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The Philippine Stock Exchange, Inc.
3F Philippine Stock Exchange Plaza
Ayala Triangle, Ayala Avenue
Makati City

Attention of Ms. Janet A. Encarnacion
Head - Disclosure Department

Gentlemen:

This refers to the news article entitled “SM nears Walter Mart deal” published in *Manila Standard Today* on August 10, 2013. The article reported in part that:

SM Prime Holdings Inc. expects to complete the acquisition of Walter Mart Malls in September, a company executive said Friday.

SM Prime chief finance officer Jeffrey Lim said the company was set to acquire 51 percent of Walter Mart Malls, which operates 17 community malls. The two parties are discussing the final cost of the acquisition, according to Lim.

We confirm the veracity of the above-quoted news article.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Teresa Cecilia H. Reyes'.

TERESA CECILIA H. REYES
Vice President – Finance