or non-current. The amendments clarify:

- What is meant by a right to defer settlement
- That a right to defer must exist at the end of the reporting period
- That classification is unaffected by the likelihood that an entity will exercise its deferral right
- That only if an embedded derivative in a convertible liability is itself an equity instrument would the terms of a liability not impact its classification

The amendments are effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after January 1, 2023 and must be applied retrospectively. However, in November 2021, the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB) tentatively decided to defer the effective date to no earlier than January 1, 2024.

Effective beginning on or after January 1, 2025

- PFRS 17, *Insurance Contracts*

PFRS 17 is a comprehensive new accounting standard for insurance contracts covering recognition and measurement, presentation and disclosure. Once effective, PFRS 17 will replace PFRS 4, *Insurance Contracts*. This new standard on insurance contracts applies to all types of insurance contracts (i.e., life, non-life, direct insurance and re-insurance), regardless of the type of entities that issue them, as well as to certain guarantees and financial instruments with discretionary participation features. A few scope exceptions will apply.

The overall objective of PFRS 17 is to provide an accounting model for insurance contracts that is more useful and consistent for insurers. In contrast to the requirements in PFRS 4, which are largely based on grandfathering previous local accounting policies, PFRS 17 provides a comprehensive model for insurance contracts, covering all relevant accounting aspects.

The overall objective of PFRS 17 is to provide an accounting model for insurance contracts that is more useful and consistent for insurers. In contrast to the requirements in PFRS 4, which are largely based on grandfathering previous local accounting policies, PFRS 17 provides a comprehensive model for insurance contracts, covering all relevant accounting aspects. The core of PFRS 17 is the general model, supplemented by:

- A specific adaptation for contracts with direct participation features (the variable fee approach)
- A simplified approach (the premium allocation approach) mainly for short-duration contracts

On December 15, 2021, the FRSC amended the mandatory effective date of PFRS 17 from January 1, 2023 to January 1, 2025. This is consistent with Circular Letter No. 2020-62 issued by the Insurance Commission which deferred the implementation of PFRS 17 by two (2) years after its effective date as decided by the IASB.

PFRS 17 is effective for reporting periods beginning on or after January 1, 2025, with comparative figures required. Early application is permitted.

Deferred effectivity

- Amendments to PFRS 10, *Consolidated Financial Statements*, and PAS 28, *Sale or Contribution of Assets between an Investor and its Associate or Joint Venture*

The amendments address the conflict between PFRS 10 and PAS 28 in dealing with the loss of control of a subsidiary that is sold or contributed to an associate or joint venture. The amendments clarify that a full gain or loss is recognized when a transfer to an associate or joint venture involves a business as defined in PFRS 3. Any gain or loss resulting from the sale or contribution of assets that does not constitute a business, however, is recognized only to the extent of unrelated investors' interests in the associate or joint venture.

On January 13, 2016, the Financial Reporting Standards Council deferred the original effective date of January 1, 2016 of the said amendments until the IASB completes its broader review of the research project on equity accounting that may result in the simplification of accounting for such transactions and of other aspects of accounting for associates and joint ventures.

The Group is currently assessing the impact of adopting these amendments.

4. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Current and Noncurrent Classification

The Group presents assets and liabilities in consolidated statement of financial position based on current/noncurrent classification.

An asset is current when:

- Expected to be realized or intended to be sold or consumed in normal operating cycle;
- Held primarily for the purpose of trading;
- Expected to be realized within 12 months after reporting date; or
- Cash or cash equivalent unless restricted from being exchanged or used to settle a liability for at least 12 months after reporting date.

All other assets are classified as noncurrent.

A liability is current when:

- It is expected to be settled in the normal operating cycle;
- It is held primarily for the purpose of trading;
- It is due to be settled within 12 months after reporting date; or
- There is no unconditional right to defer the settlement of the liability for at least 12 months after reporting date.

The Group classifies all other liabilities as noncurrent.

Deferred liabilities are classified as noncurrent liabilities.

Fair Value Measurement

Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The fair value measurement is based on the presumption that the transaction to sell the asset or transfer the liability takes place either:

- In the principal market for the asset or liability, or
- In the absence of a principal market, in the most advantageous market for the asset or liability.

The principal or the most advantageous market must be accessible to by the Group.

The fair value of an asset or a liability is measured using the assumptions that market participants would use when pricing the asset or liability, assuming that market participants act in their economic best interest.

A fair value measurement of a non-financial asset takes into account a market participant's ability to generate economic benefits by using the asset in its highest and best use or by selling it to another market participant that would use the asset in its highest and best use.

The Group uses valuation techniques that are appropriate in the circumstances and for which sufficient data are available to measure fair value, maximizing the use of relevant observable inputs and minimizing the use of unobservable inputs.

All assets and liabilities for which fair value is measured or disclosed in the consolidated financial statements are categorized within the fair value hierarchy based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement as a whole:

- Level 1 - Quoted (unadjusted) market prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities
- Level 2 - Valuation techniques for which the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement is directly or indirectly observable
- Level 3 - Valuation techniques for which the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement is unobservable

For assets and liabilities that are recognized in the consolidated financial statements at fair value on a recurring basis, the Group determines whether transfers have occurred between Levels in the hierarchy by re-assessing categorization (based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement as a whole) at the end of each reporting period.

Cash

Cash includes cash on hand and in banks. Cash in banks earn interest at the prevailing interest rate.

Short-term Cash Investments

Short-term cash investments consist of money market placements made for varying periods of more than three (3) months and up to twelve (12) months. These investments earn interest at the respective short-term rates.

Financial Instruments

A financial instrument is any contract that gives rise to a financial asset of one entity and a financial liability or equity instrument of another entity.

Financial assets

Initial recognition and measurement

Financial assets are classified, at initial recognition, as subsequently measured at amortized cost,

fair value through other comprehensive income (OCI), and fair value through profit or loss.

The classification of financial assets at initial recognition depends on the financial asset's contractual cash flow characteristics and the Group's business model for managing them. For a financial asset to be classified and measured at amortized cost or fair value through OCI, it needs to give rise to cash flows that are 'solely payments of principal and interest (SPPI)' on the principal amount outstanding. This assessment is referred to as the SPPI test and is performed at an instrument level.

The Group's business model for managing financial assets refers to how it manages its financial assets in order to generate cash flows. The business model determines whether cash flows will result from collecting contractual cash flows, selling the financial assets, or both.

Purchases or sales of financial assets that require delivery of assets within a time frame established by regulation or convention in the market place (regular way trades) are recognized on the trade date, i.e., the date that the Group commits to purchase or sell the asset.

Subsequent measurement

For purposes of subsequent measurement, financial assets are classified in four categories:

- Financial assets at amortized cost (debt instruments)
- Financial assets at fair value through OCI with recycling of cumulative gains and losses (debt instruments)
- Financial assets designated at fair value through OCI with no recycling of cumulative gains and losses upon derecognition (equity instruments)
- Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss

Financial assets at amortized cost (debt instruments)

The Group measures financial assets at amortized cost if both of the following conditions are met:

- The financial asset is held within a business model with the objective to hold financial assets in order to collect contractual cash flows
- The contractual terms of the financial asset give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding.

Financial assets at amortized cost are subsequently measured using the effective interest (EIR) method and are subject to impairment. Gains and losses are recognized in profit or loss when the asset is derecognized, modified or impaired.

The Group's financial assets at amortized cost includes cash, short-term cash investments, receivables (except for advances to contractors), receivables from related parties and restricted cash. Restricted cash is presented in 'Other current assets' and 'Other noncurrent assets'.

Financial assets designated at fair value through OCI (equity instruments)

Upon initial recognition, the Group can elect to classify irrevocably its equity investments as equity instruments designated at fair value through OCI when they meet the definition of equity under PAS 32, *Financial Instruments: Presentation* and are not held for trading. The classification is determined on an instrument-by-instrument basis.

Gains and losses on these financial assets are never recycled to profit or loss. Dividends are recognized as other income in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income when the right of payment has been established, except when the Group benefits from such proceeds as a recovery of part of the cost of the financial asset, in which case, such gains are recorded in OCI. Equity instruments designated at fair value through OCI are not subject to impairment assessment.

The Group's equity instrument classified as financial assets designated at FVOCI includes

investment in VLLI (Note 8).

Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss

Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss include financial assets held for trading, financial assets designated upon initial recognition at fair value through profit or loss, or financial assets mandatorily required to be measured at fair value.

Financial assets are classified as held for trading if they are acquired for the purpose of selling or repurchasing in the near term. Derivatives, including separated embedded derivatives, are also classified as held for trading unless they are designated as effective hedging instruments. Financial assets with cash flows that are not solely payments of principal and interest are classified and measured at fair value through profit or loss, irrespective of the business model. Notwithstanding the criteria for debt instruments to be classified at amortized cost or at fair value through OCI, as described above, debt instruments may be designated at fair value through profit or loss on initial recognition if doing so eliminates, or significantly reduces, an accounting mismatch.

Financial assets at FVTPL are carried in the statement of financial position at fair value with net changes in fair value recognized in the statement of profit or loss.

The Group's investment at FVTPL comprises of investment in mutual funds (Note 8).

Impairment of Financial Assets

The Group recognizes expected credit losses (ECL) for the following financial assets that are not measured at FVTPL:

- debt instruments that are measured at amortized cost and FVOCI;
- loan commitments; and
- financial guarantee contracts.

No ECL is recognized on equity investments.

ECLs are measured in a way that reflects the following:

- an unbiased and probability-weighted amount that is determined by evaluating a range of possible outcomes;
- the time value of money; and
- reasonable and supportable information that is available without undue cost or effort at the reporting date about past events, current conditions and forecasts of future economic conditions.

As discussed above, starting January 1, 2021, the Group used simplified approach method in calculating its ECL for lease receivables from the previous general approach. Under the simplified approach, the Group does not track changes in credit risk, but instead recognizes a loss allowance based on lifetime ECLs at each reporting date. The Group has established a provision matrix for trade receivables that is based on its historical credit loss experience, adjusted for forward-looking factors (i.e. inflation, GDP growth rate) specific to the debtors and the economic environment.

An impairment analysis is performed at each reporting date using a provision matrix to measure ECLs. The provision rates are based on days past due for groupings of various customer segments with similar loss patterns. The calculation reflects the probability-weighted outcome and reasonable and supportable information that is available at the reporting date about past events, current conditions and forecasts of future economic conditions.

The provision matrix is initially based on the Group's historical observed default rates. The Group will calibrate the matrix to adjust the historical credit loss experience with forward-looking

information. At every reporting date, the historical observed default rates are updated and changes in the forward-looking estimates are analyzed. The Group considers a financial asset in default when contractual payments are 120 days past due. However, in certain cases, the Group may also consider a financial asset to be in default when internal or external information indicates that the Group is unlikely to receive the outstanding contractual amounts in full.

Financial assets are written off either partially or in their entirety only when the Group has stopped pursuing the recovery. If the amount to be written off is greater than the accumulated loss allowance, the difference is first treated as an addition to the allowance that is then applied against the gross carrying amount. Any subsequent recoveries are credited to impairment loss.

Prior to retroactive adoption of the change in ECL methodology for lease receivables, the Group uses general approach in calculating its ECL. Under the general approach, at each reporting date, the Group recognizes a loss allowance based on either 12-month ECLs or Lifetime ECLs, depending on whether there has been a significant increase in credit risk on the financial instrument since initial recognition. The changes in the loss allowance balance are recognized in profit or loss as an impairment gain or loss.

For cash in banks, short-term cash investments, and restricted cash, the Group applies the low credit risk simplification. The probability of default and loss given defaults are publicly available and are considered to be low credit risk investments. It is the Group's policy to measure ECLs on such instruments on a 12-month basis. However, when there has been a significant increase in credit risk since origination, the allowance will be based on the lifetime ECL. The Group uses the ratings from the external credit rating agencies to determine whether the instrument has significantly increased in credit risk and to estimate ECLs.

Financial liabilities

Initial recognition and measurement

Financial liabilities are classified, at initial recognition, as financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss, loans and borrowings, payables, or as derivatives designated as hedging instruments in an effective hedge, as appropriate.

All financial liabilities are recognized initially at fair value and, in the case of loans and borrowings and payables, net of directly attributable transaction costs.

The Group's financial liabilities include accounts and other payables (except for deferred output VAT and other statutory payables), dividends payable, income tax payable, payable to related parties, liabilities for purchased land, retention payable, bank loans and lease liabilities.

Subsequent measurement

Loans and borrowings

This is the category most relevant to the Group. After initial recognition, interest-bearing loans and borrowings are subsequently measured at amortized cost using the EIR method. Gains and losses are recognized in profit or loss when the liabilities are derecognized as well as through the EIR amortization process.

Amortized cost is calculated by taking into account any discount or premium on acquisition and fees or costs that are an integral part of the EIR. The EIR amortization is included as finance costs in the consolidated statements of comprehensive income.

This category generally applies to accounts and other payables (except for deferred output VAT and other statutory payables), dividends payable, income tax payable, payable to related parties, liabilities for purchased land, retention payable, bank loans and lease liabilities presented in the consolidated statements of financial position.

Derecognition of Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities

Financial asset

A financial asset (or, where applicable, a part of a group of financial assets) is derecognized when, and only when: (a) the right to receive cash flows from the assets expires; (b) the Group retains the right to receive cash flows from the asset, but has assumed an obligation to pay them in full without material delay to a third-party under a “pass-through” arrangement; or (c) the Group has transferred its right to receive cash flows from the asset and either: (i) has transferred substantially all the risks and rewards of the asset, or (ii) has neither transferred nor retained the risks and rewards of the asset but has transferred control of the asset.

Where the Group has transferred its rights to receive cash flows from an asset or has entered into a pass-through arrangement, and has neither transferred nor retained substantially all the risks and rewards of the asset nor transferred control of the asset, the asset is recognized to the extent of the Group’s continuing involvement in the asset. Continuing involvement that takes the form of a guarantee over the transferred asset is measured at the lower of the original carrying amount of the asset and the maximum amount of consideration that the Group could be required to repay.

Modification of financial assets

The Group derecognizes a financial asset when the terms and conditions have been renegotiated to the extent that, substantially, it becomes a new asset, with the difference between its carrying amount and the fair value of the new asset recognized as a derecognition gain or loss in the consolidated profit or loss, to the extent that an impairment loss has not already been recorded.

When the contractual cash flows of a financial asset are renegotiated or otherwise modified and the renegotiation or modification does not result in the derecognition of that financial asset, the Group recalculates the gross carrying amount of the financial asset as the present value of the renegotiated or modified contractual cash flows discounted at the original EIR (or credit-adjusted EIR for purchased or originated credit-impaired financial assets) and recognizes a modification gain or loss in the profit or loss.

Financial liability

A financial liability (or a part of a financial liability) is derecognized when the obligation under the liability is discharged, cancelled or has expired. When an existing financial liability is replaced by another from the same lender on substantially different terms, or the terms of an existing liability are substantially modified, such an exchange or modification is treated as a derecognition of the original liability and the recognition of a new liability, and the difference in the respective carrying amounts is recognized in profit or loss.

Offsetting Financial Instruments

Financial assets and financial liabilities are offset and the net amount reported in the consolidated statement of financial position if, and only if, there is a currently enforceable legal right to offset the recognized amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis, or to realize the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Real Estate Properties for Sale

Real estate inventories consist of subdivision land and residential houses and lots for sale and development. These are properties acquired or being constructed for sale in the ordinary course of business rather than to be held for rental or capital appreciation. These are held as inventory and are measured at the lower of cost and net realizable value (NRV).

Cost includes:

- Acquisition cost of subdivision land;
- Amounts paid to contractors for construction and development of subdivision land and residential houses and lots; and

- Planning and design costs, cost of site preparation, professional fees, property transfer taxes, construction materials, construction overheads and other related costs.

NRV is the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business, based on market prices at the reporting date, less costs to complete and the estimated costs of sale. The carrying amount of real estate inventories is reduced through the use of an allowance account and the amount of loss is charged to profit or loss.

The cost of real estate inventory recognized in profit or loss is determined with reference to the specific costs incurred on the property sold and an allocation of any non-specific costs. The total costs are allocated pro-rata based on the relative size of the property sold.

Advances to contractors

Advances to contractors are advance payments in relation to the Group's construction activities and are recouped through reduction against progress billings as the construction progresses. Recoupment occur within one to five years from the date the advances were made.

Value-Added Tax

Input tax represents the VAT due or paid on purchases of goods and services subjected to VAT that the Group can claim against any future liability to the BIR for output VAT on sale of goods and services subjected to VAT. The input tax can also be recovered as tax credit under certain circumstances against future income tax liability of the Group upon approval of the BIR and/or Bureau of Customs. Input tax is stated at its estimated net realizable values. A valuation allowance is provided for any portion of the input tax that cannot be claimed against output tax or recovered as tax credit against future income tax liability. Input tax is recorded under current assets in the consolidated statements of financial position.

For its VAT-registered activities, when VAT from sales of goods and/or services (output VAT) exceeds VAT passed on from purchases of goods or services (input VAT), the excess is recognized as payable in the consolidated statement of financial position. When VAT passed on from purchases of goods or services (input VAT) exceeds VAT from sales of goods and/or services (output VAT), the excess is recognized as an asset in the consolidated statement of financial position up to the extent of the recoverable amount.

For its non-VAT registered activities, the amount of VAT passed on from its purchases of goods or service is recognized as part of the cost of goods/asset acquired or as part of the expense item, as applicable.

Creditable Withholding Tax

Creditable withholding tax pertains to taxes withheld on income payments and may be applied against income tax due. The balance of taxes withheld is recovered in future period.

Prepaid Expenses

Prepaid expenses are carried at cost less the amortized portion. These typically comprise prepayments for marketing fees, taxes and licenses, rentals and insurance.

Restricted cash

Cash restricted for use are bank deposits restricted solely for payment of the principal amortization and interest of certain bank loans. These deposits bear prevailing interest rates and will be retained as deposits until the bank loans are fully paid.

Refundable Deposits

Refundable deposits are measured at amortized cost. These pertain to deposits on utility subscriptions, rental deposits and security deposits which shall be applied against unpaid utility expenses and rent expenses upon termination of the contracts.

Investment in Associate

Investment in associates are accounted for under the equity method of accounting.

An associate is an entity in which the Company has significant influence and which is neither a subsidiary nor a joint venture. Significant influence is the power to participate in the financial and operating policy decisions of the investee but is not in control or in joint control over those policies.

Under the equity method, the investments in the investee companies are carried in the consolidated statement of financial position at cost plus post-acquisition changes in the Group's share in the net assets of the investee companies, less any impairment in values. The consolidated statement of comprehensive income reflects the share of the results of the operations of the investee companies. The Group's share of post-acquisition movements in the investee's equity reserves is recognized directly in equity. Profits and losses resulting from transactions between the Group and the investee companies are eliminated to the extent of the interest in the investee companies and for unrealized losses to the extent that there is no evidence of impairment of the asset transferred. Dividends received are treated as a reduction of the carrying value of the investment.

The Group discontinues applying the equity method when their investments in investee companies are reduced to zero. Unless otherwise, additional losses are not recognized when the Group has guaranteed certain obligations of the investee companies. When the investee companies subsequently report net income, the Group will resume applying the equity method but only after its share of that net income equals the share of net losses not recognized during the period the equity method was suspended.

The reporting dates of the investee companies and the Group are identical and the investee companies' accounting policies conform to those used by the Group for like transactions and events in similar circumstances.

Investment Properties

Investment properties comprise completed property and property under construction or re-development that are held to earn rentals or for capital appreciation or both. Investment properties, except for land, are carried at cost less accumulated depreciation and amortization and any impairment in value. Land is carried at cost less any impairment in value. The initial cost of investment properties consists of its purchase price, including import duties, taxes and any directly attributable costs of bringing the asset to its working condition and location for its intended use. Investment properties also include right-of-use assets involving real properties.

It is the Group's policy to classify right-of-use assets as part of investment properties. The Group recognizes right-of-use assets at the commencement date of the lease (i.e., the date the underlying asset is available for use). Right-of-use assets are measured at cost, less any accumulated depreciation and impairment losses, and adjusted for any remeasurement of lease liabilities. The initial cost of right-of-use assets includes the amount of lease liabilities recognized, initial direct costs incurred, lease payments made at or before the commencement date less any lease incentives received.

Unless the Group is reasonably certain to obtain ownership of the leased asset at the end of the lease term, the recognized right-of-use assets are depreciated on a straight-line basis over the shorter of their estimated useful life and lease term. Right-of-use assets are subject for impairment.

Construction-in-progress (CIP) is stated at cost. This includes cost of construction and other

direct costs. CIP is not depreciated until such time as the relevant assets are completed and put into operational use. Construction-in-progress are carried at cost and transferred to the related investment property account when the construction and related activities to prepare the property for its intended use are complete, and the property is ready for occupation.

Expenditures incurred after the investment property has been put in operation, such as repairs and maintenance costs, are normally charged against income in the period in which the costs are incurred.

Depreciation and amortization commence once the investment properties are available for use and computed using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives (EUL) of the assets, regardless of utilization. The estimated useful lives and the depreciation and amortization method are reviewed periodically to ensure that the period and method of depreciation and amortization are consistent with the expected pattern of economic benefits from items of investment properties.

	Years
Buildings and building improvements	10 to 40 years or lease term, whichever is shorter
Right-of-use assets	11 to 30 years

Investment properties are derecognized when either they have been disposed of or when the investment property is permanently withdrawn from use and no future economic benefit is expected from its disposal. Any gain or loss on the retirement or disposal of an investment property is recognized in profit or loss in the year of retirement or disposal.

Transfers are made to investment property when there is a change in use, evidenced by ending of owner-occupation, commencement of an operating lease to another party or ending of construction or development. Transfers are made from investment property when, and only when, there is a change in use, evidenced by commencement of owner-occupation or commencement of development with a view to sale. Transfers between investment property, owner-occupied property and inventories do not change the carrying amount of the property transferred and they do not change the cost of the property for measurement or for disclosure purposes.

Impairment of Nonfinancial Assets

The Group assesses as at reporting date whether there is an indication that nonfinancial assets may be impaired. If any such indication exists, or when annual impairment testing for an asset is required, the Group makes an estimate of the asset's recoverable amount. An asset's recoverable amount is calculated as the higher of the asset's or cash-generating unit's fair value less costs to sell and its value in use and is determined for an individual asset, unless the asset does not generate cash inflows that are largely independent of those assets or groups of assets. Where the carrying amount of an asset exceeds its recoverable amount, the asset is considered impaired and is written down to its recoverable amount. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessment of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset. Impairment losses of continuing operations are recognized in profit or loss in those expense categories consistent with the function of the impaired asset.

An assessment is made at each financial reporting date as to whether there is an indication that previously recognized impairment losses may no longer exist or may have decreased. If such indication exists, the recoverable amount is estimated. A previously recognized impairment loss is reversed only if there has been a change in the estimates used to determine the asset's recoverable amount since the last impairment loss was recognized. If that is the case, the carrying amount of the asset is increased to its recoverable amount. That increased amount cannot exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined, net of depreciation and amortization, had

no impairment loss been recognized for the asset in prior years. Such reversal is recognized in profit or loss unless the asset is carried at revalued amount, in which case the reversal is treated as revaluation increase in OCI. After such reversal, the depreciation and amortization charge is adjusted in future periods to allocate the asset's revised carrying amount, less any residual value, on a systematic basis over its remaining useful life.

Security Deposits

Security deposits represent deposits required by lease agreements. These can be recovered upon termination of the lease agreement through refund or application to unpaid rent and/or other charges.

Advance Rent

Advance rent includes three-month advance rental paid by lessee as required under lease contract. These will be applied to the first or last three months rental depending on the contract terms of the related lease contract. These also include overpayments made by lessee against its monthly billings which will be applied to future billings.

Equity

Capital stock is measured at par value for all shares subscribed, issued and outstanding. When the shares are sold at premium, the difference between the proceeds at the par value is credited to "Additional paid-in capital" account. Direct costs incurred related to equity issuance are chargeable to "Additional paid-in capital" account. If additional paid-in capital is not sufficient, the excess is charged against retained earnings. When the Group issues more than one class of stock, a separate account is maintained for each class of stock and the number of shares issued.

Retained earnings represent accumulated earnings of the Group less dividends declared. It includes the accumulated equity in undistributed earnings of consolidated subsidiaries which are not available for dividends until declared by the subsidiaries.

Revenue Recognition

Revenue from contracts with customers is recognized when control of the goods or services are transferred to the customer at an amount that reflects the consideration to which the Group expects to be entitled in exchange for those goods or services. The Group has generally concluded that it is the principal in its revenue arrangements, except for the provisioning of water and electricity services in its mall retail spaces and office leasing activities, wherein it is acting as agent.

Rental income

The Group earns revenue from acting as a lessor in operating leases which do not transfer substantially all the risks and rewards incidental to ownership of an investment property. Rental income arising from operating leases on investment property is accounted for on a straight-line basis over the lease term and is included in the revenue in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income due to its operating nature, except for contingent rental income which is recognized when it arises.

Lease incentives that are paid or payable to the lessee are deducted from lease payments. Accordingly, tenant lease incentives are recognized as a reduction of rental income on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease. The lease term is the non-cancellable period of the lease together with any further term for which the tenant has the option to continue the lease, where, at the inception of the lease, the Group is reasonably certain that the tenant will exercise the option. For more information on the judgment involved, refer to Note 5.

The tenant lease incentives are considered in the calculation of 'Accrued rental receivables' under 'Receivables' in the consolidated statement of financial position.

Amounts received from tenants to terminate leases or to compensate for dilapidations are recognized in the statement of comprehensive income when the right to received them arises.

The contracts for commercial and office spaces leased out by the Group to its tenants include the rights to charge for the electricity usage, water usage, air-conditioning charges and CUSA like maintenance janitorial and security services.

For the electricity and water usage, the Group determined that it is acting as an agent because the promise of the Group to the tenants is to arrange for the electricity and water supply to be provided by a utility company. The utility and service companies, and not the Group, are primarily responsible for the provisioning of the utilities while the Group administers the leased spaces and coordinates with the utility and service companies to ensure that tenants have access to these utilities.

For the provision of CUSA and air-conditioning of the buildings, the Group acts as a principal because it retains the right to direct the service provider of air-conditioning, maintenance, janitorial and security to the leased premises. The right to the services mentioned never transfers to the tenant and the Group has the discretion on how to price the CUSA and air-conditioning charges.

In respect of the revenue component, these services represent a series of daily services that are individually satisfied over time because the tenants simultaneously receive and consume the benefits provided by the Group. The Group applies the time elapsed method to measure progress.

The consideration charged to tenants for these services is based on a fixed amount as agreed with the tenants.

The Group arranges for third parties to provide certain of these services to its tenants. The Group concluded that it acts as a principal in relation to these services as it controls the specified services before transferring them to the customer. Therefore, the Group records revenue on a gross basis. For more information, please refer to Note 5.

Interest income

Interest is recognized using the effective interest method, i.e, the rate, that exactly discounts estimated future cash receipts through the expected life of the financial instrument to the net carrying amount of the financial asset.

Other revenue

Other revenue is recognized when earned.

Cost and expenses

Cost and expenses pertain to expenses incurred in relation to rental of investment properties and administering the business. These are recognized when a decrease in future economic benefits related to a decrease in an asset or an increase of a liability has arisen than can be measured reliably. These are recognized when incurred and measured at the amount paid or payable.

Pension Cost

Defined benefit plan

The net defined benefit liability or asset is the aggregate of the present value of the defined benefit obligation at the end of the reporting period reduced by the fair value of plan assets, adjusted for any effect of limiting a net defined benefit asset to the asset ceiling. The asset ceiling is the present value of any economic benefits available in the form of refunds from the plan or reductions in future contributions to the plan.

The cost of providing benefits under the defined benefit plans is actuarially determined using the projected unit credit (PUC) method.

Defined benefit costs comprise the following:

- (a) service cost;
- (b) net interest on the net defined benefit liability or asset; and
- (c) remeasurements of net defined benefit liability or asset

Service costs which include current service costs, past service costs and gains or losses on non-routine settlements are recognized as expense in profit or loss. Past service costs are recognized when plan amendment or curtailment occurs.

Net interest on the net defined benefit liability or asset is the change during the period in the net defined benefit liability or asset that arises from the passage of time which is determined by applying the discount rate based on high quality corporate bonds to the net defined benefit liability or asset. Net interest on the net defined benefit liability or asset is recognized as expense or income in profit or loss.

Remeasurements comprising actuarial gains and losses, return on plan assets and any change in the effect of the asset ceiling (excluding net interest on defined benefit liability) are recognized immediately in OCI in the period in which they arise. Remeasurements are not reclassified to profit or loss in subsequent periods.

Plan assets are assets that are held by a long-term employee benefit fund or qualifying insurance policies. Plan assets are not available to the creditors of the Group, nor can they be paid directly to the Group. Fair value of plan assets is based on market price information. When no market price is available, the fair value of plan assets is estimated by discounting expected future cash flows using a discount rate that reflects both the risk associated with the plan assets and the maturity or expected disposal date of those assets (or, if they have no maturity, the expected period until the settlement of the related obligations).

The Group's right to be reimbursed of some or all of the expenditure required to settle a defined benefit obligation is recognized as a separate asset at fair value when and only when reimbursement is virtually certain.

Income Taxes

Current tax

Current tax assets and liabilities for the current and prior periods are measured at the amount expected to be recovered from or paid to the taxation authorities. The tax rates and tax laws used to compute the amount are those that are enacted or substantively enacted by the reporting date.

The Group periodically evaluates the income tax positions taken in situations where the applicable tax regulations are subject to interpretation and considers these positions separately from other uncertainties. The Group assesses whether or not it is probable that those income tax positions will be accepted by the tax authorities, where if not, the Group recognizes additional income tax expense and liability relating to those positions.

Deferred tax

Deferred tax is provided using the liability method on temporary differences, with certain exceptions, at the reporting date between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts for financial reporting purposes.

Deferred tax liabilities are recognized for all taxable temporary differences, with certain exceptions. Deferred tax liabilities shall be recognized for all taxable temporary differences associated with investments in subsidiaries, associates and interests in joint ventures when the timing of reversal of the temporary differences can be controlled and it is probable that the temporary differences will not reverse in foreseeable future. Otherwise, no deferred tax liability is set up.

Deferred tax assets are recognized for all deductible temporary differences, carryforward benefit of unused tax credits from excess of minimum corporate income tax (MCIT) over the regular corporate income tax and unused net operating loss carryover (NOLCO), to the extent that it is probable that taxable income will be available against which the deductible temporary differences and carryforward benefits of unused tax credits from MCIT and NOLCO can be utilized.

Deferred tax assets shall be recognized for deductible temporary differences associated with investments in subsidiaries, associates and interests in joint ventures only to the extent that it is probable that the temporary differences will reverse in the foreseeable future and taxable profit will be available against which the temporary differences can be utilized.

The carrying amount of deferred tax assets is reviewed at each financial reporting date and reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that sufficient taxable income will be available to allow the deferred tax assets to be utilized. Unrecognized deferred tax assets are reassessed at each financial reporting date and are recognized to the extent that it has become probable that future taxable income will allow the deferred tax asset to be recovered.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured at the tax rate that is expected to apply in the period when the asset is realized or the liability is settled, based on tax rates and tax laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted at the reporting date.

Deferred tax relating to items recognized outside profit or loss is recognized outside profit or loss in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income. Deferred tax items recognized in correlation to the underlying transaction either in other comprehensive income or directly in equity.

Deferred tax assets and deferred tax liabilities are offset if a legally enforceable right exists to set off current tax assets against current tax liabilities, and the deferred taxes relate to the same taxable entity and the same taxation authority.

Borrowing Costs

Borrowing costs directly attributable to the acquisition or construction of an asset that necessarily takes a substantial period of time to get ready for its intended use or sale are capitalized as part of the cost of the respective assets (included in "Investment properties" account in the consolidated statement of financial position). All other borrowing costs are expensed in the period in which they occur. Borrowing costs consist of interest and other costs that an entity incurs in connection with the borrowing of funds.

The interest capitalized is calculated using the Group's weighted average cost of borrowings after adjusting for borrowings associated with specific developments. Where borrowings are associated with specific developments, the amounts capitalized is the gross interest incurred on those borrowings less any investment income arising on their temporary investment.

Interest is capitalized from the commencement of the development work until the date of practical completion. The capitalization of finance costs is suspended if there are prolonged periods when development activity is interrupted. Interest is also capitalized on the purchase cost of a site of property acquired specifically for redevelopment but only where activities necessary to prepare the asset for redevelopment are in progress.

Borrowings originally made to develop a specific qualifying asset are transferred to general borrowings (a) when substantially all the activities necessary to prepare that asset for its intended use or sale are complete, and (b) the entity chooses to use its funds on constructing other qualifying assets rather than repaying the loan.

Leases

The Group assesses at contract inception whether a contract is, or contains, a lease. That is, if the contract conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset for a period of time in exchange for consideration.

Group as Lessee

The Group applies a single recognition and measurement approach for all leases, except short-term leases and leases of low-value assets. The Company recognizes lease liabilities to make lease payments and right-of-use assets representing the right to use the underlying assets.

Lease Liabilities

At the commencement date of the lease, the Group recognizes the liabilities measured at the present value of lease payments to be made over the lease term. The lease payments include fixed payments (including in-substance fixed payments) less any lease incentives receivable, variable lease payments that depend on an index or a rate, and amounts expected to be paid under residual value guarantees. The lease payments also include the exercise price of a purchase option reasonably certain to be exercised by the Group and payments of penalties for terminating the lease, if the lease term reflects the Group exercising the option to terminate. Variable lease payments that do not depend on an index or a rate are recognized as expenses (unless they are incurred to produce inventories) in the period in which the event or condition that triggers the payment occurs.

In calculating the present value of lease payments, the Group uses the incremental borrowing rate at the lease commencement date if the interest rate implicit in the lease is not readily determinable.

After the commencement date, the amount of lease liabilities increased to reflect the accretion of interest and reduced for the lease payments made. In addition, the carrying amount of lease liabilities is remeasured if there is a modification, a change in the lease term, a change in the in-substance fixed lease payments or a change in the assessment to purchase the underlying asset.

Short-term Leases and Leases of Low-value Assets

The Group applies the short-term lease recognition exemption to those leases that have a lease term of 12 months or less from the commencement date and do not contain a purchase option. The Group applies the low-value assets recognition exemption to leases of underlying assets with a value of ₱0.25 million and below when new. Lease payments on short-term leases and low-value assets are recognized as expense on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

Lease Modification

Lease modification is defined as a change in the scope of a lease, or the consideration for a lease, that was not part of the original terms and conditions of the lease (for example, adding or terminating the right to use one or more underlying assets, or extending or shortening the contractual lease term).

A lessee recognizes the right-of-use assets and lease liability as a separate new lease after assessing that the consideration for the lease increases by an amount commensurate with the stand-alone price and any adjustments to that stand-alone price reflects the circumstances of the particular contract. The Group recognizes the amount of the remeasurement of the lease liability as an adjustment to the right-of-use assets, without affecting profit or loss. For lease termination, the difference between the right-of-use assets and lease liability is recognized in the profit or loss.

Lease concessions

The Group accounted for Covid-19 related lease concessions received in 2020 as negative variable lease payments which is offset against the depreciation expense of ROU asset, in accordance with the provisions of the amendment to PFRS 16. Lease liability and right-of-use assets are not remeasured using a revised discount rate.

Group as a Lessor

Leases where the lessor does not transfer substantially all the risks and benefits of ownership of the assets are classified as operating leases. Initial direct costs incurred in negotiating operating leases are added to the carrying amount of the leased asset and recognized over the lease term on the same basis as the rental income. Contingent rents are recognized as revenue in the period in which they are earned.

Lease modification is defined as a change in the scope of a lease, or the consideration for a lease, that was not part of the original terms and conditions of the lease (for example, adding or terminating the right to use one or more underlying assets, or extending or shortening the contractual lease term).

A lessor shall account for a modification to an operating lease as a new lease from the effective date of the modification, considering any prepaid or accrued lease payments relating to the original lease as part of the lease payments for the new lease. If a change in lease payments does not meet the definition of a lease modification, that change would generally be accounted for as a negative variable lease payment. In the case of an operating lease, a lessor recognizes the effect of the rent concession by recognizing lower income from leases.

Basic and Diluted Earnings Per Share (EPS)

Basic EPS is computed by dividing net income attributable to equity holders of the Parent Company by the weighted average number of common shares issued and outstanding during the year adjusted for any subsequent stock dividends declared. Diluted EPS is computed by dividing net income attributable to the equity holders of the Parent Company by the weighted average number of common shares issued and outstanding during the year after giving effect to assumed conversion of potential common shares. The calculation of diluted EPS does not assume conversion, exercise, or other issue of potential common shares that would have an antidilutive effect on earnings per share.

As of September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022, the Group has no potential dilutive common shares.

Segment Reporting

The Group's business is primarily leasing of retail malls and BPO commercial centers which are all located in the Philippines and treated as one segment. The segmentation is the basis of the chief operating decision market's internal reports allocation resources, and the evaluation of performance.

Provisions

Provisions are recognized when the Group has a present legal or constructive obligation as a result of past events, it is more likely than not that an outflow of resources will be required to settle the obligation, and the amount can be reliably estimated. Provisions are not recognized for future operating losses.

Provisions are measured at the present value of the expenditures expected to be required to settle the obligation using a pre-tax rate that reflects the current market assessment of the time value of money and the risk specific to the obligation. Where discounting is used, the increase in the provision due to the passage of time is recognized as interest expense. Where the Group expects

some or all of a provision to be reimbursed, the reimbursement is recognized only when the reimbursement is virtually certain. The expense relating to any provision is presented in consolidated statement of comprehensive income net of any reimbursement.

Contingencies

Contingent liabilities are not recognized in the consolidated financial statements. These are disclosed unless the possibility of an outflow of resources embodying economic benefits is remote. Contingent assets are not recognized in the consolidated financial statements but disclosed when an inflow of economic benefits is probable.

Events After the Financial Reporting Date

Post year-end events that provide additional information about the Group's position at the reporting date (adjusting events) are reflected in the consolidated financial statements. Any post year-end events that are not adjusting events are disclosed in the consolidated financial statements when material.

5. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING JUDGEMENTS AND ESTIMATES

The preparation of accompanying consolidated financial statements in compliance with PFRS requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the consolidated financial statements and accompanying notes. The estimates and assumptions used in the consolidated financial statements are based upon management's evaluation of relevant facts and circumstances as at the date of the consolidated financial statements. Actual results could differ from such estimates.

Judgments and estimates are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

Judgments

In the process of applying the Group's accounting policies, management has made the following judgments, apart from those involving estimations, which have the most significant effect on the amounts recognized in the consolidated financial statements:

Principal versus agent considerations

The contract for the commercial spaces leased out by the Group to its tenants includes the right to charge for the electricity usage, water usage, air conditioning charges and CUSA like maintenance, janitorial and security services.

For the electricity and water usage, the Group determined that it is acting as an agent because the promise of the Group to the tenants is to arrange for the electricity and water supply to be provided by a utility company. The utility company, and not the real estate developer, is primary responsible for the provisioning of the utilities while the Group, administers the leased spaces and coordinates with the utility companies to ensure that tenants have access to these utilities. The Group does not have the discretion on the pricing of the services provided since the price is based on the actual rate charged by the utility providers.

For the connection to air conditioning system and services in the CUSA, the Group acts as a principal. This is because it is the Group who retains the right to direct the service provider of CUSA as it chooses and the party responsible to provide proper ventilation and air conditioning to the leased premises. The right to the services mentioned never transfers to the tenant and the Group has the discretion on how to price the CUSA and air conditioning charges.

Property lease classification – the Group as lessor

The Group has entered into commercial property leases on its investment property portfolio. The Group has determined, based on an evaluation of the terms and conditions of the arrangements, such as the lease term not constituting a major part of the economic life of the commercial property and the present value of the minimum lease payments not amounting to substantially all of the fair value of the commercial property, that it retains substantially all the risks and rewards incidental to ownership of this property and accounts for the contracts as operating leases

Assessment on whether lease concessions granted constitute a lease modification

In line with the rental relief framework implemented by the government to support businesses and the broader economy due to the impact of COVID-19, the Group waived its right to collect rent and other charges as part of various lease concessions it granted to lessees such as lease payment holidays or lease payment reductions.

The Group applies judgment when assessing whether the rent concessions granted is considered a lease modification under PFRS 16.

In making this judgment, the Group determines whether the rent concessions granted has changed the scope of the lease, or the consideration thereof, that was not part of the original terms and conditions of the lease. The Group assessed that the lease concessions it granted to lessees do not qualify as lease modifications since the terms and conditions under the corresponding lease contracts have not been modified by the waiver and therefore, is not a lease modification under PFRS 16. Consequently, this is treated as a variable lease.

The rent concessions granted by the Group for the nine months ended September 30, 2023 amounted to ₱123.32 million.

Operating Lease Commitments - as Lessee (Before January 1, 2019)

The Group has entered into various lease agreements as a lessee. Management has determined that all the significant risks and benefits of ownership of these properties, which the Group leases under operating lease arrangements, remain with the lessor. Accordingly, the leases were accounted for as operating leases. Rent expense amounted to ₱299.08 million in 2018.

Determination of the lease term

The Group determines the lease term as the non-cancellable term of the lease, together with any periods covered by an option to extend the lease if it is reasonably certain to be exercised, or any periods covered by an option to terminate the lease, if it is reasonably certain not to be exercised.

As a lessor, the Group enters into lease agreements that contain options to terminate or to extend the lease. At commencement date, the Group determines whether the lessee is reasonably certain to extend the lease term or not to terminate the lease. To make this analysis, the Group takes into account any difference between the contract terms and the market terms, any significant investments made by the lessee in the property, costs relating to the termination of the lease and the importance of the underlying asset to the lessee's operations. In many cases, the Group does not identify sufficient evidence to meet the required level of certainty.

As a lessee, the Group has a lease contract for the land where investment properties are situated that includes an extension and a termination option. The Group applies judgement in evaluating whether or not it is reasonably certain to exercise the option to renew or terminate the lease. That is, it considers all relevant factors that create an economic incentive for it to exercise either the renewal or termination. After the commencement date, the Group reassesses the lease term if there is a significant event or change in circumstances that is within its control and affects its ability to exercise, or not to exercise, the option to renew or to terminate (e.g., construction of significant leasehold improvements or significant customization to the leased asset).

Accounting for lease modification - the Group as lessee

In 2021, the Group and one of the lessors amended the lease contract covering parcels of land where one of the Group's commercial building is situated by extending the lease period and amending the lease rates. The Group assessed that the lease modification did not result in a separate lease and the Group remeasured the lease liability based on the amended lease period and lease rates and recognized the difference between the carrying amount of the modified lease liability and the carrying amount of the lease liability immediately before the modification as an adjustment to the right-of-use asset. The lease contract further subjects the lease payments starting 2036 to be reviewed by both parties in accordance with certain stipulations in the contract. As such, the Group used the market rate at the date the lease is modified for lease period where lease payments are yet to be agreed.

Incorporation of forward-looking information

The Group incorporates forward-looking information, including the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic into both its assessment of whether the credit risk of an instrument has increased significantly since its initial recognition and its measurement of ECL. To do this, the Group considers a range of relevant forward-looking macro-economic assumptions for the determination of unbiased general industry adjustments and any related specific industry adjustments that support the calculation of ECLs. Based on the Group's evaluation and assessment and after taking into consideration external actual and forecast information, the Group formulates a 'base case' view of the future direction of relevant economic variables as well as a representative range of other possible forecast scenarios. This process involves developing two or more additional economic scenarios and considering the relative probabilities of each outcome. External information includes economic data and forecasts published by governmental bodies, monetary authorities and selected private-sector and academic institutions. The base case represents a most-likely outcome and is aligned with information used by the Group for other purposes such as strategic planning and budgeting. The other scenarios represent more optimistic and more pessimistic outcomes. Periodically, the Group carries out stress testing of more extreme shocks to calibrate its determination of these other representative scenarios. The Group has identified and documented key drivers of credit risk and credit losses of each portfolio of financial instruments and, using an analysis of historical data, has estimated relationships between macro-economic variables and credit risk and credit losses.

Management's Use of Estimates

The key assumptions concerning the future and other key sources of estimation uncertainty at the reporting date, that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year are discussed below.

Provision for expected credit losses of financial assets

Cash, short term cash investments and restricted cash:

The Group recognizes a loss allowance based on either 12-month ECLs or Lifetime ECLs, depending on whether there has been a significant increase in credit risk on the financial instrument since initial recognition. The changes in the loss allowance balance are recognized in profit or loss as an impairment gain or loss. The Group uses external credit rating approach to calculate ECL for cash in banks, short-term cash investments and restricted cash. This approach leverages on available market data (i.e., S&P and Moody's and Fitch credit ratings for default rates). S&P, Moody's, Fitch and Reuters are reliable market data sources that provide default and recovery rate data. These information are widely used by investors and stakeholders in decision-making in terms of investment, credit activities, etc.

Receivables:

For receivable from tenants and accrued rental receivables, the Group recognizes a loss allowance based on lifetime ECLs effective January 1, 2021 and applied retrospectively. The changes in the loss allowance balance are recognized in profit or loss as an impairment gain or loss.

The assessment of the relationship between historical observed default rates, forecast economic conditions and ECLs is a significant estimate. The amount of ECLs is sensitive to changes in circumstances and of forecast economic conditions. The Group's historical credit loss experience and forecast of economic conditions may also not be representative of customer's actual default in the future.

The Group has determined that the COVID-19 pandemic has impacted the current operations of the Group and is expected to impact its future business activities.

Tenants which belong to micro, small and medium enterprise and those operating under entertainment, non-essentials and food industries are also adversely affected due to temporary closure of mall operations. This increases the risk of non-collection of the remaining receivables.

Considering the above, the Group revisited the expected credit loss exercise as at December 31, 2021 for its receivables.

For receivables from tenants, the PD scenario used in the calculation of ECL were 31% best, 33% base, and 36% worst case probability scenario as of December 31, 2021 and 25% best, 33% base, and 42% worst case probability scenario as of December 31, 2020, respectively, from the previous 33% equal probability of all scenarios as of December 31, 2019. The base case represents a most-likely outcome and is aligned with information used by the Group for other purposes such as strategic planning and budgeting. The other scenarios represent more optimistic and more pessimistic outcomes.

Further details are provided in Note 9.

Fair value of financial instruments

Where the fair values of financial assets and financial liabilities recorded in the consolidated statement of financial position or disclosed in the notes to the consolidated financial statements cannot be derived from active markets, they are determined using internal valuation techniques using generally accepted market valuation models. The inputs to these models are taken from observable markets where possible, but where this is not feasible, estimates are used in establishing fair values. These estimates may include considerations of liquidity, volatility, and correlation.

Evaluation of impairment of nonfinancial assets

The Group reviews investment properties and other nonfinancial assets for impairment of value. This includes considering certain indications of impairment such as significant changes in asset usage, significant decline in assets' market value, obsolescence or physical damage of an asset, significant underperformance relative to expected historical or projected future operating results and significant negative industry or economic trends, considering the impact of COVID-19 pandemic.

The Group estimates the recoverable amount as the higher of the fair value less costs to sell and value in use. Fair value less costs to sell pertain to quoted prices and for fair values determined using discounted cash flows (DCF) or other valuation technique such as multiples. In determining the present value of estimated future cash flows expected to be generated from the continued use of the assets, the Group is required to make estimates and assumptions that may affect property and equipment, investment properties and other nonfinancial assets.

Further details are provided in Note 10.

Determining the fair value of investment properties

The Group discloses the fair values of its investment properties. The Group engaged independent valuation specialists to assess fair value as at reporting date. The Group's investment properties consist of land and land developments and building and building improvements. These were valued by reference to market-based evidence using income approach, and comparable prices adjusted for specific market factors such as nature, location and condition of the property.

Further details are provided in Note 10.

Leases - Estimating the incremental borrowing rate

The Group cannot readily determine the interest rate implicit in the lease, therefore, it uses its incremental borrowing rate (IBR) to measure lease liabilities. The IBR is the rate of interest that the Group would have to pay to borrow over a similar term, and with a similar security, the funds necessary to obtain an asset of a similar value to the right-of-use asset in a similar economic environment. The IBR therefore reflects what the Group 'would have to pay', which requires estimation when no observable rates are available (such as for subsidiaries that do not enter into financing transactions) or when they need to be adjusted to reflect the terms and conditions of the lease. The Group estimates the IBR using observable inputs (such as market interest rates) when available and is required to make certain entity-specific estimates.

Useful lives of investment properties

The Group estimated the useful lives of its investment properties based on the period over which the assets are expected to be available for use. The estimated useful lives of are reviewed at least annually and are updated if expectations differ from previous estimates due to physical wear and tear and technical or commercial obsolescence on the use of these assets. For investment properties located in parcels of land that the Group leases, the Group also considers the non-cancellable term of the lease in determining the useful lives of the leasehold improvements.

Recognition of deferred tax assets

The Group reviews the carrying amounts of deferred income taxes at each reporting date and reduces deferred tax assets to the extent that it is no longer probable that sufficient taxable income will be available to allow all or part of the deferred tax assets to be utilized. However, there is no assurance that the Group will generate sufficient taxable income to allow all or part of deferred tax assets to be utilized. The Group looks at its projected performance in assessing the sufficiency of future taxable income.

6. SEGMENT INFORMATION

The Group's malls and BPO centers are all located in the Philippines and are treated as one operating segment. The real estate development of MC is very minimal to the overall operations and financial position of the Group as of September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022. These were not treated as a separate segment by the chief operating decision maker for its review, evaluation and allocation of resources.

The Group has operating lease agreements with All Value Holdings, Inc. and Subsidiaries (All Value Group), an entity under common control, which is comprised of AllHome Corporation, AllDay Retail Concepts, Inc, Family Shoppers Unlimited Inc. and CM Star Management, Inc., for the leases of commercial spaces. Revenue earned from All Value Group which is engaged in retail businesses covering supermarkets, retail of apparel, construction materials and home/building appliances and furnishings constitutes more than 10% of the Group's total revenue in the nine months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022.

The leasing operations have no noted significant seasonality in operations.

7. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

Cash and cash equivalents include the following components as of September 30, 2023:

Cash on hand and in banks	₱ 416
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Cash in banks earns interest at the prevailing bank deposit rates. Interest rate ranges from 0.10% to 1.50%.

8. INVESTMENTS

Short-term cash investments

Short-term cash investments consist of money market placements with maturities of more than three months up to one year and earn annual interest at the respective short-term investment rates, as follows:

Philippine Peso	3.00% to 3.25%
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As of September 30, 2023, short-term cash investments amounted to ₱7.40 million.

Investment at fair value through profit or loss

The investment at fair value through FVTPL of the Group comprises of investment in mutual funds.

Investment at fair value through OCI

The investment at fair value through FVOCI consists of VLLI shares carried at fair value which the Group irrevocably elected to measure at FVOCI.

Investments at FVTPL	₱ 25
Investments at FVOCI	1,241
	₱ 1,266

Investment in associate

As of September 30, 2023, VistaREIT, Inc. (VREIT) is owned by the following: (1) MAPI (32.96%); (2) Vista Residences, Inc (VRI) (17.40%); (3) MC (5.92%); (4) Communities Pampanga, Inc. (CPI) (4.86%); and (5) Crown Asia Properties, Inc. (CAPI) (3.49%) and the rest by individual and public shareholders.

VistaREIT, Inc. was incorporated in the Republic of the Philippines and registered with the Philippine Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) on August 24, 2020, primarily to own, manage, operate and engage in the leasing of income-generating real properties such as office buildings, shopping centers, hotels, resorts, residential buildings, condominium buildings, among others and to hold for investment or otherwise, real estate of all kinds, including buildings, apartments and other structures, and to grant loans and/or assume or undertake or guarantee or secure, whether as solidary obligor, surety, guarantor or any other capacity either on its general credit or on the mortgage, pledge, deed of trust, assignment and/or other security arrangement of any or all of its property, the whole or any part of the liabilities and obligations of its parent company, subsidiaries or investee companies or affiliates, without engaging in the business of a financing company or lending investor.

VREIT's registered office and principal place of business is located at 3rd Floor Starmall Las Piñas, CV Starr Avenue, Pamplona Dos, Las Piñas City.

Below is the financial information on VREIT as of September 30, 2023:

Current assets	₱ 1,796.67
Noncurrent assets	38,433.50
Current liabilities	1,052.68
Noncurrent liabilities	-
Revenue	2,069.26
Net income	13,894.26
Total comprehensive income	13,894.26

9. RECEIVABLES

The balance of this account is composed of the following as of September 30, 2023:

Accounts receivable from tenants	₱ 6,138
Advances to contractors	5,430
Accrued rent receivable	19,082
Receivables from broker	419
Other receivables	85
	31,154
<u>Less allowance for impairment losses</u>	<u>(510)</u>
	30,644
<u>Less noncurrent portion</u>	<u>(24,512)</u>
	₱ 6,132

All of the Group's trade and other receivables have been reviewed for indications of impairment.

Accounts receivables from tenants

Accounts receivables from tenants represent the outstanding receivables arising from the lease of commercial centers relating to the Group's mall and offices and are collectible within 30 days from billing date. These are covered by security deposit of tenants' equivalent to three-month rental and three-month advance rental paid by the lessees. This includes both the fixed and contingent portion of lease.

Advances to contractors

Advances to contractors are advance payments in relation to the Group's construction activities and are recouped through reduction against progress billings as the construction progresses. Recoupment occur within one to five years from the date the advances were made.

Accrued rental receivable

Accrued rental receivable pertains to the effect of straight-line calculation of rental income.

10. INVESTMENT PROPERTIES

Investment properties consist mainly of land and commercial centers. These include properties, currently being leased out for future leasing. The commercial centers include retail malls, Vistamalls and Starmalls that are located in key cities and municipalities in the Philippines. These also include office spaces for lease.

The Group's investment property generates rental income under various operating lease agreements. Rental income from the investment property amounting to ₱9,516 million and ₱7,264 million for the period ended September 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively, are presented

as Rental income under Revenues and Income in the consolidated statements of comprehensive income.

The composition of this account is shown below.

Land	₱ 18,518
Building and improvements	21,920
Construction In Progress	3,284
Right-of-use assets	5,221
	₱ 48,943

As of December 31, 2022 and 2021, the aggregate fair values of investment properties amounted to ₱61,629.44 million and ₱107,312.26 million, respectively, using Level 3 (significant unobservable inputs).

In 2022 and 2021, the fair values of the investment properties held for leasing were determined by independent professionally qualified appraisers.

In the determination of fair values in 2022 and 2021, market value approach method was used for land, income approach method was used for completed and substantially completed malls and office buildings for rent and cost approach method was used for construction in progress under early stage of construction and right-of-use asset.

The key assumptions used to determine the fair value of the investment properties held for leasing are the estimated rental value per sqm per year, rental growth rate per annum, and discount rate. The discount rate used in the valuation are discount rates range to of 8.77% to 9.70% and 8.10% to 8.69% in 2022 and 2021, respectively. Significant increases (decreases) in estimated rental value and rent growth per annum in isolation would result in a significantly higher (lower) fair value of the properties.

Significant increases (decreases) in the long-term vacancy rate and discount rate (and exit yield) in isolation would result in a significantly lower (higher) fair value. Generally, a change in the assumption made for the estimated rental value is accompanied by a directionally similar change in the rent growth per annum and discount rate, and an opposite change in the long-term vacancy rate.

The parcels of land are located in cities and municipalities like Mandaluyong, Las Piñas, Taguig, Naga, Bacoor, Imus, San Jose del Monte, Sta. Rosa, Muntinlupa and Kawit. The fair value measurement using unobservable data in active market is Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy.

The estimated useful life of the investment properties other than land is 10 to 40 years.

Investment properties with carrying value of ₱370.56 million and ₱4,547.55 million are used to secure the bank loans of the Group as of September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022, respectively. The fair value of the investment properties used as collateral amounted to ₱4,399.07 million and ₱36,091.7 million under income approach as of September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022, respectively.

Amortization expense related to right-of- use asset amounted to ₱173.42 million and ₱208.13 million for the period ended September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022, respectively. Right-of-use asset is amortized over a period of 3 to 30 years.

On January 8, 2022, a fire hit Star Mall Alabang in Muntinlupa City which resulted to retirement of investment properties and property and equipment with carrying value of ₱983.37

million and ₱3.56 million, respectively. This resulted to a net loss of ₱366.94 million, net of proceeds received from the insurance companies in 2022 amounting to ₱620.00 million. As at September 30, 2023, the Company received the remaining insurance proceeds of ₱1,841.16 million.

The total contractual obligations to either purchase or construct or develop investment properties or for repairs, maintenance and enhances amounted to ₱2,076.74 million and ₱2,353.04 million as of September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022, respectively.

11. OTHER ASSETS

This account is composed of the following as of September 30, 2023:

Input VAT	₱ 2,909
Restricted cash	148
Refundable deposits	177
Prepaid expenses	32
Creditable Withholding Tax	7
Others	113
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Less noncurrent portion	
Restricted cash	(148)
Refundable deposits	(177)
	(325)
	₱3,061

Input VAT is a tax imposed on purchases of goods, professional and consulting services and construction costs. These are available for offset against output VAT in future periods.

Restricted cash are deposits restricted solely for payment of the principal amortization and interest of certain bank loans. These deposits bear prevailing interest rates and will be retained as deposits until the bank loans are fully paid.

Refundable deposits pertain to deposits on utility subscriptions, rental deposits and security deposits. These deposits shall be applied against unpaid utility expenses and rent expenses upon termination of the contracts. These deposits are necessary for the continuing construction and development of the Group's commercial centers.

Prepaid expenses mainly include advertising and marketing fees, taxes and licenses, rentals and insurance paid in advance. These are to be fully amortized within one year.

Creditable withholding taxes pertain to taxes withheld by the customer and are recoverable and can be applied against income tax in future periods.

Others include accrued interest receivable, penalties receivable from tenants due to late payments, security deposits, advance rentals and office supplies.

12. ACCOUNTS AND OTHER PAYABLES

This account consists of:

Accounts payable	
Contractors	P 1,252
Supplier	711
Deferred output vat	1,012
Accrued expenses	371
Current portion of liabilities for purchased land	288
Current portion of retention payable	522
Others	82
	P 4,238

Accounts payable - contractors

Accounts payable - contractors pertain to contractors' billings for construction services related to the development of various projects of the Group. These are expected to be settled within the year.

Accounts payable - suppliers

Accounts payable - suppliers represent agency fees, construction materials, marketing collaterals, office supplies and property and equipment ordered and delivered but not yet due. These are expected to be settled within the year.

Deferred output VAT

Deferred output VAT pertains to the output VAT on receivables from the Group's leasing operations. This amount is presented as output VAT upon collection of the receivables.

Accrued expenses

Accrued expenses represent the accrual for security, building maintenance and janitorial services, salaries and employee benefits, professional fees, interest on interest-bearing loans and borrowings and other administrative expenses as well as marketing and advertising expenses, which are expected to be settled within 12 months after the end of the reporting period.

Current portion of liabilities for purchased land

Liabilities for purchased land are payables to various real estate property sellers. Under the terms of the agreements executed by the Group covering the purchase of certain real estate properties, the titles of the subject properties shall be transferred to the Group only upon full payment of the real estate payables. Liabilities for purchased land that are payable beyond one year from year end date are presented in 'Other noncurrent liabilities.

Current portion of liabilities for retention payable

Retention payable pertains to 10.00% retention from the contractors' progress billings which will be released after the completion of contractors' project. The retention serves as a holdout amount withheld from the contractor to cover for back charges that may arise from quality issues in affected projects.

Other payables

Other payables include dues from remittance to Social Security System, Philippine Health Insurance Corporation, Home Development Mutual Fund, withholding taxes and various payables. These are noninterest-bearing and are normally settled within one year.

13. BANK LOANS

The breakdown of this account is as follows:

Bank loans – Current	P 345
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Bank loans – Non-current	1,489
	₱ 1,834

Bank loans

Bank loans pertain to the borrowings of the Group from various local financial institutions. These bank loans are obtained to finance capital expenditures and for general corporate purposes.

The Group has complied with the covenants required by the bank loans as of September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022. The compliance of MAPI and MC to the covenants of their respective bank loans are based on their standalone financial statement balances.

14. EQUITY

Capital Stock

The details of the Parent Company's capital stock as of September 30, 2023 follow:

<i>Preferred</i>	
Authorized shares	10,000,000,000
Par value per share	₱ 0.01
Issued and outstanding shares	2,350,000,000
Value of shares issued	₱23,500,000
<i>Common</i>	
Authorized shares	16,900,000,000
Par value per share	₱ 1.00
Issued and outstanding shares	8,425,981,156
Value of shares issued	₱ 8,425,981,156

Registration Track Record

On November 13, 1970, the SEC approved the listing of the Parent Company's common shares totaling 1,000,000,000 shares. The shares were initially issued at an offer price of ₱0.01 per share.

After listing in 1970, there had been subsequent issuances covering a total of 7,425,981,156 shares.

Below is the summary of the Parent Company's track record of registration of securities with the SEC as of September 30, 2023:

	Number of Shares Registered	Number of holders of securities as of September 30, 2023
December 31, 2021	8,425,981,156	434
Add/(Deduct) Movement	-	(2)
December 31, 2022	8,425,981,156	432
Add/(Deduct) Movement	-	(1)
September 30, 2023	8,425,981,156	431

Retained Earnings

In accordance with Revised Securities Regulation Code Rule 68, the Parent Company's retained earnings available for dividend declaration as at December 31, 2022, after reconciling items, amounted to ₱5,546.34 million.

Retained earnings include the accumulated equity in undistributed earnings of consolidated subsidiaries of ₱19,181.48 million, and ₱12,037.14 million in 2022, and 2021, respectively. These are not available for dividends until declared by the subsidiaries.

The BOD of the Parent Company approved the declaration of regular cash dividend amounting to ₱257.84 million or ₱0.0306 per share and ₱220.43 million or ₱0.0262 per share on September 28, 2023 and September 30, 2022, respectively. The dividend declarations are in favor of all stockholders of record as of October 13, 2023 and October 14, 2022, ₱257.84 million and ₱220.43 million of which were paid on October 27, 2023 and October 27, 2022, respectively. The remaining unpaid dividends are lodged under “Payable to VLLI” amount.

15. OTHER OPERATING AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

This account consists of:

Occupancy expenses	₱ 370
Taxes and licenses	281
Salaries and employee benefits	195
Outside services	204
Repairs and maintenance	282
Advertising and promotions	53
Provision for probable losses/Bad Debts	143
Others	1,332
	₱ 2,860

16. EARNINGS PER SHARE

Earnings per share were computed as follows:

Net Profit attributable to parent company's shareholders	₱ 6,230
Divided by weighted outstanding common Shares	8,426
	₱ 0.739
Total comprehensive income attributable to parent company's shareholders	₱ 6,230
Divided by weighted outstanding common Shares	8,426
	₱ 0.739

Diluted earnings per share was not determined since the Group does not have potential dilutive shares as of September 30, 2023.

17. OTHER MATTERS

Impact of the recent Coronavirus situation

The declaration of COVID-19 by the World Health Organization (WHO) as a pandemic and declaration of nationwide state of calamity and implementation of community quarantine measures throughout the country starting March 16, 2020 have caused disruptions in the Parent Company's business activities. While there are recent signs of increased market activity with the easing of quarantine measures in key areas in the Philippines, management believes that the impact of COVID-19 situation remains fluid and evolving and the pace of recovery remains uncertain.

The Parent Company is continuously evaluating potential impact of the pandemic to its financial assets including the assumptions in the calculation of the expected credit losses and existence of any impairment indicators to its nonfinancial assets.

The Parent Company is closely monitoring the situation and the changes in target market's behavior, as a result of the "new normal".

Financial Soundness Indicator

Below are the financial ratios that are relevant to the Group for the period ended September 30, 2023 and 2022.

		<u>30-Sept-23</u>	<u>31-Dec-22</u>
Current Ratio	$\frac{\text{Current assets}}{\text{Current liabilities}}$	0.34	0.44
Long-term debt-to-equity ratio	$\frac{\text{Long-term debt}^1}{\text{Equity}}$	0.03	0.05
Debt ratio	$\frac{\text{Interest bearing debt}^2}{\text{Total assets}}$	0.04	0.06
Debt to equity ratio	$\frac{\text{Interest bearing debt}}{\text{Total equity}}$	0.04	0.06
Net debt to equity	$\frac{\text{Net debt}^3}{\text{Total equity}}$	0.03	(0.04)
Asset to equity ratio	$\frac{\text{Total assets}}{\text{Total equity}}$	2.30	2.50
		<u>30-Sept-23</u>	<u>30-Sept-22</u>
EBITDA to total interest	$\frac{\text{EBITDA}}{\text{Total interest}}$	19.25	16.32
Price Earnings Ratio	$\frac{\text{Market Capitalization}^4}{\text{Net Income}^5}$	3.34	4.69
Asset to liability ratio	$\frac{\text{Total assets}}{\text{Total liabilities}}$	1.77	1.61
Net profit margin	$\frac{\text{Net profit}}{\text{Sales}}$	0.60	0.60
Return on assets	$\frac{\text{Net income}^5}{\text{Total assets}}$	8.5%	9.2%
Return on equity	$\frac{\text{Net income}^5}{\text{Total equity}}$	19.5%	24.4%
Interest Service Coverage Ratio	$\frac{\text{EBITDA}}{\text{Total interest}}$	19.25	16.32

¹ Pertains to long term portion of the Bank loans

² Includes Bank loans

³ Bank loans less Cash, Short-term and Long Term Cash Investments, Investments at fair value through profit/loss and other comprehensive income

⁴ Based on closing price at September 30, 2023 and 2022

⁵ Annualized

MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Results of operations covering nine months ended September 30, 2023 vs. nine months ended September 30, 2022

Revenues

Rental income increased by 31% from ₱7,264 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2022 to ₱9,516 million in the period ended September 30, 2023. The increase was primarily attributable to higher occupancy and the increase in rates for the period including the upside from the higher sales of variable rental-based tenants. In addition, a new mall was opened during the period Vista Mall Davao which contributed to the increase in the revenue.

Other operating income decreased by 33% from ₱1,195 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2022 to ₱803 million in the period ended September 30, 2023 due to the decrease in other operating income generated from the commercial assets.

Cost and Expenses

Cost and expenses increased by 96% to ₱3,989 million for the nine months ended 30 September 2023 from ₱2,039 million for the nine months ended 30 September 2022.

- Depreciation decreased by 13% from ₱1,₪291 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2022 to ₱1,129 million for the period ended September 30, 2023 due to the transfer of some investment properties to VREIT.
- Operating expenses increased by 282% from ₱748 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2022, to ₱2,860 million in the period ended September 30, 2023. The increase was primarily due to repairs and maintenance, outside services, professional fees and other operating expenses.

Other Income (Charges)

Finance income decreased by 56% from ₱9 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2022 to ₱4 million in the period ended September 30, 2023 due to lower interest earned from cash in banks and receivables of the company for the period.

Finance costs increased by 6% from ₱474 million in the period ended September 30, 2022, to ₱502 million in the period ended September 30, 2023. The increase was due to the interest pertaining to the lease liabilities recognized.

The company recognized a gain from insurance proceed amounting to ₱1,841 million for the nine months ended 30 September 2023.

Equity in net earnings of an associate registered at P359 million for ended September 30, 2023. The increase was due to the share on the earnings of VREIT.

Provision for Income Tax

Provision for tax increased by 109% from ₱857 million in the period ended September 30, 2022 to ₱1,794 million in the period ended September 30, 2023 due to the higher taxable income in the 9-months of 2023.

Net Income

As a result of the foregoing, the Group's net income increased by 22% from ₱5,098 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2022 to ₱6,238 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2023.

For the nine months ended, there were no seasonal aspects that had a material effect on the financial condition or results of operations of the Company. Neither were there any trends, events or uncertainties that have had or that are reasonably expected to have a material impact on the net sales or revenues or income from continuing operations. The Company is not aware of events that will cause a material change in the relationship between the costs and revenues except as discussed in the notes to financial statements Events after the report date on the potential impact of the COVID-19 pandemic.

There are no significant elements of income or loss that did not arise from the Company's continuing operations.

Financial Condition as of September 30, 2023 vs. December 31, 2022

Total assets were ₱98,050 million as of September 30, 2023 and ₱91,159 million as of December 31, 2022. The 7% increase is due to the following:

- Cash and cash equivalents decreased by 88% from ₱3,516 million as of December 31, 2022 to ₱416 million as September 30, 2023 due to the decrease in cash flow from operations.
- Receivables, including non-current portion increased by 20% from ₱25,643 million as of December 31, 2022 to ₱30,644 million as of September 30, 2023 mainly due to the increase in accrued rent receivables.
- Property and equipment decreased by 24% from ₱37 million as of December 31, 2022 to ₱28 million as of September 30, 2023 due to depreciation.
- Investment properties increased by 9% from ₱44,900 million as of December 31, 2022 to ₱48,943 million as of September 30, 2023 primarily due to the additions of land, buildings and improvements of investment properties for the period.
- Other assets, including non-current portion increased by 1% from ₱3,367 million as of December 31, 2022 to ₱3,386 million as of September 30, 2023 mainly due to the increase in prepaid expenses.

Total Liabilities as of September 30, 2023 registered at ₱55,475 million, remains the same compared to ₱54,918 million as of December 31, 2022.

- Accounts and other payables decreased by 18% from ₱5,147 million as of December 31, 2022 to ₱4,238 million as of September 30, 2023 due to the decrease in accounts payable to contractors and deferred output vat for the period.
- Security deposits and advance rent increased by 18% from ₱1,122 million as of December 31, 2022 to ₱1,327 million as of September 30, 2022 due to additional deposits from new

lessees for malls and offices as well as top up of security deposits and advance rent based on escalation.

- Income tax payable increased by 682% from ₱11 million as of December 31, 2022 to ₱86 million as of September 30, 2023 due to higher income for the period.
- Bank loans including non-current portion, decreased by 16% from ₱2,175 million as of December 31, 2022 to ₱1,834 million as of September 30, 2023 due to settlements for the period.
- Deferred tax liabilities - net increased by 26% from ₱6,365 million as of December 31, 2022 to ₱8,013 million as of September 30, 2023 due to additional temporary differences for the period.
- Pension liabilities increased by 14% from ₱49 million as of December 31, 2022 to ₱56 million as of September 30, 2023 due to actuarial adjustments.
- Other noncurrent liabilities increased by 116% from ₱637 million as of December 31, 2022 to ₱1,378 million as of September 30, 2023 due to the increase in the non-current portion of payables to contractors and retention payable.

Total stockholder's equity increased by 16% from ₱36,601 million as of December 31, 2022 to ₱42,574 million as of September 30, 2023 due to higher income recorded for the period.

Top Five (5) Key Performance Indicators

Considered as the top five key performance indicators of the Group as shown below:

Key Performance Indicators	09/30/2023	12/31/2022
Current ratio ^(a)	0.34	0.44
Debt-to-equity ratio ^(b)	0.04	0.06
	09/30/2023	09/30/2022
Interest coverage ratio ^(c)	19.25	16.32
EBITDA margin ^(d)	94%	91%
Return on equity ^(e)	20%	24%

Notes:

(a) *Current Ratio: This ratio is obtained by dividing the Current Assets of the Company by its Current liabilities. This ratio is used as a test of the Company's liquidity.*

(b) *Debt-to-equity ratio: This ratio is obtained by dividing the Company's Total Interest-bearing Debt by its Total Equity. The ratio reveals the proportion of debt and equity a company is using to finance its business. It also measures a company's borrowing capacity.*

(c) *Interest coverage: This ratio is obtained by dividing earnings before interest, taxes depreciation and amortization (EBITDA) by the interest expense. This ratio shows whether a company is earning enough profits before interest to pay its interest cost comfortably.*

(d) *Earnings before interest, income taxes, depreciation and amortization (EBITDA) margin: This ratio is obtained by dividing the Company's Earnings before interest, income taxes, depreciation and amortization by the total revenue. This measures the Company's operating profitability.*

(e) *Return on equity: This ratio is obtained by dividing the Company's net income (net of income from acquisition of subsidiary) by its total equity. This measures the rate of return on the ownership interest of the Company's stockholders.*

Because there are various calculation methods for the performance indicators above, the Company's presentation of such may not be comparable to similarly titled measures used by other companies.

Current Ratio as of September 30, 2023 decreased from December 31, 2022 due to the decrease in current assets.

Debt to equity ratio as of September 30, 2023 decreased from that of December 31, 2022 due to settlement of debt for the period.

Interest coverage for the period ended September 30, 2023 increased because of the increase in EBITDA.

EBITDA margin improved for the period ended September 30, 2023 from the prior period due to higher income for the period.

Return on equity decreased as a result of the increase in net income for the period as well as increased in total equity.

Material Changes to the Company's Statement of Financial Position as of September 30, 2023 compared to December 31, 2022 (increase/decrease of 5% or more)

Cash and cash equivalents decreased by 88% from ₱3,516 million as of December 31, 2022 to ₱416 million as September 30, 2023 due to the decrease in cash flow from operations.

Receivables, including non-current portion increased by 20% from ₱25,643 million as of December 31, 2022 to ₱30,644 million as of September 30, 2023 mainly due to the increase in accrued rent receivables.

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Material Changes to the Company's Statement of Comprehensive Income for the nine months ended September 30, 2023 compared to the nine months ended September 30, 2022 (increase/decrease of 5% or more)

Rental income increased by 31% from ₱7,264 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2022 to ₱9,516 million in the period ended September 30, 2023. The increase was primarily attributable to higher occupancy and the increase in rates for the period including the upside from the higher sales of variable rental-based tenants. In addition, a new mall was opened during the period Vista Mall Davao which contributed to the increase in the revenue.

Other operating income decreased by 33% from ₱1,195 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2022 to ₱803 million in the period ended September 30, 2023 due to the decrease in other operating income generated from the commercial assets.

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Finance costs increased by 6% from ₱474 million in the period ended September 30, 2022, to ₱502 million in the period ended September 30, 2023. The increase was due to the interest pertaining to the lease liabilities recognized.

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For the nine months ended, there were no seasonal aspects that had a material effect on the financial condition or results of operations of the Company. Neither were there any trends, events or uncertainties that have had or that are reasonably expected to have a material impact on the net sales or revenues or income from continuing operations. The Company is not aware of events that will cause a material change in the relationship between the costs and revenues except as discussed in the notes to financial statements Events after the report date on the potential impact of the COVID-19 pandemic.

There are no significant elements of income or loss that did not arise from the Company's continuing operations.

There are no other material changes in the Company's financial position (changes of 5% or more) and condition that will warrant a more detailed discussion. Further, there are no material events and uncertainties known to management that would impact or change reported financial information and condition on the Company.

COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

The Parent Company's subsidiaries are contingently liable for guarantees arising in the ordinary course of business, including surety bonds, letters of guarantee for performance and bonds for its entire real estate project.

The Company is contingently liable with respect to certain lawsuits and other claims which are being contested by the subsidiaries and their legal counsels. Management and their legal counsels believe that the final resolution of these claims will not have a material effect on the consolidated financial statements.

There are no known trends or demands, commitments, events or uncertainties that will result in or that are reasonably likely to result in increasing or decreasing the Company's liquidity in any material way. The Company sourced its capital requirements through a mix of internally generated cash, sale of liquid assets like installment contracts receivables, pre-selling and joint venture undertakings. The Company does not expect any material cash requirements beyond the normal course of the business. The Company is not in default or breach of any note, loan, lease or other indebtedness or financing arrangement requiring it to make payments.

There are no events that will trigger direct or contingent financial obligation that is material to the Company, including any default or acceleration of an obligation except for those items disclosed in the 9-months of 2023 Financial Statements.

There are no material off-balance sheet transactions, arrangements, obligation (including contingent obligations), or other relationships of the Company with unconsolidated entities or other persons created during the reporting period except those disclosed in the 9-months of 2023 Financial Statements.

There are no material commitments for capital expenditures, events or uncertainties that have had or that are reasonably expected to have a material impact on the continuing operations of the Company.

There were no seasonal aspects that had a material effect on the financial condition or results of operations of the Company. There are no explanatory comments on the seasonality of the operations. There are no material events subsequent to the end of the fiscal period that have not been reflected in the financial statements.

There are no material amounts affecting assets, liabilities, equity, net income or cash flows that are unusual in nature; neither are there changes in estimates of amounts reported in a prior period of the current financial year.

PART II - OTHER INFORMATION

Item 3. 9-months of 2022 Developments

A. New Projects or Investments in another line of business or corporation.

None.

B. Composition of Board of Directors

Manuel B. Villar Jr.	Chairman of the Board
Manuel Paolo A. Villar	Director and President
Cynthia J. Javarez	Director and Treasurer
Camille A. Villar	Director
Achawin Asavabhokhin	Director
Cherrylyn P. Caoile	Independent Director
Marilou O. Adea	Independent Director

C. Performance of the corporation or result/progress of operations.

Please see unaudited Financial Statements and Management's Discussion and Analysis.

D. Declaration of Dividends.

₱0.0306 per share Regular Cash Dividend

Declaration Date: September 28, 2023

Record date: October 13, 2023

Payment date: October 27, 2023

₱0.0262 per share Regular Cash Dividend

Declaration Date: September 30, 2022

Record date: October 14, 2022

Payment date: October 27, 2022

₱0.0161 per share Regular Cash Dividend

Declaration Date: September 30, 2021

Record date: October 15, 2021

Payment date: October 28, 2021

₱0.0156 per share Regular Cash Dividend

Declaration Date: September 30, 2020

Record date: October 15, 2020

Payment date: October 30, 2020

₱0.0571 per share Regular Cash Dividend

Declaration Date: September 30, 2019

Record date: October 15, 2019

Payment date: October 30, 2019

₱0.0489 per share Regular Cash Dividend

Declaration Date: September 26, 2018

Record date: October 11, 2018

Payment date: October 25, 2018

₱0.0368 per share Regular Cash Dividend

Declaration Date: September 27, 2017

Record date: October 12, 2017

Payment date: October 26, 2017

₱0.0215 per share Regular Cash Dividend

Declaration Date: September 26, 2016

Record date: October 11, 2016

Payment date: October 26, 2016

E. Contracts of merger, consolidation or joint venture; contract of management, licensing, marketing, distributorship, technical assistance or similar agreements.

None.

F. Offering of rights, granting of Stock Options and corresponding plans therefore.

None.

G. Acquisition of additional mining claims or other capital assets or patents, formula, real estate.

None.

H. Other information, material events or happenings that may have affected or may affect market price of security.

None

I. Transferring of assets, except in normal course of business.

None.

Item 4. Other Notes as of the 6-months of 2023 Operations and Financials.

A. Nature and amount of items affecting assets, liabilities, equity, net income, or cash flows that are unusual because of their nature, size, or incidents.

None.

B. Nature and amount of changes in estimates of amounts reported in prior periods and their material effect in the current period.

There were no changes in estimates of amounts reported in prior interim period or prior financial years that have a material effect in the current interim period.

C. New financing through loans/ issuances, repurchases and repayments of debt and equity securities.

See Notes to Financial Statements and Management Discussion and Analysis.

D. Material events subsequent to the end of the interim period that have not been reflected in the financial statements for the interim period.

See Notes to Financial Statements and Management Discussion and Analysis.

E. The effect of changes in the composition of the issuer during the interim period including business combinations, acquisition or disposal of subsidiaries and long-term investments, restructurings, and discontinuing operations.

None.

F. Changes in contingent liabilities or contingent assets since the last annual balance sheet date.

None.

G. Existence of material contingencies and other material events or transactions during the interim period.

None.

H. Events that will trigger direct or contingent financial obligation that is material to the company, including any default or acceleration of an obligation.

None.

I. Material off-balance sheet transactions, arrangements, obligations (including contingent obligations), and other relationships of the company with unconsolidated entities or other persons created during the reporting period.

None.

J. Material commitments for capital expenditures, general purpose and expected sources of funds.

The movement of capital expenditures being contracted arose from the regular land development, commercial building construction and requirements which are well within the regular cash flow budget coming from internally generated funds.

K. Known trends, events or uncertainties that have had or that are reasonably expected to have impact on sales/revenues/income from continuing operations.

As of September 30, 2023, no known trends, events or uncertainties that are reasonably expected to have impact on sales/revenues/income from continuing operations except for those being disclosed in the first nine months of 2023 financial statements.

L. Significant elements of income or loss that did not arise from continuing operations.

None.

M. Causes for any material change/s from period to period in one or more-line items of the financial statements

None.

N. Seasonal aspects that had material effect on the financial condition or results of operations

None.

O. Disclosures not made under SEC Form 17-C.


None.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 17 of the SRC and Section 141 of the Corporation Code, this report is signed on behalf of the issuer by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

VISTAMALLS, INC.
Issuer

By:


BRIAN N. EDANG
Chief Financial Officer

Date: November 14, 2023