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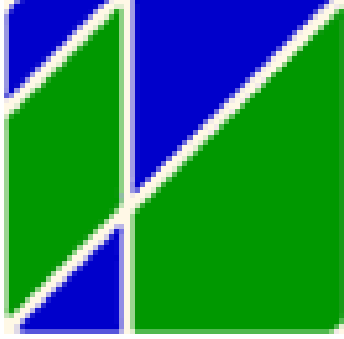
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CURRENT REPORT UNDER SECTION 17 OF THE SECURITIES REGULATION CODE AND SRC RULE 17.2(c) THEREUNDER

1. Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)
Aug 10, 2023
2. SEC Identification Number
184044
3. BIR Tax Identification No.
350-000-775-860
4. Exact name of issuer as specified in its charter
JG SUMMIT HOLDINGS, INC.
5. Province, country or other jurisdiction of incorporation
METRO MANILA, PHILIPPINES
6. Industry Classification Code(SEC Use Only)
7. Address of principal office
43rd Floor, Robinsons Equitable Tower, ADB Avenue corner Poveda Street, Ortigas Center, Pasig City, Metro Manila
Postal Code
1605
8. Issuer's telephone number, including area code
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9. Former name or former address, if changed since last report
N/A
10. Securities registered pursuant to Sections 8 and 12 of the SRC 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	7,520,983,658
11. Indicate the item numbers reported herein
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JG Summit Holdings, Inc.
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PSE Disclosure Form 4-31 - Press Release
References: SRC Rule 17 (SEC Form 17-C)
Section 4.4 of the Revised Disclosure Rules

Subject of the Disclosure

Press Release entitled "JG Summit saw better margins in 2Q, ending 1H23 with P9.5B in core profits"

Background/Description of the Disclosure

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Other Relevant Information

Please see the attached press release for full details.

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JG Summit saw better margins in 2Q, ending 1H23 with P9.5B in core profits

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Total revenues rose 12% year-on-year (YoY) to Php163.4 billion in 1H23, even with the absence of sizable contributions from its real estate arm's residential project in China that were mostly recognized in the second quarter of last year (2Q22). Excluding such, JGS' consolidated topline expanded 23% YoY, which can be primarily attributed to the group's airline, food, and domestic property businesses.

Margin improvement was more evident in 2Q23 as core net income after tax and net income for the quarter increased 13% and 8% vs 1Q23 to Php5.0 billion and Php5.4 billion, respectively, despite revenues remaining steady. Including the impact of a more favorable forex environment, this led JGS to end the first half of 2023 with a net income of Php10.4 billion, a significant improvement from the Php2.7bn loss SPLY.

Additionally, JGS' balance sheet also remains robust to support continuous growth across the group. Its consolidated gearing and net D/E ratios as of end-June registered at 0.7 and 0.54, respectively. Meanwhile, with the receipt of dividends from its investee companies totaling Php9.1 billion in 1H23, parent net debt fell 8% vs end-2022 to Php50.7 billion. This leaves the parent company with enough flexibility to fund future investments.

On JG Summit's first half results, President and CEO Mr. Lance Y. Gokongwei said, "The group's earnings improvement further accelerated in 2Q with the sustained demand recovery and growth across our food, airline and property businesses. On top of this, initiatives across our business units to tackle cost inflation and implement efficiencies to recover our margins continue to bear fruit. We are now working double time to augment our capacity and improve operational resiliency by adding more planes for Cebu Pacific, addressing the supply chain issues in URC to increase order fill rates, and improving RLC's occupancy rates and carefully launching new project developments. Meanwhile, we have begun ramping up our petrochemicals operations after months of being shut down. I am confident that we would be able to sustain this positive momentum for the balance of the year as we proactively carry-out initiatives to stay ahead of the curve."

Key performances per business unit are as follows:

Food: Universal Robina Corporation (URC)

URC's double-digit topline expansion carried on to 2Q, resulting in an 11% YoY increase in revenues to Php78.6 billion in 1H23, with all its businesses growing. Aside from this, the company's EBIT and net income growth accelerated to 18% and 19% YoY, respectively, in the second quarter, owing to the pricing measures and effective cost management implemented. These led operating income to improve faster than topline, increasing 16% vs SPLY to Php8.6 billion in 1H23 and translated to a net income of Php6.7 billion.

Meanwhile, URC also acquired the assets of Central Azucarera Don Pedro Inc. worth approximately Php900 million at the end of May 2023. The purchase would increase Balayan's sugar mill production efficiency and capacity, thus ensuring the supply of sugar for URC's customers.

Real Estate and Hotels: Robinsons Land Corporation (RLC)

For RLC, better margins across its divisions brought 1H23 net income to Php5.8 billion, up 23% vs SPLY. This is despite a 31% YoY decline in its revenues owing to the absence of the China residential property sales it recognized last year. Excluding China, RLC's revenues grew 32% YoY. This domestic growth can be attributed to the strong recovery in malls, as well as the steady improvement of its residential, offices, and hotels. Mall occupancy improved QoQ to 92%, while office remained at 89%. EBIT and EBITDA of Php8.2 billion and Php10.9 billion, for 1H23 were up 16% and 12% YoY, respectively.

Aside from its strong financial results, RLC was also able to successfully raise Php15 billion from the issuance of its fixed-rate bonds, after overwhelming demand led the company to exercise its oversubscription option on its Php10-billion base offer.

Air Transportation: Cebu Air, Inc. (CEB)

Cebu Air, Inc. continued to benefit from growing travel demand especially with the reopening of most international markets. This translated to its topline more than doubling YoY to Php43.6 billion in 1H23. While revenues are already 97% of pre-pandemic levels, the airline saw higher fuel and fleet-related costs relative to 2019. Hence, EBITDA ended at Php9.6 billion for 1H23, or 41% below 2019, but nonetheless a significant turnaround from the Php1.7 billion loss SPLY. Forex gains and mark-to-market gains on CEB's convertible bonds also aided net income, ending at Php3.7 billion and Php2.7 billion for 1H23 and 2Q23, respectively, which brought the airline's equity to positive territory at Php726 million as of end-June 2023.

To meet the growing demand and improve operational resiliency, CEB has rolled out enhanced customer recovery options, more than what's included in the Air Passenger Bill of Rights. This includes the reinforcement of customer support teams both on-ground and online to better serve its passengers as well as the lifting of the expiry on travel funds. Aside from strengthening customer support, CEB has made proactive adjustments in the network and increased the number of standby aircraft. Looking ahead, it expects to close the year with 78 aircraft vs 76 at the start of the year, after 17 deliveries and 15 exits.

Note: net income pertains to net income attributable to equity holders of the parent

Petrochemicals: JG Summit Olefins Corporation (JGSOC)

The low global demand and competitive pricing from easing input prices that continued from 1Q23 led JGSOC's 1H23 revenues to decline 31% YoY to Php14.2 billion. This also prompted the company to strategically shut down plant operations in February to mitigate the further losses if the plants continued to operate at negative margins. The company's 1H23 EBITDA fell to a Php2.1 billion loss due to a longer 5-month shutdown, compared to only 2 months in 1H2022. This, along with the higher depreciation and interest expense, resulted to a Php0.7 billion increase in 1H23 net losses YoY to Php6.0 billion, a relatively curtailed impact vis-à-vis the Php6.5 billion drop in revenues.

In line with the plan communicated in 1Q, plant operations restarted in phases, beginning with the PE1 plant in April followed by the PE2 plant in May. The Polypropylene, Naphtha Cracker, Aromatics, and Butadiene extraction units restarted last June, and the organization prepares to operate the PE3 plant in August. JGSOC's LPG trading arm also continues to grow beyond the 7% market share it obtained in FY2022.

Banking: Robinsons Bank Corporation (RBank)

Robinsons Bank saw the continued double-digit growth in its higher-yielding consumer loans, which offset the 5% decline in commercial loans. This led to higher gross revenues by 28% YoY, ending the first half at Php6.4 billion. The bank's NPL ratio climbed to 4.0% at the end of June 2023 vs 3.7% last year, but this was mainly due to the timing of collections and subsequently normalized in the succeeding weeks. RBank's net interest income fell 12% YoY to Php3.4 billion in 1H23 due to the upward pressure of policy rates on funding costs that caused NIMs to contract. This, coupled with higher interest expense and share in GoTyme's startup losses, led its net income to slip 27% YoY to Php0.7 billion for the first half.

Additionally, RBank's merger with BPI is expected to take into effect on January 1, 2024.

Core Investments

JGS' equity income in Meralco rose 22% to Php4.6 billion for 1H23. This was on the back of higher contributions from its power generation business as well as increased residential demand during the summer season and commercial demand with the continued economic recovery and growth.

Meanwhile JGS' share in Singapore Land Group's (SLG) 1H23 income fell 18% to Php1.2 billion as SLG reported lower contributions from select residential projects due to the timing of sale or completion, along with the closure of the Clifford Centre for redevelopment and asset enhancement works at Singapore Land Tower. However, this was cushioned by the improving hotel operations seen by the business.

Dividends from PLDT improved 40% YoY for the first half due to a regular dividend 7% higher than SPLY, plus a special dividend of Php14 per share. Total dividend income from PLDT amounted to Php1.4 billion for 1H23.

For any questions, kindly email:
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4. **JG SUMMIT HOLDINGS, INC.**
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6. Industry Classification Code: _____
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11. Item 9 – Other Events

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Regulation Code, the issuer has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

JG Summit Holdings, Inc.

(Issuer)

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "MCF", is positioned above the printed name of the Corporate Secretary.

MARIA CELIA H. FERNANDEZ-ESTAVILLO

Corporate Secretary

(Signature and Title)

August 10, 2023

(Date)