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Company News

CONVERGE ICT

Reuters: [CNVRG.PS](#) Bloomberg: [CNVRG PM](#)
Price: P31.40

CNVRG hopeful of index inclusion

CNVRG disclosed its shareholder Coherent Cloud Investments BV sold 420mn shares for P30/share, a move seen to bring the listed company closer to the MSCI Index.

- The transaction, which reduced Coherent Cloud's interest to 10.25% from 15.83%, increased the public float from 20.4% to 26%.
- Coherent Cloud is owned by US private equity firm Warburg Pincus.
- Many believe that inclusion in MSCI index will boost the profile of CNVRG as the index is a gauge "very much followed" by the global investment community.

SYNERGY GRID

Reuters: [SGP.PS](#) Bloomberg: [SGP PM](#)
Price: P15.46

SGP declares P1bn cash dividends

SGP is set to pay out P1.053bn worth of dividends to its shareholders. In a disclosure to the PSE yesterday, SGP said

its board of directors approved the declaration of cash dividends for the fourth quarter from the company's unrestricted retained earnings with record date on Dec 14 (ex-date Dec 9).

- SGP has set a dividend payout of P0.20 per share, payable on Jan 10, 2022.
- Officials said the dividend payout fulfills the company's commitment with its partner investors.
- SGP, the indirect controlling shareholder of power transmission operator NGCP, recently raised P13.85bn from a follow-on-offering of shares. In the next 13 years, NGCP is committed to invest approximately P440bn across 211 projects, which are aimed to support the growing electricity demand in the country.

FILINVEST LAND INC.

Reuters: [FLI.PS](#) Bloomberg: [FLI PM](#)
Price: P1.13

FLI 9M21 income at P3.2bn

FLI recorded a net income of P3.2bn in the nine months to September, up 21% compared to the same period last year. This was largely due to the strong performance of the residential business segment.

- Revenue from residential rose by 23% to P8.2bn, driven by continued construction progress and high reservation sales, which rose by 17.5% to P14bn.
- Rental revenue remained sluggish at P4.5bn, with the mall business still impacted by the pandemic.
- The company spent P6.7bn during the nine-month period with 44% going to residential developments.

PHIL ESTATES

Reuters: [PHES.PS](#) Bloomberg: [PHES PM](#)
Price: P0.66

PHES to conduct rights offer

The Philippine Stock Exchange (PSE) has approved the P1.45-bn stock rights offering of PHES, proceeds of which will be



used for land acquisition and general corporate purposes.

- According to its preliminary prospectus dated Nov. 18, PHES is planning to offer 1,445,549,830 common shares for P1/share.
- PHES is offering the rights shares to all eligible shareholders, who will be entitled to subscribe to one rights share for every one common share held as of Dec. 2. The company said the offer shares will be issued from its unissued authorized capital stock.
- Principal shareholder, The Wellex Group, will subscribe to its entitlement shares at the initial round and second round of the rights offer. Wellex will also subscribe to the remaining entitlement shares that would not be taken up in the second round of the rights offer.
- PHES is planning to conduct the rights offer from Dec. 6 to 13 for eligible shareholders and on Dec. 15 for the principal shareholder. Meanwhile, it is targeting a listing date of Dec. 24.

benchmark rate lower than inflation rate.

Dividends Update Stock	Amount/share	Ex-date	Date Payable
GSMI	P1.25	Nov 22	Dec 9
FGEN	P0.40	Nov 22	Dec 20
IPO	P0.23940325	Nov 24	Dec 22
PRF3A	P17.17825	Nov 24	Dec 27
PRF3B	P17.84575	Nov 24	Dec 27
BPI	P0.90	Nov 26	Dec 24
MFC	C\$0.33	Nov 25	Dec 20

Economics

BSP seen to hike rates by 75bps---Fitch Solutions

Fitch Solution thinks the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas will keep its benchmark rate steady this year but is likely to hike rates by 75 basis points in 2022.

- Fitch said that the central bank was not likely to hike rates this year, with the country still in the process of relaxing domestic restrictions and normalizing its economy.
- The BSP kept its overnight reverse repurchase rate at 2% in its last policy-setting meeting last week, leaving the benchmark at a record low for a full year to support economic growth. This was despite inflation staying above the government’s target for the whole year.
- BSP Governor Diokno has said that “the harm from early monetary tightening exceeds the harm of moving too late, given the nascent state of economic recovery.”
- Fitch noted that the BSP’s decision leaves the real policy rate deeply negative, at -2.6%, with the