

## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

### SEC FORM 17-A, AS AMENDED

#### ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 17 OF THE SECURITIES REGULATION CODE AND SECTION 141 OF THE CORPORATION CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES

1. For the fiscal year ended  
Dec 31, 2020
2. SEC Identification Number  
ASO93-005277
3. BIR Tax Identification No.  
002-648-099-000
4. Exact name of issuer as specified in its charter  
LBC EXPRESS HOLDINGS, INC. (formerly FEDERAL RESOURCES INVESTMENT GROUP INC.)
5. Province, country or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization  
Philippines
6. Industry Classification Code(SEC Use Only)
7. Address of principal office  
LBC Hangar, General Aviation Center, Domestic Airport Road, Pasay City  
Postal Code  
1300
8. Issuer's telephone number, including area code  
(632) 8856 8510
9. Former name or former address, and former fiscal year, 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 Shares	1,425,865,471

11. Are any or all of registrant's securities listed on a Stock Exchange?

Yes       No

If yes, state the name of such stock exchange and the classes of securities listed therein:

Philippine Stock Exchange / Common shares

12. Check whether the issuer:

(a) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 17 of the SRC and SRC Rule 17.1 thereunder or Section 11 of the RSA and RSA Rule 11(a)-1 thereunder, and Sections 26 and 141 of The Corporation Code of the Philippines during the preceding twelve (12) months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports)

Yes  No

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

Yes  No

13. State the aggregate market value of the voting stock held by non-affiliates of the registrant. The aggregate market value shall be computed by reference to the price at which the stock was sold, or the average bid and asked prices of such stock, as of a specified date within sixty (60) days prior to the date of filing. If a determination as to whether a particular person or entity is an affiliate cannot be made without involving unreasonable effort and expense, the aggregate market value of the common stock held by non-affiliates may be calculated on the basis of assumptions reasonable under the circumstances, provided the assumptions are set forth in this Form

Php 3,599,098,604 as of April 4, 2021

**APPLICABLE ONLY TO ISSUERS INVOLVED IN  
INSOLVENCY SUSPENSION OF PAYMENTS PROCEEDINGS  
DURING THE PRECEDING FIVE YEARS**

14. Check whether the issuer has filed all documents and reports required to be filed by Section 17 of the Code subsequent to the distribution of securities under a plan confirmed by a court or the Commission.

Yes  No

**DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE**

15. If any of the following documents are incorporated by reference, briefly describe them and identify the part of SEC Form 17-A into which the document is incorporated:

(a) Any annual report to security holders

2020 SEC Form 17-A with Consolidated Audited Financial Statements

(b) Any information statement filed pursuant to SRC Rule 20

None

(c) Any prospectus filed pursuant to SRC Rule 8.1

None

*The Exchange does not warrant and holds no responsibility for the veracity of the facts and representations contained in all corporate disclosures, including financial reports. All data contained herein are prepared and submitted by the disclosing party to the Exchange, and are disseminated solely for purposes of information. Any questions on the data contained herein should be addressed directly to the Corporate Information Officer of the disclosing party.*

# LBC Express Holdings, Inc.

## LBC

**PSE Disclosure Form 17-1 - Annual Report**  
**References: SRC Rule 17 and**  
**Section 17.2 and 17.8 of the Revised Disclosure Rules**

For the fiscal year ended	Dec 31, 2020
Currency	PHP

### Balance Sheet

	Year Ending	Previous Year Ending
	Dec 31, 2020	Dec 31, 2019
<b>Current Assets</b>	9,255,980,993	7,883,732,608
<b>Total Assets</b>	15,661,678,159	14,093,685,359
<b>Current Liabilities</b>	6,077,675,750	4,942,499,617
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	12,690,569,412	10,825,571,654
<b>Retained Earnings/(Deficit)</b>	1,536,482,182	1,621,371,760
<b>Stockholders' Equity</b>	2,971,108,747	3,268,113,705
<b>Stockholders' Equity - Parent</b>	2,958,283,836	3,240,914,837
<b>Book Value Per Share</b>	2.08	2.29

### Income Statement

	Year Ending	Previous Year Ending
	Dec 31, 2020	Dec 31, 2019
<b>Gross Revenue</b>	14,117,067,433	15,209,955,603
<b>Gross Expense</b>	13,326,577,138	13,929,769,644
<b>Non-Operating Income</b>	88,969,742	589,847,217
<b>Non-Operating Expense</b>	491,787,825	1,034,190,599
<b>Income/(Loss) Before Tax</b>	387,672,212	835,842,577
<b>Income Tax Expense</b>	186,456,602	360,022,399
<b>Net Income/(Loss) After Tax</b>	201,215,610	475,820,178
<b>Net Income/(Loss) Attributable to Parent Equity Holder</b>	200,283,516	494,574,503
<b>Earnings/(Loss) Per Share (Basic)</b>	0.14	0.35
<b>Earnings/(Loss) Per Share (Diluted)</b>	0.14	0.35

**Financial Ratios**

	Formula	Fiscal Year Ended	Previous Fiscal Year
		Dec 31, 2020	Dec 31, 2019
<b>Liquidity Analysis Ratios:</b>			
<b>Current Ratio or Working Capital Ratio</b>	<b>Current Assets / Current Liabilities</b>	1.52	1.6
<b>Quick Ratio</b>	<b>(Current Assets - Inventory - Prepayments) / Current Liabilities</b>	1.38	1.43
<b>Solvency Ratio</b>	<b>Total Assets / Total Liabilities</b>	0.15	0.25
<b>Financial Leverage Ratios</b>			
<b>Debt Ratio</b>	<b>Total Debt/Total Assets</b>	0.81	0.77
<b>Debt-to-Equity Ratio</b>	<b>Total Debt/Total Stockholders' Equity</b>	4.26	3.31
<b>Interest Coverage</b>	<b>Earnings Before Interest and Taxes (EBIT) / Interest Charges</b>	1.88	3.16
<b>Asset to Equity Ratio</b>	<b>Total Assets / Total Stockholders' Equity</b>	5.27	4.31
<b>Profitability Ratios</b>			
<b>Gross Profit Margin</b>	<b>Sales - Cost of Goods Sold or Cost of Service / Sales</b>	0.25	0.26
<b>Net Profit Margin</b>	<b>Net Profit / Sales</b>	0.01	0.03
<b>Return on Assets</b>	<b>Net Income / Total Assets</b>	0.01	0.04
<b>Return on Equity</b>	<b>Net Income / Total Stockholders' Equity</b>	0.07	0.15
<b>Price/Earnings Ratio</b>	<b>Price Per Share / Earnings Per Common Share</b>	110.57	38.92

**Other Relevant Information**

None

**Filed on behalf by:**

<b>Name</b>	Ernesto III Naval
<b>Designation</b>	Alternate Corporate Information Officer

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## SEC FORM 17-A (ANNUAL REPORT)

SEC Registration Number

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### COMPANY NAME

L B C E X P R E S S H O L D I N G S , I N C . A N D  
S U B S I D I A R I E S

### PRINCIPAL OFFICE (No. / Street / Barangay / City / Town / Province)

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Department requiring the report

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Secondary License Type, If Applicable

### COMPANY INFORMATION

Company's Email Address

N/A

Company's Telephone Number

+63 2 8856-8510

Mobile Number

N/A

No. of Stockholders

487

Annual Meeting (Month / Day)

2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of June

Fiscal Year (Month / Day)

12/31

### CONTACT PERSON INFORMATION

The designated contact person **MUST** be an Officer of the Corporation

Name of Contact Person

Enrique V. Rey, Jr.

Email Address

evrey@lbcexpress.com

Telephone Number/s

8856-8510

Mobile Number

### CONTACT PERSON'S ADDRESS

**LBC Hangar, General Aviation Centre, Domestic Airport Road, Pasay City, Metro Manila**

**NOTE 1:** In case of death, resignation or cessation of office of the officer designated as contact person, such incident shall be reported to the Commission within thirty (30) calendar days from the occurrence thereof with information and complete contact details of the new contact person designated.

**2:** All Boxes must be properly and completely filled-up. Failure to do so shall cause the delay in updating the corporation's records with the Commission and/or non-receipt of Notice of Deficiencies. Further, non-receipt of Notice of Deficiencies shall not excuse the corporation from liability for its deficiencies.

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4. Exact Name of issuer as specified in its charter: **LBC EXPRESS HOLDINGS, INC.  
(formerly Federal Resources Investment Group Inc.)**
5. Province, country or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization: **Philippines**
6. Industry Classification Code: \_\_\_\_\_ (SEC Use Only)
7. Address of principal office and postal code: **LBC Hangar, General Aviation Centre,  
Domestic Airport Road, Pasay City, Metro Manila 1300**
8. Issuer's telephone number, including area code: **(632) 8856-8510**
9. Former name, former address, former fiscal year (if changed since last report):

**Federal Resources Investment Group Inc.**  
**No. 35 San Antonio Street, San Francisco Del Monte, Quezon City**

10. Securities registered pursuant to Section 8 and 12 of the SRC, or Sec. 4 and 8 of the RSA

**As at December 31, 2020:**

<b><u>Title of each class</u></b>	<b><u>Number of shares issued and outstanding</u></b>
Common Shares	1,425,865,471 <sup>1</sup>
Bond payable	1,377,723,388 <sup>2</sup>
Derivative Liability	2,099,785,841 <sup>2</sup>

11. Are any or all of these securities listed on a Stock Exchange? Yes (x) No ( )

Name of Stock Exchange: **Philippine Stock Exchange**  
Class of securities listed: **Common Shares**<sup>3</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Inclusive of 1,388,357,471 common shares which are exempt from registration.

<sup>2</sup> Related to convertible instrument at an aggregate principal amount of \$50 million.

<sup>3</sup> As of December 31, 2020, 40,899,000 common shares have been listed with the Philippine Stock Exchange. The remaining 1,384,966,471 are subject of listing applications filed with the Philippine Stock Exchange.



12. Check whether the issuer:

- a) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 17 of the SRC and SRC Rule 17 thereunder or Section 11 of the RSA and RSA Rule 11(a)-1 thereunder, and Sections 26 and 141 of the Corporation Code of the Philippines during the preceding twelve (12) months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports):

Yes (x) No ( )

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

Yes (x) No ( )

13. Aggregate market value of voting stock held by non-affiliates is **₱3,599,098,604 as at April 12, 2021.**<sup>4</sup>

#### **DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE**

14. Briefly describe documents incorporated by reference and identify the part of the SEC Form 17-A into which the document is incorporated:

(a) **2020 Consolidated Audited Financial Statements** (incorporated as reference for items 6, 7 and 12 of SEC Form 17-A)

(b) 2020 Sustainability Report

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<sup>4</sup> Inclusive of common shares with pending listing applications.

Unless otherwise specified or the context otherwise requires, all references to the “Company” are to LBC Express Holdings, Inc. (**LBCH**), its subsidiary LBC Express, Inc. (**LBCE**) and the subsidiaries of the latter on a consolidated basis. However, references to the “Company”, when used in the context prior to the corporate reorganization, are to Federal Resources Investment Group, Inc.

## **PART I - BUSINESS AND GENERAL INFORMATION**

### **Item 1. BUSINESS**

#### **BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT**

##### **CORPORATE REORGANIZATION**

The Company was incorporated and registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission (**SEC**) as “Federal Chemicals, Inc.” on July 12, 1993. At the time, the Company was principally engaged in the business of manufacturing various adhesives and sealants and other chemicals for hardware, construction, do-it-yourself and industrial applications. The Company has been a publicly-listed company since December 21, 2001, and was traded under the ticker symbol “FED” on the Philippine Stock Exchange (**PSE**).

On September 28, 2007, the change in corporate name from Federal Chemicals, Inc. to Federal Resources Investment Group, Inc. as well as the change in the primary purpose of the Company to that of a holding company was approved by the SEC.

On April 23, 2015, the Board of Directors of the Company approved the issuance of 59,101,000 common shares, at ₱1.00 per share, out of the unissued portion of the Company’s authorized capital stock to LBC Development Corporation, subject to acceptable documentation being arrived at, as well as the fulfillment of such conditions agreed upon by the parties, including a mandatory tender offer, where required under relevant laws and regulations.

The Company needed to raise additional capital through the issuance of new shares out of the unissued portion of the Company’s authorized capital stock for general corporate purposes. Further, such infusion was preparatory to a potential additional investment of LBC Development Corporation into the Company as a result of the ongoing due diligence on the Company.

On May 18, 2015, the Company and LBC Development Corporation entered into a Deed of Subscription, whereby LBC Development Corporation, subject to the completion of the mandatory tender offer, subscribed to 59,101,000 common shares out of the unissued authorized capital stock of the Company or 59.10% of the authorized capital stock of the Company. The consideration for the subscribed shares was ₱59,101,000 or ₱1.00 per share.

On May 22, 2015, LBC Development Corporation filed with the SEC its mandatory tender offer report for all the outstanding shares of the Company for a tender offer price of ₱1.00 per share. The mandatory tender offer period commenced on June 8, 2015 and ended on July 7, 2015. On July 14, 2015, LBC Development Corporation filed with the SEC its final tender offer report.

On July 22, 2015, the Company issued the stock certificates covering the subscribed shares to LBC Development Corporation.

On July 29, 2015 and in consonance with such change in control, the Board of Directors of the Company approved the acquisition by the Company of all the outstanding shares of stock of



LBC Express, Inc., at the time a wholly-owned subsidiary of LBC Development Corporation, at the book value of not less than ₱1 billion. The Board also approved the following:

- (i) increase in the authorized capital stock of the Company from ₱100 million to up to ₱3 billion in which subsequently approved by SEC on September 18, 2015 at ₱2 billion;
- (ii) the issuance of shares out of the increase in authorized capital stock or out of the unissued capital stock to LBC Development Corporation and/or to other investors and/or third parties for the purpose of (a) funding the acquisition by the Company of all the outstanding shares of stock of LBC Express, Inc.; (b) funding the acquisition of other potential investments, whether or not related to the business of LBC Express, Inc.; and (c) ensuring compliance by the Company with the minimum public ownership requirements of the PSE;
- (iii) the change in the name of the Company to “LBC Express Holdings, Inc.”; and
- (iv) the change of the trading symbol “FED” to “LBC”.

On September 4, 2015, the stockholders of the Company approved all of the foregoing matters.

On September 18, 2015, pursuant to the authority to issue shares out of the increase in authorized capital stock or out of the unissued capital stock to LBC Development Corporation, the Company and LBC Development Corporation entered into Subscription Agreements, whereby LBC Development Corporation subscribed to, and the Company agreed to issue, 1,146,873,632 additional Common Shares at a subscription price of ₱1.00 per share or an aggregate subscription price of ₱1,146,873,632 (the **Additional Subscriptions**), consisting of 475,000,000 shares issued from the increase in the authorized capital stock of the Company and 671,873,632 shares issued out of the authorized and unissued capital stock of the Company, following the approval by the SEC of the increase in the authorized capital stock of the Company from ₱100,000,000.00 divided into 100,000,000 Common Shares with par value of ₱1.00 per Share, to ₱2,000,000,000.00 divided into 2,000,000,000 Common Shares with par value of ₱1.00 per Share. Notices of exemption for the Additional Subscriptions were filed with the SEC on October 13, 2015.

On September 24, 2015, the Company purchased from LBC Development Corporation a total of 1,041,180,493 shares of stock in LBC Express, Inc. for an aggregate purchase price of ₱1,384,670,966.

On October 2, 2015, the Company entered into Subscription Agreements with each of Vittorio P. Lim, Mariano D. Martinez, Jr., and Lowell L. Yu (collectively, the **Subscribers**), wherein subject to the approval by the SEC of the Capital Increase, the Subscribers agreed to subscribe, and the Company agreed to issue, a total of 178,991,839 Common Shares of the Company at the par value of ₱1.00 per share or an aggregate subscription price of ₱178,991,839.00 out of the authorized and unissued capital stock of the Company. The foregoing subscription was undertaken to ensure compliance by the Company with the PSE Minimum Public Ownership requirement of at least 10% of the outstanding capital stock of the Company. A notice of exemption for the subscription was filed with the SEC on October 13, 2015.

#### ***Involvement in Bankruptcy or Receivership Proceedings***

As at the end of December 2020, the Company was not involved in any bankruptcy, receivership or any similar proceedings.

***Material Reclassification, Merger, Consolidation or Purchase or Sale of a Significant Amount of Assets (not in the ordinary course of business)***

On September 24, 2015, the LBCH purchased from LBC Development Corporation (LBCDC) a total of 1,041,180,493 shares of stock in LBCE for an aggregate purchase price of ₱1,384,670,966.

On June 20, 2017, the BOD approved the issuance of convertible instrument. The proceeds of the issuance of convertible instrument will be used to fund the growth of the business of the Parent Company, including capital expenditures and working capital. Accordingly, on August 4, 2017, LBCH issued, in favor of CP Briks Pte. Ltd, a seven-year secured convertible instrument in the aggregate principal amount of US\$50.0 million (₱2,518.25 million) convertible at any time into 192,307,692 common shares of LBCH at the option of CP Bricks Pte. Ltd at ₱13.00 per share conversion price, subject to adjustments in accordance with the terms and conditions of the instrument. The instrument (to the extent that the same has not been converted by CP Briks as the holder or by the Parent Company) is redeemable, at the option of CP Bricks Pte. Ltd, beginning on the 30th month from issuance date at the redemption price equal to the principal amount plus internal rate of return ranging from 10% to 13%. The agreement also contains redemption in cash by the Parent Company at a price equal to the principal amount of the bond plus an internal rate of 13% (decreasing to 12%, 11% and 10% on the 4th, 5th and 6th anniversary of the issuance date, respectively) in case of a Change of Control as defined under the agreement.

The convertible bond is a hybrid instrument containing host financial liability and derivative components for the equity conversion and redemption options. The equity conversion and redemption options were identified as embedded derivatives and were separated from the host contract.

As of December 31, 2020, the carrying value of bond payable amounted to ₱1,377.72 million and the fair value of the derivative liability amounted to ₱2,099.79 million. The fair value changes of the derivative liability recognized as “Loss on derivative” amounted to ₱51.10 million in 2020 and ₱642.51 million in 2019. Interest expense arising from the accretion of interest on the bond payable amounted to ₱203.65 million in 2020 and ₱183.92 million in 2019.

The agreement related to the issuance of convertible bond indicated the following rights and obligations:

- a) Within one month from August 4, 2017, the Company shall discontinue any royalty payments to LBCDC for all trademarks, brands and licenses. This was already terminated in September 2017;
- b) Within three months from closing date, LBCDC shall procure that LBCH enters into a binding sale and purchase agreement to acquire the equity interests of the 12 overseas entities. Also, within 12 months from closing date, LBCDC shall procure that LBCH closes the acquisition of the equity interest of the overseas entities;
- c) Within six months following the termination of royalty payments, the Company shall be permitted to make loans and advances to LBCDC and this shall not be considered a Reserved Matter;
- d) Within six months from closing date, LBCDC shall procure a debt for equity swap between LBCE and QUADX INC., a local affiliate; and
- e) Within 3 months from closing of the acquisition of the equity interests of the overseas entity, LBCDC procure to settle all obligations to the Group.

On February 28, 2018, the BOD of LBCH approved the incorporation of Diez Equiz Pte Ltd, a Singaporean private limited Company, through subscription of 862 shares or 86% of the total outstanding shares of the entity at USD 1.00 per share. On April 5, 2018, the BOD approved the sale of the same 86% equity interest of Diez Equiz Pte Ltd to Maleka, Inc. at the sale price of USD 1.00 per share.

### **QUADX Inc.**

On March 19, 2018, through a Deed of Assignment, LBCE assigned its receivables from QUADX Inc. to the Parent Company amounting to ₱186.02 million. On the same date, the Parent Company and QUADX Inc. entered into a Subscription Agreement to subscribe and issue a total of 1,860,214 shares of stock of QUADX Inc. through the conversion of the assigned advances to equity which represents 86.11% ownership by the Parent Company.

QUADX Inc. owns and operates e-commerce websites and primarily offers shipping, re-packing and consolidation facilities, multi- payment platforms, and digital services that serves clients in the Philippines.

The increase in authorized capital stock of QUADX Inc. was approved by the SEC on June 14, 2018, the same date that the Parent Company accounted the business combination under the acquisition method.

On May 29, 2019, the Parent Company sold its 1,860,214 shares in QUADX Inc. to LBCE, which shares represent 86.11% ownership in QUADX Inc., subject to the terms and conditions agreed upon under a Deed of Absolute Sale of Shares, for an aggregate purchase price of ₱186.02 million.

On July 1, 2019, LBCE, under a Deed of Absolute Sale of Shares, sold its 1,860,214 shares in QUADX, Inc. to LBCDC for an aggregate purchase price of ₱186.02 million.

The divestment of QUADX Inc. shares was made pursuant to plans of the Group to refocus the strategic direction for QUADX Inc., with a view of turning around losses.

### **Overseas Entities**

All entities acquired from overseas, except QuadX Pte. Ltd, are entities under common control of the Araneta family.

### **QuadX Pte. Ltd.**

On April 4, 2018, the BOD of the Parent Company approved the acquisition of 86.11% equity interest in QuadX Pte. Ltd., an entity domiciled in Singapore, through the following: (a) the purchase of 862 ordinary shares of QuadX Pte. Ltd. held by an individual shareholder, at the sale price of USD1.00 per share; and (b) the subscription to 85,248 ordinary shares out of the unissued capital stock of QuadX Pte. Ltd. at the subscription price of USD1.00 per share.

On April 23, 2018, the BOD of the Parent Company approved the infusion of additional capital to QuadX Pte. Ltd. in the amount of ₱31.86 million for the purpose of partially financing the purchase by the latter of Software Assets in the amount of ₱37.00 million from QUADX Inc.

QuadX Pte. Ltd. is engaged in digital logistics business. The acquisition is expected to contribute to the global revenue stream of the Group.

### **LBC Mabuhay Saipan, Inc.**

On March 7, 2018, the Parent Company acquired 100% ownership of LBC Mabuhay Saipan, Inc. (LBC Saipan) for a total purchase price of USD 207,652 or ₱10.80 million. LBC Saipan operates as a cargo and remittance Company in Saipan.

### **LBC Express Airfreight (S) Pte. Ltd., LBC Aircargo (S) Pte. Ltd., LBC Money Transfer PTY Limited and LBC Australia PTY Limited**

On June 27, 2018, the BOD of the Parent Company approved the purchase of shares of various overseas entities. On the same date, the following Share Purchase Agreements (SPAs) were executed by the Parent Company and Jamal Limited, a transitory seller, for a total purchase price of US \$4.60

million or ₱245.67 million under the SPAs. Jamal Limited, a third party, purchased these entities from Advance Global Systems Limited, an entity under common control, prior to sale to the Parent Company.

Details follow:

Entity Name	Number of shares	Purchase price	Primary operation	Place of business
LBC Express Airfreight (S) Pte. Ltd. (LBC Singapore)	10,000	\$2,415,035	Logistics	Singapore
LBC Aircargo (S) Pte. Ltd. (LBC Taiwan)	94,901	146,013	Logistics	Taiwan
LBC Money Transfer PTY Limited (LBC Australia Money)	10	194,535	Remittance	Australia
LBC Australia PTY Limited (LBC Australia Cargo)	223,500	1,843,149	Logistics	Australia

The transfer of the ownership of the shares and all rights, titles and interests thereto shall take place following the payment of the considerations defined. These entities operate as logistics and money remittance companies on the countries where they are domiciled.

#### **LBC Mabuhay (Malaysia) SDN BHD**

On August 15, 2018, the Parent Company approved the acquisition of 92.5% equity ownership of LBC Mabuhay (Malaysia) SDN BHD (LBC Malaysia) for a total purchase price of US \$461,782 or ₱24.68 million. LBC Malaysia engages in the business of courier services in Malaysia.

#### **LBC Mabuhay (B) Sdn Bhd and LBC Mabuhay Remittance Sdn Bhd**

On October 15, 2018, the Parent Company acquired 50% ownership of LBC Mabuhay Remittance SDN BHD and LBC Mabuhay (B) SDN BHD for total purchase price of US \$557,804 and US \$225,965, respectively, equivalent to ₱42.39 million. These entities operate as logistics and money remittance companies in Brunei, respectively.

#### **Entities under LBC Holdings USA Corporation**

On March 7, 2018, the BOD of the Parent Company approved the purchase of shares of the entities under LBC Holdings USA Corporation. On the same date, the share purchase agreements (SPA) were executed by the Parent Company and LBC Holdings USA Corporation with a total share purchase price amounting to US \$8.34 million, subject to certain closing conditions.

The transfer of the ownership of the shares and all rights, titles and interests thereto shall take place following the payment of the consideration defined and shall be subject to the necessary approvals of the US regulatory bodies that oversee and/or regulate the Companies.

Effective January 1, 2019, the Parent Company's purchase of LBC Mundial Corporation and LBC Mabuhay North America Corporation was completed upon approval by the US Regulatory bodies that oversee and/or regulate the following entities:

- LBC Mundial Corporation (LBC Mundial) which operates as a cargo and remittance company in California, USA. The Parent Company purchased 4,192,546 shares or 100% of the total outstanding shares from LBC Holdings USA Corporation. LBC Mundial wholly owns LBC Mundial Nevada Corporation which operates as a cargo company in Nevada, USA.
- LBC Mabuhay North America Corporation (LBC North America) which operates as a cargo and remittance company in New Jersey. The Parent Company purchased 1,605,273 shares or 100% of the total outstanding shares from LBC Holdings USA Corporation. LBC North America wholly owns LBC Mundial Cargo Corporation which operates as a cargo company in Canada and LBC Mundial Remittance Corporation, a money remittance company in Canada.

On July 1, 2019, the Parent Company's purchase of LBC Mabuhay Hawaii Corporation, who operates as a cargo and remittance company in Hawaii, was completed upon the approval by the US regulatory bodies. The Parent Company purchased 1,536,408 shares or 100% of the total outstanding shares from LBC Holdings USA Corporation.

#### **Mermaid Co. Ltd.**

On October 31, 2019, the Parent Company acquired 100% ownership of Mermaid, Co. Ltd. for total purchase price of US \$200,000. Mermaid Co. Ltd. operates a service for the shipping of household and other goods from expatriates living in Japan to their respective home countries, known as the "Balikbayan Box".

On December 12, 2019, the purchase of Mermaid Co. Ltd. was completed upon approval of the relevant government agencies.

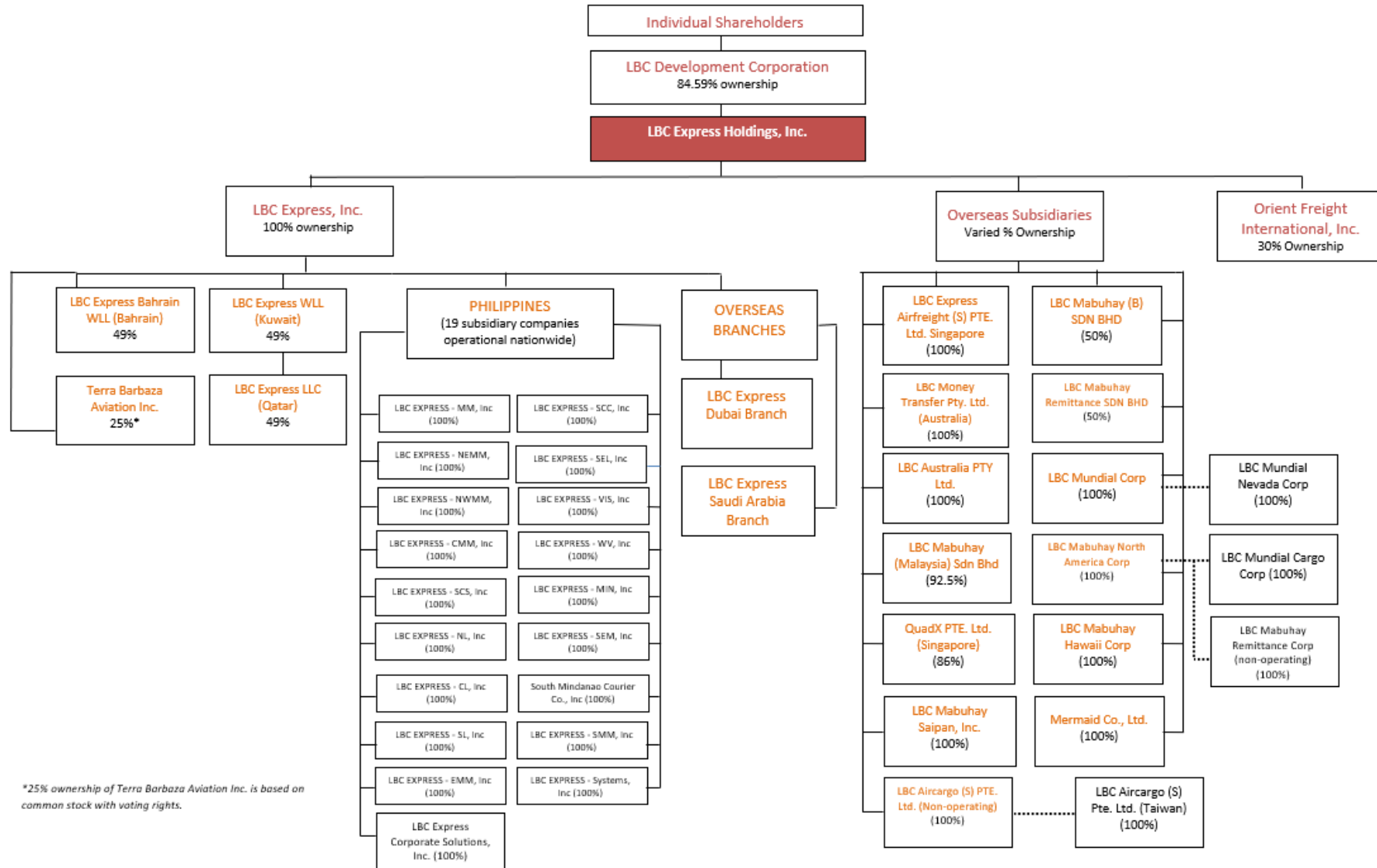
#### **LBC HISTORY**

LBC Express, Inc. was initially founded in 1950s as "Luzon Brokerage Corporation." It subsequently changed its name to "LBC Air Cargo, Inc." and operated as a brokerage and air cargo agent. A few years after incorporation, LBCE evolved into an express delivery service, becoming the first Filipino-owned private courier company to provide time-sensitive deliveries in the Philippines and offer customers an alternative to the Government-owned and operated postal service. In 1973, LBCE pioneered 24-hour door-to-door express delivery and messengerial services in the Philippines, providing greater convenience to its existing customers and further expanding its market share. LBCE's name was formally changed to "LBC Express, Inc." on April 26, 1988 to reflect the express delivery services that had come to form its hallmark business. In the 1990s, LBCE adopted the slogan "*Hari ng Padala*", or Filipino for "King of Forwarding Services." LBCE has now become the market leader in the Philippine domestic air freight forwarding market and, for the year ended November 30, 2012, had a market share of 41.8% of the domestic air freight forwarding industry in terms of throughput by weight, according to data from the CAB. While LBCE's logistics business still primarily comprises retail express courier and freight forwarding services, it has also expanded its product mix to offer services targeted at corporate customers, including full container load and less-than-container load sea freight forwarding and end-to-end logistics solutions.

In the early 1980s, LBCE entered into the domestic remittance business, leveraging the existing branch network of its logistics business as customer contact points for remittance acceptance and fulfillment, growing this business at low marginal cost. Beginning in 1999, LBCE expanded its money transfer services segment by offering bill payment collection services in the Philippines by serving as a third party collection agent for various vendors throughout the Philippines. In 2006, LBCE also began providing corporate remittance fulfillment services, such as payouts of government Social Security System benefits, payroll and insurance benefits on behalf of third parties, as well as remittance encashments for customers of its local remittance partner, Palawan Pawnshop.

LBCE commenced its international money transfer operations in 1987 by establishing relationships with agents and affiliates in the United States and steadily expanding its network elsewhere globally to provide fulfillment services for inbound international remittances. LBCE later leveraged the network of its overseas affiliates to expand its Logistics business internationally as well. Today, LBCE provides courier and freight forwarding services in 22 countries and territories outside of the Philippines and fulfillment services for inbound remittances originating from over 30 countries and territories outside the Philippines, including the United States, Canada, the Asia Pacific region, Europe and the Middle East.

The following diagram illustrates the operating ownership structure of the Company as of December 31, 2020:



The consolidated financial statements include the financial statements of LBCH and the following subsidiaries:

	Country of incorporation	Principal activities	Ownership Interest	
			2020	2019
LBC Express, Inc.	Philippines	Logistics and money remittance	100%	100%
LBC Express - MM, Inc.	Philippines	Logistics and money remittance	100%	100%
LBC Express - CL, Inc.	Philippines	Logistics and money remittance	100%	100%
LBC Express - NL, Inc.	Philippines	Logistics and money remittance	100%	100%
LBC Express - VIS, Inc.	Philippines	Logistics and money remittance	100%	100%
LBC Express - SL, Inc.	Philippines	Logistics and money remittance	100%	100%
LBC Express - SCS, Inc.	Philippines	Logistics and money remittance	100%	100%
LBC Express Corporate Solutions, Inc.	Philippines	Logistics and money remittance	100%	100%
LBC Express - CMM, Inc.	Philippines	Logistics and money remittance	100%	100%
LBC Express - EMM, Inc.	Philippines	Logistics and money remittance	100%	100%
LBC Express - MIN, Inc.	Philippines	Logistics and money remittance	100%	100%
LBC Express - SMM, Inc.	Philippines	Logistics and money remittance	100%	100%
LBC Express - SEL, Inc.	Philippines	Logistics and money remittance	100%	100%
LBC Express - WVIS, Inc.	Philippines	Logistics and money remittance	100%	100%
LBC Express - SEM, Inc.	Philippines	Logistics and money remittance	100%	100%
LBC Express - SCC, Inc.	Philippines	Logistics and money remittance	100%	100%
South Mindanao Courier Co., Inc.	Philippines	Logistics and money remittance	100%	100%
LBC Express - NEMM, Inc.	Philippines	Logistics and money remittance	100%	100%
LBC Express - NWMM, Inc.	Philippines	Logistics and money remittance	100%	100%
LBC Systems, Inc.	Philippines	Logistics and money remittance	100%	100%
LBC Express Bahrain WLL	Bahrain	Logistics	49%	49%
LBC Express Shipping Company WLL	Kuwait	Logistics	49%	49%
LBC Express LLC <sup>(1)</sup>	Qatar	Logistics	49%	49%
LBC Mabuhay Saipan Inc.	Saipan	Logistics and money remittance	100%	100%
LBC Aircargo (S) PTE. LTD	Singapore	Logistics	100%	100%
LBC Express Airfreight (S) PTE. LTD.	Singapore	Logistics	100%	100%
LBC Money Transfer PTY Limited	Australia	Money remittance	100%	100%
LBC Australia PTY Limited	Australia	Logistics	100%	100%
LBC Mabuhay (Malaysia) Sdn Bhd.	Malaysia	Logistics	93%	93%
QUADX Inc. <sup>(2)</sup>	Philippines	E-com web and logistics	-	86%
QuadX Pte. Ltd.	Singapore	Digital logistics	86%	86%
LBC Mabuhay (B) Sdn Bhd	Brunei	Logistics	50%	50%
LBC Mabuhay Remittance Sdn Bhd	Brunei	Money remittance	50%	50%
LBC Mundial Corporation	United States of America	Logistics and money remittance	100%	100%
LBC Mundial Nevada Corporation	United States of America	Logistics and money remittance	100%	100%
LBC Mabuhay North America Corporation	United States of America	Logistics and money remittance	100%	100%
LBC Mundial Cargo Corporation	Canada	Logistics	100%	100%
LBC Mabuhay Remittance Corporation	Canada	Money remittance	100%	100%
LBC Mabuhay Hawaii Corporation	United States of America	Logistics and money remittance	100%	100%
Mermaid Co., Ltd.	Japan	Logistics	100%	100%

Note:

- (1) This entity is a subsidiary of LBC Express Shipping Company WLL which has 49% ownership interest.
- (2) On July 1, 2019, LBCE sold all its QUADX Inc. shares to LBCDC.

## **BUSINESS**

### **SERVICES**

The Group's business is principally comprised of two major segments: (a) Logistics; and (b) Money Transfer Services.

The Group's Logistics products serves Retail (C2C) and Corporate/Institutional (B2B/B2C) customers. The main services offered under the Group's Logistics business are Domestic and International Courier, and Freight Forwarding services (by way of air, sea and ground transport).

Money Transfer Services include Domestic Remittance services (available as branch retail services), Bills Payment collection, and Corporate Remittance Payout services. International Money Transfer Services are also offered overseas through the Group's own branches, and through partners, which encompasses International Inbound Remittance services.

The table below presents the above-mentioned components of the Group's revenue associated with its business segments, for the years indicated.

In PHP 'millions	For the year ended December 31, 2020		
	Logistics	Money transfer services	Total
<b>Segments</b>			
<b>Type of Customer</b>			
Retail	₱10,463.29	₱529.88	₱10,993.17
Corporate	3,081.79	42.11	3,123.90
<b>Total revenue from contracts with customers</b>	<b>₱13,545.08</b>	<b>₱571.99</b>	<b>₱14,117.07</b>
<b>Geographic Markets</b>			
Domestic	₱9,309.20	₱314.48	₱9,623.68
Overseas	4,235.88	257.51	4,493.39
<b>Total revenue from contracts with customers</b>	<b>₱13,545.08</b>	<b>₱571.99</b>	<b>₱14,117.07</b>

In PHP 'millions	For the year ended December 31, 2019		
	Logistics	Money transfer services	Total
<b>Segments</b>			
<b>Type of Customer</b>			
Retail	₱9,944.62	₱925.77	₱10,870.39
Corporate	4,273.05	66.52	4,339.56
<b>Total revenue from contracts with customers</b>	<b>₱14,217.66</b>	<b>₱992.29</b>	<b>₱15,209.96</b>
<b>Geographic Markets</b>			
Domestic	₱10,255.60	₱659.08	₱10,914.68
Overseas	3,962.06	333.21	4,295.28
<b>Total revenue from contracts with customers</b>	<b>₱14,217.66</b>	<b>₱992.29</b>	<b>₱15,209.96</b>

In PHP 'millions	For the year ended December 31, 2018		
	Logistics	Money transfer services	Total
<b>Segments</b>			
<b>Type of Customer</b>			
Retail	₱7,170.42	₱859.57	₱8,029.98
Corporate	4,192.46	103.14	4,295.60
<b>Total revenue from contracts with customers</b>	<b>₱11,362.87</b>	<b>₱962.71</b>	<b>₱12,325.58</b>
<b>Geographic Markets</b>			
Domestic	₱9,286.84	₱799.49	₱10,086.32
Overseas	2,076.04	163.22	2,239.26
<b>Total revenue from contracts with customers</b>	<b>₱11,362.87</b>	<b>₱962.71</b>	<b>₱12,325.58</b>



As of December 31, 2020, the Logistics business of the Group accounts for approximately 96% of its total revenues while Money Transfer Services accounts for the remaining 4%.

Retail Logistics comprised 77%, 70% and 63%, respectively, of the Group's service revenue from Logistics for the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018. The Group's primary retail logistics offerings are its "Express" products (courier and air cargo forwarding) and *balikbayan* boxes.

For the year ended December 31, 2020, service fees from international outbound remittances amounted to ₱0.28 million (nil for 2019 and 2018).

For the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018, service fees from international inbound remittances were ₱257.51 million, ₱333.21 million and ₱163.22 million, accounting for 45%, 34% and 17%, respectively, of the Group's total service revenues from Money Transfer Services.

## **Logistics**

The Logistics business is the Group's primary source of revenue. The Group serves two primary customer segments within the Logistics business: (a) Retail (C2C) customers; and (b) Corporate/Institutional (B2B/B2C) customers. The main services offered to Retail customers include Courier, Air Cargo Forwarding and *Balikbayan* box services. The main services offered to Corporate clients include, in addition to Courier and Freight Forwarding services, Specialized Corporate Solutions, or Corporate Logistics services, tailored to the specific needs of the client.

As of December 31, 2020, the Group has offered Logistics services at 1,556 Company-owned branches in the Philippines and 77 Company-owned branches, and 960 Partner-agent branches, in 29 other countries and territories worldwide.

### ***Retail Logistics***

Retail Logistics comprised 77%, 70% and 63%, respectively, of the Group's service revenue from Logistics for the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018. The Group's primary Retail Logistics offerings are its "Express" products (comprised of Courier and Air Cargo forwarding) and *Balikbayan* boxes.

#### *Courier*

Courier services are the Group's express messengerial services and refer to deliveries of parcels (i.e. letters and small packages typically weighing three kilograms or less) by land and/or air on a time-sensitive basis. LBCE generally makes domestic courier deliveries within 24 hours of acceptance and international courier deliveries within one to three days of acceptance, depending on the origin and destination country. The Group is limited in liability for delays caused by certain *force majeure* and other events that may prevent it from making an on-time delivery. The fees for courier services are based on weight, dimensions and final destination, and the Group imposes add-on charges for extra services such as pick-up in certain areas outside of the National Capital Region of the Philippines, additional insurance and same-day delivery service. In 2020, however, due to the various quarantine situations imposed by the government in view of the Covid-19 pandemic, service level agreements were extended beyond the standard timeframes.

#### *Air Cargo*

Cargo refers to larger packages and boxes (typically weighing over three kilograms). As with courier services, the Company generally makes express deliveries of domestic air cargo within 24 hours of

acceptance, while international air cargo is generally delivered within one to three days of acceptance, depending on the destination country. The Company charges for air cargo forwarding and items delivered by ground based on volumetric weight (a function of both the actual weight and dimensions of the cargo) and final destination, as well as add-on charges for extra services such as pick-up in certain areas, additional insurance and same-day delivery service. In 2020, however, due to the various quarantine situations imposed by the government in view of the Covid-19 pandemic, service level agreements were extended beyond the standard timeframes.

#### *Balikbayan Boxes*

The *balikbayan* box is a box shipment of personal effects cargo sent by retail customers to friends and family, domestically and internationally. *Balikbayan* boxes are forwarded by the Group by way of sea transport and generally delivered within 35 days of acceptance from the sender, subject to *force majeure* and other unforeseen events. Because the Group charges for sea freight forwarding based on standard dimensions of the box rather than weight, *balikbayan* boxes provide a low cost option to customers making shipments of various items. They are also a means for customers to ship certain items that cannot be shipped by air, such as liquids and aerosols. Accordingly, *balikbayan* boxes are frequently used by overseas Filipinos to send large numbers or volumes of consumer products, such as clothing, home goods and personal care items, to recipients in the Philippines. *Balikbayan* boxes come in a variety of dimensions and typically weigh between 30 to 80 kilograms. In 2020, however, due to the various quarantine situations imposed by the government in view of the Covid-19 pandemic, service level agreements were extended beyond the standard timeframes.

#### *Corporate Logistics*

The Company provides services to a varied portfolio of corporate and institutional customers, which include consumer goods manufacturers, food products producers, pharmaceutical companies, educational institutions, financial services companies and others, including several well-known multinational corporations. In addition to fulfilling the express delivery needs of corporate clients through courier and air cargo forwarding services, the Company also provides the following services:

##### *Specialized Corporate Solutions (SCS)*

SCS refers to the end-to-end tailored logistics services provided by the Company to corporate clients with specific requirements.

As part of SCS, the Company provides transportation of mail, parcels and cargo via air, land and sea. The Company offers sea freight forwarding services domestically for both full container load (FCL) and less-than-container load (LCL) shipments. LCL services are particularly attractive for small and medium-sized businesses with relatively lower volume shipping requirements. Corporate clients have the option of dropping off their shipments at the Company's container freight stations located near local ports or requesting a pick-up from the Company. The Company also offers flexible payments modes, including payment at origin, payment at destination, payment on account of shipper, and payment on account of consignee. Shipping times for sea freight are more protracted than for air freight, ranging from three to seven days for domestic shipments and seven to 45 days for international shipments. In recent years, the volume of sea freight forwarding services provided by the Company has increased due to the growth in its corporate client portfolio.

The Company also expanded SCS to include value-added services such as onsite operations, cold chain, warehousing, and cross-border logistics. The palette of available onsite operations includes warehouse storage, cross-docking (the temporary storage of arriving order and subsequent breaking-down and reassembly for truck delivery), inventory management, reverse logistics, pick-up of pallets and containers, order fulfillment services at the customer's own warehouse, specialized packaging and

re-packaging (such as ice gelling for pharmaceutical products), open-checking services, cash on delivery (collection of value of item from consignee upon delivery and remittance of value to shipper) and delivery and discrepancy reporting, among others, which are in addition to its customary courier and freight forwarding services.

The Company performs services for corporate clients both pursuant to long-term contracts and on a per-transaction basis. SCS contracts typically have terms of one to three years. The Company extends credit facilities to most of its corporate clients, following a standard credit check procedure when first engaging a new client.

In recent years, the Company has increased its focus on its corporate logistics business and aims to continue expanding its corporate client portfolio and service offerings going forward.

### **Money Transfer Services**

Money Transfer services are the Group's second primary business segment and comprise both domestic and international money transfer services.

#### *Domestic*

Domestic Money Transfer services include (a) Remittances and (b) Bills Payment collection and Corporate Remittance Payout services. For the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018, service fees from domestic Money Transfer Services were ₱314.48 million, ₱659.08 million, and ₱799.49 million, respectively, representing 55%, 66%, and 83%, respectively, of the Company's total service revenues from Money Transfer Services.

#### *Remittances*

Remittances are transfers of funds between customers from one location to another. The Company is licensed by the *Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas* (**BSP**) to serve as a remittance agent in the Philippines for both domestic remittances (wherein both the sender and the beneficiary are located within the Philippines) and international inbound remittances (wherein the sender is located outside the Philippines and the beneficiary is located within the Philippines). Retail customers in the Philippines, particularly the unbanked population and others who are underserved by traditional banking institutions, account for the majority of the Company's Domestic Remittance customers. The Company offers Domestic Remittance services in the form of branch retail remittance services.

- *Branch retail services* enable customers who make remittances at any Company-owned branch in the Philippines to choose among the following fulfillment options for their beneficiaries:
  - *Instant branch pick-up (Instant Pera Padala "IPP")*, a real-time cash pick-up remittance facility in which funds become instantaneously available for pick-up by the remitter's beneficiary once the sending party has made the payment at a Company-owned branch; the sending party can designate any pick-up location or geographic zone within the Company's domestic network (including both Company-owned branches and branches of its partners, Palawan Pawnshop, Cebuana Lhuillier);
  - *"Pesopak,"* a service by which remittances are delivered directly to the beneficiary's doorstep, providing an attractive option for situations in which beneficiaries cannot or do not want to visit a branch; the Company offers next day delivery for *Pesopak* in almost all areas in the Philippines; and

- *Remit-to-account (“RTA”)*, a service by which funds accepted from a sender at a Company branch will be directly deposited to the designated local bank account of the beneficiary.

LBCE charges a service fee for processing Domestic Remittances according to a progressive schedule based on the value of the remittance. Fees may also vary depending on the chosen method of fulfillment. For example, Remit-To-Account (RTA) and *Pesopak* deliveries may incur additional service charges. The significant majority of remittances made by customers of LBCE are for sums equivalent to approximately ₱13,000 or less.

#### *Bills Payment Collection and Corporate Remittance Payouts*

LBCE serves as a third party bills payment collection sub-agent for approximately 180 creditors in the Philippines, including major utilities companies, insurance companies, certain Government agencies, telecom providers and publishers, among others, through its contract with CIS Bayad Center, Inc. (**Bayad**). Through the LBCE, Bills Payment collection service, customers of these merchants and other creditors can settle their accounts by submitting their payment along with the billing notice issued by the merchant to any company-owned branch in the Philippines. LBCE processes Bills Payment collections through the same integrated point-of-sale (**POS**) system used by the LBCE for acceptance of parcels, cargo and remittances.

The Company also provides Payout services for various corporations and organizations. For example, the Company provides Payroll services for certain companies, whereby employees can collect salary checks at an LBC branch. As part of its reciprocal agreements with Palawan Pawnshop, Cebuana Lhuiller, and Petnet, Inc. (Western Union), LBCE also provides encashment services for beneficiaries of senders who make a remittance at a Palawan Pawnshop, Cebuana Lhuillier or Western Union branch.

#### *International*

The Company provides fulfillment services for international inbound remittances from over 20 countries and territories overseas to the Philippines through its overseas branches and affiliates and its network of international remittance agents.

To expand its international reach, LBCE has also entered into agreements with affiliates and remittance fulfillment agents in countries and territories outside of the Philippines. These agents include International Remittance houses such as in the Asia-Pacific region: in Hong Kong, Pacific Ace Forex H.K. Limited; in Malaysia, SMJ TERATAI SDN. BHD., TML Remittance Center SDN. BHD., Merchantrade Asia SDN. BHD., Trangolo; in Taiwan, Eastern Union Interactive Corp.; in Japan, TransRemittance Co. Ltd., Japan Remit Finance Co. Ltd.; in Singapore, Kabayan Remittance PTE. LTD.; in Israel, WIC Worldcom Finance Ltd.; in the Middle East continent: Zenj Exchange Co., WLL., Bahrain; in the United Arab Emirates, Al Ansari Exchange LLC., Al Ghurair Exchange LLP., Instant Cash FZE., Onyx Exchange; in the European continent, Money Exchange SA, Spain; Intel Express Georgia, Georgia; Xpress Money Services Ltd., and Philippines Remittances Ltd., in the United Kingdom; in the North American region; Uremit International Corp. and Atin Ito Variety Bakery & Remittance Ltd., Canada; Remitly Inc., Intermex Wire Transfer LLC, Limica Corporation (Guam), XOOM Corporation, Envios De Valores La Nacional Corp., and Placid NK Corporation, in the United States of America, among others.

International remittances are also encashed by LBCE from Philippine-based companies with international presence, such as Petnet Inc. (under Western Union), Pinoy Express Hatid Padala Services, Inc., New York Bay Philippines, Inc., Filremit Corp., Fastremit Service Inc., I-Remit Inc., Betur Inc. (DBA COINS PH), Pisopay.Com Inc., True Money Philippines Inc., Optimum Exchange

Remit Inc., Ayannah Business Solutions, Inc., Atomtrans Tech Corp., Uniteller Filipino, Inc., among others.

For this same purpose, the Company also has partnerships with Philippine financial institutions with strong international and local presence such as Asia United Bank Corporation, Bank of Commerce, China Banking Corporation, Metropolitan Bank & Trust Company and Subsidiaries, Rizal Commercial Banking Corporation, Bank of the Philippine Islands, and Landbank of the Philippines, among others, as well as other pawnshop/money service businesses such as Eight Under Par, Inc. (Palawan Pawnshop), Cebuana Lhuillier Services Corporation (Cebuana Lhuillier), Michel J. Lhuillier Financial Services, Inc. (MJ Lhuillier), and P.J. Lhuillier, Inc., among others.

Through the extended networks of its partners and agents, the Company provided fulfillment services for inbound remittances, although it transacts only with its direct agents. Under the terms of the fulfillment partnership agreements that the Company enters into, direct agents are permitted only limited use of the “LBC” name, trademarks and other protected signs when transacting business on behalf of the Company and still carrying on business under their own corporate and trade names. The Company receives a fixed percentage of the agent’s revenues in exchange for its services in relation to inbound international remittances. The Company requires most of its remittance agents to maintain a revolving fund for advance funding cover, which must be replenished when the balance falls beneath a set threshold. This is to ensure that the Company bears minimal credit risk when making payouts on behalf of international agents. In addition, most of the agreements have in place a maximum remittance value per transaction as a further risk mitigation tool, typically ranging from ₱75,000 to ₱100,000.

The basic process for domestic remittances is as follows:

- Remittances from origins are accepted via point-of-sale system. Encashment branch will check the possible match using the Auto-Scrubbing Process (Sender and Beneficiary names are checked against the International Sanctions List) and ensure the validity of transaction. Data processing will be performed as well as fund allocation. Payout, delivery, credit to bank et.al are the methods in fulfillment of the transactions.

As with domestic remittances, beneficiaries of international inbound remittances can avail of instant branch pick-up services at any location within the Group’s domestic network as soon as the transaction is processed into the Group’s POS system from its overseas branch or agent-operated location. Beneficiaries of inbound international remittances can also arrange for the money to be delivered to their door, have the sums credited to a pre-paid remittance card or have proceeds deposited directly into a bank account. The Group charges a service fee for processing international remittances according to a progressive schedule based on value of the remittance and pick-up destination of the remittance. Although mobile remit confirmation codes are not yet sold internationally, the Group does enable online remit services from the United States, in which the sender can remit funds to a Philippine beneficiary through the Group’s website using a debit card. The significant majority of remittances made by customers of the Group are for sums equivalent to approximately ₱10,000 to ₱15,000 or less.

For the year ended December 31, 2020, service fees from international outbound remittances amounted to ₱0.28 million (nil for 2019 and 2018).

For the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018, service fees from international inbound remittances were ₱257.51 million, ₱333.2 million and ₱163.2 million, accounting for 45%, 34% and 17%, respectively, of the Company’s total service revenues from Money Transfer Services.

## **OPERATIONS**

LBC's Courier and Freight Forwarding services utilize transport by air, sea and land and a network of strategically-located warehouses, distribution centers and delivery hubs to provide end-to-end delivery services for its Retail customers and Corporate/Institutional clients.

### **Logistics**

Logistics entails the management of the flow of goods from a point of origin to a specified destination, including any ancillary services that may be required to facilitate the process, such as storage and packaging.

#### ***Air Freight Forwarding***

##### *Domestic*

The Group's end-to-end domestic air freight forwarding services involve the following steps: (1) acceptance (by pick-up or drop-off at a branch) (2) ground transport to a regional warehouse/distribution center, (3) primary sorting, (4) loading to aircrafts (for air transport), (5) withdrawal by the receiving distribution center/delivery hub, (6) secondary sorting (if required) and (7) ground transport for delivery to final destination.

- Acceptance is the receipt by the Group of the customer's parcels and cargo, either through its pick-up service or at one of the Group's 1,556 customer contact points in the Philippines where customers can drop off parcels and cargo. All parcels and cargo must be accompanied by a waybill from the customer providing the recipient's name, shipping address, description of contents, estimated value and other pertinent information. Upon receipt of the customer's parcel or cargo, the receiving agent affixes a barcode onto the package and scans the package, beginning the tracking process. The parcel or package is rescanned at every subsequent touch point throughout the transport process until its final destination.
- At the close of business each day (approximately 7:00 p.m.), all packages are delivered by the Group's vehicle fleet to a regional warehouse / distribution center, from any of 36 warehouses in the country. The Company has two primary distribution centers: the Central Exchange, located at the Group's corporate headquarters in the General Aviation Center of the old domestic airport in Manila, where all packages collected from, passing through or destined for Metro Manila are aggregated, and the Cebu Central Exchange, functioning similarly to the Central Exchange in Manila. Packages collected in other areas are aggregated at any one of 36 warehouses located near airports throughout the country. Upon receipt, the Exchange teams "scan-in" all packages and print manifest (i.e. an itemized inventory) listings of all the barcodes "scanned." The manifest is used to check the number of shipments "scanned in" against the number of shipments that are later "scanned out."
- Throughout the night, the Exchange teams engage in primary sorting, and label parcels and cargo bound for different destinations across the Philippines to prepare them for onward transmission by air, sea or land. All packages to be transported by air are scanned by X-ray machines for detection of illegal and contraband goods. In the Central Exchange, the Company houses its own X-ray machines which are located adjacent but within the facility, and operated by independent airline employees. This bypasses the need to transport the cargo to the airline carriers' facilities for scanning, increasing the efficiency of the Company's sorting process.
- By morning, all packages bound for other provinces and cities are loaded onto the first and second flights of the day operated by Cebu Pacific Air and Philippine Airlines, among others.

- When the planes arrive at the destination airport, a team of employees withdraws shipments and again scans the barcodes and sorts the items, segregating parcels and cargo destined for different zones. The items may also be sorted at the Company's 190 regional delivery hubs (secondary distribution centers) for more efficient distribution to smaller cities and municipalities.
- Packages are then loaded onto the Group's delivery vehicles, which either transport the items to a delivery hub for secondary sorting, or directly to the final destination if already within the zone of delivery.

In 2020, however, due to the various quarantine situations imposed by the government in view of the Covid-19 pandemic, service level agreements were extended beyond the standard timeframes. The Group's Domestic Air Forwarding services were diverted into land and sea forwarding (by way of RoRo) due to the inavailability of airline forwarding services.

### *International*

The Group's international Air Freight Forwarding and Courier services involve a similar process as its domestic Air Freight Forwarding and Courier services, namely (1) acceptance (by pick-up or drop-off at an international LBCE-owned, or affiliate-owned branch or agent-operated location), (2) ground transport to a regional hub / distribution center, (3) primary sorting, (4) loading to international aircraft, (5) withdrawal of cargo by Philippine associates at the Central Exchange in Manila or Cebu, (6) secondary sorting, (7) further forwarding by air to regional destinations (if necessary) and (8) ground transport, via Company-owned and third party trucks, for delivery to final destination. In the case of shipments originating from overseas, LBCE's overseas branch, affiliate or agent, as applicable, is responsible for all of the steps from acceptance of the parcel/cargo through loading of the parcel/cargo onto the Philippine-bound airline carrier.

In the case of shipments originating from the Philippines and sent overseas, the overseas branch, affiliate or agent, as applicable, is responsible for all of the steps from acceptance of the parcel/cargo at the international destination to secondary sorting and delivery of the item to its final destination by ground.

International shipments utilize the same, integrated barcoding and scanning system as domestic shipments, enabling a seamless exchange between the Group's domestic team and its overseas teams.

In 2020, however, due to the various quarantine situations imposed by the government in view of the Covid-19 pandemic, service level agreements were extended beyond the standard timeframes.

### ***Ground Delivery Fleet***

Ground transport forms a key component of nearly all forms of delivery and forwarding services offered by the Group. Motorcycles and trucks are used for door-to-door pickup and delivery of parcels, cargo and money remittances, as well as ground transport of items destined for onward forwarding by air or sea. The vehicle fleet is also an integral part of the Group's contingency planning in the event that air and/or sea transport become unavailable. The Group also, from time to time, engages third-party trucking and transportation companies.

For items that are transported entirely by ground, parcels and packages undergo (1) acceptance (by pick-up or drop off at a branch), (2) ground transport to the regional distribution center, (3) primary sorting, (4) ground transport to a delivery hub for secondary sorting (if required) and (5) ground transport to the final destination.

As of December 31, 2020, the Company has a fleet of 3,333 vehicles (including 2,652 motorcycles and 681 delivery vans). The Company's drivers and couriers are trained in vehicle operation safety, customer service, cash handling and other procedures. Vehicles are acquired on a lease-to-own basis pursuant to finance leases with a typical term of three to five years to ownership. The Company's vehicle fleet undergoes maintenance on a regularly scheduled basis, and vehicles are typically replaced every ten years. The Group began re-fleeting most of its delivery trucks, in 2014, and motorcycles, in the latter part of 2017. Comprehensive insurance is maintained for all vehicles.

### ***Sea Cargo Forwarding***

As of the end of December 2020, the Group's Sea Cargo forwarding services are available domestically in Manila, Cebu, Bacolod, Iloilo, Davao, Cagayan de Oro and General Santos, and internationally in 29 countries and territories outside the Philippines.

The Group does not own ships and contracts with third party shipping carriers for these services. Domestic sea transport is provided by Oceanic Container Lines, Inc., 2Go Freight, Lorenzo Shipping Lines, Gothong Southern and Asian Marine Transport Corporation, among others, while international sea transport is provided through Orient Freight International, an international freight forwarding agency in which LBCH acquired a 30% stake in 2018. This allows the Company to contract directly with international shipping carriers rather than rely on another international freight forwarder. The Company's sea cargo forwarding services are separated into Retail operations and Corporate operations.

### ***Retail***

Retail sea cargo denotes *balikbayan* boxes, which are primarily international inbound shipments and intra-Philippine shipments.

The basic forwarding process for *Balikbayan* Boxes is as follows:

- Acceptance of *Balikbayan* Boxes is handled by the LBCE (in the case of domestic shipments) or an LBCE overseas branch, overseas subsidiaries or affiliate (in the case of inbound international shipments). *Balikbayan* Boxes are typically picked up by delivery trucks, as they tend to be larger in terms of weight and volume.
- Upon acceptance, all cargo is input into the Company's VISTRA acceptance system by a delivery team, which produces a delivery dispatch report and cross checks each shipment for discrepancies when units are consigned to the international freight forwarder.
- *Balikbayan* Boxes are sorted and placed into containers at the local warehouse or distribution center of the Group's branch or affiliate/agent. Once a container is full, the Group can arrange for pick-up from the international freight forwarder or local shipping partner, as applicable. Because the throughput of goods shipped by the Group is substantial, containers are usually filled within one to two days.
- The Group's international freight forwarder (in the case of inbound international shipments) or the Group's local shipping partners (in the case of domestic shipments) will then collect the cargo from the warehouse or distribution center and load the items onto a ship.
- International inbound *Balikbayan* Boxes are in transit for three (3) to seven (7) days (for shipments within Asia) or 30 to 45 days (for shipments from Europe or North America) prior to arriving in Manila. All such *Balikbayan* Boxes are received by the international freight



forwarder at either of the ports in Manila, Subic, Zambales, or Cagayan de Oro and consigned to the Group at the Vitas Harbor Center Warehouse. Intra-Philippine shipments, which generally take between two and five days to arrive at their destination, are received at regional warehouses and distribution centers. For international inbound shipments, the Group's customs brokers facilitate procedures necessary to be undertaken with the Philippine Bureau of Customs, while its international freight forwarder arranges for customs brokerage in the international jurisdictions.

- At the Vitas Harbor Center Warehouse or any of the regional warehouses and distribution centers, boxes are again scanned, inspected for any damage and sorted for further forwarding to their final destination by ground transport or re-directed to a domestic shipping company for further sea transport if necessary. International inbound *Balikbayan* Boxes are received by Group's overseas branches and affiliates and sorted for final delivery. *Balikbayan* Boxes are randomly scanned in the United States and in the Philippines via X-ray machines to prevent entry of illegal goods and money laundering.

### *Corporate*

For Corporate Sea Cargo shipments, LBCE provides forwarding services for both Full-Container Load (FCL) and Loose-Container-Load (LCL) shipments. LBCE's Corporate Sea Cargo forwarding services include, among others, Pier-to-Pier service (in which a customer's shipment is delivered to a receiving office at the destination pier for pickup by the receiving party) and Pier-to-Door service (in which the customer's shipment is delivered to the address of the receiving party). Corporate clients can either drop-off their cargo at LBCE's container freight stations or arrange for pick-up by LBCE's delivery fleet.

For corporate customers who wish to make regular use of the LBCE's services, the company assigns an account executive to be in-charge of obtaining details of the shipments and advising the customer on the readiness process and approval of credit terms. In addition, after shipments are completed, an account coordinator reports a summary of the transactions and the Billing and Collection department bills and collects payment for the shipments.

All corporate shipments are aggregated and sorted at the Company's container freight stations located near the local ports. Container freight stations are separate from the receiving warehouse for the retail *balikbayan* boxes.

### ***Specialized Corporate Solutions***

Under SCS, the Group provides transportation of mail, parcels and cargo via air, land and sea for its corporate clients, as well as value-added services such as onsite operations, and warehousing, among others. The transportation service operates in substantially the same manner as the general logistics operations described above.

### **Money Transfer Services**

#### ***Remittances***

#### *Infrastructure*

The Group leverages the branch network and vehicle fleet used for its Logistics services as a platform for its remittance services. The extensive geographic reach of its branch network, its large fleet of delivery vehicles, the existing workforce of trained employees and the availability of cash funds at each of the Group branches from its logistics operations enable the Group to offer remittance services at very low additional operating cost. As the remittance business has grown into a significant portion

of its business, the Group has increased the number of customer contact points for its remittance services by entering into fulfillment partnership agreements with agents and affiliates domestically and internationally.

The Global Remittance Team is in charge of operating the Group's remittance business. With respect to domestic remittances, its primary duties include, among others, reviewing daily acceptance values; forecasting the daily funding needs of each branch to meet fulfillment obligations; ensuring the proper safeguarding of cash at branches; overseeing the transport and deposit of cash into the Group's regional bank accounts (from which local managers of the branch offices can withdraw the funds); establishing and training branch employees in cash acceptance, Anti-Money Laundering (AML), customer identification and other policies; and reporting covered transactions and suspicious transactions to the BSP. With respect to international remittances, its primary duties include monitoring balances of revolving accounts and settlement of payments. The Global Remittance Team uses data collected from the Group's front-end POS software to analyze end-of-day acceptance information at all of the branch locations. This enables the Global Remittance Team to estimate the funding requirements for each branch on a daily basis. The Group is in the process of transitioning its POS system into a more fully integrated system with the rest of its business operating software.

#### *Domestic Partners*

To expand its domestic network for remittance services, LBC Express Inc. and Eight Under Par, Inc. (a Philippine corporation doing business under the trade name "Palawan Pawnshop") entered into a non-exclusive agreement in June 2012 to serve as reciprocal fulfillment agents within the Philippines. A similar partnership was entered into by the Company with Cebuana Lhuillier Services Corporation (under the trade name "Cebuana Lhuillier") in 2019. Through these agreements, all of Palawan Pawnshop's 3,143 branches and Cebuana Lhuillier's 2,500 branches in the Philippines are available to provide instant branch pick-up services for beneficiaries of LBCE's remittance customers, and all of LBCE's 1,556 branches in the Philippines in turn provide the same service for Palawan Pawnshop's customers. All partners collect a reciprocal percentage of service fees for performing services on behalf of the other.

The Group believes that its strategic partnerships with Palawan Pawnshop, Cebuana Lhuillier, MLhuillier, and PJ Lhuillier, among others, have enabled it to greatly expand its geographical reach in the Philippines and provide more services to more customers, particularly in areas where it has fewer Company-owned branches, at minimal expense. In 2018, Petnet, Inc. (Western Union) became an international fulfillment partner, extending the group's reach and network to more customers worldwide, through Western Union's approximately 500,000 agents in 220 countries.

The basic process for Domestic Remittances is as follows:

- Branch Retail services enable customers who make Remittances at any of the 1,556 Company-owned branches in the Philippines to choose among the fulfillment options for their beneficiaries. Upon acceptance from the sender, there is an online facility processes the request. An encashment alert is sent to the specified branch and the latter ensures fund availability to serve the consignee.
  - *Instant branch pick-up (Instant Pera Padala "IPP")*, a real-time cash pick-up remittance facility by which funds become instantaneously available for pick-up by the remitter's beneficiary once the sending party has made the payment at any of the 1,556 Company-owned branches or Palawan Pawnshop and/or Cebuana Lhuillier partner branches; the sending party can designate any pick-up location or geographic zone within the Company's domestic network;

- “*Pesopak*,” a service by which remittances are delivered directly to the beneficiary’s doorstep
- “*Remit-to-account*” (*RTA*), a service by which funds accepted from a sender at a Company branch will be directly deposited to the designated local bank account of the beneficiary

### *International Remittance Agents*

To expand its international reach, LBCE has also entered into agreements with affiliates and remittance fulfillment agents in countries and territories outside of the Philippines. These agents include International Remittance houses such as in the Asia-Pacific region: in Hong Kong, Pacific Ace Forex H.K. Limited; in Malaysia, SMJ TERATAI SDN. BHD., TML Remittance Center SDN. BHD., Merchantrade Asia SDN. BHD., Trangolo; in Taiwan, Eastern Union Interactive Corp.; in Japan, TransRemittance Co. Ltd., Japan Remit Finance Co. Ltd.; in Singapore, Kabayan Remittance PTE. LTD.; in Israel, WIC Worldcom Finance Ltd.; in the Middle East continent: Zenj Exchange Co., WLL., Bahrain; in the United Arab Emirates, Al Ansari Exchange LLC., Al Ghurair Exchange LLP., Instant Cash FZE., Onyx Exchange; in the European continent, Money Exchange SA, Spain; Intel Express Georgia, Georgia; Xpress Money Services Ltd., and Philippines Remittances Ltd., in the United Kingdom; in the North American region; Uremit International Corp. and Atin Ito Variety Bakery & Remittance Ltd., Canada; Remitly Inc., Intermex Wire Transfer LLC, Limica Corporation (Guam), XOOM Corporation, Envios De Valores La Nacional Corp., and Placid NK Corporation, in the United States of America, among others.

International remittances are also encashed by LBCE from Philippine-based companies with international presence, such as Petnet Inc. (under Western Union), Pinoy Express Hatid Padala Services, Inc., New York Bay Philippines, Inc., Filremit Corp., Fastremit Service Inc., I-Remit Inc., Betur Inc. (DBA COINS PH), Pisopay.Com Inc., True Money Philippines Inc., Optimum Exchange Remit Inc., Ayannah Business Solutions, Inc., Atomtrans Tech Corp., Uniteller Filipino, Inc., among others.

For this same purpose, the Company also has partnerships with Philippine financial institutions with strong international and local presence such as Asia United Bank Corporation, Bank of Commerce, China Banking Corporation, Metropolitan Bank & Trust Company and Subsidiaries, Rizal Commercial Banking Corporation, Bank of the Philippine Islands, and Landbank of the Philippines, among others, as well as other pawnshop/money service businesses such as Eight Under Par, Inc. (Palawan Pawnshop), Cebuana Lhuillier Services Corporation (Cebuana Lhuillier), Michel J. Lhuillier Financial Services, Inc. (MJ Lhuillier), and P.J. Lhuillier, Inc., among others.

Through the extended networks of its partners and agents, the Company provided fulfillment services for inbound remittances, although the it transacts only with its direct agents. Under the terms of the fulfillment partnership agreements that the Company enters into, direct agents are permitted only limited use of the “LBC” name, trademarks and other protected signs when transacting business on behalf of the Company and still carrying on business under their own corporate and trade names. The Company receives a fixed percentage of the agent’s revenues in exchange for its services in relation to inbound international remittances. The Company requires most of its remittance agents to maintain a revolving fund for advance funding cover, which must be replenished when the balance falls beneath a set threshold. This is to ensure that the Company bears minimal credit risk when making payouts on behalf of international agents. In addition, most of the agreements have in place a maximum remittance value per transaction as a further risk mitigation tool, typically ranging from ₱75,000 to ₱100,000.

The basic process for domestic remittances is as follows:

- Remittances from origins are accepted via point-of-sale system. Encashment branch will check the possible match using the Auto-Scrubbing Process (Sender and Beneficiary names are checked against the International Sanctions List) and ensure the validity of transaction. Data processing will be performed as well as fund allocation. Payout, delivery, credit to bank et.al are the methods in fulfillment of the transactions.

### ***Bills Payment Collection and Corporate Remittance Payouts***

The majority of the Company's Bills Payment Collection services are governed by an agreement first entered with CIS Bayad Center, Inc. (Bayad) dated January 21, 2013, by which the Company subcontracts through Bayad the performance of third-party bills collection services for more than 180 vendors/creditors or "billers," including government agencies, utilities companies, insurance and telecommunications providers among others, with whom Bayad has contracts/agreements. The term of the agreement is three years, with a renewal option thereafter by mutual consent of the parties. The Company collects a service fee from Bayad each month based on the total number of valid transactions it has processed for that month. At the close of each business day, a payment transaction report is generated for each vendor and transmitted to Bayad. The Company must then deposit the day's collections into a designated bank account of Bayad by the following day.

The Company also contracts directly with certain organizations, such as private insurance companies and certain employers, to serve as a Corporate Payout agent.

The basic process for bills payment collection and corporate remittance payouts is as follows:

- **Bills Payment.** The Company serves as a third party bills payment collection sub-agent for various vendors/creditors or "billers" in the Philippines, including government agencies, utilities companies, insurance companies, telecommunications providers and publishers, among others, through their contracts with CIS Bayad Center, Inc.
  - **Via POS.** The customer fills out details necessary for the transaction onto the Bills Payment form available at the branch, in which the branch associate will enter to the POS. The cash transaction amount and pass-on fee is collected from the customer, if applicable. The branch does the data sending (from local server to production server). The LBC Backroom will perform all necessary validation procedures before the closing of the transaction.
  - **Via PCS/Bayad Center.** The customer fills out the details necessary for the transaction onto the Bills Payment form available at the branch, which the branch associate will enter onto the PCS. The cash transaction amount and pass-on fee is collected from the customer, if applicable. The transaction will be uploaded to Bayad PC/Terminal followed by data import and sending. Bayad, in return, sends a report and confirmation of the validity of transactions. The LBC Backroom will perform all necessary validation procedures before the closing of the transaction.

**Corporate transactions.** The Company also provides Payout services for various corporations and organizations. The processor will acknowledge corporate transactions via email and validate payments by corporate client. The LBC backroom will confirm fund allocation, assign tracking numbers and perform recording to complete the transaction processing.

### ***Cash on Delivery / Cash on Pick-Up (“COD/COP”)***

More and more Filipinos are doing their shopping online. Since 2017, the e-commerce industry has been growing exponentially, with digital marketplaces registering record sales and consistent growth. The Philippines has also ranked first in social media use and time spent online, which makes the country an ideal market for e-commerce to thrive and sustain vigorous activity.

One of the many challenges faced by many e-commerce merchants were payment gateways/options. A majority of online sellers are also considered “casual sellers” or “social sellers” and with most of them unbanked, completing a transaction had been a challenge. LBCE’s inception of a payment solution bundled with logistics capabilities was “Cash On Delivery” (COD) and “Cash On Pick-up” (COP) service.

With this innovative new service, LBCE has enabled more merchants, including “casual or social sellers” to enter into and participate regularly in the thriving e-commerce arena. With “COD/COP,” merchants have LBC deliver their goods and collect payment for them, which in turn can either be remitted to their appointed bank accounts or picked up from a designated LBC branch.

This pioneering service has helped spur the further growth of the e-commerce industry in the country, enabling trade, commerce, and generated income for many—promoting the Company’s strategy of financial inclusivity and wide accessibility of services.

“COD/COP” utilizes both of LBCE’s core business/services: logistics, as a courier of parcels & boxes, and money remittance, as a payment collection channel and payout conduit. Furthermore, LBC serves as a venue for transactions or “trading place”: COP guarantees convenient and seamless transactions between merchant and buyer, a buyer may opt for any of LBCE’s 1,556 branches as a pick- up point for their items purchased. COD offers the more established delivery scheme: LBC delivery associates collect payments from buyers upon delivery of the items, and these are delivered to any designated address, be it residential, office, or any other location. The collection of payments on behalf of the merchants from the buyers offer safe, reliable and guaranteed assurance for merchants engaging in online selling transactions. LBCE’s expansive nationwide network and serviceable areas also allows for buyers to shop from anywhere in the Philippines, and sellers to reach more customers nationwide. COD/COP rates are competitively priced, providing value for money for merchants and buyers, along with LBC’s guaranteed service levels.

COD/COP can be availed of at any LBC branch, without any other obligations or contracts; transactions are immediately processed upon fulfillment of the prescribed forms available at the branch. There is no need to create an “account” on online shopping sites, or to maintain any minimum volume of transactions to start an online or “social selling” business.

### **MARKETING AND SALES**

The Group believes that strategic marketing and targeted sales are crucial to maintaining its competitive advantage over competitors. The Group regularly advertises on television, radio and billboards, as well as in print and on the Internet. The Group also brands its ground fleet with the “LBC” logo. In addition, it has dedicated teams to promote the value of its brand among general consumers as well as to manage long-term corporate client relationships. It also engages in several community outreach initiatives in line with its commitment to corporate social responsibility.

## Brand Equity

The Group considers the “LBC” brand, which has been cultivated over the Group’s over 60-year operating history, to be an integral component of its operational success. The Group believes that the brand, the distinctive red and white “LBC” logo and the Group’s key marketing slogans (formerly, “*Hari ng Padala*,” and currently, “We Like To Move It”) have become associated with its reputation for being a convenient, affordable and reliable provider of its services. As part of its marketing strategy, the Group outfits its delivery fleet, branch offices, advertisements and other marketing materials with the “LBC” logo and believes that its brand equity is one asset that puts it ahead of its competitors in gaining market share in a fierce competitive environment.

The “LBC” brand was one of Reader’s Digest’s Trusted Brand Winners: Platinum Award in Philippine Airfreight/Courier Service Category and Brand Gold Award Remittance Category in 2017. According to the LISBON Survey, a survey conducted by Market Research Solutions, Inc., an independent marketing and research firm, the Company was considered one of the Best-in-Class Companies in the Philippines for both the freight forwarding and remittance industries in 2012, the Company achieved 81% brand awareness/market reach for sea cargo, the highest in the segment, with the closest competitor achieving 47% recognition.

LBC remains to be one of the Philippines’ most recognized brands. A pioneer in its industry in the Philippines, and now with 1,556 branches nationwide with presence in 29 countries around the globe, in the service of Global Filipinos everywhere, sustained by a presence in traditional and increased visibility digital media platforms including social media, the brand’s equity is at the strongest it’s ever been.

In November 2013, the Company and LBC Development Corporation undertook a re-launch of the “LBC” brand name to emphasize the entrepreneurial and adaptive spirit of the Company that is complementary to its long heritage. The marketing campaign features a new formulation of the Company as not simply a mover of goods but also a mover of space (“space where people can reconnect and relate”) with the aim of highlighting the human connection in the services provided by the Company to its customers. Pursuant to the same marketing campaign, the Company has also re-designed its logo and changed its corporate slogan to “We like to move it,” highlighting the corporate logistics segment of its business.

In 2017, the Company launched “*Totoo ang Ligaya*,” a global campaign particularly directed toward its millions of customers in various parts of the world. This was a follow-up to the widely successful 2016 campaign launched called “*Aming Ligaya*.” Previous campaigns also included, in 2015, “Paulo”, a sales & marketing campaign highlighting the remittance business, and 2014’s Global Brand Ambassador Endorser Campaign “Everywhere,” featuring mega endorser Kris Aquino.

Complementing its ongoing digital transformation, LBCE launched a brand campaign in 2018. The campaign showed how the LBC brand has evolved to serve the growing needs of its different customers – both in the retail space and in the corporate landscape, and in the new arena of “social selling.” It captures how the brand offers customized solutions to service ever-changing needs and grows with various markets as they progress in life. This spirit of change and service is aptly captured in the campaign’s manifesto, “*Let’s Move*.”

The campaign rolled out in the Philippines and in the various countries where LBC has an established presence. It was launched and released in both traditional media channels and the digital space. It has helped fortify the brand’s already top-of-mind position with consumers.

## **Marketing and Communications during Covid-19**

In 2020, the Group's Marketing and Communications focused on how the Company had ensured service capabilities and safety to all its stakeholders. A completely online platform was launched in June 2020, providing a safe and convenient way for customers to send packages and money without the need to queue or fill out forms at branches. "LBC Online" is available through the LBC Express website. Within 2020, approximately 250,000 users signed up, and to date, more than 35,000 bookings have been made through this online platform. Also in 2020, a Rider Pickup service was launched and made available through the online platform. IPP Online, also available through this platform, enables customers to send money online, in the safety and convenience of their own homes or locations.

### **SoShop!**

The SoShop! program was launched by LBC Express in 2020 to provide E-commerce solutions to a growing customer base of online businesses and social sellers. The program includes end-to-end services such as Cash on Delivery (COD), Cash on Pick Up (COP), and LBC Online. This program was availed of by approximately 240,000 customers within 2020.

SoShop! encourages usage and retention for the Company's current base of customers, while also attracting new customers. SoShop! members enjoy perks and privileges, are invited to join special events, and offered tools designed to help them grow their businesses and scale revenues. The program provided members the opportunity for education and engagement, making them enabled and empowered and part of a growing community. A SoShop! Online Bazaar was held with over 150 seller participants, a first in the country. Members are also given access to free webinars hosted by LBC together with partners such as Facebook, Google, Canva, Prosperna, Sharetreas.

### **Advertising**

The Group regularly advertises over media channels such as TV, radio and print. The Group also sponsors community events such as the Ronda Pilipinas, the largest Philippine cycling race, and sporting events. However, in 2020, the Group directed its focus on communicating its dynamic and agile adaption to the times, through a campaign called #WeMoveForYou. This campaign communicated the Groups' available services, and awareness on how to stay safe during the pandemic.

The Group's Online Tools such as Branch Tracker, Delivery Area Lockdown Tracker, as well as Advisories were created and launched to serve all internal and external stakeholders.

## **INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**

### **Operational**

The Group is committed to continuing to invest in state-of-the-art IT systems to maintain its competitive edge and more effectively deliver quality service to its customers. The company embarks on a massive enterprise-wide digital transformation program with RAMCO Logistics and Interblocks systems. RAMCO Logistics covers the need of all the business operations from Transportation to warehousing to order management for Parcel/courier service providers, forwarders, 3PL who are seeking high performance logistics software. RAMCO Logistics solution allows LBC to standardize its process for the logistic segment of the business into one technology and application platform, thus

eliminating redundancy in operations and achieving absolute data integrity and scope for planning and optimization.

For the money segment of the Group, it has partnered with Hitachi Digital Payment Solutions Philippines, Inc. formerly Interblocks, a leading provider and innovator of integrated, electronic payment processing solutions that empower Banks & Financial Service Providers across global markets. The Group will utilize Hitachi Digital Payment Solutions, Inc. ibSuite platform to drive a broad range of solutions in Service Delivery, Payments, Cards, Virtual Banking and Mobile Commerce, Interblocks combines strong financial transaction integrity and tight data security into all of its solutions, delivering a totally integrated, consistent and rich experience across all customer touch points.

In addition, the Group has outfitted each of its couriers with handheld scanners, which will increase efficiency and minimize human error in documenting daily pick-ups and deliveries. In FY 2019, all old handhelds were replaced with latest model together with SOTI Mobility Management that will help the business eliminate handheld device downtime. The Group has also implemented a put-to-light sorting technology for its non-bulk mail, which will help automate some aspects of the parcel sorting process.

The Group has also upgraded its current network infrastructure to allow for a more secure and reliable environment. It upgraded its connectivity bandwidth and implemented a Software Defined Wide Area Network (SD WAN) to provide added network security and reliability. This has enabled the Group to improve its network availability significantly. The group also invested on Security Operation Center (SOC) in partnership with DTSI/NTT Security to provide 24/7 real time threat detection with capabilities on global intelligence correlation, multi-stage attack detection and anomaly threat analysis.

### **Business Management**

The Group uses a comprehensive suite of customized business management solutions software designed and licensed by SAP. The Group has utilized SAP's Financial Accounting and Controlling (SAP FICO), Sales and Distribution (SAP SD) and Materials Management (SAP MM) modules. The Group has migrated SAP System Landscape to SAP HANA Enterprise Cloud which enables scalability with low risk deployments and leverage on SAP HEC's Fully Managed Services which covers Infrastructure and Database related activities. Thus, free-up IT resources and saves on cost for the company. SAP Financial modules were also rolled-out to Middle East countries like UAE, KSA, Kuwait and Bahrain for ease of financial reporting and consolidation and in compliance with the VAT Implementation in the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) Region.

As part of the digital transformation program, the Group has utilized Data Analytics for both predictive and operational purposes. It has also utilized its GPS data to create a database for last meter deliveries. It has also allowed itself to do paperless transactions through its handheld devices. The Group is also maximizing the use of Power BI (Business Intelligence) for its operational and financial reports allowing it to be able to make well informed decisions based on real time data.

### **Online and Mobile Platform**

To enhance the customer experience, the Group has developed a digital platform that enables online real-time transaction processing and customer service through its website ([www.lbcexpress.com](http://www.lbcexpress.com)). Currently, the Group's website contains several interactive features for its customers, including package tracking, rate calculators and scheduling of pick-ups for parcels and cargo, as well as real-time customer service support through the "Live Talk" capability. Another added value to customer



experience is the company's launch of Chatbot through its Facebook account. This will eventually be available in the website to respond to package tracking, rate calculator and branch locator. The company launched LBC Online and IPP Online in June 2020 through its website. LBC Online is a digital service to bridge LBC closer to the customers through online innovation where customers can book packages, process shipping and manage their money remittance all in a click while at the comfort of their home. IPP Online is the company's digital innovation to its current Instant Peso Padala product. This service allows the customer to send money anywhere and anytime which his recipient can claim at any LBC branch or Remittance partner nationwide. The website is mobile responsive allowing the same functionality from any mobile device.

Information Technology has enabled the group to realign technology to bring a positive difference to its business, in terms of value, quality and productivity. IT enables data-driven business planning, effective marketing, automate operations, real-time monitoring and instant customer support.

The Group is currently in the process of modernizing its legacy system. In 2015, the LBC NRT system was upgraded to LBC POS system. A new data-sending technology was implemented in 2018 through VISTRA PH system to replace LBC POS. The company has started to implement Customer Relationship Management (CRM) and Warehouse modules of Ramco Systems in 2020. Ramco will be the new enterprise-wide system that will cover the logistic and human resource segment of LBC.

Despite the challenges and circumstances in 2020, the LBC Information Technology team was able to continuously deploy projects to help the Group maintain relevance within the prevailing situation, enabling various contactless solutions for all stakeholders convenience and safety. In March 2020, a seamless transition from the traditional physical office set-up to a work-from-home arrangement was ensured, while maintaining data security. This extended from and included all back office operations, including the contact center. Online Pickup for cargo and IPP Online for remittance, and several other enhancements on the Group's online platform were released in line with the customer needs was launched in June 2020. Timely advisories to customers of the Company's Service Level Agreements and delivery/pickup zones, dependent varying LGU guidelines were updated on a daily basis, starting in June 2020.

### **Digital Transformation**

Achieving the Group's vision is anchored on its ability to digitally transform the way they do things; the "Way We Move". However, Digital Transformation is not only just about incorporating the technological tools needed to change the organization; it is a massive undertaking given the scale of the Group and understanding that changes will only begin once mindsets of the human elements are also shifted. This "Change Management" for a 70- year old company, a heritage brand, will include over 7,652 associates across the globe, and a vast network of brick and mortar stores, hubs, and warehouses.

*For the customers:* Evolving consumer behavior and preferences are driving the way LBC wants to approach business. Our Group will be introducing solutions for a market that is connected 24/7, time-starved, with demands anchored on technology's ability to respond at the speed of need.

In response to customer demand, LBC recognizes that we cannot continue running our business with the current processes and technologies. Automation of all key processes is needed to survive and to be relevant in the industry.

The Group's core logistics applications are upgrading to automate all manual processes. Operations will significantly change once fully implemented. The Group will also be introducing additional products and services to customers of all segments.

*For the partners:* Boundaries among suppliers, service providers and consumers are evolving quickly, as a result of rapid shifts in technological advances. This entails a fundamental rethinking about how LBC streamlines internal processes, and will prioritize, ever more, driving speed and efficiency.

LBC's Digital Transformation will accelerate business activities, processes and competencies that will, in turn, impact the stakeholders in strategic and meaningful ways. The Group will harness Digital Transformation to radically improve internal performance, partner relationships, and expand reach across different business segments. The Group aims to:

- Further develop the first mile to make us accessible for pick-ups for the retail market, and small-corporate accounts (MSMEs);
- Set up our cross-border operations to capture the e-Commerce market at its origin, making LBC an end-to-end logistics service provider;
- Partner with other logistics service providers through crowdsourcing, making our pick-up and delivery operations “burstable”;
- Utilize crowdsourcing to fulfill the need for surge of volume, thus providing a cost-effective solution to demand;
- Expand our Returns Services to Reverse Logistics through reselling, liquidation or disposal of returned items;
- Expand money transaction through digital currency solutions, allowing peer-to-peer payments or C2B payments; and
- Ensure improved efficiencies in our hubs.

All these initiatives will be driven by technology and supported by skilled workforce.

LBC has invested on Digital Transformation to ensure that infrastructure and systems will support our automated processes, and to enable better decision making through information transparency and integrity across all touchpoints.

## **STATUS OF ANY PUBLICLY-ANNOUNCED NEW PRODUCT OR SERVICE**

### ***Cash on Delivery / Cash on Pick-Up (“COD/COP”)***

More and more Filipinos are doing their shopping online. Since 2017, the e-commerce industry has been growing exponentially, with digital marketplaces registering record sales and consistent growth. The Philippines has also ranked first in social media use and time spent online, which makes the country an ideal market for e-commerce to thrive and sustain vigorous activity.

One of the many challenges faced by many e-commerce merchants were payment gateways/options. A majority of online sellers are also considered “casual sellers” or “social sellers” and with most of them unbanked, completing a transaction had been a challenge. LBCE's inception of a payment solution bundled with logistics capabilities was “Cash On Delivery” (COD) and “Cash On Pick-up” (COP) service.

With this innovative new service, LBCE has enabled more merchants, including “casual or social sellers” to enter into and participate regularly in the thriving e-commerce arena. With “COD/COP,” merchants have LBC deliver their goods and collect payment for them, which in turn can either be remitted to their appointed bank accounts or picked up from a designated LBC branch.

This pioneering service has helped spur the further growth of the e-commerce industry in the country, enabling trade, commerce, and generated income for many—promoting the Company's strategy of financial inclusivity and wide accessibility of services.

“COD/COP” utilizes both of LBCE’s core business/services: logistics, as a courier of parcels & boxes, and money remittance, as a payment collection channel and payout conduit. Furthermore, LBC serves as a venue for transactions or “trading place”: COP guarantees convenient and seamless transactions between merchant and buyer, a buyer may opt for any of LBCE’s 1,556 branches as a pick-up point for their items purchased. COD offers the more established delivery scheme: LBC delivery associates collect payments from buyers upon delivery of the items, and these are delivered to any designated address, be it residential, office, or any other location. The collection of payments on behalf of the merchants from the buyers offer safe, reliable and guaranteed assurance for merchants engaging in online selling transactions. LBCE’s expansive nationwide network and serviceable areas also allows for buyers to shop from anywhere in the Philippines, and sellers to reach more customers nationwide. COD/COP rates are competitively priced, providing value for money for merchants and buyers, along with LBC’s guaranteed service levels.

COD/COP can be availed of at any LBC branch, without any other obligations or contracts; transactions are immediately processed upon fulfillment of the prescribed forms available at the branch. There is no need to create an “account” on online shopping sites, or to maintain any minimum volume of transactions to start an online or “social selling” business.

For the year ended December 31, 2020 and 2019, LBCE generated revenue from COD/COP amounting to ₱1,871.64 million and ₱807.30 million, respectively.

## **COMPETITION**

### **Logistics**

The Group is known to be a leader in the Philippine retail logistics industry. It has been the top importer of *balikbayan* boxes in terms of throughput for the past 20 years. Although the Group has a leading position and significant market share in the courier and air freight forwarding industry, the Group faces competition from AP Cargo Logistics Network Corporation, JRS Business Corporation, Airfreight 2100, Inc., Cargo Padala Express Forwarding Service Corporation, Libcap Super Express Corporation and 2Go Express, Inc. The Group’s international competitors include DHL, FedEx and UPS. However, international freight forwarders have historically not been strong competitors of the Group in the Philippines due to certain restrictions on foreign ownership in the cargo industry in the Philippines, as well as the high barriers to entry created by the dispersed geography of the archipelagic nation.

In the corporate logistics industry, the large industry players in the Philippines are 2Go Freight and Fast Cargo, Inc. The main international competitors for the corporate sector are DHL, FedEx and UPS. Although the Group’s market share is still relatively small in the corporate logistics industry, its corporate logistics segment has maintained strong growth since the Group first formally introduced these services as a separate business line in 2010. The Company seeks to increase its market share by leveraging its existing brand and network from its retail services.

### **Money Transfer Services**

According to Ken Research, the Group is one of the top five non-bank providers of domestic remittance services by remittance volume as well as one of the top five non-bank providers of international inbound remittances in the Philippines by remittance volume in calendar year 2012. The Group competes against Philippine banks and various non-banks, such as pawnshops, for its international and domestic remittance services. Philippine banks, such as BDO Unibank, Inc., Bank of the Philippine Islands, Philippine National Bank, Metrobank and RCBC, account for the significant majority of market share in terms of volume for both domestic and international remittances. However, because the Group targets the unbanked population in the Philippines (which account for the majority

of Filipinos), the Group believes its domestic remittance business has significant room for additional growth. The Group's main non-bank competitors in the remittance industry include M. Lhuillier, Cebuana Lhuillier, iRemit and Western Union, however, the Company has also embarked on partnerships with these competitors, in order to mutually grow the industry's market penetration by extending each brand's networks. The Group believes that high barriers to entry, including regulatory licenses and a distribution network, make it unlikely that there will be additional material competitors in the future. For the bills payment segment, the Group's largest competitors are bills payment outlets owned and operated by the SM group of companies at its various malls, as well as various banks.

## **QUALITY ASSURANCE AND INTERNAL CONTROLS**

### **Quality Assurance**

The Group recognizes that quality is an integral part of doing business. This is viewed as one of the primary responsibilities in dealing with our stakeholders. LBC is driven by its brand promise, "A Friend who makes your day," in ensuring that quality is effectively carried out in all aspects, particularly by growing profitable revenues and optimize operational costs; executing processes with clarity, certainty and convenience, driving operational excellence and building an agile organization. In 2019, LBC celebrates its 9th consecutive year of having certified to ISO 9001:2015 standards. This is a manifestation that LBC consistently conforms to an international quality management system standard based on a risk-based thinking approach following a Plan-Do-Check-Act framework.

The Group is committed to providing high quality service for customers in all areas of its business. To this end, it has in place standards and procedures to ensure a quality, reliable and seamless customer experience. The Group has in place the following procedures to monitor the quality of its services on a regular basis, as well as plan for contingencies that may otherwise cause an interruption in its business.

### ***Discrepancy Reporting and Undeliverable Items***

To ensure that loss and damage is minimal, the Group trains all relevant employees in the proper handling of parcels and cargo. It also has in place stringent procedures for scanning of shipments at all touch points. Upon withdrawal of an item at a distribution center, a manifest of all scanned barcodes is printed, which is later checked against outgoing shipments. Pursuant to the Group's standard operating procedures, all shipping discrepancies must be reported as they occur, with team leaders at the Central Exchange and regional distribution centers responsible for preparing preventive and corrective action, as well as compiling and providing discrepancy reports to the management on a regular basis. Discrepancies include damage, incomplete addresses, misrouted parcels and cargo, shipments to out-of-delivery-zone addresses, pilferage and improper acceptance.

When shipments are undeliverable because, for example, a recipient is unknown or not found at the destination address, or the destination address is not locatable, the Group will send out multiple notices to the sender, including initially an e-mail, followed up by a phone call and, as a last resort, a letter by registered mail. Shipments that remain unclaimed following these procedures (which typically take place over the course of six months to a year) are auctioned, with proceeds generally donated to charity after deducting costs incurred by the Group for storage and other related expenses.

### ***Cash Collection and Management***

The Group has implemented strict and comprehensive cash collection and management policies and procedures to minimize operational errors and promote customer trust. For example, every Group branch office is required to set up "cash sanctuaries" to minimize financial loss in the event of a robbery. In addition, the Group also sets strict limits on the amount of cash each branch is permitted

to hold before the branch is required to make cash deposits at a bank, as well as value limits on cash deliveries of *Pesopak*.

Compliance with the Group's cash collection and management policies and procedures is monitored through random audits conducted by the Group's general accounting staff. Each branch has a team leader who is responsible for appointing two cash custodians, one primary cash custodian and one back-up cash custodian, maintaining a team resolution (which is signed by all branch associates and delineates the type of funds kept by the cash custodians) and producing readily-available documents showing proper cash turn-over among associates. The primary cash custodian is required to properly account for cash under safekeeping on a daily basis and ensure that there is no mingling of Group funds with customer funds. Every branch associate is required to undertake precautions to safeguard the cash within his or her branch office.

### **Business Continuity**

The success of the Group's business is particularly dependent on the efficient and uninterrupted flow of its operations.

To safeguard against unanticipated interruptions in its business, the Group has instated the following business continuity plans and procedures:

- *Information Technology*. With respect to technology, the Group has back-up servers managed by its IT service provider with built-in redundancies for its various systems in which operational and customer data is stored. In the event of system downtimes, the Group has in place a back-up system whereby communication is maintained through mobile text messaging.
- *Transportation (Logistics)*. Although the Group relies on airline and shipping carriers for its daily freight forwarding operations, it also has in place alternative procedures in the event that an airline or shipping carrier is unavailable. For example, when flights are grounded due to severe weather, the Group's vehicle fleet is capable of making deliveries by ground. Although ground deliveries may take longer than air cargo shipments, this enables the Group to continue its service even when other modes of transportation may be unavailable. When its usual shipping carriers are unavailable, the Group also makes use of its vehicle fleet. The vehicles can make deliveries to any region accessible by land, or can make use of RORO ("roll-on-roll-off") car ferries to reach locations that require sea transport.
- *Funding Insufficiencies (Remittances)*. Although the Global Remittance Team monitors and makes daily estimates of the funding needs of each branch, on occasion, there may be insufficient funds at a given location to encash a remittance. In such a case, the Group has in place procedures for either nearby branches to deliver the necessary sums, or for authorized personnel to withdraw the cash from one of the Group's local bank accounts.

The ongoing Covid-19 pandemic has tested and challenged the Group's Business Continuity programs and protocols. The Group was able to continuously operate through the previous year's circumstances, within its expansive operations in the Philippines, and around the globe.

### **COVID RESPONSE**

The Board of Directors and Management of LBC Express Holdings, Inc., and its operating company LBC Express, Inc., were cognizant of the risks for exposure to public health & safety of COVID-19, and enjoined the nation in its efforts to mitigate these risks within its operations.

The Management continuously aims to protect its employees and serve its customers, and has taken measures to ensure these for definitive reassurance of all stakeholders. The Group's Management has and will exercise all efforts to provide business continuity across the enterprise; extraordinary measures and contingencies are in effect to ensure this.

Adjustments in service level agreements with customers pertinent to air forwarding alternatives were properly communicated to all concerned. These were regularly reassessed to ensure continuous service. The management abided by government directives, and re-assessed the impacts of these on a daily basis. Commensurate adjustments to internal protocols and directives to employees were likewise effected, as well as to customer-facing procedures.

All our employees and customers were reassured that the Group was exercising all efforts to ensure public health and safety, and the Group continues to be united with the nation during these trying times.

## **PHILIPPINES**

The Covid-19 pandemic has allowed technology-based companies to significantly fulfil market demands and needs by offering alternative services both for finance and logistics, the Group has successfully played a role in bridging gaps within the virtual money space and cargo movement. The brick and mortar business model in the Philippines has proven to be efficient in both first-mile and last-mile fulfilment segments, however, the Group's partnerships with several banks and eWallet operators made its offerings effective as LBC became their Cash-In ("First Mile") and Cash-Out ("Last Mile") conduit, necessary for its "Middle Mile" to work. The 1,600-strong branch network of LBC has contributed in making online financial services convenient for Filipinos to learn and adapt to the ongoing situation.

In logistics, LBC has opened more opportunities for Filipinos to become entrepreneurs with its services like Cash On Delivery (COD) and Cash On Pick-Up (COP), available for retail E-commerce customers. This service, created for and targeted to Small-Medium Entrepreneurs (SMEs), Social Sellers and Buyers, Filipinos were able to sell goods and services online, and utilize LBC as a "middle man" for payments and fulfilment. The Group's brick and mortar stores are likewise utilized as "PUDO" (Pick-Up and Drop-Off) points for physical payment and cargo movement requirements. LBC is a first mover on this space, and it is continuously enhancing its offerings to adapt to the continuous shifts and movements of online selling and buying behaviors.

Since 2019, and further enhanced in 2020, LBC services are available through its online platforms, where customers can avail of the Group's services without leaving their homes or offices. Online Booking for logistics is available, and is fulfilled either through Pick-Up or Drop-Off at any LBC branches. Online Remittance services are also made available for customers to send money anytime online.

Many initiatives and protocols were implemented in LBC branches since the beginning of the Covid-19 pandemic, including Safety Protocols for Frontliners (All Frontliners are required to wear protective gear such as face masks, face shields and gloves while attending to customers). Among the approximately 4,000 LBC branch frontliners nationwide, branch operations were unaffected and the virus' spread was effectively prevented and controlled. Social Distancing and limiting the number of customers allowed inside each branch was also immediately implemented, as well as protective counter shields installed in approximately 600 branches with high foot traffic. All branches are disinfected twice daily, provide customers with access to disinfectant/alcohol upon entry and during transaction, and all accepted shipments are disinfected before movement out of the branch. Within 2020, there were no recorded incidents where customers were found to have been infected with the virus, from any of the LBC branches nationwide.

To hasten transactions of customers and shorten their queuing time within an LBC branch, a QMS (Queuing Management System) was also installed in high traffic branches. The system also allows customers to wait at another location around the vicinity of the branch, and are alerted via SMS text message when their transaction is ready to be accepted at the branch.

The Group's Logistics Systems continued to operate despite the Covid-19 pandemic. Retail and Corporate Customers were continuously and uninterrupted served amid the various national and local challenges. In 2020, additional Exchange warehouses were established, to cater to the volume increases and likewise in order to observe proper Social Distancing at all service locations; additional Roro trucks were acquired, to move shipments to the Visayas and Mindanao areas due to the reduced airline capacity and infrequency of flights; a pick-up service was introduced to provide options to and convenience for customers, with 100% booked pick-ups served; capacities and resources were reinforced by hiring additional manpower to ensure a continuous flow of operations. The Group fulfilled uninterrupted service and zero backlogs in distribution, while regularly disinfecting all warehouses and all cargo, and implemented all Covid-19 precautionary measures such as regular disinfection of facilities, trucks and cargo. This included installation of misting tents in major facilities and the installation of protective barriers/shields in all service hubs.

## **OVERSEAS**

### **North America**

Keeping employees and customers safe during the Covid-19 pandemic was the primary objective of the Group's operations across the globe, and its operations in North America resumed 100% operations by June 2020 by aggressively implementing Covid protocols. Likewise, only less than 5% of employees were affected. Promotions such as the "Kabayani Deal 2020" promotion were also immediately implemented, with results of 43% revenue growth in Canada and 28% growth in the USA. The SoShop! Program was also rolled out to Social Sellers in the continent, with the pandemic bringing about the rise of Filipinos selling care items to *kababayans* in the Philippines via social media. NAM has onboarded about 50 social sellers, to date.

### **Asia-Pacific**

In the Asia-Pacific and Australia region, the Covid-19 outbreak was detected as early as the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of 2020, and the respective governments of these origins had started to implement safety measures and guidelines that were strictly enforced. In spite of these protocols, LBC in the region remained operational, to serve the needs of its customers. In Singapore and Malaysia, LBC successfully secured the necessary permits to continue to operate under "essential services." LBC enhanced certain aspects of its operations to adhere to the policies set forth by the authorities of each origin, to provide a safe environment for both customers and employees.

Contactless Service was implemented across all origins, where operational procedures for sea cargo pick-up service minimized close contact with customers. A step-by-step protocol was prepared and cascaded to each origin for implementation. This, of course, also included equipping our employees with proper safety materials such as gloves, alcohol, disinfectant sprays and portable cash bin were customers placed their payments. The use of face masks and daily sanitation of branches were strictly enforced; Social distancing and mandatory temperature checking and contact tracing likewise was strictly implemented. The maximum number of allowed persons inside the facilities was observed, based on the guidelines of each origin. Cashless Payment Options were implemented in Australia by installing EFTPOS terminals in all LBC branches; in Singapore, LBC worked with PAYNOW, an online payment facility for payments via online transfer. This yielded a 100% cashless transactions in Australia, and 30% utilization in Singapore.

## **Middle East**

Operations in the Middle East exercised 100% compliance on the use of face masks, gloves, sanitation kits to use for all pickup and delivery services, upgraded branch set-up with social distancing signages and installation of acrylic shields and dividers, and providing alternative contactless payment services for carded customers (Go-Collect ME/ GEIDEA KSA terminals)

In order to maintain the health and safety of all employees, 100% compliance was also implemented for regular temperature checks of all employees upon entry to warehouse and other facilities, the implementation of business continuity protocol and implemented work-from-home schedules where applicable, regular sanitation of all workstations; Contact-tracing protocol for handling Covid cases among employees.

LBC in the Middle East continuously communicated and engaged its customers through the implementation of non-traditional marketing executions such as shifting from on-ground to online activations (Online events such as Independence Day/Kalayaan Festivities), Online Branch Opening Sequence (ie. Satwa Online Branch Opening), online engagement activities with brand ambassadors (ie. Satwa UAE and Jeddah KSA's Online Cargo Patrol, Kuwait's Quaran-sing, Qatar's Truck ni Kabayan Online, Bahrain's Kantahan sa Tambayan).

The team was likewise able to implement service enhancements, such as Express Pickup (Sameday Service), Cashless transactions through Go-Collect/ GEIDEA, and Special Handling (Crating in UAE and Kuwait, and jack-wrapping/bubble-wrapping in KSA and Bahrain).

## **SUPPLIERS**

The Group has a broad base of suppliers. The Group is not dependent on one or a limited number of suppliers. The Group adheres to a Sourcing/Purchasing procedure which begins from the receipt of request for quotation or approved requisition of Stock Items, Non-stock Items, Services and Capital Expenditures to monitoring of delivery of stocks and/or services. These procedures adhere to Policies & Procedures such as: Three Canvassing Policy, Bids and Awards Policy, Policy on Construction of Facilities implemented by the Company's Sourcing & Procurement team. Likewise, a Procurement Manual is in place, which contains, among others, the following:

- Accreditation Requirements for Suppliers / Contractors
- Guidelines on Requesting, Office Supplies, Marketing Collaterals, Computer Peripherals and Uniforms
- Timeline for Purchase Order Processing and Delivery
- Process flow in Purchase Order creation for Regular Materials and Supplies
- Materials and Supplies Dispatch procedure
- Domestic Purchasing Process
- International Purchasing Process
- Vendor Evaluation Form

## **CUSTOMERS**

The Group has a broad market base, including local and foreign individual and institutional clients. The Group does not have a customer that will account for 20% or more of its revenues.



## **TRANSACTIONS WITH RELATED PARTIES**

Please refer to item 12 (“Certain Relationships and Related Transactions”) of this Report.

## **INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY**

The Group uses a variety of registered names and marks, including the names “LBC Express, Inc.,” “LBC Express,” “LBC”, “*Hari Ng Padala*” (Filipino for “King of Forwarding Services”) and “WWW.LBCEXPRESS.COM” as well as the traditional and the re-designed “LBC” corporate logos (including the new slogan “We Like To Move It”), the “Team LBC *Hari Ng Padala*” logo and “LBC Remit Express” logo in connection with its business. Except for the “LBC Remit Express” design and logo (registered on July 26, 2012 and expires on July 26, 2022) and the LBC in rectangular box and *Pesopak* logo (registered on May 31, 2012 and expires on May 31, 2022), which are owned directly by the Company, these marks (collectively, the “LBC Marks”) are owned and licensed to the Company by LBC Development Corporation, the Company’s parent company, pursuant to a trademark licensing agreement. Under the terms of this agreement, the Company has the full and exclusive right to utilize the LBC Marks in consideration for a fixed royalty fee of 3.5% of the Company’s annual gross revenues (defined as all revenue from sales of products and services, direct and indirect, relating to the Company’s business operations). Pursuant to an addendum signed October 25, 2013, the fixed royalty fee was lowered to 2.5%, effective December 1, 2013.

Under the agreement, the Company also has the right to extend the use of the LBC marks to its subsidiaries (defined as companies in which the Company holds at least 67% of the voting rights) within the Philippines, as well as to its remittance and cargo/courier/freight forwarding fulfillment service partners and agents in the Philippines and abroad, subject to certain terms and conditions. In practice, foreign agents of the Company are granted very limited use of the “LBC” brand and logos pursuant to the individual agency agreements entered into between them and the Company.

The LBC Marks have also been registered in each major jurisdiction in the Company’s international network. LBC Development Corporation is currently in the process of registering the LBC Marks in the International Register pursuant to the Protocol Relating to the Madrid Agreement (the “Protocol”), which will grant the LBC Marks intellectual property protection in the jurisdictions of all Contracting Parties (as such term is defined in the Protocol). LBC Development Corporation is also currently in the process of registering the LBC Marks in jurisdictions within the Company’s international network not covered by the Protocol.

On August 4, 2017, the trade licensing agreement was amended and both parties agreed to discontinue royalty payments for the use of LBC Marks in recognition of LBCE’s own contribution to the value and goodwill of the trademark effective September 4, 2017.

## **GOVERNMENT PERMITS AND LICENSES**

The Group secures various approvals, permits and licenses from the appropriate government agencies or authorities as part of the normal course of its business.

## **EMPLOYEES**

As of December 31, 2020, the Group had, on a consolidated basis, 9,938 full-time regular employees, compared to 9,088 full-time regular employees as of December 31, 2019. The Group continues to add to its workforce on a regular basis in line with the growth of its business.

Under the Group’s hiring policy, all branch employees must have at minimum a college degree, while exchange associates and drivers and couriers are generally required to have completed a two-year

vocational course or the second year of college. Employees of the Group in the Philippines are primarily trained in-house.

The Group maintains a non-contributory defined benefit plan covering all qualified employees in the Philippines.

The following table sets out the number of employees of the Group by job function as of December 31, 2020:

	<b>Number of Employees</b>
Management and Administrative Associates .....	220
Central Exchange and Regional Distribution Center Associates .....	368
Branch Associates .....	3,984
Drivers and Couriers .....	2,798
Other .....	2,568
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>9,938</b>

Note:

(1) *Figures presented do not include probational employees (i.e. individuals who had been employed by the Company for less than six-months as of the period indicated).*

As at the end of December 2020, four Company subsidiaries in the Philippines have entered into collective bargaining agreements with their respective employees, with approximately 1,000 employee memberships. Approximately 500 of these employees in the Philippines belong to one of the six labor unions (for four subsidiaries) and the remaining approximately 130 employees belong to one of the other five labor unions. The Group believes that there is sufficient coverage by its other, non-unionized subsidiaries to provide back-up support in the event of a disruptive labor dispute at any given unionized subsidiary. In addition, because freight forwarding and messengerial services may be considered indispensable to national interest in the Philippines, the Secretary of the Department of Labor and Employment in the Philippines has the discretion to end strikes or certify the same to the National Labor Relations Commission for compulsory arbitration pursuant to Article 263(g) of the Philippine Labor Code, even in cases involving private providers of such services. Such cessation order or arbitration certification would have the effect of automatically enjoining an intended or impending strike or, if one has already taken place, of requiring all striking or locked out employees to immediately return to work and all employers to immediately resume operations. The Company has not experienced any disruptive labor disputes, strikes or threats of strikes for at least the past decade. Management believes that the Company's relationship with its employees in general is satisfactory.

The Group complies with minimum compensation and benefits standards as well as all other applicable labor and employment regulations in all of the jurisdictions in which it operates. The Group has in place internal control systems and risk management procedures, primarily overseen by its Corporate Compliance Group, Labor Department and Legal Department, to monitor its continued compliance with labor, employment and other applicable regulations.

In addition to full-time employees, the Group relies on contractors for the peak seasons, such as during the Easter and Christmas seasons, to satisfy increased demand for services.

## **RISKS**

The Group is subject to certain operational, regulatory and financial risks as follows:

- A significant portion of the Group's business activities are conducted in the Philippines and a significant portion of its assets are located in the Philippines, which exposes the Group to risks associated with the Philippines, including the performance of, and impacts of global conditions on, the Philippine economy.
- The Group's business is particularly dependent on the quality as well as the efficient and uninterrupted operation of its IT and computer network systems, and disruptions to these systems could adversely affect its business, financial condition and results of operations.
- The Group may not be able to expand its domestic branch network and its product offerings and expand into new geographical markets or develop its existing international operations successfully, which could limit the Group's ability to grow and increase its profitability.
- If consumer confidence in the Group and the "LBC" brand deteriorates, the Group's business, financial condition and results of operations could be adversely affected.
- The Group relies on third party contractors to provide various services, and unsatisfactory or faulty performance of these contractors could have a material adverse effect on the Group's business.
- The Group faces risks from increases in freight and transportation costs.
- The Group operates in competitive industries, which could limit its ability to maintain or increase its market share and maintain profitability.
- Any deterioration in the Group's employee relations, or any significant increases in the cost of labor, could materially and adversely affect the Group's operations.
- The Group does not own any real property and the Group may be unable to renew leases at the end of their lease periods or obtain new leases on acceptable terms.
- The Group may encounter difficulties in managing the operations of its agents and affiliates effectively.
- The Group's businesses are subject to regulation in the Philippines, and any changes in Government policies could adversely affect the Group's operations and profitability.
- The Group is subject to numerous U.S. and international laws and regulations intended to help detect and prevent money laundering, terrorist financing, fraud and other illicit activity. Failure by the Group, its agents and affiliates to comply with these laws and regulations and increased costs or loss of business associated with compliance with these laws and regulations could have a material adverse effect on the Group's business, financial condition and results of operations.
- The Group faces risks from trade restrictions.
- Any inability of the Group to secure renewals or new licenses for its money transfer operations may have a material adverse effect on its business, prospects, financial condition and results of operations.
- Risks associated with the Group's money transfer operations outside the Philippines could adversely affect the Group's business, financial condition and results of operations.

## **Item 2. PROPERTIES**

### **REAL PROPERTY**

On April 15, 2019, LBCE entered into a Contract to Sell (CTS) with a third party for the purchase of parcels of land for a total consideration of ₱916.89 million. As stipulated in the Contract, within 10 days of the signing of the CTS, LBCE paid the initial down payment amounting to ₱183.38 million. Subsequently, the second payment of ₱91.69 million was settled by LBCE within 15 business days upon presentation of the seller of the new subdivided title, while the remaining purchase price amounting to ₱641.82 million shall be paid through a bank financing not later than one year from the

CTS date. Subsequently on February 10, 2020, LBCE availed a bank loan to settle the remaining unpaid purchase price wherein the same property was used as collateral to secure the bank loan.. Capitalized direct expenses include transfer fees, capital gains tax, documentary stamp taxes and notarial fees amounting to ₱114.37 million.

The Group's registered office is located at the LBC Hangar at the General Aviation Center in the Old Domestic Airport, Pasay City pursuant to a lease with the Manila International Airport Authority. The LBC Hangar houses the Central Exchange, as well as the Company's Information Technology Team and Global Remittance Team. The aggregate floor space of the LBC Hangar is approximately 2,160 sq. m.

In addition, the Group leases the spaces for all of its 1,556 Company-owned branches in the Philippines, as well as its regional distribution centers, delivery hubs, container freight stations and warehouses. The average term of these leases is three to seven years, with renewal options under most of the lease agreements. Branch offices are refurbished approximately every five to seven years, and the Company considers strategic relocation of branch offices from time to time to meet changing market demands.

For its general and administrative activities, the Group leases a 2,820 sq. m. office space at the Two-E-com Centre in Pasay City, Metro Manila, and a 1,126.97 sq. m. office space at the Ocean Breeze also in Pasay City, Metro Manila, both located near its registered office at the LBC Hangar.

For the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018, the Company's total expenses related to leases were ₱1,215.15 million, ₱1,237.68 million and ₱1,002.88 million, respectively.

### **EQUIPMENT**

Other property and equipment owned by the Group in the Philippines primarily comprises its fleet of 3,333 vehicles (2,652 motorcycles and 681 vans, excluding those acquired through operating lease), servers, computers and peripheral equipment, software, vaults, handheld scanners, X-ray scanners and its bulk mail sorting machine.

### **Item 3. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS**

Due to the nature of the Group's business, it is involved in various legal proceedings, both as plaintiff and defendant, from time to time. Such litigation involves, among others, claims against the Group for non-delivery, loss or theft of packages and documents, mis-release of remittances, labor disputes, as well as cases filed by the Group against employees and others for theft and similar offenses.

Except as disclosed below, neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries have been or are involved in, or the subject of, any governmental, legal or arbitration proceedings which, if determined adversely to the Company or the relevant subsidiary's interests, would have a material effect on the business or financial position of the Company or any of its subsidiaries.

On September 9, 2011, the BSP, through Monetary Board Resolution No. 1354, resolved to close and place LBC Development Bank Inc.'s (the "Bank") assets and affairs under receivership.

On December 8, 2011, the Philippine Deposit Insurance Company (PDIC), as the official receiver and liquidator of closed banks, demanded on behalf of the Bank that LBC Holdings USA Corporation (LBC US) pay for its alleged outstanding obligations to LBC Bank amounting to approximately ₱1.00 billion, a claim that LBC US has denied as being baseless and unfounded. No further demand on this matter has been made by the PDIC since then, although there are no assurances that the claim has been

waived or abandoned in whole or in part, or that the PDIC will not institute relevant proceedings in court or serve another demand letter to LBC US.

In relation to the Bank's closure and receivership, the receivables amounting to ₱295.00 million were written-off in 2011.

On March 17 and 29, 2014, the PDIC's external counsel sent letters to LBCE, demanding collection of the alleged amounts totaling ₱1.79 billion. On March 24 and 29, 2014, July 29, 2014, June 17, 2015 and June 26, 2015, the same legal counsel sent collection letters addressed to LBC Systems, Inc. [Formerly LBC Mundial Inc.] [Formerly LBC Mabuhay USA Corporation], demanding the payment of amounts aggregating to ₱911.59 million, all on behalf of the Bank.

On November 2, 2015, the Bank, represented by the PDIC, filed a case against LBC Express, Inc. (LBCE) and LBC Development Corporation (LBCDC), together with other respondents, before the Makati City Regional Trial Court (RTC) for a total collection of ₱1.82 billion. The case is in relation to the March 17, 2014 demand letter representing collection of unpaid service fees due from June 2006 to August 2011 and service charges on remittance transactions from January 2010 to September 2011. In the Complaint, the PDIC justified the increase in the amount from the demand letter to the amount claimed in the case due to their discovery that the supposed payments of LBCE were allegedly unsupported by actual cash inflow to the Bank.

On December 28, 2015, the summons, together with a copy of the Complaint of LBC Development Bank, Inc., and the writ of preliminary attachment were served on the former Corporate Secretary of LBCE. The writ of preliminary attachment resulted to the (a) attachment of the 1,205,974,632 shares of LBC Express Holdings, Inc. owned by LBCDC and (b) attachment of various bank accounts of LBCE totalling ₱6.90 million. The attachment of the shares in the record of the stock transfer agent had the effect of preventing the registration or recording of any transfers of shares in the records, until the writ of attachment is discharged.

LBCE and LBCDC, the ultimate Parent Company, together with other defendants, filed motions to dismiss the Complaint on January 12, 2016 for the collection of the sum of ₱1.82 billion. On January 21, 2016, LBCE and LBCDC filed its Urgent Motion to Approve the Counterbond and Discharge the Writ of Attachment.

On February 17, 2016, the RTC issued the order to lift and set aside the writ of preliminary attachment. The order to lift and set aside the preliminary attachment directed the sheriff of the court to deliver to LBCE and LBCDC all properties previously garnished pursuant to the writ. The counterbond delivered by LBCE and LBCDC stands as security for all properties previously attached and to satisfy any final judgment in the case.

In a Joint Resolution dated June 28, 2016, the RTC denied the motions to dismiss filed by all the defendants, including LBCE and LBCDC. Motions for reconsideration filed by the defendants were subsequently denied by the RTC in the Resolution dated February 16, 2017. On April 24, 2017, LBCE and LBCDC filed a Petition for Certiorari with the Court of Appeals, challenging the RTC's June 28, 2016 Joint Resolution. The Petition for Certiorari is entitled "*LBC Express, Inc. and LBC Development Corporation vs. Hon. Maximo M. De Leon and LBC Development Bank, as represented by its receiver/liquidator, the Philippine Deposit Insurance Corporation,*" and docketed as CA-G.R. SP No. 150698.

After filing motions for extension of time, LBCE and LBCDC filed their Answer with Counterclaims on April 10, 2017. In the Resolution dated June 15, 2017, the RTC denied the third motion for extension, declared all of the defendants including LBCE in default and ordered PDIC to present evidence ex-parte. LBCE and LBCDC filed a Verified Omnibus Motion for reconsideration and to lift

the order of default. The other defendants filed similar motions, including a motion for inhibition. On July 21, 2017, LBCE received the Joint Resolution dated July 20, 2017, granting the Verified Omnibus Motions and the Motion for Inhibition, thereby lifting the order of default and admitting the Answers filed by all defendants.

The PDIC filed a Motion for Reconsideration dated August 7, 2017, seeking to reconsider the Joint Resolution dated July 20, 2017. The defendants, including LBCE and LBCDC have filed their respective comments thereto and the motion is currently pending resolution.

From August 10, 2017 to January 19, 2018, LBCE, LBCDC, the other defendants and PDIC were referred to mediation and Judicial Dispute Resolution (JDR) but were unable to reach a compromise agreement. The RTC ordered the mediation and JDR terminated and the case raffled to a new judge who will preside over the trial. The case was re-raffled to Branch 134 of the Makati Regional Trial Court.

On or about September 3, 2018, PDIC motions to issue alias summons to five individual defendants, who were former officers and directors of LBC Bank. For reasons not explained by PDIC, it had failed to cause the service of summons upon five of the individual defendants and hence, the court had not acquired jurisdiction over them.

On October 26, 2018, the Motion to Defer Pre-Trial scheduled on November 15, 2018 was filed because the PDIC was still trying to serve summons on the five individual defendants and thus, for orderly proceedings, pre-trial should be deferred until the court acquires jurisdiction over them.

At the hearing held on November 9, 2018, which the PDIC did not attend, the judge directed PDIC's counsel to coordinate with the Sheriff and cause the service of summons promptly. The judge then rescheduled the pre-trial to January 23, 2019. On November 21, 2018, comment from the PDIC was received, arguing that pre-trial can proceed, even without the presence of the five individuals because there are merely necessary parties to the case, and not indispensable parties.

As of early January 2019, the alias summons was served on only two of the individual defendants, in which they filed Motion to Dismiss on November 2018 and January 2019. The PDIC filed its comments thereto and both Motions to Dismiss were deemed submitted for resolution.

On January 18, 2019, PDIC filed a Pre-Trial Brief. LBCE and the other defendants, on January 21, 2019, filed a Motion, asking the RTC to direct the PDIC to explain in writing its compliance with the previous order to cause the service of summons on the remaining five individual defendants and to defer pre-trial until the court has acquired jurisdiction over them.

On January 23, 2019, the judge ordered the PDIC to file its comment to the Motion and rescheduled the pre-trial to February 21, 2019.

The PDIC filed a Comment with Motion to Declare Defendants in Default, arguing that the pre-trial should proceed and that the current defendants are just delaying the proceedings. The PDIC also explained its efforts to serve summons on the five individuals but admitted that it had only served summons of two of the individual defendants. The PDIC also stated that it is filing another motion for the issuance of another round of alias summons for the three remaining defendants.

On February 4, 2019, a Reply was filed arguing that: (a) the PDIC never explained the three-year delay in serving summons on the other defendants, (b) it is the PDIC's omission which have made the proceedings disorderly because not all of the defendants are at the pre-trial state, and (c) to avoid complications, the pre-trial should be deferred until the court has acquired jurisdiction over all defendants.

The court conducted a hearing on February 1, 2019 on the Motion to Declare Defendants in Default and granted time to submit comment thereto. A comment opposition was filed on February 11, 2019, arguing that there is no basis to consider the current defendants in default because they are appearing at every hearing and that there are pending motions citing just and valid reasons to defer pre-trial, considering that summons are still being served on some defendants. Emphasis was given in particular that once jurisdiction is acquired over individual defendants, they will file their own answers, raising their own defenses, which should be considered at pre-trial. Also, it is mandatory to refer them to mediation and JDR for possible amicable settlement of the entire case. Even if mediation and JDR fail, the current judge is required by procedural rules to raffle the case to another branch so that his judgment is not influenced by matters discussed during JDR.

On February 18, 2019, a Pre-Trial Brief was filed by LBCE and the other defendants, without prejudice to the defendants' pending motions to defer Pre-Trial.

At the hearing scheduled on February 21, 2019, the judge took note of all the pending motions and said that they are deemed submitted for resolution. In the meantime, the judge directed the parties to perform a pre-marking of all their documentary exhibits before the clerk of court. The judge then rescheduled Pre-Trial to March 28, 2019.

On March 6, 2019, with respect to CA-G.R. SP No. 150698, LBCE and LBCDC received a copy of the Court of Appeals' Decision dated February 28, 2019, denying the Petition for Certiorari. The Court of Appeals ruled that the PDIC representative was sufficiently authorized to sign the verification and the PDIC does not need to secure prior approval of the liquidation court to file the case. LBCE and LBCDC filed a motion for reconsideration on March 21, 2019. On 18 July 2019, they received a copy of the Court of Appeals' resolution denying the motion for reconsideration. LBCE and LBCDC filed an appeal to the Supreme Court on September 2, 2019 assailing the Court of Appeals Decision and Resolution. The appeal with the Supreme Court is entitled "*LBC Express, Inc. and LBC Development Corporation v. Hon. Maximo M. De Leon, Presiding Judge of the Regional Trial Court of Makati Branch 143 and LBC Development Bank as represented by its receiver/liquidator, the Philippine Deposit Insurance Corporation*" and docketed as G.R. No. 248539. The appeal was initially assigned to the Third Division of the Supreme Court. In the appeal, LBCE and LBCDC are praying for the dismissal of the Complaint because PDIC failed to obtain leave from the liquidation court to file the Complaint before the Regional Trial Court, contrary to the provisions of the Rules of Court and established jurisprudence. PDIC has filed its Comment on January 11, 2020. The Supreme Court has not resolved the appeal as of today.

Meanwhile, PDIC has pre-marked its evidence during pre-marking conferences held on March 6 and 11, 2019. LBCE on the other hand pre-marked its evidence on March 22, 2019 and on April 10, 11, and 24, 2019.

LBCE was informed by the court staff that due to the order of Executive Judge for court records inventory and disposal, the pre-trial scheduled for March 28, 2019 will be reset to May 2, 2019.

On May 2, 2019, at the pre-trial hearing, the judge released his Order, whereby, among others, he granted the motion to defer pre-trial proceedings in order to have an orderly and organized pre-trial and deferred pre-trial hearing until the other defendants have received summons and filed their answers. In the meantime, the parties have proceeded to pre-mark their respective documentary exhibits in preparation for eventual pre-trial.

Later on, four of the five individual defendants received summons and then filed motions to dismiss the case, all of which were denied by the RTC. All four individual defendants filed for motions for reconsideration. The motions for reconsideration filed by the three individual defendants were

eventually denied by the RTC. Thereafter, the three individual defendants filed their Answers to the Complaint with the RTC.

Meanwhile, on January 16, 2021, summons, together with a copy of the Complaint were served on LBC Properties, Inc., another defendant in this case. On February 11, 2021, LBC Properties, Inc. filed its Answer to the Complaint.

The last remaining individual defendant is scheduled to file her Answer on April 2, 2021.

While waiting for the last remaining individual defendant to file her Answer to the Complaint, PDIC, LBCE, LBCDC and the other defendants are scheduled to pre-mark their respective documentary exhibits on April 21, 23 and 30, 2021. The court has not set a date for pre-trial.

In relation to the above case, in the opinion of management and in concurrence with its legal counsel, any liability of LBCE is not probable and estimable at this point in time.

#### **Item 4. SUBMISSION OF MATTERS TO A VOTE OF SECURITY HOLDERS**

Except for matters taken up during the annual meeting of the stockholders of LBCH held on November 23, 2020, there was no other matter submitted to a vote of security holders during the period covered by this Report.



## PART II - OPERATIONAL AND FINANCIAL INFORMATION

### Item 5. MARKET FOR ISSUER'S COMMON EQUITY AND RELATED STOCKHOLDER MATTERS

#### MARKET INFORMATION

LBCH common shares are listed with the PSE. As at the end of December 2020, the total number of shares held by the public was 219,457,232 common shares or 15.39% of the total issued and outstanding capital stock of the LBCH.

The following table sets forth the share prices of LBCH's common shares for each quarter of the years 2020, 2019, 2018, 2017, and 2016:

Quarter	High (₱)	Low (₱)
<b>2020</b>		
4 <sup>th</sup>	17.00	13.20
3 <sup>rd</sup>	16.10	12.12
2 <sup>nd</sup>	14.90	10.50
1 <sup>st</sup>	13.98	7.51
<b>2019</b>		
4 <sup>th</sup>	15.98	11.50
3 <sup>rd</sup>	14.90	13.52
2 <sup>nd</sup>	15.80	13.44
1 <sup>st</sup>	17.50	14.02
<b>2018</b>		
4 <sup>th</sup>	15.00	13.52
3 <sup>rd</sup>	15.36	14.20
2 <sup>nd</sup>	15.78	14.08
1 <sup>st</sup>	19.90	14.00
<b>2017</b>		
4 <sup>TH</sup>	17.90	14.54
3 <sup>RD</sup>	16.36	15.00
2 <sup>ND</sup>	18.72	14.00
1 <sup>ST</sup>	15.86	13.02
<b>2016</b>		
4 <sup>TH</sup>	14.50	11.50
3 <sup>RD</sup>	16.98	11.32
2 <sup>ND</sup>	24.80	11.32
1 <sup>ST</sup>	27.55	15.02

The stock price of common share of LBCH as of the close of the latest practicable trading date, April 12, 2021, is ₱16.40.

## **STOCKHOLDERS**

As at end of December 2020, LBCH has 487 registered holders of common shares. The following are the top 20 registered holders of the common shares:

	<b>Name of Stockholder</b>	<b>Nationality</b>	<b>Number Of Shares Held</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
1	LBC Development Corporation	Filipino	1,205,974,632	84.58%
2	Lim, Vittorio Paulo P.	Filipino	59,663,948	4.18%
3	Martinez Jr., Mariano D.	Filipino	59,663,946	4.18%
4	Yu, Lowell L.	Filipino	59,663,946	4.18%
5	PCD Nominee Corporation	Filipino	39,562,794	2.77%
6	PCD Nominee Corporation	Non-Filipino	791,102	0.06%
7	Santos, Ferdinand S.	Filipino	10,000	0.0007%
8	Ko Mei Nga	Filipino	10,000	0.0007%
9	Tia, Tommy Kin Hing	Chinese	10,000	0.0007%
10	Lantin, Andy	Filipino	5,000	0.0004%
11	Cabual, Alfonso B.	Filipino	3,000	0.0002%
12	Leong, Jennifer H.	Filipino	3,000	0.0002%
13	Llamado, Beatriz M.	Filipino	2,000	0.0001%
14	Loquias, Alexander D.	Filipino	2,000	0.0001%
15	Maga, Paz C.	Filipino	2,000	0.0001%
16	Molina, Almar S.	Filipino	2,000	0.0001%
17	Moralda, Benjie C.	Filipino	2,000	0.0001%
18	Morata, Olivia R.	Filipino	2,000	0.0001%
19	Morcozo, Nasario M.	Filipino	2,000	0.0001%
20	Narisma, Inocencio	Filipino	2,000	0.0001%

## **DIVIDENDS**

### **Dividend Policy**

The Company has adopted a dividend policy to distribute to its shareholders a portion of its funds that are surplus subject to the operating and expansion needs of the Company, as determined by the board of directors of the Company, in the form of stock and/or cash dividends, subject always to:

- (a) All requirements of the Corporation Code of the Philippines as well as all other applicable laws, rules, regulations and/or orders;
- (b) Any banking or other funding covenants by which the Company is bound from time to time; and
- (c) The operating and expansion requirements of the Company as mentioned above.

The Company's subsidiary, LBC Express, Inc. has adopted the same dividend policy.

Cash dividends are subject to approval by the Company's Board of Directors without need of stockholders' approval. However, property dividends, such as stock dividends, are subject to the approval of the Company's Board of Directors and stockholders.

The payment of dividends in the future will depend upon the earnings, cash flow and financial condition of the Company.

## **Dividend History**

On October 19, 2020, the BOD of LBCH approved the declaration of cash dividends of amounting to ₱285.17 million or ₱0.20 for every issued and outstanding shares.

On September 12, 2019, the BOD of LBCH approved the declaration of cash dividends amounting to ₱356.47 million.

On December 20, 2018, the BOD of LBCH approved the declaration of cash dividends amounting to ₱285.17 million.

On April 19, 2017, the BOD of LBCH approved the declaration of cash dividends amounting to ₱827.00 million from unappropriated retained earnings as of March 31, 2017 amounting to ₱849.83 million.

On October 11, 2016, the BOD of LBCH approved the declaration of cash dividends amounting to ₱313.69 million (nil in 2015).

On February 8, 2019, June 9, 2017 and November 29, 2016, through a Memorandum of Agreement, LBCDC and LBCH agreed to offset the dividends payable by LBCH to LBCDC against the latter's payable to the Group amounting to Php 229.37 million, Php 699.47 million and Php 265.31 million, respectively. The Php 241.19 million, Php 699.47 million and Php 265.31 million pertain to the share in dividends of LBCDC while the Php 43.98 million, Php 127.54 million and Php 48.38 million pertain to the share of non-controlling interest.

## **RECENT SALE OF SECURITIES**

There are no recent sale of unregistered securities or exempt securities or recent issuance of securities constituting an exempt transaction.

## Item 6. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OR PLAN OF OPERATION

### KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

#### Financial Ratios:

		2020	2019	2018
Current ratio	$\frac{\text{Total Current Assets}}{\text{Total Current Liabilities}}$	1.52	1.60	1.71
Acid Test Ratio	$\frac{\text{Total Current Assets - Prepayments and other current assets}}{\text{Total Current Liabilities}}$	1.38	1.43	1.55
Solvency Ratio	$\frac{\text{Net income after tax less non-cash expenses}}{\text{Total Liabilities}}$	0.15	0.25	0.23
Debt-to-equity ratio	$\frac{\text{Total Liabilities}}{\text{Stockholder's equity attributable to Parent Company}}$	4.26	3.31	2.47
Asset-to-equity ratio	$\frac{\text{Total Assets}}{\text{Stockholder's equity attributable to Parent Company}}$	5.27	4.31	3.47
Interest rate coverage ratio	$\frac{\text{Income before interest and tax expense}}{\text{Interest expense}}$	1.88	3.11	9.11
Return on equity	$\frac{\text{Net income attributable to Parent Company}}{\text{Stockholder's equity attributable to Parent Company}}$	0.07	0.15	41%
Debt-to-total assets ratio	$\frac{\text{Total liabilities}}{\text{Total assets}}$	0.81	0.77	0.71
Return on average assets	$\frac{\text{Net income attributable to Parent Company}}{\text{Average assets}}$	0.01	0.04	14%
Net profit margin	$\frac{\text{Net income attributable to Parent Company}}{\text{Service Fee}}$	0.01	0.03	11%
Book value per share	$\frac{\text{Stockholder's equity attributable to Parent Company}}{\text{Total number of shares}}$	2.08	2.29	2.30
Basic earnings per share	$\frac{\text{Net income attributable to Parent Company}}{\text{Weighted average of common shares outstanding}}$	0.14	0.35	0.95
Diluted earnings per share	$\frac{\text{Net income attributable to Parent Company after impact of conversion of bonds payable}}{\text{Adjusted weighted average number of common shares for diluted EPS}}$	0.14	0.35	0.68

## RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

### Year ended December 31, 2020 compared to the year ended December 31, 2019

#### *Service Revenue*

The Company's service revenue decreased by 7% to ₱14,117.07 million for the year ended December 31, 2020 from ₱15,209.96 million for the year ended December 31, 2019. The downturn in revenue is attributable to the fall of demand during the worldwide lockdown caused by the COVID19 pandemic in the second quarter of the year. The Group's selected branches were still open and delivery remained operational, but the lead times are extended due to security and travel restrictions. Revenues by the third and fourth quarter recouped as a factor of strong demand recovery and subsequent normalization of operations.

#### *Cost of Services*

Cost of services were reduced by 5% to ₱10,650.47 million for the year ended December 31, 2020 from ₱11,263.79 million for the year ended December 31, 2019, relative to lower volume of acceptance in the second quarter of 2020 caused by the pandemic.

Cost of delivery and remittance decreased by 13% driven by the decline in volume and the use of a more cost-efficient method of transporting cargo.

Rent expense is lower by 22% mainly due to renewal of various branch lease contracts, in which the accounting treatment shifted from operating lease to recognition of right-of-use assets in accordance with PFRS16. There were also rent discounts granted to the Group during the community quarantine resulting to lower rent expense.

Transportation and travel also declined by 21% relative to community restrictions.

The reductions above were offset by the following:

- The movement in depreciation and amortization showed an increase of 5% due to the recognized amortization of right-of-use assets associated with the new warehouses and renewal of branch lease contracts previously treated as operating lease; and
- Increase in salaries and benefits by 2% relative to the manpower for new warehouses.

#### *Gross Profit*

Gross profit decreased by 12% to ₱3,466.59 million for the year ended December 31, 2020 from ₱3,946.17 million for the year ended December 31, 2019 primarily attributable to the following:

- Decrease in revenue by 7% due to low volume during the pandemic;
- Higher depreciation and amortization by 5% related to increase in amortization of right-of-use assets and additional capital expenditures for new branches and warehouses; and
- Increase in salaries and benefits by 2% relative to the manpower for new warehouses.

#### *Operating Expenses*

Operating expenses increased by 0.4% to ₱2,676.10 million for the year ended December 31, 2020 from ₱2,665.98 million for the year ended December 31, 2019, caused by the following:

- Utilities and supplies is higher by 40% driven by the medical and sanitation supplies incurred by the Group as a response to COVID19 pandemic;
- Provision for expected credit losses grew by 58% due to assumption changes considering the impact of the global pandemic to clients and to the timing of collection; and
- Further on the pandemic response, there are face mask donations and use of shuttle services due to limited available public transportation.

The above-mentioned increases were offset by 'Advertising and promotion' which was controlled down to ₱312.05 million for the year ended December 31, 2020 from ₱446.35 million for the year ended December 31, 2019.

#### ***Operating Income***

Operating income declined to ₱790.49 million for the year ended December 31, 2020 from ₱1,280.19 million for the year ended December 31, 2019 attributable to the following:

- Decrease in gross profit by 12% mainly due to lower sales volume for the period; and
- Higher operating expenses relative to the costs incurred for medical and sanitation supplies, donations of face masks and shuttle services as the Group's response to COVID19 pandemic.

#### ***Other Expenses, Net***

Other expenses, net decreased to ₱402.82 million for the year ended December 31, 2020 from ₱444.34 million for the year ended December 31, 2019 driven by the decline in 'loss on derivatives' by ₱591.40 million. This is offset by the impact of the gain on disposal of subsidiary in 2019 amounting to ₱443.76 million and decrease in interest income.

#### ***Net Income after tax***

The Group's net income after tax decreased to ₱201.22 million for the year ended December 31, 2020 from ₱475.82 million income for the year ended December 31, 2019, driven by the following:

- Shortfall on revenue by 7% due to the impact of COVID-19 pandemic to retail and corporate customers in local and overseas operations;
- Higher depreciation and amortization by 5% related to increase in amortization of right-of-use assets and additional capital expenditures for new branches and warehouses;
- Increase in salaries and benefits by 2% relative to the manpower for new warehouses; and
- Operating expenses increased mostly from COVID19 related expenses including medical and sanitation supplies, testing kits, medical professional fees, shuttle bus rentals and donation of face masks.

### **Year ended December 31, 2019 compared to the year ended December 31, 2018**

#### ***Service Revenues***

The Company's service revenues increased by 23% to ₱15,209.96 million for the year ended December 31, 2019 from ₱12,325.58 million for the year ended December 31, 2018. This growth was principally due to the increase in revenues from both logistics and remittance segment by 25% and 3%, respectively.

There is also a continuous growth in the domestic business mainly from the opening of 70 retail branches, introduction of new products in mid-2018 and domestic retail price increase effective October 2018.

Net contributed revenue of the businesses acquired in 2019 is ₱1,781.11 million.

#### ***Cost of Services***

Cost of services is higher by 29% to ₱11,263.79 million for the year ended December 31, 2019 from ₱8,704.63 million for the year ended December 31, 2018, relative to the growth in volume for logistics and money transfer services, thus, a 23% surge in cost of delivery and remittance. Further, there is an increase in domestic air freight cost per kilo effective October 2019.

Salaries and benefits related to operations is up by 42% largely from the acquisition of entities in 2019 and 2018.

The net movement in depreciation and rental showed an increase of 33% which arises from the adoption of PFRS16 wherein right-of-use assets were recognized and amortized through time. There are also additional capital expenditures mostly on leasehold improvements and computer equipment associated with the construction or relocation/renovation of branches.

Utilities and supplies expense increased by 15% or ₱151.00 million, driven by higher data connectivity and security expenses primarily from operations of new branches and warehouses.

### ***Gross Profit***

Gross profit is favorable by 9% to ₱3,946.17 million for the year ended December 31, 2019 from ₱3,620.96 million for the year ended December 31, 2018, attributable to the increase in revenue amounts from logistic and remittance segment. This is the result of the initiative to expand location and business combination since last year.

### ***Operating Expenses***

Operating expenses is higher by 18% to ₱2,665.98 million for the year ended December 31, 2019 from ₱2,253.31 million for the year ended December 31, 2018, caused by the following:

Commission expense, which is mostly related to agents from international subsidiaries, increased by ₱134.21 million during the year, traceable to North America entities which joined the group during the year.

Advertising and promotion expenses grew by 41% or ₱129.06 million, mainly from parallel increases in production costs, radio advertisements, as well as costs for digital/online campaigns and sponsorship. The fluctuation pertains also to the marketing/promotion expenses of newly purchased subsidiaries.

Professional fee is higher by 48% or ₱90.79 million which can be traced from the acquired entities in 2018 and 2019. These fees include payroll, tax and accounting consultancy fees.

Dues and subscriptions were also higher 45% or by ₱28.58 million, primarily attributable to the rate increase for one of the major Information Technology service providers and new subscription to cloud, other software services and applications.

### ***Other Expense, Net***

Other expense, net amounting to ₱444.34 million loss for the year ended December 31, 2019 as compared to ₱449.05 million income in 2018 resulted from the following:

- Loss on derivative amounting to ₱642.51 million for the year ended December 31, 2019 as compared to the ₱454.20 million gain last year, is mainly due to the changes in assumptions used in valuation.
- Foreign exchange gain, net is lower by ₱127.50 million which resulted from the foreign exchange trading, and revaluation of US dollar denominated bank and time deposit accounts.
- Interest expense went up by ₱162.50 million mostly from the adoption of PFRS16 which requires recognition of interest from lease liabilities.
- The above mentioned were negated with the gain recognized from a sale of subsidiary on July 1, 2019 and gain on bargain purchase from business combination completed during the year.

### ***Net Income after tax***

Net income after tax was lower at ₱475.82 million for the year ended December 31, 2019 from ₱1,349.03 million for the year ended December 31, 2018, primarily due to the following:

- Loss on derivative attributable to the convertible instrument amounting to ₱642.51 million.
- Lower foreign exchange gain by ₱127.50 million;
- First time adoption of PFRS16 resulted to higher depreciation and interest expense, partially offset by the decline in rentals; and
- Net income from operation stand at ₱1,783.36 million in 2019 which is 11% higher compared to ₱1,603.52 for the year ended 2018.

## **Year ended December 31, 2018 compared to the year ended December 31, 2017**

### ***Service Revenues***

The Group's service revenues increased by 24%, to ₱12,325.58 million for the year ended December 31, 2018, from ₱9,975.38 million, for the year ended December 31, 2017, primarily due to the increase in revenues from the Logistics segment, attributable to growth in both retail and corporate sales by 25% and 32%, respectively.

In 2018, LBCH expanded operations by acquiring one (1) domestic and nine (9) international entities engaged in money remittance, and online and regular logistics services. Net contribution to revenue from these business combinations amounted to ₱889.79 million or 36% of the total increase.

There is also continuous growth in the domestic business, evidenced by the opening of 76 additional retail branches and the introduction of new products mid-2018, with total contribution of these to total revenue amounting to ₱123.67 million. Improvement in the corporate/institutional segment of the Group is also noteworthy, as it expanded its e-commerce directed logistics and warehousing services, while likewise maintaining its annual growth of corporate/institutional accounts.

### ***Cost of Services***

Cost of services increased by 29% to ₱8,704.63 million for the year ended December 31, 2018 from ₱6,731.09 million for the year ended December 31, 2017, in relation to volume growth in logistics services. This resulted with a 40% increase in cost of delivery and remittance.

Direct cost was also significantly affected by the increase in fuel rates, largely due to additional taxes imposed in compliance with the TRAIN Law effective January 1, 2018. This inclined carriers, mainly outsourced airlines and truckers, to enforce rate increases during the year.

### ***Gross Profit***

Gross profit increased by 12% to ₱3,620.96 million for the year ended December 31, 2018 from ₱3,244.29 million for the year ended December 31, 2017, primarily due to the increase in volume and revenue amounts for logistics services.

### ***Operating Expenses***

Operating expenses increased by 19% to ₱2,253.31 million for the year ended December 31, 2018 from ₱1,896.84 million for the year ended December 31, 2017, relative to the following:

Salaries and wages expenses increased by 27% or ₱134.97 million, relative to an annual appraisal resulting from inflation, and the implementation of TRAIN Law which increased fringe benefit tax rate from 32% to 35%.

Advertising and promotion expenses also contributed to the operating expense increase, as it grew by 88% or ₱148.14 million, mainly from parallel increases in production costs, television and radio advertisements, as well as costs for digital/online campaigns.

Provision for impairment losses increased by ₱66.86 million, mainly due to the adoption of the new standard, PFRS 9, which requires recording an allowance for impairment loss for all loans and other



debt financial assets not held at fair value at profit and loss. This resulted to the additional provision from the change in forecast and model assumptions.

Dues and subscriptions were also higher by ₱32.80 million, primarily attributable to a Cloud Subscription Fee incurred for the year ended December 31, 2018. This Cloud Subscription, with a contract effective as of August 2017, replaces the maintenance costs; thus, a decline of 25% in the latter account.

Commission expense, which is mostly related to agents from international subsidiaries, increased by ₱26.94 million this year.

#### ***Other Income, Net***

Gain on derivative amounting to ₱454.20 million is recognized as a result of lower estimated fair value of derivative liability as of December 31, 2018, as compared to the value as of December 31, 2017. This is mostly from decline of share price from ₱17.00 to ₱14.10 per share.

Foreign exchange gain, net is higher by 78% or ₱71.30 million which resulted from the foreign exchange trading, and a revaluation of US dollar denominated time deposit accounts.

Interest income increased to ₱33.45 million in 2018 from ₱16.17 million in 2017, mainly from the continuous roll over of time deposits denominated in local and foreign currency, throughout the year.

Fair value gain on investment through profit and loss amounting to ₱8.49 million is the realized and unrealized fair value valuation gain of unit investment trust fund earned during the year.

Interest expense is up by ₱87.08 million mostly from the accretion of bond payable.

#### ***Net Income after tax***

Net income after tax increased by 91% to ₱1,349.03 million for the year ended December 31, 2018 from ₱707.92 million for the year ended December 31, 2017, mainly related to the following:

- Growth in gross profit by 12%, resulting from an increase in volumes; and
- Recognition of gain from derivative, amounting to ₱454.20 million which compensates the loss incurred in 2017.

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#### **As of December 31, 2020, compared to as of December 31, 2019**

##### ***Assets***

###### ***Current Asset:***

Cash and cash equivalents increased by 19% to ₱5,246.05 million as of December 31, 2020 from ₱4,418.67 million as of December 31, 2019. Refer to analysis of cash flows in “Liquidity” section below.

Trade and other receivable, net is higher by 28% at ₱1,983.37 million as of December 31, 2020 from ₱1,537.85 million as of December 31, 2019, mostly from receivable from outside parties by 33% and from related parties by 9% relative to increase in volume. This is offset by the impact of upward movement in allowance for impairment losses by 12%.

Due from related parties is higher by 2% to ₱1,115.17 million as of December 31, 2020 from ₱1,103.81 million as of December 31, 2019, mainly attributable to the advances made during the year.

Investment at fair value through profit or loss dropped by 4% to ₱14.94 million as of December 31, 2020 from ₱15.63 million as of December 31, 2019, primarily from the impact of unrealized foreign exchange loss due to declining exchange rate, partially offset by the fair value gain during the year.

Prepayments and other current assets increased by 11% to ₱896.44 million as of December 31, 2020 from ₱807.78 million as of December 31, 2019, mainly traceable to the following:

- Higher prepaid taxes by ₱41.89 million mostly pertaining to federal and state taxes in US entities;
- Increase in materials and supplies by ₱70.07 million related to packaging and indirect materials in branches; offset by
- Reduction in restricted cash in banks ₱20.97 million representing matured deposits.

#### *Non-current Assets*

Property and equipment, net decreased by 4% to ₱2,031.82 million as of December 31, 2020 from ₱2,110.74 million as of December 31, 2019, primarily due to net depreciation of existing assets.

Right-of-use assets, net is higher by 17% to ₱2,197.90 million as of December 31, 2020 from ₱1,885.83 as of December 31, 2019, mainly due to additions amounting to ₱1,148.16 million and amortization of ₱818.02 million for the year.

Intangibles, net is lower by 12% to ₱321.69 million as of December 31, 2020 from ₱363.75 million as of December 31, 2019, driven by the additions of ₱60.19 million and amortization of ₱100.76 million for the year.

Investment at fair value through other comprehensive income is down by 18% to ₱232.12 million as of December 31, 2020 from ₱286.74 million as of December 31, 2019, relative to movement in market price from ₱1.73/share to ₱1.19/share.

Investment in associate increased by 25% to ₱314.28 million as of December 31, 2020 from ₱250.64 million as of December 31, 2019 mainly due to investment in Terra Barbaza Aviation, Inc. (TBAI). On December 17, 2020, the application for authorized capital stock for Preferred A and B Shares of TBAI is approved by SEC. The approval resulted to the conversion of the 20,000,000 Common Shares purchased by LBCE from the common shareholder to 20,000,000 non-voting Preferred A Shares and 1,250 Common Shares will then represent 24.787% of the total outstanding Common Shares. Before approval, the acquisition cost is presented in 'advances for future investment in shares'.

Deferred tax assets - net increased by 17% to ₱443.56 million as of December 31, 2020 from ₱377.56 million as of December 31, 2019 mainly attributable to additional deferred tax recognized related to retirement during the year.

Security deposits is higher by 9% to ₱359.63 million as of December 31, 2020 from ₱330.62 million as of December 31, 2019 associated with the deposits for new warehouses and branches.

Other noncurrent assets went down by 9% to ₱217.81 million as of December 31, 2020 from ₱238.46 million as of December 31, 2019, due to amortization of loans receivables.

## *Liabilities*

Accounts and other payables were down by 8% to ₱2,985.54 million as of December 31, 2020 from ₱3,242.18 million as of December 31, 2019, primarily due to settlement of trade payables including bank financing of land acquired in 2019. This is partially offset by increases in contract liabilities as a factor of extended delivery lead time based on new service level agreements and higher accrual for manpower costs relative to increase in headcount.

Due to related parties increased by 20% to ₱40.21 million as of December 31, 2020 from ₱33.61 million as of December 31, 2019, mostly from payable related to digital advertisements in which payments were initially paid by an affiliate.

Notes payable (current and noncurrent) increased to ₱1,879.73 million as of December 31, 2020 from ₱929.72 million as of December 31, 2019, driven by availment to finance the unpaid balance of the land and other capital expenditures.

Transmissions liability went up by 84% to ₱1,081.61 million as of December 31, 2020 from ₱586.89 million as of December 31, 2019, mainly attributable to unclaimed transactions as of the end of the reporting period.

Income tax payable increased by 10% to ₱47.62 million as of December 31, 2020 from ₱43.36 million as of December 31, 2019, resulting from higher taxable income in the last quarter of 2020.

Lease liabilities (current and noncurrent) is higher by 18% to ₱2,368.33 million as of December 31, 2020 from ₱2,001.75 million as of December 31, 2019, pertaining to additions to right-of-use assets amounting to ₱1,156.75 million, offset by lease modifications, payments and rent concessions during the period amounting to ₱781.51 million.

Dividend payable amounting to ₱5.69 million as of December 31, 2020 and ₱14.78 million as of December 31, 2019 represents the outstanding balance of the dividend declared by LBCH and one of its foreign subsidiaries.

Bond payable increased by 10% to ₱1,377.72 million as of December 31, 2020 from ₱1,247.02 million as of December 31, 2019, mainly from the accretion of interest amounting to ₱203.65 million offset by the foreign exchange gain recognized amounting to ₱72.95 million due to lower exchange rate.

Derivative liability increased to ₱2,099.79 million as of December 31, 2020 from ₱2,048.68 million as of December 31, 2019, related to the loss on valuation incurred for the period amounting to ₱51.10 million.

Retirement benefit obligation increased by 20% to ₱764.89 million as of December 31, 2020 from ₱637.79 million as of December 31, 2019 driven by net benefit cost and remeasurements recognized in statements of comprehensive income amounting to ₱196.00 million, offset by the contributions for the year amounting to ₱68.22 million.

Deferred tax liability amounting to ₱21.99 million as of December 31, 2020 mainly includes deferred tax liability from unrealized foreign exchange gains in LBCH.

Other liabilities account is lower by 56% to ₱17.48 million as of December 31, 2020 from ₱39.79 million in 2019 due to settlements during the year.

## **As of December 31, 2019, compared to as of December 31, 2018**

### *Assets*

#### *Current Assets*

Cash and cash equivalents increased by 7% to ₱4,418.67 million as of December 31, 2019 from ₱4,137.44 million as of December 31, 2018. Refer to analysis of cash flows in “Liquidity” section below.

Trade and other receivable, net is lower by 6% at ₱1,537.85 million as of December 31, 2019 from ₱1,642.13 million as of December 31, 2018 mainly due to sale of a subsidiary in which all receivables related to this entity were no longer included in the year.

Due from related parties is higher by 98% to ₱1,103.81 million as of December 31, 2019 from ₱557.96 million as of December 31, 2018, mainly from the assignment of receivable from QuadX Inc. to LBC Development Corporation (LBCDC).

Investment at fair value through profit or loss is lower by 88% to ₱15.63 million as of December 31, 2019 from ₱131.29 million as of December 31, 2018, primarily from redemption of investments amounting to ₱280.48 million during the year. This was offset by placement of ₱171.00 million for working capital requirement. Related unrealized foreign exchange loss and unrealized fair value loss as of December 31, 2019 amounted to ₱0.63 million and ₱5.29 million, respectively.

Prepayments and other current assets increased by 25% to ₱807.78 million as of December 31, 2019 from ₱647.52 million as of December 31, 2018, mainly traceable to prepaid taxes and insurance, existing short-term cash investment in the books of an acquired entity in 2019 amounting to ₱128.65 million and current portion of loan receivable from Transtech Co., Ltd. amounting to ₱6.09 million.

#### *Non-current Assets*

Property and equipment, net increased by 47% to ₱2,110.74 million as of December 31, 2019 from ₱1,436.08 million as of December 31, 2018, primarily due to the purchase of parcels of land.

Right-of-use of assets resulted from the adoption of PFRS16, which requires the recognition of an identifiable asset for the right to directly use the asset being leased in its operating leases.

Intangibles, net declined by 35% to ₱363.75 million as of December 31, 2019 from ₱555.37 million as of December 31, 2018. The decrease was mainly due to sale of a subsidiary for which carrying value of ₱179.11 million was derecognized.

Investment at fair value through other comprehensive income, decrease by 15% to ₱286.74 million as of December 31, 2019 from ₱337.45 million as of December 31, 2018, relative to movement in market price from ₱1.73/share to ₱1.47/share.

Investment in associate increased by 5% to ₱250.64 million at December 31, 2019 from ₱239.02 million as of December 31, 2018 due to equity share in earnings including other comprehensive income of ₱26.62 million, offset by dividend income of ₱15 million.

Security deposit increased by 6% to ₱330.62 million as of December 31, 2019 from ₱312.43 million as of December 31, 2018 due to branches opened, additional security deposit requirement of renewed leases and deposits from acquired businesses.

Deferred tax assets - net increased by 25% to ₱377.56 million as of December 31, 2019 from ₱302.28 million as of December 31, 2018 mainly attributable to the deferred tax recognized related to accrued retirement liability, provision for bonus and leave credits, allowance for impairment losses and PFRS 16 related adjustments which are future tax deductible.

Advances for future investment in shares decreased by 82% to ₱78.73 million as of December 31, 2019 from ₱439.82 million as of December 31, 2018. The beginning balance represents the payment for acquisition of shares of North America entities, wherein the approval was granted effective January 1 and July 1, 2019. In 2019, LBCE subscribed 29,436,968 shares of Terra Barbaza Aviation, Inc. (TBAI) at ₱1.75 per share. LBCE used its outstanding advances to TBAI amounting to ₱51.51 million as payment for the total subscription price. LBCE also subscribed 20,001,250 Common Shares in TBAI from its shareholder amounting to ₱27.21 million representing 25% ownership. Currently, TBAI is in the process of increasing its authorized capital stock. Once the application for the increase in authorized capital stock is approved by SEC, 20,000,000 of the Common Shares purchased by LBCE will be converted to 20,000,000 nonvoting Preferred A shares. Subsequently, the remaining 1,250 Common Shares, will represent 24.86% of the total outstanding Common Shares.

Other noncurrent assets increased by 72% to ₱238.46 million as of December 31, 2019 from ₱138.93 million as of December 31, 2018 mainly due to loan receivable amounting to ₱83.73 million and note receivable of ₱26.81 million during the year.

On September 25, 2019, LBCH entered into a loan agreement with Transtech Co., Ltd amounting to US \$1.8 million at 2.3% interest per annum. Notes receivable includes the promissory note from an employee and LBC Holdings USA Corporation (LBC Holdings USA).

Notes receivable from LBC Holdings USA is with interest rate of 4% per annum and payable in 180 equal monthly installments while notes receivable from an employee is payable through salary deduction in monthly installments.

The net decline in goodwill amounting to ₱205.56 million is mainly due to the sale of a subsidiary reducing the account by ₱225.81 million and an increase of ₱19.60 million related to newly acquired equity interest during the year.

### ***Liabilities***

Accounts and other payables were up by 16% to ₱3,242.18 million as of December 31, 2019 from ₱2,806.17 million as of December 31, 2018, primarily due to the unpaid acquisitions of property and equipment as of December 31 is higher by ₱641.82 million, mainly from purchase of land;

Due to related parties amounting to ₱33.61 million as of December 31, 2019 is below December 31, 2018 balance amounting to ₱93.99 million attributable to the sale of subsidiary in 2019.

Dividends payable decreased by 95% to ₱14.78 million as of December 31, 2019 from ₱285.17 million due to the settlement and offsetting agreements made during the year. For the year 2019, through a Memorandum of Agreement, LBC Development Corporation (the Ultimate Parent

Company) assigned to LBCH a portion of its payable to LBCE for which the latter applied against dividends payable of LBCH with a total amount of ₱493.29 million.

Notes payable (current and noncurrent) increased by 27% to ₱929.72 million as of December 31, 2019 from ₱829.50 million as of December 31, 2018, primarily due to additional notes payable availed amounting to ₱400.00 million and settlement of ₱299.78 million during the year.

Transmissions liability up by 8% to ₱586.89 million as of December 31, 2019 from ₱543.90 million as of December 31, 2018, mainly attributable to a higher amount of merchant liability (from bills payment) and transmission liability by the newly acquired businesses, LBC North America entities, which are not yet claimed as of date.

Lease liabilities (current and noncurrent) is significantly increased to ₱2,001.75 million as of December 31, 2019 from ₱140.07 million as of December 31, 2018, driven by the adoption of PFRS16 which requires recognition of lease liability related to the operating leases.

Bond payable increased by 13% to ₱1,247.02 million as of December 31, 2019 from ₱1,108.42 million as of December 31, 2018, mainly from the accretion of interest, offset by the gain on foreign exchange translation by ₱45.32 million.

Derivative liability increased by 46% to ₱2,048.68 million as of December 31, 2019 from ₱1,406.18 million as of December 31, 2018, related to change in market data assumptions used in valuation.

Income taxes payable is lower by 66% to ₱43.36 million as of December 31, 2019 from ₱126.57 million as of December 31, 2018 primarily resulting from impact of PFRS16 to profit and loss.

Retirement benefit obligation decreased by 5% to ₱637.79 million as of December 31, 2019 from ₱672.27 million as of December 31, 2018 driven by significant amount of contributions in 2019, net actuarial gain and effect of disposal of a subsidiary.

Other liabilities account is lower by 50% to ₱39.79 million as of December 31, 2019 from ₱79.99 million in 2018 due to settlements during the year.

### **As of December 31, 2018, compared to as of December 31, 2017**

#### ***Assets***

##### ***Current Asset***

Cash and cash equivalents increased by 10% to ₱4,137.44 million as of December 31, 2018 from ₱3,778.41 million as of December 31, 2017. Refer to the analysis of cash flows in “Liquidity” section below.

Trade and other receivables, net declined by 2% to ₱1,642.13 million as of December 31, 2018 from ₱1,675.80 million as of December 31, 2017, mainly due to improvements in collection efficiency, as evidenced by lower daily sales outstanding (DSO) for the net trade receivable from outside and related parties.

Due from related parties is lower by 16% to ₱557.96 million as of December 31, 2018 from ₱667.72 million as of December 31, 2017, mainly attributable to advances to QUADX Inc. in 2017 which are assigned to LBCH in 2018 as part of the settlement of subscription of shares of QUADX Inc.

Investment at fair value through profit or loss decreased by 70% to ₱131.29 million as of December 31, 2018 from ₱440.76 million as of December 31, 2017, primarily from redemption of investments amounting to ₱1,215.94 million during the year, and offset by the placement of ₱888.58 million for working capital requirement. The redemption was mostly used in the purchase of entities mentioned above, as part of investments.

Prepayments and other current assets increased by 45% to ₱647.52 million as of December 31, 2018 from ₱446.13 million as of December 31, 2017, due to additional prepaid accounts of newly acquired entities amounting to ₱144.75 million, comprised of input value-added tax (VAT), creditable withholding taxes (CWT) and materials and supplies.

#### *Non-current Assets*

Property and equipment, net increased by 47% to ₱1,436.08 million as of December 31, 2018 from ₱976.05 million as of December 31, 2017, primarily due to business combination which contributed ₱87.89 million fixed assets during acquisition. Additions to motorcycle fleet and opening of new branches are also factors for the increase in motor vehicle by 88% and leasehold improvements by 16%.

Intangibles, net is higher by 56% to ₱555.36 million as of December 31, 2018 from ₱356.85 million as of December 31, 2017, mostly from the software of the acquired entity engaged in online logistics with net book value amounting to ₱198.22 million as of December 31, 2018. In addition, the LBC Express acquired web filtering software amounting to ₱15.19 million, on an interest bearing payment arrangement over 18 months.

Investment at fair value through other comprehensive income is lower by 24% to ₱337.45 million as of December 31, 2018 from ₱444.74 million as of December 31, 2017, relative to movement in market price from ₱1.97/share to ₱1.73/share.

Deferred tax assets - net increased by 4% to ₱302.28 million as of December 31, 2018 from ₱289.52 million as of December 31, 2017 pertaining to the recognition of contract liabilities in compliance with PFRS15. Deferred tax related to this amounted to ₱11.38 million.

Security deposit went up by 22% to ₱312.43 million as of December 31, 2018 from ₱255.42 million as of December 31, 2017 largely from opening of new branches, warehouses and the transfer of the head office during the year.

Investment in associate amounting to ₱239.02 million is the result of acquisition of 30% equity interest in Orient Freight International, Inc. on March 19, 2018.

Purchased goodwill amounting to ₱492.45 million resulted from acquisition of equity interest in domestic and overseas entities during the year.

Advances for future investment in shares represents the acquisition of shares of entities under LBC Express Holdings USA Corporation amounting to ₱439.82 million. Regulatory approvals were granted on the purchase of LBC Mundial Corporation and LBC Mabuhay North America Corporation on January 1, 2019 while closing conditions are not yet met for LBC Mabuhay Hawaii Corporation.

Other noncurrent assets consist largely of VAT on capital goods which increased by 64% to ₱138.93 million as of December 31, 2018 from ₱92.16 million as of December 31, 2017.

## ***Liabilities***

Accounts and other payables were up by 75% to ₱2,806.17 million as of December 31, 2018 from ₱1,603.11 million as of December 31, 2017, primarily due to the following:

- Higher trade payables to outside parties by 108% or ₱708.91 million which is mainly comprised of delivery and freight related payables;
- Accrual for contracted jobs increased by 57%, mostly from a higher count of direct manpower to accommodate the increase in volume of operations;
- Accrued rent and utilities increased by 37%, related to additional branches and warehouses; and
- Total accounts payable from newly acquired entities amounted to ₱589.8 million as of December 31, 2018.

Due to related parties amounting to ₱93.99 million as of December 31, 2018 was largely comprised of accounts acquired during business combination. The Group regularly makes advances to and from related parties to finance working capital requirements.

Dividends payable amounting to ₱285.17 million represents the amount declared by LBCH's Board of Directors on December 20, 2018.

Notes payable (current and noncurrent) declined by 20% to ₱829.50 million as of December 31, 2018 from ₱1,041.30 million as of December 31, 2017, primarily attributable to higher settlement of notes payable during the year, amounting to ₱361.80 million, and offset by an additional availment of short-term notes payable amounting to ₱150.00 million.

Transmissions liability dropped by 8% to ₱543.90 million as of December 31, 2018 from ₱588.20 million as of December 31, 2017, mainly attributable to a lower amount of merchant liability (from bills payment), by 9%.

Lease liabilities (current and noncurrent) was higher by 19% to ₱140.07 million as of December 31, 2018 from ₱117.72 million as of December 31, 2017, driven by the additional finance leases related to vehicles entered during the year, amounting to ₱46.00 million.

Retirement benefit liability decreased by 5% to ₱672.26 million as of December 31, 2018 from ₱705.33 million as of December 31, 2017, due to the higher fund contributions made in 2018.

Bond payable increased by 24% to ₱1,108.42 million as of December 31, 2018 from ₱896.19 million as of December 31, 2017, mainly from the accretion of interest and impact of higher exchange rates, amounting to ₱161.65 million and ₱50.58 million, respectively.

Derivative liability declined by 24% to ₱1406.18 million as of December 31, 2018 from ₱1,860.37 million as of December 31, 2017, related to fair value gain resulting from lower share price.

Other liabilities decreased by 32% to ₱79.99 million as of December 31, 2018 from ₱118.33 million as of December 31, 2017, mainly from the amortization of existing liabilities related to computer infrastructure, payroll and logistic systems and IT security tools.



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### **Cash Flows**

**Years ended December 31, 2020 and December 31, 2019**

#### ***Cash flows from operating activities***

The Company's net cash from operating activities is primarily affected by income before income tax, depreciation and amortization, retirement benefit expense, interest expense, unrealized foreign exchange gain, gain on derivative, equity in net earnings of an associate and changes in working capital. The Company's cash flows from these activities resulted to a net cash inflow of ₱1,791.05 million and ₱2,144.40 million for the year ended December 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively. For the year ended December 31, 2020, inflow from operating activities were generally from normal operations.

#### ***Cash flows from investing activities***

Cash used in investing activities for the year ended December 31, 2020 and 2019 amounted to ₱468.15 million and ₱895.02 million, respectively. For the year ended December 31, 2020, the Company spent ₱475.41 million from the acquisition of land, property and equipment and intangible assets.

#### ***Cash flow from financing activities***

Net cash used in financing activities for the year ended December 31, 2020 and 2019 amounted to ₱367.68 million and ₱879.95 million, respectively. This is mainly due to payment of lease liabilities and other noncurrent liabilities, interest, dividends and notes payable with an aggregate amount of ₱1,559.50 million, offset by the proceed from notes availment of ₱1,191.82 million.

**Years ended December 31, 2019 and December 31, 2018**

#### ***Cash flow from operating activities***

The Company's net cash from operating activities is primarily affected by income before income tax, depreciation and amortization, retirement benefit expense, interest expense, unrealized foreign exchange gain, loss on derivative, gain from bargain purchase, gain from sale of subsidiary, equity in net earnings of an associate and changes in working capital. The Company's net cash from operating activities were ₱2,114.40 million and ₱1,616.78 million for the year ended December 31, 2019 and 2018, respectively. The inflow from operating activities were generally from normal operations.

#### ***Cash flows from investing activities***

Cash used in investing activities for the year ended December 31, 2019 and 2018 amounted to ₱895.02 million and ₱910.50 million. Major investing activities for the period includes acquisition of land, business combination and granting of loans receivable.

#### ***Cash flow from financing activities***

Net cash used in financing activities for the year ended December 31, 2019 and 2018 amounted to ₱897.47 million and ₱472.06 million, respectively. Transactions for the year include dividends, availment and settlement of notes payable and the impact of the adoption of PFRS16 in leases.

## **Years ended December 31, 2018 and December 31, 2017**

### ***Cash flow from operating activities***

The Group's net cash from operating activities is primarily affected by income before income tax, depreciation and amortization, unrealized foreign exchange gain, retirement benefit expense, interest income and expense, loss on derivatives, unrealized fair value gain from investments through profit and loss, share in equity of net earnings of an associate and, changes in working capital. The Group's net cash from operating activities were ₱1,616.78 million, and ₱1,386.28 million for the year ended December 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively.

For the year ended December 31, 2018, cash flow from operating activities were derived from the normal operations.

### ***Cash flows used in investing activities***

Cash flow used investing activities for the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017 were ₱910.50 million and ₱834.55 million, respectively. Major activities for the year included:

- Business combination in 2018, in which the net cash payment (net of cash acquired) amounted to ₱43.43 million for all acquired subsidiaries. Settlement related to investment in associate amounted to ₱218.27 million.
- Acquisitions of property and equipment and intangibles amounted to ₱540.14 million and ₱164.33 million, respectively, in 2018 while it amounted to ₱354.91 million and ₱38.45 million, respectively, in 2017.

### ***Cash flow from financing activities***

Cash flow (used) from financing activities for the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017 were (₱472.06 million) and ₱1,922.97 million, respectively.

For the year ended December 31, 2017, the inflow from financing activities is primarily from the issuance of a convertible instrument that generated cash amounting to ₱2,505.66 million.

**Item 7. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

The 2020 consolidated financial statements of the Company are incorporated herein the accompanying index to exhibits.

**Item 8. CHANGES IN AND DISAGREEMENTS WITH ACCOUNTANTS ON ACCOUNTING AND FINANCIAL DISCLOSURES**

The consolidated financial statements of the Company as of and for the year ended December 31, 2020 and 2019 were audited by SGV & Co., a member firm of Ernst & Young Global Limited.

SGV & Co. has acted as the Company’s independent auditor since fiscal year 2014. Cyril Jasmin B. Valencia is the current audit partner for the Company and has served as such since fiscal year 2014. The Company has not had any material disagreements on accounting and financial disclosures with its current independent auditor for the same periods or any subsequent interim period. SGV & Co. has neither shareholdings in the Company nor any right, whether legally enforceable or not, to nominate persons or to subscribe for the securities of the Company. The foregoing is in accordance with the Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants in the Philippines set by the Board of Accountancy and approved by the Professional Regulation Commission.

The following table sets forth the aggregate fees billed for each of the last two years for professional services rendered by SGV & Co.

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
In millions (₱)		
Audit and Audit-Related Fees <sup>(1)</sup>	<u>₱5.63</u>	<u>₱6.83</u>
Total	<u>₱5.63</u>	<u>₱6.83</u>
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(1) *Audit and Audit-Related Fees. This category includes the audit of annual financial statements, review of interim financial statements and services that are normally provided by the independent auditor in connection with statutory and regulatory filings or engagements for those calendar years.*

SGV & Co. did not provide services for tax accounting, compliance, advice, planning and any other form of tax services to the Company in the last two fiscal years. Other than the audit of the annual financial statements and the review of the interim financial statements, SGV & Co. did not provide any other services to the Company in the last two fiscal years.

In relation to the audit of the Company’s annual financial statements, the Company’s Corporate Governance Manual, provides that the audit committee shall, among other activities (i) review the reports submitted by the internal and external auditors; (ii) ensure that other non-audit work provided by the external auditors are not in conflict with their functions as external auditors; and (iii) coordinate, monitor and facilitate compliance with laws, rules and regulations.

The Audit Committee is composed of at least three appropriately qualified non-executive members of the Board of Directors, the majority of whom, including the Chairman, is an Independent Director. The Audit Committee, with respect to an external audit:

- Perform oversight functions over the Company’s external auditors. It ensures the independence of internal and external auditors, and that both auditors are given unrestricted access to all records, properties and personnel to enable them to perform their respective audit functions.

- Prior to the commencement of the audit, discuss with the external auditor the nature, scope and expenses of the audit, and ensure proper coordination if more than one audit firm is involved in the activity to secure proper coverage and minimize duplication of efforts.
- Evaluate and determine the non-audit work, if any, of the external auditor, and periodically review the non-audit fees paid to the external auditor in relation to the total fees paid to him and to the Company's overall consultancy expenses. The committee should disallow any non-audit work that will conflict with his duties as an external auditor or may pose a threat to his independence. The non-audit work, if allowed, should be disclosed in the Company's annual report and annual corporate governance report;
- Review the reports submitted by the external auditors.

The following are the members of the Company's Audit Committee:

- a) Solita V. Delantar - Chairman
- b) Victor Y. Lim, Jr. - Member
- c) Anthony A. Abad - Member

### **PART III - CONTROL AND COMPENSATION INFORMATION**

#### **Item 9. DIRECTORS AND EXECUTIVE OFFICERS**

##### **DIRECTORS**

LBCH's by-laws and articles of incorporation provide for the election of nine directors, two of whom shall be independent directors. The Board of Directors is responsible for the direction and control of the business affairs, and management of the company, and the preservation of its assets and properties. No person can be elected as a director of the company unless he is pre-screened by the Corporate Governance (formerly Nomination and Remuneration) Committee and is a registered owner of at least one common share of the capital of LBCH.

The Company's Corporate Governance Committee is composed of the following:

- a) Anthony A. Abad - Chairman
- b) Solita V. Delantar - Member
- c) Victor Y. Lim, Jr. - Member

The table below sets forth each member of the LBCH's Board of Directors:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Nationality</b>	<b>Age</b>	<b>Position</b>
Miguel Angel A. Camahort	Filipino	58	Chairman of the Board
Rene E. Fuentes	Filipino	47	Director
Enrique V. Rey, Jr.	Filipino	50	Director
Augusto G. Gan	Filipino	58	Director
Mark Werner J. Rosal	Filipino	46	Director
Jason Michael Rosenblatt	American	44	Director
Anthony A. Abad	Filipino	57	Independent Director
Solita V. Delantar	Filipino	77	Independent Director
Victor Y. Lim, Jr.*	Filipino	73	Independent Director

\* Elected by the Board of Directors on 5 October 2020 to replace Mr. Luis N. Yu, Jr. and to serve the latter's unexpired term.

The business experience of each of the directors is set forth below.

**Miguel Angel A. Camahort***Chairman of the Board*

Mr. Miguel Angel A. Camahort is the Chairman of the Board of Directors and President of LBCH. He is also the President and Chief Operating Officer of LBCE., the operating company of LBCH. Prior to joining the LBC Group, Mr. Camahort was Senior Vice-President and Chief Operating Officer of Aboitiz One, Inc. from 2007 to 2009, and Aboitiz Transport System Corporation (ATSC) Solutions Division from 2004 to 2007. He also served as a Senior Vice-President and Chief Operating Officer of Aboitiz Transport System Corp. (formerly, William, Gothong & Aboitiz, Inc.) in the Freight Division from 1999 to 2003; prior to which, he was President of Davao Integrated Stevedoring Services Corporation (DIPSCCOR), from 1999 to 2003. Mr. Camahort holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration and Economics from Notre Dame de Namur University (formerly, the College of Notre Dame) in California, U.S.A.

**Rene E. Fuentes***Director*

Mr. Rene E. Fuentes is currently the Executive Vice-President and Chief Operating Officer of the International Sales and Operations division of LBCE., the operating company of LBCH. He previously held the Senior Vice-President for Global Retail Operations position of the same company, from 2015 to 2019. Prior to joining the LBC Group in 2001, Mr. Fuentes served as President of Documents Plus, Inc. from 1996 to 2001, and as Regional Manager, Vice-President of EFC Food Corporation from 1996 to 2001. Mr. Fuentes attended the De La Salle University, and completed a Key Executive Program in November 2013 at the Harvard Business School.

**Enrique V. Rey, Jr.***Director*

Mr. Enrique V. Rey Jr. assumed the position of Investor Relations Officer of the Company on September 2015 and elected as the Chief Finance Officer of LBCH on September 2017 after being an officer-in-charge for the same position since December 2015. Mr. Rey, Jr. was also a director of LBC Systems, Inc. from 2008 to 2010 and LBC Mundial Inc. from 2005 to 2008. Prior to joining the Company, Mr. Rey, Jr. worked for Coca-Cola Phil ATS, where he was the Senior Head of Sales from 2003 to 2005 and the Associate Vice President for Institutional Sales from 2000 to 2003. Mr. Rey, Jr. attended De La Salle University and completed a Management program at the Ateneo Business School. Mr. Rey, Jr. has also attended INSEAD and received training in Finance. Since 2010, Mr. Rey, Jr. has been a member of the Institute of Internal Auditors.

**Augusto G. Gan***Director*

Mr. Augusto G. Gan was appointed Director of LBCH in September 2015. He has also been a Director of LBC Express, Inc., the operating company of LBCH, since 2013. Mr. Gan concurrently serves as a Director of Atlantic Gulf and Pacific Company, Investment and Capital Corp. of the Philippines, Pick Szeged ZRT and Sole-Mizo Zrt. He is also the Managing Director of Ganesp Ventures and the Chairman of the Board of Anders Consulting Ltd. Previously, Mr. Gan was the President of the Delphi Group from 2001 to 2012 and the Chief Executive Officer of Novasage Incorporations (HK) from 2006 to 2007. He has also served as a Director of AFP Group Ltd. (HK) from 2005 to 2007 and ISM Communication from 2003 to 2004, as well as the Chairman of the Boards of Cambridge Holdings from 1995 to 2000 and Qualibrand Industries from 1988 to 2001. Mr. Gan holds a Master in Business Management degree from the Asian Institute of Management.

**Mark Werner J. Rosal**

*Director*

Atty. Mark Rosal became a Director of LBCH on April 28, 2015. Born in Cebu City, Atty. Rosal, prior to taking up Law, obtained a Bachelor's Degree in Physical Therapy from the Cebu Velez College, and is a registered Physical Therapist. Atty. Rosal subsequently graduated in the top 5% of his law school batch at the University of San Carlos, Cebu City, in 2002, and was admitted to the Philippine Bar in 2003. He spent his early years in the practice of law at Balgos and Perez Law Offices and Angara Cruz Concepcion Regala and Abello (ACCRALAW). Currently, he is the Managing Partner of Rosal Bacalla Fortuna Helmuth and Virtudazo Law Offices, a Cebu-based law firm. Atty. Rosal's field of practice is Corporate Law, Mergers and Acquisitions, Real Estate Law, Estate Planning, and Company Labor Law matters. He holds various positions and performs multiple roles in various private corporations such as Cebu Agaru Motors Inc., Wide Gain Property Holdings, Inc., Sem-Ros Food Corp, Rural Bank of Talisay, (Cebu) Inc., and OneMeridaLand Corp.

**Jason Michael Rosenblatt**

*Director*

Mr. Jason Rosenblatt is currently a Partner at Crescent Point, a private equity and investment firm based in Singapore. Mr. Rosenblatt assumed a director position at LBC Express Holdings, Inc. in March 2018. His previous positions include: Laurasia Capital Management, Partner; Standard Bank, Global Head of Special Situations; DKR Oasis, Head of Principal Strategies; Ritchie Capital Management, Director; McKinsey Company, Associate; and Bank One, Associate.

**Anthony A. Abad**

*Independent Director*

Atty. Anthony A. Abad is currently Chief Executive Officer and Managing Director of TradeAdvisors, as well as a partner of Abad Alcantara & Associates. He is also the Chairman for the Philippines of the Commission on Competition, International Chamber of Commerce, and Legal Advisor to the International Finance Corporation. He graduated from the Harvard University John F. Kennedy School of Government, with a Master's Degree in Public Administration; and a Fellow in Public Policy and Management at the Harvard Institute for International Development. Atty. Abad graduated from the Ateneo de Manila School of Law with a Juris Doctor degree, and a Bachelor of Arts degree, Major in Economics (Honors). Other current engagements include: Bloomberg Philippines, Anchor; Ateneo Center for International Economic Law, Director; Ateneo de Manila University, Professor; World Trade Organization, Panelist. Previously, Atty. Abad was Key Expert, Trade Policy & Export Development Trade Assistant for the European Union, Chairman and Secretary's Technical Advisor at the Department of Agriculture, and President and CEO of the Philippine International Trading Corporation.

**Solita V. Delantar**

*Independent Director*

Ms. Solita V. Delantar was appointed Director of LBCH in March 2014. She concurrently serves as Independent Director on the Board of Directors at Anchor Land Holdings, Inc., Executive Director at PMAP Human Resources Management Foundation (since July 2013) and Vice President at PONTICELLI, Inc. (since 2006). Previously, Ms. Delantar served as Vice-President, Human Resources Management & Development Administration (November 1999 - September 2003), Consultant (July 1997-July 1998), Vice-President, Finance & Administration (May 1988 - June 1996) and various other positions at Honda Philippines, Inc. Ms. Delantar is a Certified Public Accountant, Fellow in Personal Management and professional business mediator. From September 1998 to March 2007, she served as a Member of the Professional Board of Accountancy, which administers licensure examinations for CPAs. Ms. Delantar received her Bachelor of Science degree in Commerce with a major in Accounting from Far Eastern University and participated in a Bachelor of Laws program at Ateneo de Manila University.

**Victor Y. Lim, Jr.**  
*Independent Director*

Mr. Victor Y. Lim, Jr. was appointed as a Director of the Company on 5 October 2020. He is currently serving as the President of Yuchengco Lim Development Corp. (since 1996), Chairman of V2S Property Developers Co., Inc. (since 2009), Chairman of Tune Abe Investment Corporation (since 2018), President of Banco Mexico Inc. (since 2014), a Director of Premier Horizon Alliance Corporation (since 2015), a Director of I-Pay Commerce Ventures, Inc. (since 2016), a Member of the Financial Executives Institute of the Philippines (since 1976) where he served as President in 1995, a Member of the Management Association of the Philippines (since 1996), a Trustee of Ateneo Scholarship Foundation Inc. (since 1986) where he served as Chairman thereof from 1989 to 1991, and is a Committee Chairman and member of the Rotary Club of Pasig (since 2008). Mr. Lim holds a Bachelor of Science in Economics degree from the Ateneo de Manila University and a Masters in Business Management degree from the Asian Institute of Management.

**MANAGEMENT AND OFFICERS**

LBCH's executive officers and management team cooperate with its Board by preparing appropriate information and documents concerning the Company's business operations, financial condition and results of operations for its review. The table below sets forth each member of the LBCH's management:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Nationality</b>	<b>Age</b>	<b>Position</b>
Miguel Angel A. Camahort	Filipino	58	Chief Executive Officer and President
Enrique V. Rey, Jr.	Filipino	50	Investor Relations Officer, Chief Finance Officer and Chief Risk Officer
Cristina S. Palma Gil-Fernandez	Filipino	51	Corporate Secretary
Rosalie H. Infantado	Filipino	45	Treasurer
Mahleene G. Go	Filipino	40	Assistant Corporate Secretary, Corporate Information Officer and Compliance Officer
Ernesto C. Naval III	Filipino	28	Alternate Corporate Information Officer
Jeric C. Baquiran	Filipino	43	Chief Audit Executive

The business experience of each of the LBCH's officers is set forth below.

**Miguel Angel A. Camahort**  
*Chief Executive Officer and President*

Please refer to the table of directors above.

**Enrique V. Rey Jr.**  
*Chief Finance Officer, Investor Relations Officer*

Please refer to the table of directors above.

**Cristina S. Palma-Gil Fernandez**

*Corporate Secretary*

Atty. Palma Gil-Fernandez assumed the position of Corporate Secretary of LBCH in September 2015. Atty. Palma Gil-Fernandez graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree, Major in History (Honors) from the University of San Francisco in 1989, and with a Juris Doctor degree, second honors, from the Ateneo de Manila University in 1995. She is currently a Partner at Picazo Buyco Tan Fider & Santos Law Offices and has 25 years of experience in corporate and commercial law, with emphasis on the practice areas of banking, securities and capital markets (equity and debt), corporate reorganizations and restructurings and real estate.

**Rosalie H. Infantado**

*Treasurer*

Ms. Infantado assumed the position of Treasurer of LBCH in September 2017. She graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree, Major in Accountancy from the Polytechnic University of the Philippines in 1997. She is currently Vice-President - Financial Reporting and Analysis at LBC Express, Inc., and has been a Certified Public Accountant since 1998. With 20 years of experience in accounting, audit, and financial reporting, Ms. Infantado's previous professional experiences include employment at prestigious companies such as KPMG Philippines (Manabat SanAgustin & Co.), Concordia Advisors (Bermuda) Ltd., CITI Hedge Fund Services, Ltd. (Bermuda), and PriceWaterhouseCooper Philippines.

**Mahleene G. Go**

*Assistant Corporate Secretary, Corporate Information Officer and Compliance Officer*

Atty. Mahleene G. Go assumed the position of Assistant Corporate Secretary, Compliance Officer and Corporate Information Officer of LBCH in September 2015. Born on April 25, 1980, Atty. Go graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Arts, Major in Political Science, from the University of the Philippines in 2001, and with the degree of Juris Doctor from Ateneo De Manila University-School of Law in 2005. She also received a Certificate of Mandarin Language Training for International Students from 2011 to 2012 in Peking University, Beijing, China. She served as a Junior Associate at Picazo Buyco Tan Fider & Santos Law Offices from 2007 to 2010 and 2012 and is currently a Senior Associate at the same office. She currently serves as Corporate Secretary for Azyantech Corporation.

**Ernesto C. Naval III**

*Alternate Corporate Information Officer*

Atty. Ernesto C. Naval III assumed the position of Alternate Corporate Information Officer of LBCH in June 2018. Born on November 4, 1992, Atty. Naval graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Science, Management, from the Ateneo De Manila University in 2013, and with the degree of Juris Doctor from Ateneo de Manila School of Law in 2017. He is a Junior Associate at Picazo Buyco Tan Fider & Santos Law Offices from 2018 to the present.

**Jeric C. Baquiran**

*Chief Audit Executive*

Mr. Jeric C. Baquiran was appointed Chief Audit Executive of the Company in March 2019. He joined LBC Express in 2006, and since 2015 has lead the Corporate Audit department for the company, as Senior Manager of the Corporate Audit Department. Mr. Baquiran graduated from Saint Mary's University, Bayombong, with a Bachelor of Science degree in Accountancy in 1999. He passed the Certified Public Accountancy Licensure Examination in May 2000. Prior to joining LBC, he held audit positions at DCCD Engineering Corporation (2000 to 2003), and Lapanday Foods Corporation (2003 to 2005).



The Board has established committees to assist in exercising its authority in monitoring the performance of the business of the Company. The committees, as detailed below, provide specific and focused means for the Board to address relevant issues including those related to corporate governance.

	<b>Committees</b>			
	<b>Audit</b>	<b>Corporate Governance</b>	<b>Related Party Transactions</b>	<b>Board Risk Oversight</b>
Solita V. Delantar	Chairman	Member		Member
Victor Y. Lim, Jr.	Member	Member	Member	Chairman
Anthony A. Abad	Member	Chairman	Chairman	
Enrique V. Rey, Jr.				Member
Augusto G. Gan			Member	

### **SIGNIFICANT EMPLOYEES**

The Company considers its entire work force as significant employees. Everyone is expected to work together as a team to achieve the Company's goals and objectives.

### **FAMILY RELATIONSHIPS**

As at the date of this Report, there are no family relationships between Directors and members of the Company's senior management known to the Company.

### **INVOLVEMENT IN CERTAIN LEGAL PROCEEDINGS**

The Company believes that none of the Company's directors, nominees for election as director, or executive officers have in the five-year period prior to the date of this Report: (1) had any petition filed by or against any business of which such person was a general partner or executive officer either at the time of the bankruptcy or within a two-year period of that time; (2) have been convicted by final judgment in a criminal proceeding, domestic or foreign, or have been subjected to a pending judicial proceeding of a criminal nature, domestic or foreign, excluding traffic violations and other minor offenses; (3) have been the subject of any order, judgment, or decree, not subsequently reversed, suspended or vacated, of any court of competent jurisdiction, domestic or foreign, permanently or temporarily enjoining, barring, suspending or otherwise limiting their involvement in any type of business, securities, commodities or banking activities; or (4) have been found by a domestic or foreign court of competent jurisdiction (in a civil action), the SEC or comparable foreign body, or a domestic or foreign exchange or other organized trading market or self-regulatory organization, to have violated a securities or commodities law or regulation, such judgment having not been reversed, suspended, or vacated.

On September 9, 2011, the BSP, through Monetary Board Resolution No. 1354, resolved to close and place LBC Development Bank Inc.'s (the "Bank") assets and affairs under receivership.

On December 8, 2011, the Philippine Deposit Insurance Company (PDIC), as the official receiver and liquidator of closed banks, demanded on behalf of the Bank that LBC Holdings USA Corporation (LBC US) pay for its alleged outstanding obligations to LBC Bank amounting to approximately ₱1.00 billion, a claim that LBC US has denied as being baseless and unfounded. No further demand on this matter has been made by the PDIC since then, although there are no assurances that the claim has been waived or abandoned in whole or in part, or that the PDIC will not institute relevant proceedings in court or serve another demand letter to LBC US.

In relation to the Bank's closure and receivership, the receivables amounting to ₱295.00 million were written-off in 2011.

On March 17 and 29, 2014, the PDIC's external counsel sent letters to LBCE, demanding collection of the alleged amounts totaling ₱1.79 billion. On March 24 and 29, 2014, July 29, 2014, June 17, 2015 and

June 26, 2015, the same legal counsel sent collection letters addressed to LBC Systems, Inc. [Formerly LBC Mundial Inc.] [Formerly LBC Mabuhay USA Corporation], demanding the payment of amounts aggregating to ₱911.59 million, all on behalf of the Bank.

On November 2, 2015, the Bank, represented by the PDIC, filed a case against LBC Express, Inc. (LBCE) and LBC Development Corporation (LBCDC), together with other respondents, before the Makati City Regional Trial Court (RTC) for a total collection of ₱1.82 billion. The case is in relation to the March 17, 2014 demand letter representing collection of unpaid service fees due from June 2006 to August 2011 and service charges on remittance transactions from January 2010 to September 2011. In the Complaint, the PDIC justified the increase in the amount from the demand letter to the amount claimed in the case due to their discovery that the supposed payments of LBCE were allegedly unsupported by actual cash inflow to the Bank.

On December 28, 2015, the summons, together with a copy of the Complaint of LBC Development Bank, Inc., and the writ of preliminary attachment were served on the former Corporate Secretary of LBCE. The writ of preliminary attachment resulted to the (a) attachment of the 1,205,974,632 shares of LBC Express Holdings, Inc. owned by LBCDC and (b) attachment of various bank accounts of LBCE totalling ₱6.90 million. The attachment of the shares in the record of the stock transfer agent had the effect of preventing the registration or recording of any transfers of shares in the records, until the writ of attachment is discharged.

LBCE and LBCDC, the ultimate Parent Company, together with other defendants, filed motions to dismiss the Complaint on January 12, 2016 for the collection of the sum of ₱1.82 billion. On January 21, 2016, LBCE and LBCDC filed its Urgent Motion to Approve the Counterbond and Discharge the Writ of Attachment.

On February 17, 2016, the RTC issued the order to lift and set aside the writ of preliminary attachment. The order to lift and set aside the preliminary attachment directed the sheriff of the court to deliver to LBCE and LBCDC all properties previously garnished pursuant to the writ. The counterbond delivered by LBCE and LBCDC stands as security for all properties previously attached and to satisfy any final judgment in the case.

In a Joint Resolution dated June 28, 2016, the RTC denied the motions to dismiss filed by all the defendants, including LBCE and LBCDC. Motions for reconsideration filed by the defendants were subsequently denied by the RTC in the Resolution dated February 16, 2017. On April 24, 2017, LBCE and LBCDC filed a Petition for Certiorari with the Court of Appeals, challenging the RTC's June 28, 2016 Joint Resolution. The Petition for Certiorari is entitled "*LBC Express, Inc. and LBC Development Corporation vs. Hon. Maximo M. De Leon and LBC Development Bank, as represented by its receiver/liquidator, the Philippine Deposit Insurance Corporation,*" and docketed as CA-G.R. SP No. 150698.

After filing motions for extension of time, LBCE and LBCDC filed their Answer with Counterclaims on April 10, 2017. In the Resolution dated June 15, 2017, the RTC denied the third motion for extension, declared all of the defendants including LBCE in default and ordered PDIC to present evidence ex-parte. LBCE and LBCDC filed a Verified Omnibus Motion for reconsideration and to lift the order of default. The other defendants filed similar motions, including a motion for inhibition. On July 21, 2017, LBCE received the Joint Resolution dated July 20, 2017, granting the Verified Omnibus Motions and the Motion for Inhibition, thereby lifting the order of default and admitting the Answers filed by all defendants.

The PDIC filed a Motion for Reconsideration dated August 7, 2017, seeking to reconsider the Joint Resolution dated July 20, 2017. The defendants, including LBCE and LBCDC have filed their respective comments thereto and the motion is currently pending resolution.

From August 10, 2017 to January 19, 2018, LBCE, LBCDC, the other defendants and PDIC were referred to mediation and Judicial Dispute Resolution (JDR) but were unable to reach a compromise agreement.

The RTC ordered the mediation and JDR terminated and the case raffled to a new judge who will preside over the trial. The case was re-raffled to Branch 134 of the Makati Regional Trial Court.

On or about September 3, 2018, PDIC motions to issue alias summons to five individual defendants, who were former officers and directors of LBC Bank. For reasons not explained by PDIC, it had failed to cause the service of summons upon five of the individual defendants and hence, the court had not acquired jurisdiction over them.

On October 26, 2018, the Motion to Defer Pre-Trial scheduled on November 15, 2018 was filed because the PDIC was still trying to serve summons on the five individual defendants and thus, for orderly proceedings, pre-trial should be deferred until the court acquires jurisdiction over them.

At the hearing held on November 9, 2018, which the PDIC did not attend, the judge directed PDIC's counsel to coordinate with the Sheriff and cause the service of summons promptly. The judge then rescheduled the pre-trial to January 23, 2019. On November 21, 2018, comment from the PDIC was received, arguing that pre-trial can proceed, even without the presence of the five individuals because there are merely necessary parties to the case, and not indispensable parties.

As of early January 2019, the alias summons was served on only two of the individual defendants, in which they filed Motion to Dismiss on November 2018 and January 2019. The PDIC filed its comments thereto and both Motions to Dismiss were deemed submitted for resolution.

On January 18, 2019, PDIC filed a Pre-Trial Brief. LBCE and the other defendants, on January 21, 2019, filed a Motion, asking the RTC to direct the PDIC to explain in writing its compliance with the previous order to cause the service of summons on the remaining five individual defendants and to defer pre-trial until the court has acquired jurisdiction over them.

On January 23, 2019, the judge ordered the PDIC to file its comment to the Motion and rescheduled the pre-trial to February 21, 2019.

The PDIC filed a Comment with Motion to Declare Defendants in Default, arguing that the pre-trial should proceed and that the current defendants are just delaying the proceedings. The PDIC also explained its efforts to serve summons on the five individuals but admitted that it had only served summons of two of the individual defendants. The PDIC also stated that it is filing another motion for the issuance of another round of alias summons for the three remaining defendants.

On February 4, 2019, a Reply was filed arguing that: (a) the PDIC never explained the three-year delay in serving summons on the other defendants, (b) it is the PDIC's omission which have made the proceedings disorderly because not all of the defendants are at the pre-trial state, and (c) to avoid complications, the pre-trial should be deferred until the court has acquired jurisdiction over all defendants.

The court conducted a hearing on February 1, 2019 on the Motion to Declare Defendants in Default and granted time to submit comment thereto. A comment opposition was filed on February 11, 2019, arguing that there is no basis to consider the current defendants in default because they are appearing at every hearing and that there are pending motions citing just and valid reasons to defer pre-trial, considering that summons are still being served on some defendants. Emphasis was given in particular that once jurisdiction is acquired over individual defendants, they will file their own answers, raising their own defenses, which should be considered at pre-trial. Also, it is mandatory to refer them to mediation and JDR for possible amicable settlement of the entire case. Even if mediation and JDR fail, the current judge is required by procedural rules to raffle the case to another branch so that his judgment is not influenced by matters discussed during JDR.

On February 18, 2019, a Pre-Trial Brief was filed by LBCE and the other defendants, without prejudice to the defendants' pending motions to defer Pre-Trial.

At the hearing scheduled on February 21, 2019, the judge took note of all the pending motions and said that they are deemed submitted for resolution. In the meantime, the judge directed the parties to perform a pre-marking of all their documentary exhibits before the clerk of court. The judge then rescheduled Pre-Trial to March 28, 2019.

On March 6, 2019, with respect to CA-G.R. SP No. 150698, LBCE and LBCDC received a copy of the Court of Appeals' Decision dated February 28, 2019, denying the Petition for Certiorari. The Court of Appeals ruled that the PDIC representative was sufficiently authorized to sign the verification and the PDIC does not need to secure prior approval of the liquidation court to file the case. LBCE and LBCDC filed a motion for reconsideration on March 21, 2019. On 18 July 2019, they received a copy of the Court of Appeals' resolution denying the motion for reconsideration. LBCE and LBCDC filed an appeal to the Supreme Court on September 2, 2019 assailing the Court of Appeals Decision and Resolution. The appeal with the Supreme Court is entitled "*LBC Express, Inc. and LBC Development Corporation v. Hon. Maximo M. De Leon, Presiding Judge of the Regional Trial Court of Makati Branch 143 and LBC Development Bank as represented by its receiver/liquidator, the Philippine Deposit Insurance Corporation*" and docketed as G.R. No. 248539. The appeal was initially assigned to the Third Division of the Supreme Court. In the appeal, LBCE and LBCDC are praying for the dismissal of the Complaint because PDIC failed to obtain leave from the liquidation court to file the Complaint before the Regional Trial Court, contrary to the provisions of the Rules of Court and established jurisprudence. PDIC has filed its Comment on January 11, 2020. The Supreme Court has not resolved the appeal as of today.

Meanwhile, PDIC has pre-marked its evidence during pre-marking conferences held on March 6 and 11, 2019. LBCE on the other hand pre-marked its evidence on March 22, 2019 and on April 10, 11, and 24, 2019.

LBCE was informed by the court staff that due to the order of Executive Judge for court records inventory and disposal, the pre-trial scheduled for March 28, 2019 will be reset to May 2, 2019.

On May 2, 2019, at the pre-trial hearing, the judge released his Order, whereby, among others, he granted the motion to defer pre-trial proceedings in order to have an orderly and organized pre-trial and deferred pre-trial hearing until the other defendants have received summons and filed their answers. In the meantime, the parties have proceeded to pre-mark their respective documentary exhibits in preparation for eventual pre-trial.

Later on, four of the five individual defendants received summons and then filed motions to dismiss the case, all of which were denied by the RTC. All four individual defendants filed for motions for reconsideration. The motions for reconsideration filed by the three individual defendants were eventually denied by the RTC. Thereafter, the three individual defendants filed their Answers to the Complaint with the RTC.

Meanwhile, on January 16, 2021, summons, together with a copy of the Complaint were served on LBC Properties, Inc., another defendant in this case. On February 11, 2021, LBC Properties, Inc. filed its Answer to the Complaint.

The last remaining individual defendant is scheduled to file her Answer on April 2, 2021.

While waiting for the last remaining individual defendant to file her Answer to the Complaint, PDIC, LBCE, LBCDC and the other defendants are scheduled to pre-mark their respective documentary exhibits on April 21, 23 and 30, 2021. The court has not set a date for pre-trial.

In relation to the above case, in the opinion of management and in concurrence with its legal counsel, any liability of LBCE is not probable and estimable at this point in time.

**Item 10. EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION**

**COMPENSATION**

There are no employees under LBC Express Holdings, Inc.

**Standard Arrangements**

Other than payment of reasonable per diem as may be determined by the Board of Directors for every meeting, there are no standard arrangements pursuant to which directors of LBCH are compensated, or were compensated, directly or indirectly, for any services provided as a Director and for their committee participation or special assignments for 2010 up to the present.

**Other Arrangements**

There are no other arrangements pursuant to which any director of LBCH was compensated, or to be compensated, directly or indirectly, during 2020 for any service provided as a Director.

**EMPLOYMENT CONTRACTS**

LBCH has no special employment contracts with the named Executive Officers.

**WARRANTS AND OPTIONS OUTSTANDING**

There are no outstanding warrants or options held by the President, the named Executive Officers, and all Officers and Directors as a group.

**Item 11. SECURITY OWNERSHIP OF CERTAIN BENEFICIAL OWNERS AND MANAGEMENT**

**Security Ownership of Certain Record and Beneficial Owners of more than 5% of the LBCH's voting securities as of December 31, 2020.**

<u>Title of Class</u>	<u>Name and Address of Record Owner and Relationship to Issuer</u>	<u>Name of Beneficial Owner</u>	<u>Citizenship</u>	<u>No. of Common Shares Held in LBCH</u>	<u>% of Total Outstanding Shares of LBCH</u>
Common	LBC Development Corporation General Aviation Center, Domestic Airport Compound, Pasay City (stockholder)	The record owner is the beneficial owner of the shares indicated	Filipino	1,206,178,232	84.59%

**Security Ownership of Directors and Officers as of December 31, 2020**

<u>Title of Class</u>	<u>Name of Beneficial Owner</u>	<u>Amount and Nature of Beneficial Ownership</u>	<u>Citizenship</u>	<u>% of Total Outstanding Shares</u>
Common	Rene E. Fuentes	1- direct	Filipino	0.0%
Common	Enrique V. Rey, Jr.	1- direct	Filipino	0.0%
Common	Augusto G. Gan	1- direct	Filipino	0.0%
Common	Miguel Angel A. Camahort	1- direct	Filipino	0.0%
Common	Mark Werner J. Rosal	1,000 - direct	Filipino	0.0%
Common	Solita V. Delantar	1- direct	Filipino	0.0%
Common	Victor Y. Lim, Jr.	1- direct; 228,899 indirect	Filipino	0.0%
Common	Antonio A. Abad	101-direct	Filipino	0.0%
Common	Jason Michael Rosenblatt	1-direct	Filipino	0.0%

**Voting Trust Holders of five percent or More**

There were no persons holding more than five percent of a class of shares of LBCH under a voting trust or similar agreement as at the date of this Prospectus.

**CHANGE IN CONTROL**

On May 18, 2015, LBC Development Corporation subscribed to 59,101,000 common shares of the Company (equivalent to 59.10% of the total issued and outstanding capital stock of the Company as of said date) which resulted in LBC Development Corporation acquiring control of the Company.

On September 18, 2015, LBC Development Corporation subscribed to an additional 1,146,873,632 common shares which were issued on October 12, 2015 following the approval by the SEC of the Company's application to increase its authorized capital stock from ₱100,000,000.00 divided into 100,000,000 common shares with par value of ₱1.00 per share, to ₱2,000,000,000.00 divided into 2,000,000,000 common shares with par value of ₱1.00 per share. As of the date of this Report,

LBC Development Corporation holds a total of 1,205,974,632 common shares of the Company or 84.58% of the Company's total issued and outstanding capital stock of the Company.

As at December 31, 2020, there are no arrangements which would delay, defer or prevent a change in control of the Company.

## **Item 12. CERTAIN RELATIONSHIPS AND RELATED TRANSACTIONS**

### **RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

The Company and its subsidiaries in their ordinary course of business, engage in transactions with related parties and affiliates consisting of its parent company (LBC Development Corporation) and entities under common control. These transactions include royalty, service and management fee arrangements and loans and advances.

It is a policy of the Company that related party transactions are entered into on terms which are not more favourable to the related party than those generally available to third parties dealing at arm's length basis and are not detrimental to unrelated shareholders. All related party transactions shall be reviewed by the appropriate approving authority, as may be determined by the board of directors. In the event of a related party transaction involving a director, the relevant director should make a full disclosure of any actual or potential conflict of interest and must abstain from participating in the deliberation and voting on the approval of the proposed transaction and any action to be taken to address the conflict.

Please refer to Note 18 ("Related Party Transactions") to the notes to the 2020 consolidated financial statements of the Company which is incorporated herein in the accompanying index to exhibits.

The Company has the following major transactions with related parties:

#### **Royalty Fee and Licensing Agreement with Parent Company**

LBC Express, Inc. and LBC Development Corporation have entered into a trademark licensing agreement dated November 29, 2007 under which LBC Development Corporation has granted the Company the full and exclusive right within the Philippines to use LBC Marks including the names "LBC Express, Inc.," "LBC Express," "LBC", "*Hari Ng Padala*" (Filipino for "King of Forwarding Services") and "WWW.LBCEXPRESS.COM" as well as the "LBC" corporate logo and the "Team LBC *Hari Ng Padala*" logo.

On August 4, 2017, LBC Express, Inc. and LBCDC entered into a trademark licensing agreement, which amended and restated the trademark licensing agreement entered by the same parties on November 9, 2007. Both parties agreed to discontinue royalty payments for the use of LBC Marks in recognition of LBCE's own contribution to the value and goodwill of the trademark effective September 4, 2017.

#### **Cash Advances to and from Related Parties**

The Group regularly makes advances to and from related parties to finance working capital requirements and as part of their cost reimbursements arrangement. These unsecured advances are non-interest bearing and payable on demand.

#### **Fulfillment Fee and Brokerage Fees**

In the normal course of business, the Group fulfills the delivery of *balikbayan* boxes and money remittances and performs certain administrative functions on behalf of its international affiliates. The Group charges delivery fees and service fees for the fulfillment of these services based on agreed rates.

LBCE acquires services from OFII which include sea freight and brokerage mainly for the cargoes coming from international origins. These expenses are billed to the origins at cost.

### **Guarantee Fee**

LBCE entered into a loan agreement with BDO which is secured with real estate mortgage on various real estate properties owned by the Group's affiliate. In consideration of the affiliate's accommodation to the Company's request to use these properties as loan collateral, the Group agreed to pay the affiliate, every April 1 of the year starting April 1, 2016, a guarantee fee of 1% of the outstanding loan and until said properties are released by the bank as loan collateral.

### **Business Combinations**

On May 29, 2019, LBCH sold all its 1,860,214 common shares in QUADX Inc. to LBCE for ₱186,021,400 or ₱100 per share payable no later than two years from the execution of deed of absolute sale of share, subject to any extension as may be agreed in writing by the parties.

On July 1, 2019, LBCE sold all its QUADX Inc. shares to LBCDC for ₱186.02 million, payable no later than two years from the date of sale, subject to any extension as may be agreed in writing by the parties. On the same date, LBCE, LBCDC and QUADX Inc. entered into a Deed of Assignment of Receivables whereas LBCE agreed to assign, transfer and convey its receivables from QUADX Inc. as of March 31, 2019 amounting to ₱832.64 million to LBCDC which shall be paid in full, from time to time starting July 1, 2019 and no later than two years from the date of the execution of the Deed, subject to any extension as may be agreed in writing by LBCE and LBCDC. There is no extension of the said repayment that has been agreed to date.

On March 7, 2018, the BOD of the Parent Company approved the purchase of shares of the entities under LBC Holdings USA Corporation. The acquisition is expected to benefit the Group by contributing to its global revenue streams. On the same date, the share purchase agreements (SPA) were executed by the Parent Company and LBC Holdings USA Corporation with a total share purchase price amounting to US \$8.34 million, subject to certain closing conditions. As discussed in Note 16, the transfer of the ownership of the shares and all rights, titles and interests thereto shall take place following the payment of the consideration defined and shall be subject to the necessary approvals of the US regulatory bodies that oversee and/or regulate the Companies. On various dates in 2019, the Parent Company was granted the regulatory approvals on the purchase of LBC Mundial Corporation, LBC Mabuhay North America Corporation and LBC Mabuhay Hawaii Corporation (see Note 4).

In 2019, LBCE subscribed 20,000,000 Preferred A shares and 29,436,968 Preferred B Shares of Terra Barbaza Aviation, Inc. (TBAI) amounting to ₱78.73 million. The Preferred A Shares will be issued upon conversion of the 20,000,000 Common Shares in TBAI arising from the 20,001,250 Common Shares purchased by LBCE from a common shareholder in January 2020.

In February 2020, LBCE paid incidental costs related to purchase of the above stocks amounting to ₱1.08 million.

On December 17, 2020, TBAI's application of its authorized capital stock for Preferred A and B Shares is approved by SEC. The approval resulted to the conversion of the 20,000,000 Common Shares purchased by LBCE from the common shareholder to 20,000,000 non-voting Preferred A Shares and 1,250 Common Shares will then represent 24.86% of the total outstanding Common Shares.

### **Notes receivable**

In November 2011, LBC Mundial Corporation paid-off LBC Holdings USA Corporation's outstanding mortgage loan which is consolidated into a long-term promissory note amounting to US\$1,105,148 at 4% interest, payable in 180 equal monthly installments. As of December 31, 2020, total outstanding notes



receivable amounted to ₱25.12 million, ₱21.34 million of which is presented as noncurrent under “Other noncurrent assets”. Interest income earned from notes receivable amounted to ₱1.16 million for the year ended December 31, 2020.

### **Dividends**

On October 19, 2020, the BOD of LBCH approved the declaration of cash dividends of amounting to 285.17 million

On October 27, 2020, the BOD of LBC Mabuhay Remittance Sdn Bhd declared cash dividends of BND300,000 (₱10.74 million). The related noncontrolling interest amounting to BND150,000 (₱5.38 million) is presented in the consolidated statement of changes in equity.

On November 5, 2020, the BOD of LBC Express Shipping Company WLL (Kuwait) declared cash dividends of KWD 800 per common share held by stockholders. The related noncontrolling interest amounting to ₱6.51 million is presented in the consolidated statement of changes in equity.

On July 16, 2020, LBCH recognized cash dividend from OFII amounting to ₱21.00 million for its 30% interest on OFII.

On November 15, 2020, the BOD of LBC Mabuhay (Malaysia) Sdn Bhd declared cash dividends of ₱20.18 million (MYR1,700,000). The related noncontrolling interest amounting to ₱1.75 million (MYR127,503) remains unpaid and is presented in the consolidated statement of changes in equity as of December 31, 2020.

### **PARENT COMPANY/MAJOR HOLDERS**

As of the date of this Report, LBC Development Corporation owns 84.59% of the total issued and outstanding capital stock of the Company.

## **PART IV - CORPORATE GOVERNANCE**

### **Item 13. CORPORATE GOVERNANCE**

Please refer to the Integrated Annual Corporate Governance Report submitted on July 27, 2020.

## PART V - EXHIBITS AND SCHEDULES

### Item 14. REPORTS ON SEC FORM 17-C

(a) Exhibits - Please accompanying index to exhibits

(b) Reports on SEC Form 17-C

The following current reports have been reported by LBC Express Holdings, Inc. during the year 2020:

	<b>Disclosure</b>	<b>Date of Report</b>
1	SEC 17-C Filing of Current Report Under Section 17 of the Securities Regulation Code Amid COVID-19 Pandemic	March 16, 2020
2	SEC 17-C Postponement of Annual Stockholders' Meeting	May 21, 2020
3	SEC 17-C Approval of the Consolidated Audited Financial Statements of the Company and its Subsidiaries as of 31 December 2019.	May 28, 2020
4	SEC 17-C 2020 Annual Stockholders' Meeting	September 23, 2020
5	SEC 17-C Resignation of Mr. Luis Yu, Jr. as member of the Board of Directors and appointment of Mr. Victor Y. Lim, Jr. as a new member of the Board of Directors.	October 5, 2020
6	SEC 17-C Declaration of Cash Dividends	October 19, 2020
7	SEC 17-C Results of the 2020 Annual Stockholder's Meeting of LBC Express Holdings, Inc.	November 23, 2020
8	SEC 17-C Results of the 2020 Organizational Meeting of the Board of Directors	November 23, 2020
9	SEC 17-C Amended Results of the 2020 Organizational Meeting of the Board of Directors (Correction of typographical error in name of officer)	November 23, 2020

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 17 of the Code and Section 141 of the Corporation Code, this report is signed on behalf of the issuer by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized, in the City of PASAY on APR 15 2021.

**LBC EXPRESS HOLDINGS, INC.**

By:



**Miguel Angel A. Camahort**  
*Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer*

**SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN** to before me this APR 15 2021 2021, affiants exhibiting to me their respective competent evidence of identities, as follows:

Name	Competent ID	Date and Place of Issue
Miguel A. Camahort	Passport No. P3510481A	Jun 28, 2017; DFA Manila



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**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 17 of the Code and Section 141 of the Corporation Code, this report is signed on behalf of the issuer by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized, in the City of PASAY on APR 15 2021.

**LBC EXPRESS HOLDINGS, INC.**

By:




**Enrique V. Rey, Jr.**  
*Chief Finance Officer*

**SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN** to before me this APR 15 2021 day of 2021, affiants exhibiting to me their respective competent evidence of identities, as follows:

Name	Competent ID	Date and Place of Issue
Enrique V. Rey, Jr.	Passport No. P3355001A	June 9, 2017; DFA Manila

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Pursuant to the requirements of Section 17 of the Code and Section 141 of the Corporation Code, this report is signed on behalf of the issuer by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized, in the City of PASAY on APR 15 2021.

**LBC EXPRESS HOLDINGS, INC.**

By:




**Rosalie H. Infantado**  
*Treasurer*

**SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN** to before me this APR 15 2021 2021, affiants exhibiting to me their respective competent evidence of identities, as follows:

Name	Competent ID	Date and Place of Issue
Rosalie H. Infantado	Passport No. P3399617B	01 October 2019 / DFA Manila

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**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 17 of the Code and Section 141 of the Corporation Code, this is to certify that the undersigned reviewed the contents of the document and to the best of her knowledge, belief, and on the basis of certain representations of the relevant officers of the Corporation, the information set forth in this document are true, complete, and correct.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand on APR 15 2021 in MAKATI CITY City.

**LBC EXPRESS HOLDINGS, INC.**

By:

  
Cristina S. Palma Gil-Fernandez  
Corporate Secretary

**SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN** to before me this APR 15 2021 day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2021, affiant exhibiting to me her competent evidence of identity, as follows:

Name	Competent ID	Date and Place of Issue
Cristina S. Palma Gil-Fernandez	Philippine Passport No. P5655630A	18 January 2019 DFA-NCR South

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Appointment No. M-533  
Notary Public for Makati City  
Until December 31, 2020  
Liberty Center- Picazo Law  
104 H.V. Dela Costa Street, Makati City  
Roll of Attorney's No. 73268  
PTR No. 8535726/Makati City/01-05-2021  
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# COVER SHEET

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**AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

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**PRINCIPAL OFFICE** ( No. / Street / Barangay / City / Town / Province )

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**COMPANY INFORMATION**

Company's Email Address

N/A
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Company's Telephone Number

8-856-8522
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Mobile Number

N/A
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No. of Stockholders

487
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Annual Meeting (Month / Day)

2 <sup>nd</sup> Monday of June
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Fiscal Year (Month / Day)

12/31
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**CONTACT PERSON INFORMATION**

The designated contact person MUST be an Officer of the Corporation

Name of Contact Person

Enrique V. Rey, Jr.
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Email Address

evrey@lbcexpress.com
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Telephone Number/s

8-856-8510
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Mobile Number

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**CONTACT PERSON'S ADDRESS**

**LBC Hangar, General Aviation Centre, Domestic Airport Road, Pasay City, Metro Manila**

**NOTE 1:** In case of death, resignation or cessation of office of the officer designated as contact person, such incident shall be reported to the Commission within thirty (30) calendar days from the occurrence thereof with information and complete contact details of the new contact person designated.

**2:** All Boxes must be properly and completely filled-up. Failure to do so shall cause the delay in updating the corporation's records with the Commission and/or non-receipt of Notice of Deficiencies. Further, non-receipt of Notice of Deficiencies shall not excuse the corporation from liability for its deficiencies.





**STATEMENT OF MANAGEMENT'S RESPONSIBILITY  
FOR FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**


The management of LBC Express Holdings, Inc. and its subsidiaries is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the consolidated financial statements including the schedules attached therein, for the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018, in accordance with the prescribed financial reporting framework indicated therein, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of consolidated financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the consolidated financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Group's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Group or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

The Board of Directors is responsible for overseeing the Group's financial reporting process.

The Board of Directors reviews and approves the consolidated financial statements including the schedules attached therein and submits the same to the stockholders.

SGV & Co., the independent auditor appointed by the stockholders, has audited the consolidated financial statements of the Group in accordance with Philippine Standards on Auditing, and in its report to the stockholders, has expressed its opinion on the fairness of presentation upon completion of such audit.

Signature:   
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**MIGUEL ANGEL A. CAMAHORT**  
Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and President

Signature:   
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**ENRIQUE V. REY, JR.**  
Chief Finance Officer

Signed this 14~~th~~ day of April 2021.

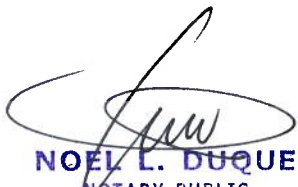




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affiants personally appeared before me and exhibited to me  
their Tax Identification Nos.

<u>NAME</u>	<u>TIN</u>
Miguel Angel A. Camahort	101-292-392
Enrique V. Rey, Jr.	172-264-046

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

The Stockholders and the Board of Directors  
LBC Express Holdings, Inc. and Subsidiaries  
LBC Hangar, General Aviation Centre  
Domestic Airport Road  
Pasay City, Metro Manila

### Opinion

We have audited the consolidated financial statements of LBC Express Holdings, Inc. and its subsidiaries (the Group), which comprise the consolidated statements of financial position as at December 31, 2020 and 2019, and the consolidated statements of comprehensive income, consolidated statements of changes in equity and consolidated statements of cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2020, and notes to the consolidated financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

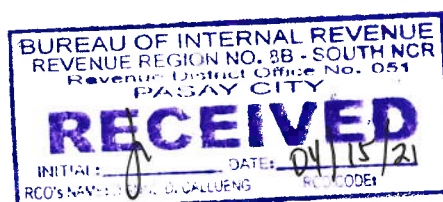
In our opinion, the accompanying consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated financial position of the Group as at December 31, 2020 and 2019, and its consolidated financial performance and its consolidated cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2020 in accordance with Philippine Financial Reporting Standards (PFRSs).

### Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audits in accordance with Philippine Standards on Auditing (PSAs). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements* section of our report. We are independent of the Group in accordance with the Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants in the Philippines (Code of Ethics) together with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the consolidated financial statements in the Philippines, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements and the Code of Ethics. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

### Emphasis of Matter

We draw attention to Note 29 to the consolidated financial statements which describes the uncertainty related to the outcome of the case filed against LBC Express, Inc. (LBCE), among other respondents, by LBC Development Bank, Inc., as represented by its receiver and liquidator, the Philippine Deposit Insurance Corporation (PDIC) for collection of an alleged amount of ₱1.82 billion. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.



## Key Audit Matters

Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgment, were of most significance in our audit of the consolidated financial statements of the current period. These matters were addressed in the context of our audit of the consolidated financial statements as a whole, and in forming our opinion thereon, and we do not provide a separate opinion on these matters. For each matter below, our description of how our audit addressed the matter is provided in that context.

We have fulfilled the responsibilities described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements* section of our report, including in relation to these matters. Accordingly, our audit included the performance of procedures designed to respond to our assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements. The results of our audit procedures, including the procedures performed to address the matters below, provide the basis for our audit opinion on the accompanying consolidated financial statements.

### *Assessment of potential liability in relation to the closure of LBC Development Bank, Inc.*

The Parent Company's subsidiary, LBCE, among other respondents, is involved in a case filed by LBC Development Bank, Inc., as represented by its receiver and liquidator, the PDIC, for collection of an alleged amount of ₱1.82 billion. The claim pertains to allegedly unpaid service fees from June 2006 to August 2011 and unpaid service charges on remittance transactions from January 2010 to September 2011. This is significant to our audit because the determination of whether any provision for potential liability from this case should be recognized and the estimation of such amount require significant judgment by the management given the inherent uncertainty over its outcome.

The Group's disclosures about the case and basis of management's assessment are included in Note 29 to the consolidated financial statements.

### *Audit Response*

Our audit procedures focused on the evaluation of the management's assessment on whether any provision for potential liability should be recognized and the estimation of such amount. We involved our internal specialist in the evaluation of management's assessment. We held discussions with and obtained the written reply of the Group's external legal counsel on the status of the case and their assessment of any potential liability. We sent a confirmation letter to PDIC and obtained their reply which was provided to the Group for reconciliation with their accounting records. We also reviewed the Group's disclosures about the case and the basis of management's assessment.



### ***Recoverability of Goodwill***

Under PAS 36, *Impairment of Assets*, the Group is required to perform an impairment test on goodwill annually, or more frequently, if events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value may be impaired. As of December 31, 2020, the Group has goodwill that is primarily attributable to LBC Aircargo (S) PTE LTD, LBC Australia PTY Limited, LBC Money Transfer PTY Limited and Mermaid Co. Ltd., each of which is considered to be a separate cash generating unit (CGU), amounting to ₱286.89 million which is considered significant to the consolidated financial statements. In addition, management's assessment process requires significant judgment and is based on assumptions which are subject to higher level of estimation uncertainty due to the current economic conditions which have been impacted by the coronavirus pandemic, specifically for the annual and long-term revenue growth rates, capital expenditures and discount rates.

The Group's disclosures on goodwill are included in Note 4 to the consolidated financial statements.

### ***Audit Response***

We involved our internal specialist in evaluating the methodologies and the assumptions used. These assumptions include annual and long-term revenue growth rates, capital expenditures and discount rates. We compared the key assumptions used, such as the annual and long-term revenue growth rates against the historical performance of the CGU, market and industry outlook and other relevant external data, taking into consideration the impact associated with coronavirus pandemic, and the capital expenditures against the Group's plans. We tested the parameters used in the determination of the discount rate against market data. We also reviewed the Group's disclosures about those assumptions to which the outcome of the impairment test is most sensitive; specifically, those that have the most significant effect on the determination of the recoverable amount of goodwill.

### **Other Information**

Management is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the SEC Form 20-IS (Definitive Information Statement), SEC Form 17-A and Annual Report for the year ended December 31, 2019 but does not include the consolidated financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The SEC Form 20-IS (Definitive Information Statement), SEC Form 17-A and Annual Report for the year ended December 31, 2020 are expected to be made available to us after the date of this auditor's report.

Our opinion on the consolidated financial statements does not cover the other information and we will not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audits of the consolidated financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information identified above when it becomes available and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the consolidated financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audits, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.



## **Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Consolidated Financial Statements**

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the consolidated financial statements in accordance with PFRSs, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of consolidated financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the consolidated financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Group's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Group or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Group's financial reporting process.

## **Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements**

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with PSAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with PSAs, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Group's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or



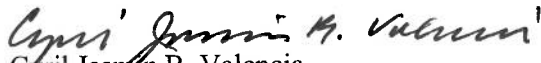
We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

We also provide those charged with governance with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, related safeguards.

From the matters communicated with those charged with governance, we determine those matters that were of most significance in the audit of the consolidated financial statements of the current period and are therefore the key audit matters. We describe these matters in our auditor's report unless law or regulation precludes public disclosure about the matter or when, in extremely rare circumstances, we determine that a matter should not be communicated in our report because the adverse consequences of doing so would reasonably be expected to outweigh the public interest benefits of such communication.

The engagement partner on the audit resulting in this independent auditor's report is  
Cyril Jasmin B. Valencia.

SYCIP GORRES VELAYO & CO.



Cyril Jasmin B. Valencia

Partner

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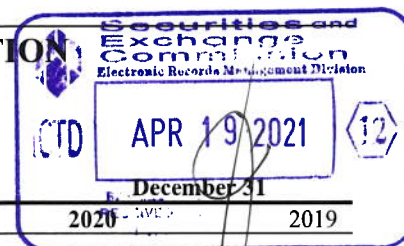
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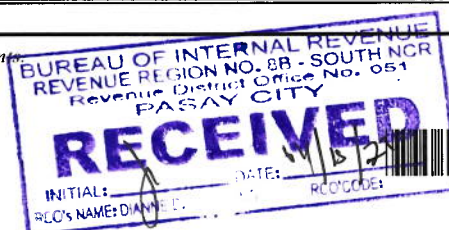
# LBC EXPRESS HOLDINGS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION



	2020	2019
<b>ASSETS</b>		
<b>Current Assets</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents (Notes 5, 24 and 25)	P5,246,052,475	P4,418,669,253
Trade and other receivables (Notes 4, 6, 18, 24 and 25)	1,983,366,602	1,537,848,554
Due from related parties (Notes 18, 24 and 25)	1,115,174,011	1,103,805,387
Investment at fair value through profit or loss (Notes 10, 24 and 25)	14,942,602	15,629,263
Prepayments and other current assets (Notes 7, 12, 24 and 25)	896,445,303	807,780,151
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<b>9,255,980,993</b>	<b>7,883,732,608</b>
<b>Noncurrent Assets</b>		
Property and equipment (Note 8)	2,031,815,630	2,110,735,060
Right-of-use assets (Notes 2 and 22)	2,197,897,942	1,885,830,072
Intangible assets (Note 9)	321,694,139	363,746,898
Investment at fair value through other comprehensive income (Notes 10, 24 and 25)	232,121,488	286,738,308
Deferred tax assets - net (Note 21)	443,560,985	377,561,496
Security deposits (Note 22)	359,627,688	330,624,118
Investment in associates (Note 11)	314,283,719	250,638,683
Advances for future investment in shares (Note 18)	-	78,727,321
Goodwill (Note 4)	286,887,944	286,887,944
Other noncurrent assets (Notes 7, 12, 18 and 24)	217,807,631	238,462,851
<b>Total Noncurrent Assets</b>	<b>6,405,697,166</b>	<b>6,209,952,751</b>
	<b>P15,661,678,159</b>	<b>P14,093,685,359</b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND EQUITY</b>		
<b>Current Liabilities</b>		
Accounts and other payables (Notes 13, 18, 24 and 25)	P2,985,543,685	P3,242,180,861
Due to related parties (Notes 18, 24 and 25)	40,213,210	33,611,365
Dividends payable (Notes 17, 18, 24 and 25)	5,686,654	14,775,250
Current portion of notes payable (Notes 15, 24 and 25)	1,100,015,633	376,666,667
Transmissions liability (Notes 14, 18, 24 and 25)	1,081,611,192	586,888,109
Income tax payable	47,624,988	43,362,953
Current portion of lease liabilities (Notes 2, 22, 24 and 25)	816,980,388	645,014,412
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	<b>6,077,675,750</b>	<b>4,942,499,617</b>
<b>Noncurrent Liabilities</b>		
Derivative liability (Notes 16, 24 and 25)	2,099,785,841	2,048,681,561
Bond payable (Notes 16, 24 and 25)	1,377,723,388	1,247,021,058
Retirement benefit liability - net (Note 23)	764,885,679	637,794,685
Notes payable - net of current portion (Notes 15, 24 and 25)	779,711,006	553,055,555
Deferred tax liability (Note 21)	21,986,728	-
Lease liabilities - net of current portion (Notes 2, 22, 24 and 25)	1,551,353,925	1,356,731,239
Other noncurrent liabilities (Notes 9, 13, 24 and 25)	17,447,095	39,787,939
<b>Total Noncurrent Liabilities</b>	<b>6,612,893,662</b>	<b>5,883,072,037</b>
	<b>12,690,569,412</b>	<b>10,825,571,654</b>
<b>Equity</b>		
Equity attributable to shareholders of the Parent Company		
Capital stock (Note 17)	1,425,865,471	1,425,865,471
Retained earnings (Note 17)	1,536,482,182	1,621,371,760
Accumulated comprehensive income (loss)	(4,063,817)	193,677,606
	<b>2,958,283,836</b>	<b>3,240,914,837</b>
Non-controlling interests	12,824,911	27,198,868
<b>Total Equity</b>	<b>2,971,108,747</b>	<b>3,268,113,705</b>
	<b>P15,661,678,159</b>	<b>P14,093,685,359</b>

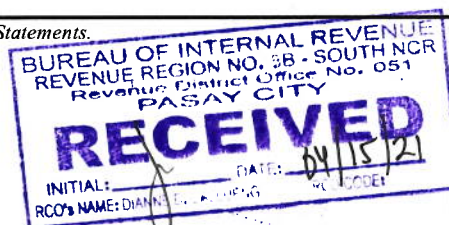
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**LBC EXPRESS HOLDINGS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES**  
**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME**

	Years Ended December 31		
	2020	2019	2018
<b>SERVICE REVENUE</b> (Note 26 and 30)	<b>₱14,117,067,433</b>	<b>₱15,209,955,603</b>	<b>₱12,325,582,477</b>
<b>COST OF SERVICES</b> (Note 19)	<b>10,650,476,106</b>	<b>11,263,787,160</b>	<b>8,704,625,244</b>
<b>GROSS PROFIT</b>	<b>3,466,591,327</b>	<b>3,946,168,443</b>	<b>3,620,957,233</b>
<b>OPERATING EXPENSES</b> (Note 20)	<b>2,676,101,032</b>	<b>2,665,982,484</b>	<b>2,253,308,556</b>
<b>OPERATING INCOME</b>	<b>790,490,295</b>	<b>1,280,185,959</b>	<b>1,367,648,677</b>
<b>OTHER INCOME (CHARGES)</b>			
Gain on disposal of a subsidiary (Note 4)	—	443,755,622	—
Interest income (Notes 5 and 7, 12 and 18)	<b>22,051,000</b>	46,607,074	33,454,657
Foreign exchange gains - net (Notes 20 and 24)	<b>33,005,948</b>	35,773,986	163,270,294
Equity in net earnings of an associate (Note 11)	<b>5,075,718</b>	26,154,472	11,103,396
Fair value gain (loss) on investment at fair value through profit or loss (Note 10)	<b>36,523</b>	(5,292,340)	8,492,280
Interest expense (Notes 8, 9, 15, 16, 18 and 22)	<b>(440,683,545)</b>	(386,392,125)	(223,895,998)
Gain (loss) on derivative (Note 16)	<b>(51,104,280)</b>	(642,506,134)	454,198,052
Others - net (Note 4)	<b>28,800,553</b>	37,556,063	2,425,888
	<b>(402,818,083)</b>	<b>(444,343,382)</b>	<b>449,048,569</b>
<b>INCOME BEFORE INCOME TAX</b>	<b>387,672,212</b>	<b>835,842,577</b>	<b>1,816,697,246</b>
<b>PROVISION FOR INCOME TAX</b> (Note 21)	<b>186,456,602</b>	<b>360,022,399</b>	<b>467,666,189</b>
<b>NET INCOME</b>	<b>201,215,610</b>	<b>475,820,178</b>	<b>1,349,031,057</b>
<b>OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)</b>			
<b>Items not to be reclassified to profit or loss in subsequent periods</b>			
Remeasurement gains on retirement benefit plan - net of tax (Notes 17 and 23)	<b>(65,097,523)</b>	27,696,955	21,659,053
Share in other comprehensive income of an associate (Notes 11 and 17)	<b>(239,704)</b>	464,363	—
Unrealized fair value loss on equity investment at fair value through other comprehensive income (Notes 10 and 17)	<b>(54,616,820)</b>	(50,715,620)	(107,283,041)
<b>Items that may be reclassified to profit or loss in subsequent periods</b>			
Currency translation loss - net	<b>(79,458,703)</b>	(26,439,558)	(1,597,643)
	<b>(199,412,750)</b>	<b>(48,993,860)</b>	<b>(87,221,631)</b>
<b>TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME</b>	<b>₱1,802,860</b>	<b>₱426,826,318</b>	<b>₱1,261,809,426</b>
<b>NET INCOME ATTRIBUTABLE TO:</b>			
Shareholders of the Parent Company (Note 28)	<b>₱200,283,516</b>	<b>₱494,574,503</b>	<b>₱1,359,766,592</b>
Non-controlling interests	<b>932,094</b>	<b>(18,754,325)</b>	<b>(10,735,535)</b>
<b>NET INCOME</b>	<b>₱201,215,610</b>	<b>₱475,820,178</b>	<b>₱1,349,031,057</b>
<b>TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME ATTRIBUTABLE TO:</b>			
Shareholders of the Parent Company	<b>₱2,542,093</b>	<b>₱446,923,742</b>	<b>₱1,275,292,376</b>
Non-controlling interests	<b>(739,233)</b>	<b>(20,097,424)</b>	<b>(13,482,950)</b>
<b>TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME</b>	<b>₱1,802,860</b>	<b>₱426,826,318</b>	<b>₱1,261,809,426</b>
<b>EARNINGS PER SHARE</b> (Note 28)			
Basic	<b>₱0.14</b>	<b>₱0.35</b>	<b>₱0.95</b>
Diluted	<b>₱0.14</b>	<b>₱0.35</b>	<b>₱0.68</b>

See accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.





**LBC EXPRESS HOLDINGS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES**  
**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN EQUITY**

	Equity Attributable to Shareholders of the Parent Company				
	Capital Stock (Notes 1 and 17)	Retained Earnings (Note 17)	Accumulated Comprehensive Income (Loss) (Note 17)	Non-controlling Interests	Total Equity
	For the Year Ended December 31, 2020				
Balances at beginning of year	¥1,425,865,471	¥1,621,371,760	¥193,677,606	¥3,240,914,837	¥3,268,113,705
Comprehensive income:					
Net income	-	200,283,516	-	932,094	201,215,610
Other comprehensive loss	-	-	(197,741,423)	(1,671,327)	(199,412,750)
Total comprehensive income (loss)	-	200,283,516	(197,741,423)	(739,233)	1,802,860
Dividends declared (Note 17)	-	(285,173,094)	-	(13,634,724)	(298,807,818)
Balances at end of year	¥1,425,865,471	¥1,536,482,182	¥4,063,817	¥2,958,283,836	¥2,971,108,747



Equity Attributable to Shareholders of the Parent Company

	Accumulated				Total	Non-controlling Interests	Total Equity
	Capital Stock (Notes 1 and 17)	Retained Earnings (Note 17)	Comprehensive Income (Note 17)				
	For the Year Ended December 31, 2019						
Balances at beginning of year	₱1,425,865,471	₱1,625,483,991	₱241,328,367	₱3,292,677,829	(₱14,711,365)	₱3,277,966,464	
Impact of adoption of new accounting standards	—	(142,220,366)	—	(142,220,366)	—	(142,220,366)	
Balances at beginning of year, adjusted	1,425,865,471	1,483,263,625	241,328,367	3,150,457,463	(14,711,365)	3,135,746,098	
Comprehensive income:							
Net income	—	494,574,503	—	494,574,503	(18,754,325)	475,820,178	
Other comprehensive loss	—	—	(47,650,761)	(47,650,761)	(1,343,099)	(48,993,860)	
Total comprehensive income (loss)	—	494,574,503	(47,650,761)	446,923,742	(20,097,424)	426,826,318	
Issuance of additional noncontrolling interest:							
Non-controlling interests arising from additional investment	—	—	—	—	4,943,610	4,943,610	
Disposal of a subsidiary (Note 4)	—	—	—	—	77,998,195	77,998,195	
Dividends declared (Note 17)	—	(356,466,368)	—	(356,466,368)	(20,934,148)	(377,400,516)	
Balances at end of year	₱1,425,865,471	₱1,621,371,760	₱193,677,606	₱3,240,914,837	₱27,198,868	₱3,268,113,705	



Equity Attributable to Shareholders of the Parent Company

	Accumulated				Total	Non-controlling Interests	Total Equity
	Capital Stock (Notes 1 and 17)	Retained Earnings (Note 17)	Comprehensive Income (Loss) (Note 17)				
	For the Year Ended December 31, 2018						
Balances at beginning of year	₱1,425,865,471	₱550,890,493	₱325,802,583	₱2,302,558,547	(₱46,606,952)	₱2,255,951,595	
Comprehensive income:							
Net income	-	1,359,766,592	-	1,359,766,592	(10,735,535)	1,349,031,057	
Other comprehensive loss	-	-	(84,474,216)	(84,474,216)	(2,747,415)	(87,221,631)	
Total comprehensive income (loss)	-	1,359,766,592	(84,474,216)	1,275,292,376	(13,482,950)	1,261,809,426	
Issuance of additional capital stock	-	-	-	-	2,666,545	2,666,545	
Non-controlling interests arising from business combination (Note 4)	-	-	-	-	42,711,992	42,711,992	
Dividends declared (Note 17)	-	(285,173,094)	-	(285,173,094)	-	(285,173,094)	
Balances at end of year	₱1,425,865,471	₱1,625,483,991	₱241,328,367	₱3,292,677,829	(₱14,711,365)	₱3,277,966,464	

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**LBC EXPRESS HOLDINGS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES**  
**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS**

	Years Ended December 31		
	2020	2019	2018
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>			
Income before income tax	₱387,672,212	₱835,842,577	₱1,816,697,246
Adjustments for:			
Depreciation and amortization (Notes 2, 8, 9, 19, 20 and 22)	1,394,771,804	1,358,221,618	405,366,112
Interest expense (Notes 8, 9, 15, 16, 18 and 22)	440,683,545	386,392,125	223,895,998
Loss (gain) on derivative (Note 16)	51,104,280	642,506,134	(454,198,052)
Retirement expense, net of benefits paid and contribution to retirement plan (Notes 19, 20 and 23)	34,094,533	12,013,117	(5,079,634)
Unrealized foreign exchange gain (loss)	15,309,384	(27,114,808)	(75,820,537)
Gain on bargain purchase (Note 4)	–	(20,474,024)	(6,615,953)
Gain on disposal of a subsidiary (Note 4)	–	(443,755,622)	–
Fair value gain on investment at fair value through profit or loss (Note 10)	(36,523)	5,292,340	(8,492,280)
Loss (gain) on disposal of property and equipment (Note 8)	(1,192,575)	2,001,348	1,295,215
Equity in net earnings of an associate (Note 11)	(5,075,718)	(26,154,472)	(11,103,396)
Gain on remeasurement of lease liability (Note 22)	(8,592,082)	–	–
Interest income (Notes 5, 7, 12 and 18)	(22,051,000)	(46,607,074)	(33,454,657)
Operating income before changes in working capital	2,286,687,860	2,678,163,259	1,852,490,062
Changes in working capital:			
Decrease (increase) in:			
Trade and other receivables	(455,381,714)	(1,075,260,707)	225,796,968
Prepayments and other assets	(104,261,471)	(283,410,485)	(155,270,869)
Security deposits	(29,813,889)	(24,664,884)	(33,339,511)
Other noncurrent assets	13,847,850	(81,049,657)	(44,590,712)
Increase (decrease) in:			
Accounts and other payables (Note 27)	(239,553,346)	1,364,855,738	349,469,580
Transmissions liability	495,785,340	(2,324,547)	(109,907,958)
Net cash generated from operations	1,967,310,630	2,576,308,717	2,084,647,560
Interest received	22,051,000	46,607,074	33,454,657
Income tax paid	(198,308,390)	(508,516,906)	(501,318,880)
Net cash provided by operating activities	1,791,053,240	2,114,398,885	1,616,783,337
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>			
Proceeds from:			
Redemption of investments classified as investment at fair value through profit or loss (Note 10)	–	280,748,100	1,215,938,291
Disposal of property and equipment and intangible assets (Notes 8 and 9)	3,379,014	8,866,161	6,122,794
Decrease in cash due to disposal of a subsidiary (Note 4)	–	(362,489,501)	–
Decrease (increase) in due from related parties (Note 27)	(16,039,896)	(54,088,893)	162,015,580
Acquisitions of:			
Subsidiaries, net of cash acquired (Note 4)	–	578,902,978	(43,432,802)

(Forward)



	<b>Years Ended December 31</b>		
	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2018</b>
Intangible assets (Notes 9 and 27)	<b>(₱60,186,899)</b>	(₱118,090,942)	(₱164,330,859)
Investment in an associate (Note 11)	<b>(1,081,701)</b>	–	(218,265,077)
Property and equipment (Notes 8 and 27)	<b>(415,223,558)</b>	(1,065,364,093)	(540,140,832)
Investments at fair value through profit or loss (Note 10)	–	(171,000,000)	(888,580,000)
Dividends received (Note 18)	<b>21,000,000</b>	7,500,000	–
Advances for future investment in shares (Note 18)	–	–	(439,823,608)
<b>Net cash used in investing activities</b>	<b>(468,153,040)</b>	(895,016,190)	(910,496,513)
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>			
Proceeds from notes payable (Note 27)	<b>1,191,823,000</b>	400,000,000	150,000,000
Decrease in due to related parties (Note 27)	<b>(7,032,879)</b>	43,215,678	(128,178,571)
Payments of:			
Dividends (Note 27)	<b>(294,261,690)</b>	(133,570,637)	–
Interest (Note 27)	<b>(235,176,606)</b>	(201,007,631)	(62,327,013)
Notes payable (Note 27)	<b>(241,818,583)</b>	(299,777,778)	(361,800,000)
Lease and other noncurrent liabilities (Note 27)	<b>(781,209,783)</b>	(706,334,104)	(69,751,123)
<b>Net cash used in financing activities</b>	<b>(367,676,541)</b>	(897,474,472)	(472,056,707)
<b>NET INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS</b>	<b>955,223,659</b>	321,908,223	234,230,117
<b>EFFECT OF FOREIGN CURRENCY EXCHANGE RATE CHANGES ON CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS</b>			
	<b>(127,840,437)</b>	(40,678,114)	124,800,535
<b>CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT BEGINNING OF YEAR</b>	<b>4,418,669,253</b>	4,137,439,144	3,778,408,492
<b>CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END OF YEAR (Note 5)</b>	<b>₱5,246,052,475</b>	₱4,418,669,253	₱4,137,439,144

*See accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.*



# **LBC EXPRESS HOLDINGS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES**

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## **NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

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### **1. Corporate Information**

LBC Express Holdings, Inc. (referred to as the “Parent Company” or “LBCH”), formerly Federal Resources Investment Group Inc. (FED), was registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) on July 12, 1993.

The ultimate parent of the Parent Company is LBC Development Corporation (LBCDC). The Araneta Family is the ultimate beneficial owner of the Parent Company.

FED, before it was acquired by LBCH, undertook an Initial Public Offering and on December 21, 2001, FED’s shares were listed on the Philippine Stock Exchange (PSE).

The Parent Company invests, purchases or disposes real and personal property of every kind and description, including shares of stock, bonds, debentures, notes, evidences of indebtedness, and other securities or obligations of any corporation, association, domestic and foreign.

The Parent Company is a public holding company with investments in businesses of messengerial either by sea, air or land of letters, parcels, cargoes, wares, and merchandise; acceptance and remittance of money, bills payment and the like; performance of other allied general services from one place of destination to another within and outside of the Philippines; and foreign exchange trading.

On various dates in 2018 and 2019, the Parent Company acquired, through business combination, fourteen (14) entities. All are domiciled outside the Philippines, except for QUADX Inc. Details of the acquisitions are discussed in Note 4.

On May 29, 2019, the Parent Company sold all its 1,860,214 common shares in QUADX Inc. to LBC Express, Inc. (LBCE) which the latter later sold to LBCDC on July 1, 2019. Details of the disposal are discussed in Note 4.

The Parent Company’s registered office address is at LBC Hangar, General Aviation Centre, Domestic Airport Road, Pasay City, Metro Manila, Philippines.

The accompanying consolidated financial statements of the Parent Company and its subsidiaries have been approved and authorized for issue by the Board of Directors (BOD) on April 14, 2021.

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### **2. Summary of Significant Accounting and Financial Reporting Policies**

The principal accounting policies applied in the preparation of these consolidated financial statements are set out below. These policies have been constantly applied to all years presented, unless otherwise stated.

#### **Basis of Preparation**

The consolidated financial statements of the Group have been prepared using the historical cost basis except for fair value through profit or loss (FVPL), fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI), and derivatives that have been measured at fair value. The consolidated financial statements are presented in Philippine Peso (₱), which is also the Group’s functional currency. All amounts are rounded off to the nearest peso unit unless otherwise indicated.



*Difference in accounting periods*

The Group consolidated the non-coterminous financial statements of its subsidiaries using their November 30 fiscal year end except for QuadX Pte. Ltd., LBC Mabuhay (Malaysia) Sdn. Bhd and Mermaid Co., Ltd. with December 31 year end which are aligned with the Parent Company since it is impracticable for the said subsidiaries to prepare financial statements as of the same date as the reporting date of the Parent Company.

In 2020, the Parent Company's subsidiaries, LBC Mabuhay (B) Sdn. Bhd and LBC Mabuhay Remittance Sdn. Bhd have changed its accounting period end from June 30 and December 31, respectively, to November 30. These subsidiaries were previously consolidated using coterminous financial statements and are now being consolidated using the non-coterminous financial statements for the eleven months ended November 30. The Group did not reflect any transactions of these entities from December 1 to 31, 2020 as these are not considered to be significant.

Management exercised judgment in determining whether adjustments should be made in the consolidated financial statements of the Group pertaining to the effects of significant transactions or events of its subsidiaries that occur between December 1, 2020 and 2019 and the year-end date of the Parent Company's financial statements which is December 31, 2020 and 2019.

The consolidated financial statements as of December 31, 2020 were adjusted to effect LBCE's availment and settlement of bank loans in December 2020 amounting to ₱100.00 million and ₱26.99 million, respectively, adjustment to reflect additional investment in associate related to the purchase of shares of Terra Barbaza Aviation, Inc. (TBAI) amounting to ₱79.81 million including the equity share in net earnings of TBAI amounting to ₱1.78 million and adjustment to reflect the decrease in fair value of investment at FVOCI by ₱5.85 million for the period ended December 1 to 31, 2020.

The consolidated financial statements as of December 31, 2019 were adjusted to effect LBCE's settlement of bank loans in December 2019 amounting to ₱12.64 million and adjustment to reflect the decrease in fair value of investment at FVOCI by ₱25.36 million for the period December 1 to December 31, 2019.

Aside from these, there were no other significant transactions that transpired between December 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020, and between December 1, 2019 to December 31, 2019.

Statement of Compliance

The accompanying consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Philippine Financial Reporting Standards (PFRS).

Basis of Consolidation

The consolidated financial statements are prepared using uniform accounting policies for like transactions and other events in similar circumstances. All significant intercompany balances and transactions, including income, expenses and dividends, are eliminated in full. The consolidated financial statements comprise the financial statements of the Parent Company and its subsidiaries as of December 31, 2020 and 2019. 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

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 in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income from the date the Group gains control until the date the Group ceases to control the subsidiary. Non-controlling interests (NCI) represent the portion of profit or loss and net assets in subsidiaries not owned by the Group and are presented separately in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income, consolidated statement of changes in equity and within equity in the consolidated statement of financial position, separately from the Parent Company's equity. Any equity instruments issued by a subsidiary that are not owned by LBCH are non-controlling interests including preferred shares and options under share-based transactions.

Profit or loss and each component of other comprehensive income (OCI) are attributed to the equity holders of LBCH and to the non-controlling interests, even if this results in the non-controlling interests having a deficit balance. When necessary, adjustments are made to the financial statements of subsidiaries to bring their accounting policies in line with the Group's accounting policies. 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.

A change in the ownership interest of a subsidiary, without a loss of control, is accounted for as an equity transaction. If the Group loses control over a subsidiary, it:

- derecognizes the assets (including goodwill) and liabilities of the subsidiary
- derecognizes the carrying amount of any non-controlling interests
- derecognizes the cumulative translation differences recorded in equity
- recognizes the fair value of the consideration received
- recognizes the fair value of any investment retained
- recognizes any surplus or deficit in profit or loss
- reclassifies LBCH's share of components previously recognized in OCI to profit or loss or retained earnings, as appropriate, as would be required if the Group had directly disposed of the related assets or liabilities.





The consolidated financial statements include the financial statements of LBCH and the following subsidiaries:

	Country of incorporation	Principal activities	Ownership Interest	
			2020	2019
LBC Express, Inc.	Philippines	Logistics and money remittance	100%	100%
LBC Express - MM, Inc.	Philippines	Logistics and money remittance	100%	100%
LBC Express - CL, Inc.	Philippines	Logistics and money remittance	100%	100%
LBC Express - NL, Inc.	Philippines	Logistics and money remittance	100%	100%
LBC Express - VIS, Inc.	Philippines	Logistics and money remittance	100%	100%
LBC Express - SL, Inc.	Philippines	Logistics and money remittance	100%	100%
LBC Express - SCS, Inc.	Philippines	Logistics and money remittance	100%	100%
LBC Express Corporate Solutions, Inc.	Philippines	Logistics and money remittance	100%	100%
LBC Express - CMM, Inc.	Philippines	Logistics and money remittance	100%	100%
LBC Express - EMM, Inc.	Philippines	Logistics and money remittance	100%	100%
LBC Express - MIN, Inc.	Philippines	Logistics and money remittance	100%	100%
LBC Express - SMM, Inc.	Philippines	Logistics and money remittance	100%	100%
LBC Express - SEL, Inc.	Philippines	Logistics and money remittance	100%	100%
LBC Express - WV, Inc.	Philippines	Logistics and money remittance	100%	100%
LBC Express - SEM, Inc.	Philippines	Logistics and money remittance	100%	100%
LBC Express - SCC, Inc.	Philippines	Logistics and money remittance	100%	100%
South Mindanao Courier Co., Inc.	Philippines	Logistics and money remittance	100%	100%
LBC Express - NEMM, Inc.	Philippines	Logistics and money remittance	100%	100%
LBC Express - NWMM, Inc.	Philippines	Logistics and money remittance	100%	100%
LBC Systems, Inc.	Philippines	Logistics and money remittance	100%	100%
LBC Express Bahrain WLL	Bahrain	Logistics	49%	49%
LBC Express Shipping Company WLL	Kuwait	Logistics	49%	49%
LBC Express LLC <sup>(1)</sup>	Qatar	Logistics	49%	49%
LBC Mabuhay Saipan Inc.	Saipan	Logistics and money remittance	100%	100%
LBC Aircargo (S) PTE. LTD	Singapore	Logistics	100%	100%
LBC Express Airfreight (S) PTE. LTD.	Singapore	Logistics	100%	100%
LBC Money Transfer PTY Limited	Australia	Money remittance	100%	100%
LBC Australia PTY Limited	Australia	Logistics	100%	100%
LBC Mabuhay (Malaysia) SDN BHD.	Malaysia	Logistics	93%	93%
QUADX Inc. <sup>(2)</sup>	Philippines	E-com web and logistics	-	86%
QuadX Pte. Ltd.	Singapore	Digital logistics	86%	86%
LBC Mabuhay (B) Sdn Bhd	Brunei	Logistics	50%	50%
LBC Mabuhay Remittance Sdn Bhd	Brunei	Money remittance	50%	50%
LBC Mundial Corporation	United States of America	Logistics and money remittance	100%	100%
LBC Mundial Nevada Corporation	United States of America	Logistics and money remittance	100%	100%
LBC Mabuhay North America Corporation	United States of America	Logistics and money remittance	100%	100%
LBC Mundial Cargo Corporation	Canada	Logistics	100%	100%
LBC Mabuhay Remittance Corporation	Canada	Money remittance	100%	100%
LBC Mabuhay Hawaii Corporation	United States of America	Logistics and money remittance	100%	100%
Mermaid Co., Ltd	Japan	Logistics	100%	100%

Note:

- 1) This entity is a subsidiary of LBC Express Shipping Company WLL which has 49% ownership interest.
- 2) On July 1, 2019, LBCE sold all its QUADX Inc. shares to LBCDC (see Note 4).

The Parent Company, although it owns 49%-50% of the voting share of LBC Express Bahrain WLL, LBC Express Shipping Company WLL, LBC Express LLC, LBC Mabuhay (B) Sdn Bhd and LBC Mabuhay Remittance Sdn Bhd, in substance controls said entities since: (a) the activities of the subsidiaries are being conducted on behalf of the Parent Company according to its specific business need so that the Parent Company obtains benefits from the subsidiaries' operations; and (b) the Parent



Company has the decision-making powers to obtain the majority of the benefits of the activities of the subsidiaries.

The money remittance business in the Philippines is performed by LBCE and that its subsidiaries only act as service agents for LBCE.

#### Non-Controlling Interests

As at December 31, 2020, the Group has subsidiaries with non-controlling interests. Percentage of equity held by non-controlling interests in 2020 and 2019 are as follows:

	Country of incorporation	<b>2020</b>	2019
LBC Express Bahrain, WLL	Bahrain	<b>51%</b>	51%
LBC Express Shipping Company WLL	Kuwait	<b>51%</b>	51%
LBC Express LLC	Qatar	<b>26%</b>	26%
LBC Mabuhay (Malaysia) SDN BHD.	Malaysia	<b>7%</b>	7%
QuadX Pte. Ltd.	Singapore	<b>14%</b>	14%
LBC Mabuhay (B) Sdn Bhd	Brunei	<b>50%</b>	50%
LBC Mabuhay Remittance Sdn Bhd	Brunei	<b>50%</b>	50%

#### Business Combination and Goodwill

Business combinations are accounted for using the acquisition method. This involves recognizing identifiable assets (including previously unrecognized intangible assets) and liabilities (including contingent liabilities and excluding future restructuring) of the acquired business at fair value. The cost of an acquisition is measured as the aggregate of the consideration transferred, measured at acquisition date fair value and the amount of any noncontrolling interest in the acquiree. For each business combination, the acquirer measures acquirer's the noncontrolling interest in the acquiree either at fair value or at the proportionate share of the acquiree's identifiable net assets. Acquisition costs incurred are expensed in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income.

When the Group acquires a business, it assesses the financial assets and liabilities assumed for appropriate classification and designation in accordance with the contractual terms, economic circumstances and pertinent conditions as at the acquisition date. This includes the separation of embedded derivatives in host contracts by the acquiree. If the business combination is achieved in stages, the acquisition date fair value of the previously held equity interest in the acquiree is remeasured to fair value at the acquisition date through profit or loss.

Any contingent consideration to be transferred by the acquirer will be recognized at fair value at the acquisition date. Subsequent changes to the fair value of the contingent consideration, which is deemed to be an asset or liability, will be recognized in accordance with PFRS 9 either in profit or loss or as a change to other comprehensive income. If the contingent consideration is classified as equity, it should not be remeasured until it is finally settled within equity.

Goodwill acquired in a business combination is initially measured at cost being the excess of the cost of the business combination over the Group's interest in the net fair value of the acquiree's identifiable assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities. Following initial recognition, goodwill is measured at cost less any accumulated impairment losses. For the purpose of impairment testing, goodwill acquired in a business combination is, from the acquisition date, allocated to each of the Group's cash generating units or groups of cash generating units, that are expected to benefit from the synergies of the combination, irrespective of whether other assets or liabilities of the Group are assigned to those units or group of units.



Each unit or group of units to which the goodwill is allocated:

- represents the lowest level within the Group at which the goodwill is monitored for internal management purposes; and
- is not larger than a segment based on either the Group's primary or the Group's secondary reporting format determined in accordance with PFRS 8, *Operating Segment*.

Where goodwill forms part of a cash-generating unit (group of cash generating units) and part of the operation within that unit is disposed of, the goodwill associated with the operation disposed of is included in the carrying amount of the operation when determining the gain or loss on disposal of the operation. Goodwill disposed of in this circumstance is measured based on the relative values of the operation disposed of and the portion of the cash-generating unit retained.

Acquisitions of non-controlling interests are accounted for as transactions with owners in their capacity as owners and therefore no goodwill or profit or loss is recognized as a result.

Adjustments to non-controlling interests arising from transactions that do not involve the loss of control are based on a proportionate amount of the net assets of the subsidiary.

A business combination involving entities under common control is a business combination in which all of the combining entities or businesses are ultimately controlled by the same party or parties both before and after the business combination, and that the control is not transitory. This will include transactions, subsidiaries or businesses between entities within a group. Common control business combinations are outside the scope of PFRS 3, *Business Combination*. The Group elected to account for its common control business combinations using acquisition method considering that the business combinations have commercial substance from the perspective of the Parent Company. This is applied consistently for similar transactions. Adjustments are made to reflect fair values of the assets and liabilities at the date of acquisition. Goodwill and gain in a bargain purchase are recognized as a result of the business combinations (see Note 4).

#### Acquisition and Disposal of Subsidiary

There were no changes in the Parent Company's ownership interests in its subsidiaries from January 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020.

#### Changes in Accounting Policies and Disclosures

The accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the consolidated financial statement are consistent with those followed in the preparation of the Group's annual financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2019, except for the adoption of the new standards effective as of January 1, 2020. The Group has not early adopted any other standard, interpretation or amendment that has been issued but is not yet effective, except for the Amendments to PFRS 16, *COVID-19-related Rent Concessions*.

Except otherwise stated, the adoption of the new accounting standards, amendments and interpretations which apply for the first time in 2020, do not have an impact on the consolidated financial statement of the Group.

- Amendments to PFRS 3, *Definition of a Business*

The amendments to PFRS 3 clarify the minimum requirements to be a business, remove the assessment of a market participant's ability to replace missing elements, and narrow the definition of outputs. The amendments also add guidance to assess whether an acquired process is substantive and add illustrative examples. An optional fair value concentration test is



introduced which permits a simplified assessment of whether an acquired set of activities and assets is not a business.

An entity applies those amendments prospectively for annual reporting periods beginning on or after January 1, 2020, with earlier application permitted. The amendments have no impact on the consolidated financial statements.

- Amendments to PFRS 7, *Financial Instruments: Disclosures* and PFRS 9, *Financial Instruments, Interest Rate Benchmark Reform*

The amendments to PFRS 9 provide a number of reliefs, which apply to all hedging relationships that are directly affected by interest rate benchmark reform. A hedging relationship is affected if the reform gives rise to uncertainties about the timing and or amount of benchmark-based cash flows of the hedged item or the hedging instrument. These amendments had no significant impact on the consolidated financial statements of the Group.

- Amendments to PAS 1, *Presentation of Financial Statements*, and PAS 8, *Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors, Definition of Material*

The amendments refine the definition of material in PAS 1 and align the definitions used across PFRSs and other pronouncements. They are intended to improve the understanding of the existing requirements rather than to significantly impact an entity's materiality judgements.

An entity applies those amendments prospectively for annual reporting periods beginning on or after January 1, 2020, with earlier application permitted. The amendments were consistently applied on the disclosures of the Group.

- Conceptual Framework for Financial Reporting issued on March 29, 2018

The Conceptual Framework is not a standard, and none of the concepts contained therein override the concepts or requirements in any standard. The purpose of the Conceptual Framework is to assist the accounting standard-setters in developing standards, to help preparers develop consistent accounting policies where there is no applicable standard in place and to assist all parties to understand and interpret the standards.

The revised Conceptual Framework includes new concepts, provides updated definitions and recognition criteria for assets and liabilities and clarifies some important concepts and were in accordance with the accounting policies of the Group.

These amendments were consistently applied on the disclosures of the Group.

- Amendments to PFRS 16, *COVID-19-related Rent Concessions*

The amendments provide 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 June 30, 2021; 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 amendments are effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after June 1, 2020. Early adoption is permitted. The Group adopted the amendments to PFRS 16 using the practical expedients beginning December 1, 2019 and recognized rent concessions as variable lease payments. These rent concessions were presented in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income as reduction of amortization expense under 'Cost of services' amounting to ₱27.73 million, and as reduction of rent expense under 'Cost of services' and 'Operating expenses' amounting to ₱49.43 million and ₱0.20 million, respectively, for the year ended December 31, 2020 (see Notes 19 and 20). As such, these rent concessions increased the net cash provided by operating activities by ₱49.63 million and decreased the net cash used in financing activities by ₱27.73 million in the consolidated statements of cash flows for the year ended December 31, 2020.

#### Future Changes in Accounting Policy

The Group will adopt the following standards and interpretations when these become effective. Except as otherwise stated, the Group does not expect the adoption of these standards to have a significant impact on the consolidated financial statements. The Group intends to adopt the following pronouncements when they become effective.

#### *Effective beginning on or after January 1, 2021*

- Amendments to PFRS 9, 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 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 amendments are effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after January 1, 2021 and apply retrospectively, however, the Group is not required to restate prior periods.



*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 per cent' 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. The amendments are not expected to have a material impact on the Group.

- 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 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. The Group is currently assessing the impact the amendments will have on current practice and whether existing loan agreements may require renegotiation.



- 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 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.
- PFRS 17 is effective for reporting periods beginning on or after January 1, 2023, with comparative figures required. Early application is permitted. The amendments are not expected to have a material impact on the Group.

#### *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 International Accounting Standards Board (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 significant accounting policies that have been used in the preparation of the financial statements are summarized below. These policies have been consistently applied to all the years presented, unless otherwise stated.

#### Current versus Noncurrent Classification

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

An asset is current when it is:

- 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 twelve months after the reporting period, or
- Cash or cash equivalent unless restricted from being exchanged or used to settle a liability for at least twelve months after the reporting period.

All other assets are classified as noncurrent.

A liability is current when it is:

- Expected to be settled in normal operating cycle
- Held primarily for the purpose of trading
- Expected to be settled within twelve months after the reporting period, or
- There is no unconditional right to defer settlement of the liability for at least twelve months after the reporting period.

All other liabilities are classified as noncurrent.

Deferred income tax assets and accrued retirement liability are classified as noncurrent assets and noncurrent liabilities, respectively.

#### Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents are stated at face value. Cash includes cash on hand and cash in banks. Cash equivalents are short-term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash with original maturities of three months or less from the dates of placement and that are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value. Cash in banks and cash equivalents earn interest at prevailing bank deposit rates.

#### Fair Value Measurement

The Group measures financial instruments at fair value at each reporting date.

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 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 nonfinancial asset takes into account a market participant's ability to generate economic benefits by using the asset on the 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, described as follows, 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 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.

#### Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities

A financial instrument is any contract that gives rise to a financial asset of one entity and a financial liability or equity 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. The Group initially measures a financial asset at its fair value plus, in the case of a financial asset not at fair value through profit or loss, transaction costs. Trade receivables are measured at the transaction price determined under PFRS 15. Refer to the accounting policies for *Revenue from contracts with customers*.

In order 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 1 frame established by regulation or convention in the market place (regular way purchases or sales) are recognized on the trade date, i.e., the date that the Group commits to purchase or sell the asset.

The classification of financial instruments at initial recognition depends on the contractual terms and the business model for managing the instruments. Financial instruments are initially measured at fair value, except in the case of financial assets and financial liabilities recorded at FVPL, transaction costs are added to, or subtracted from, this amount.

The Group classifies all of its financial assets based on the business model for managing the assets and the asset's contractual terms, measured at either:

- Amortized cost



- Fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI)
- Fair value through profit and loss (FVPL)

Accordingly, the Group classifies and measures its quoted and unquoted investments at FVOCI and FVPL, respectively.

#### *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

The subsequent measurement of financial assets depends on the classification as described below:

#### *Business model assessment*

The Group determines its business model at the level that best reflects how it manages groups of financial assets to achieve its business objective. The Group's business model is not assessed on an instrument-by-instrument basis, but at a higher level of aggregated portfolios and is based on observable factors such as:

- how the performance of the business model and the financial assets held within that business model are evaluated and reported to the entity's key management personnel;
- the risks that affect the performance of the business model (and the financial assets held within that business model) and, in particular, the way those risks are managed;
- how managers of the business are compensated (for example, whether the compensation is based on the fair value of the assets managed or on the contractual cash flows collected); and
- the expected frequency, value and timing of sales are also important aspects of the Group's assessment.

The business model assessment is based on reasonably expected scenarios without taking 'worst case' or 'stress case' scenarios into account. If cash flows after initial recognition are realized in a way that is different from the Group's original expectations, the Group does not change the classification of the remaining financial assets held in that business model but incorporates such information when assessing newly originated or newly purchased financial assets going forward.

#### *Contractual cash flows assessment*

For each financial asset, the Group assesses the contractual terms to identify whether the instrument is consistent with the concept of SPPI.

'Principal' for the purpose of this test is defined as the fair value of the financial asset at initial recognition and may change over the life of the financial asset (for example, if there are repayments of principal or amortization of the premium/discount).

The most significant elements of interest within a lending arrangement are typically the consideration for the time value of money and credit risk. To make the SPPI assessment, the Group applies judgment and considers relevant factors such as the currency in which the financial asset is denominated, and the period for which the interest rate is set.



In contrast, contractual terms that introduce a more than de minimis exposure to risks or volatility in the contractual cash flows that are unrelated to a basic lending arrangement do not give rise to contractual cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the amount outstanding. In such cases, the financial asset is required to be measured at FVPL.

*Financial assets at amortized cost (debt instrument)*

This category is the most relevant to the Group. The Group measures its 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 and 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.

This category generally applies to cash and cash equivalents, short-term cash investments, trade and other receivables, loans receivable, notes receivable, due from related parties and restricted cash under other current assets.

*Financial assets at fair value through OCI (debt instruments)*

The Group measures debt instruments at fair value through OCI if both of the following conditions are met:

- The financial asset is held within a business model with the objective of both holding to collect contractual cash flows and;
- Selling and 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

After initial measurement, such financial assets are subsequently measured at fair value with unrealized gains and losses recognized in OCI. Impairment losses on such financial assets are accounted for as an adjustment to the unrealized gains and losses in OCI, with a corresponding charge to profit or loss. Interest income and foreign exchange gains and losses are recognized in profit or loss in the same manner as for debt instruments at amortized cost.

Where the Group holds more than one investment in the same security, they are deemed to be disposed on a first-in first-out basis. On derecognition, unrealized gains or losses previously recognized in OCI are reclassified from OCI to profit or loss under operating income.

As at December 31, 2020 and 2019, the Group has no debt instruments at FVOCI.

*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.

After initial measurement, such equity investments are subsequently measured at fair value with unrealized gains and losses recognized in OCI. Gains and losses on these equity instruments are never recycled to profit or loss. Dividends are recognized in profit or loss as other operating income when the right of the payment has been established, except when the Group benefits from such



proceeds as a recovery of part of the cost of the instrument, in which case, such dividends are recorded in OCI. Equity instruments at FVOCI are not subject to an impairment assessment.

As at December 31, 2020 and 2019, the Group measures its quoted investment in share of stock at FVOCI (see Note 10).

*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 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 fair value through profit or loss are carried in the consolidated statement of financial position at fair value with net changes in fair value recognized in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income.

A derivative embedded in a hybrid contract, with a financial liability or non-financial host, is separated from the host and accounted for as a separate derivative if: the economic characteristics and risks are not closely related to the host; a separate instrument with the same terms as the embedded derivative would meet the definition of a derivative; and the hybrid contract is not measured at fair value through profit or loss. Embedded derivatives are measured at fair value with changes in fair value recognized in profit or loss. Reassessment only occurs if there is either a change in the terms of the contract that significantly modifies the cash flows that would otherwise be required or a reclassification of a financial asset out of the fair value through profit or loss category.

A derivative embedded within a hybrid contract containing a financial asset host is not accounted for separately. The financial asset host together with the embedded derivative is required to be classified in its entirety as a financial asset at fair value through profit or loss.

Financial assets at FVPL are subsequently measured at fair value with net changes in fair value recognized in profit or loss as other income (charges).

As at December 31, 2020 and 2019, the Group measures its investment in unquoted unit investment trust fund at FVPL (see Note 10).

*Impairment of financial assets*

The Group recognizes an allowance for expected credit losses (ECL) for all debt instruments not held through profit or loss. ECLs are based on the difference between the contractual cash flows due in accordance with the contract and all the cash flows that the Group expects to receive, discounted at an approximation of the original effective interest rate. The expected cash flows will include cash flows from the sale of collateral held or other credit enhancements that are integral to the contractual terms.

For those credit exposures for which there has been a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition, a loss allowance is recognized for credit losses expected over the remaining life of the exposure, irrespective of timing of the default (a lifetime ECL).



For trade and other receivables, the Group has elected to use the simplified approach in calculating ECLs. Therefore, 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 based on loss rate approach that is based on the Group's historical credit loss experience for the past five years, adjusted for forward looking factors specific to the debtors and the economic environment.

For due from related parties and cash and cash equivalents, restricted cash, loans receivable and notes receivable, the Group applies the general approach.

The Group considers a financial asset in default when contractual payment are 90 days past due, except for certain circumstances when the reason for being past due is due to reconciliation with customers of served invoices which is administrative in nature which may extend the definition of default to 180 days and beyond. 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 before taking into account any credit enhancements held by the Group.

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.

#### *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 (excluding taxes and government contribution payable), due to related parties, notes payable, transmissions liability, lease liabilities, dividends payable, other noncurrent liabilities and bond payable.

##### *Subsequent measurement*

The measurement of financial liabilities depends on their classification, as described below:

##### *Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss*

Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss include financial liabilities held for trading and financial liabilities designated upon initial recognition as at fair value through profit or loss.

Financial liabilities are classified as held for trading if they are incurred for the purpose of repurchasing in the near term. This category also includes derivative financial instruments entered into by the Group that are not designated as hedging instruments in hedge relationships as defined by PFRS 9. Separated embedded derivatives are also classified as held for trading unless they are designated as effective hedging instruments.

Gains or losses on liabilities held for trading are recognized in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income.



Financial liabilities designated upon initial recognition at fair value through profit or loss are designated at the initial date of recognition, and only if the criteria in PFRS 9 are satisfied.

The Group's derivative liability is classified under this category (Notes 16, 24 and 25).

#### *Loans and borrowings*

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 statement of profit or loss.

This category generally applies to 'accounts and other payables' (except taxes payable), 'due to related parties', 'notes payable', 'transmissions liability', 'lease liabilities', 'dividends payable', 'bond payable' and 'other noncurrent liabilities' presented in the consolidated statement of financial position.

#### Reclassification

If the business model under which the Group holds the financial assets changes, the financial assets affected are reclassified. The classification and measurement requirements related to the new category apply prospectively from the first day of the first reporting period following the change in business model that results in reclassifying the Group's financial assets. Reclassification of financial assets designated at FVPL at initial recognition is not permitted.

#### *'Day 1' difference*

Where the transaction price in a non-active market is different from the fair value of other observable current market transactions in the same instrument or based on a valuation technique whose variables include only data from observable market, the Group recognizes the difference between the transaction price and fair value (a 'Day 1' difference) in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income unless it qualifies for recognition as some other type of asset. In cases where use is made of data which is not observable, the difference between the transaction price and model value is only recognized in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income when the inputs become observable or when the instrument is derecognized. For each transaction, the Group determines the appropriate method of recognizing the 'Day 1' difference amount.

#### Derecognition of Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities

##### *Financial asset*

A financial asset (or, where applicable, a part of a financial asset or part of a group of similar financial assets) is derecognized when:

- a) the rights to receive cash flows from the asset have expired, or
- b) the Group has transferred its rights to receive cash flows from the asset or has assumed an obligation to pay the received cash flows in full without material delay to a third party under a 'pass-through' arrangement; and either (a) the Group has transferred substantially all the risks and rewards of the asset or (b) the Group has neither transferred nor retained substantially all the risks and rewards of the asset, but has transferred control of the asset.



When the Group has transferred its rights to receive cash flows from an asset or has entered into a pass-through arrangement, it evaluates if and to what extent it has retained the risks and rewards of ownership. When it has neither transferred nor retained substantially all of the risks and rewards of the asset, nor transferred control of the asset, the Group continues to recognize the transferred asset to the extent of the Group's continuing involvement. In that case, the Group also recognizes an associated liability. The transferred asset and the associated liability are measured on a basis that reflects the rights and obligations that the Group has retained. 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.

#### *Financial liability*

A financial liability is derecognized when the obligation under the liability is discharged or cancelled or expired. Where 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 the consolidated statement of comprehensive income.

#### Offsetting of Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities

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.

#### Prepayments and Other Assets

Prepayments substantially consisting of rent and advertising are recognized in the event that payment has substantially been made in advance for the purchase of goods or services for which delivery or performance has not yet occurred. Prepayments are measured at undiscounted amounts and derecognized in the consolidated statement of financial position as they expire with the passage of time, or through use and consumption.

Materials and supplies consist of the supplies, inks, packing materials and receipt used in the Group's operations. Materials and supplies are initially measured at the cost of purchase, which comprise the purchase price less trade discounts, rebates and other similar deductions. Materials and supplies are subsequently measured at the lower of cost and net realizable value. Cost is determined using average cost formula. Net realizable value is the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business less the estimated costs of completion and the estimated costs necessary to make the sale. Materials and supplies are derecognized when consumed.

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 Bureau of Internal Revenue (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. This includes deferred input VAT on unpaid purchase of services which are incurred and billings which have been received as of reporting date, and input VAT arising from the purchase of capital goods exceeding ₱1.00 million deferred for the succeeding period. Noncurrent portion of input VAT is deferred and amortized over the useful life of the capital goods or sixty (60) months, whichever is lower.





Creditable withholding taxes (CWT) are amounts withheld from income, which are applied as credit against income taxes, subject to documentary requirements. Creditable withholding taxes that are expected to be utilized as payment for income taxes within 12 months are classified as current asset.

Short-term cash investments are time deposits with maturity of more than three months from the date of acquisition but not exceeding one year.

#### Property and Equipment

Property and equipment, except land, are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and amortization and any impairment in value. Land is carried at cost less any impairment loss. The initial cost of property and equipment comprises its purchase price, taxes and any directly attributable costs of bringing the property and equipment to its working condition and location for its intended use. Expenditures incurred after the property and equipment have been put into operation are capitalized as part of property and equipment only when it is probable that future economic benefits associated with the item will flow to the Group and the cost of the items can be measured reliably. All other repairs and maintenance are charged against current operations as incurred.

Depreciation and amortization is calculated on a straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives of the property and equipment:

	Years
Computer hardware	3 to 5
Furniture, fixtures and office equipment	3 to 5
Transportation equipment	3 to 10
Leasehold improvements on:	
Branches	2 to 8 years or lease term (whichever is shorter)
Office buildings and warehouses	2 to 20 years or lease term (whichever is shorter)

Construction in progress is stated at cost. Construction in progress is not depreciated until such time as the relevant assets are completed and available for use.

The assets' residual value, estimated useful lives and 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 property and equipment or if constructed in a leased asset, whichever is shorter between the lease term and useful life.

The asset's carrying amount is written down immediately to its recoverable amount if the asset's carrying amount is greater than its estimated recoverable amount.

When property and equipment are retired or otherwise disposed of, the cost and the related accumulated depreciation and amortization and accumulated provision for impairment losses, if any, are removed from the accounts and any resulting gain or loss (calculated as the difference between the net disposal proceeds and the carrying amount of the property and equipment) is credited to or charged against profit or loss in the year the property and equipment is derecognized.

#### Intangible Assets

Intangible assets acquired separately are measured on initial recognition at cost. The cost of intangible assets acquired in a business combination is the fair value at the date of acquisition.



Following initial recognition, intangible assets are carried at cost less any accumulated amortization and accumulated impairment losses. Internally generated intangibles, excluding capitalized development costs, are not capitalized and the related expenditure is reflected in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income in the period in which the expenditure is incurred.

Intangible assets with finite lives are amortized over the useful economic life and assessed for impairment whenever there is an indication that the intangible asset may be impaired. The amortization period and the amortization method for an intangible asset with a finite useful life are reviewed at least at the end of each reporting period. Changes in the expected useful life or the expected pattern of consumption of future economic benefits embodied in the asset are considered to modify the amortization period or method, as appropriate, and are treated as changes in accounting estimates. The amortization expense on intangible assets with finite lives is recognized in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income in the expense category that is consistent with the function of the intangible assets. The useful life of the Group's software is three to five years.

Intangible assets with indefinite useful lives (i.e., goodwill) are not amortized, but are tested for impairment annually, either individually or at the cash-generating unit level. The assessment of indefinite life is reviewed annually to determine whether the indefinite life continues to be supportable. If not, the change in useful life from indefinite to finite is made on a prospective basis.

Gains or losses arising from derecognition of an intangible asset are measured as the difference between the net disposal proceeds and the carrying amount of the asset and are recognized in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income when the asset is derecognized.

Development expenditures on an individual project are recognized as an intangible asset when the Group can demonstrate:

- the technical feasibility of completing the intangible asset so that the asset will be available for use or sale;
- its intention to complete and its ability to use or sell the asset;
- how the asset will generate future economic benefits;
- the availability of resources to complete the asset; and
- the ability to measure reliably the expenditure during development

Following initial recognition of the development expenditure as an asset, the asset is carried at cost less any accumulated amortization and accumulated impairment losses. Amortization of the asset begins when development is complete and the asset is available for use. It is amortized over the period of expected future benefit. Amortization is recorded in operating expenses. During the period of development, the asset is tested for impairment annually.

#### Investment in an Associate

An associate is an entity in which the Group has significant influence. Significant influence is the power to participate in the financial and operating policy decisions of the investee, but is not control or joint control over those policies.

The considerations made in determining significant influence are similar to those necessary to determine control over subsidiaries.

The Group's investment in the associate is accounted for under the equity method of accounting.



Under the equity method, the investment in an associate is initially recognized at cost. The carrying amount of the investment is adjusted to recognize changes in the Group's share of net assets of the associate since the acquisition date. Goodwill relating to the associate is included in the carrying amount of the investment and is not tested for impairment individually.

The consolidated statement of comprehensive income reflects the Group's share of the results of operations of the associate. When there has been a change recognized directly in the equity of the associate, the Group recognizes its share of any changes, when applicable, in the consolidated statement of changes in equity. Unrealized gains and losses resulting from transactions between the Group and the associate are eliminated to the extent of the interest in the associate.

The aggregate of the Group's share of profit or loss of an associate is shown on the face of the consolidated statement of comprehensive income and represents profit or loss after tax and non-controlling interests in the subsidiaries of the associate.

The financial statements of the associate are prepared for the same reporting period as the Group. When necessary, adjustments are made to bring the accounting policies in line with those of the Group.

After application of the equity method, the Group determines whether it is necessary to recognize an impairment loss on its investment in an associate. At each reporting date, the Group determines whether there is objective evidence that the investment in associates is impaired. If there is such evidence, the Group calculates the amount of impairment as the difference between the recoverable amount of the associate and its carrying value, then recognizes the loss as 'Equity in net earnings of associate in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income.'

Upon loss of significant influence over the associate, the Group measures and recognizes any retained investment at its fair value. Any difference between the carrying amount of the associate upon loss of significant influence and the fair value of the retained investment and proceeds from disposal is recognized in profit or loss.

#### Impairment of Nonfinancial Assets

The Group assesses at each reporting date whether there is an indication that an asset 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 the higher of an 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 from other assets or group 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 assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset. Impairment losses of continuing operations are recognized in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income in those expense categories consistent with the function of the impaired asset.

An assessment is made at each reporting date as to whether there is any 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, had no impairment loss been recognized for the asset in prior years. Such reversal is recognized in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income unless the asset is carried at revalued amount, in which case, the reversal is treated as a revaluation increase. After such reversal the depreciation 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.

### Employee Benefits

The Group has a noncontributory defined retirement benefit plan. The net defined retirement benefit liability or asset is the aggregate of the present value of the defined retirement benefit liability at the end of reporting date reduced by the fair value of plan assets (if any), 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 plan is actuarially determined using the projected unit credit method.

Defined benefit costs comprise the following:

- service costs
- net interest on the net defined benefit liability or asset
- 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. These amounts are calculated periodically by an independent qualified actuary.

Net interest on the net defined retirement benefit liability or asset is the change during the period in the net defined retirement benefit liability or asset that arises from the passage of time which is determined by applying the discount rate based on government bonds to the net defined retirement benefit liability or asset. Net interest on the net defined retirement 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 retirement 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. All remeasurements recognized in OCI account, "Remeasurement gains (losses) on retirement benefit plan", 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 liabilities). If the fair value of the plan assets is higher than the present value of the defined retirement benefit liability, the measurement of the resulting defined retirement benefit asset is limited to the present value of economic benefits available in the form of refunds from the plan or reductions in future contributions to the plan.



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

#### *Termination benefits*

Termination benefits are employee benefits provided in exchange for the termination of an employee's employment as a result of either the Group's decision to terminate an employee's employment before the normal retirement date or an employee's decision to accept an offer of benefits in exchange for the termination of employment.

A liability and expense for a termination benefit is recognized at the earlier of when the entity can no longer withdraw the offer of those benefits and when the entity recognizes related restructuring costs. Initial recognition and subsequent changes to termination benefits are measured in accordance with the nature of the employee benefit, as either post-employment benefits, short-term employee benefits, or other long-term employee benefits.

#### *Employee leave entitlement*

Employee entitlements to annual leave are recognized as a liability when they are accrued to the employees. The undiscounted liability for leave credits in excess of 45 days is expected to be settled wholly within twelve months after the end of the annual reporting date. Employees of certain foreign subsidiaries are also entitled to long service leaves as mandated by local laws over and above their annual leave if they work for a certain length of time which are taken on a pro-rata basis when the employee ceases to work. Earned leave credits is recognized as a liability and settled when the employee leaves the Group subject to certain conditions.

#### Equity

The Group considers the underlying substance and economic reality of its own equity instruments and not merely its legal form in determining its proper classification.

#### *Capital stock*

The Group records common stocks at par value and the amount of the contribution in excess of par value is accounted for as an additional paid-in capital. Incremental costs incurred directly attributable to the issuance of new shares are deducted from proceeds.

#### *Retained earnings*

Retained earnings represent accumulated earnings of the Group less dividends declared, and any adjustments arising from application of new accounting standards, policies or corrections of errors applied retrospectively. Dividends on common stocks are recognized as a liability and deducted from equity when declared.

#### Revenue Recognition

##### *Revenue from contracts with customers*

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.



The following specific recognition criteria must also be met before revenue is recognized:

*Service fees*

The Group is in the business of logistics and money remittance which are sold separately as identified and have distinct contracts with customers.

The Group recognizes logistics revenue over time using output method wherein revenue is recognized on the basis of direct measurement of the value to the customer relative to the remaining services promised under the contract. The measurement of progress used the estimated period travelled (measured in days) of the goods being delivered over the period of the date of acceptance up to the delivery date.

Service arising from money transfer is considered to have been rendered when the principal amount of money has been transferred to the intended branch and the same is ready for withdrawal by the intended beneficiary.

*Contract liability*

A contract liability is the obligation to transfer goods or services to a customer for which the Group has received consideration (or an amount of consideration is due) from the customer. If a customer pays consideration before the Group transfers goods or services to the customer, a contract liability is recognized when the payment is made, or the payment is due (whichever is earlier). A contract liability is recognized as revenue when the Group performs under the contract. This applies to deferred revenue for which the Group has received the consideration from the customer, but the logistics service has not been completely fulfilled. These are subsequently charged as service revenue over the period of delivery.

*Interest income*

Interest income is recognized on a time-proportion basis using the effective interest method. Interest income from bank deposits is presented net of applicable tax withheld by the banks.

*Other income*

Other income is recognized when earned.

Costs and Expense Recognition

Costs and expenses are recognized in profit or loss when decrease in future economic benefit related to a decrease in an asset or an increase in a liability has arisen that can be reliably measured.

Costs and expenses are recognized in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income:

- on the basis of a direct association between the costs incurred and the earning of specific items of income;
- on the basis of systematic and rational allocation procedures when economic benefits are expected to arise over several accounting periods and the association can only be broadly or indirectly determined; or
- immediately when expenditure produces no future economic benefits or when, and to the extent that, future economic benefits do not qualify or cease to qualify, for recognition in the consolidated statement of financial position as an asset.

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 for short-term leases and leases of low-value assets. The Group recognizes lease liabilities to make lease payments and right-of-use assets representing the right to use the underlying assets.

*Right-of-use assets*

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 cost of right-of-use assets includes the amount of lease liabilities recognized, initial direct costs incurred, and lease payments made at or before the commencement date less any lease incentives received. Right-of-use assets are depreciated on a straight-line basis over the shorter of the lease term and the estimated useful lives of the assets of 2 to 20 years.

The right-of-use assets are also subject to impairment. See discussion on impairment of non-financial assets.

*Lease liabilities*

At the commencement date of the lease, the Group recognizes lease 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 its incremental borrowing rate at the lease commencement date because the interest rate implicit in the lease is not readily determinable. After the commencement date, the amount of lease liabilities is 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 lease payments (e.g., changes to future payments resulting from a change in an index or rate used to determine such lease payments) or a change in the assessment of an option to purchase the underlying asset.

*Short-term leases (STL) and leases of low-value assets*

The Group applies the STL 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, when new, of US\$5,000 or ₱260,000 and below. Lease payments on short-term leases and low-value assets are recognized as expense on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

Income Taxes

The tax expense for the period comprises of current and deferred tax. Tax is recognized in profit or loss, except to the extent that it relates to items recognized in other comprehensive income or directly in equity. In this case, the tax is also recognized in other comprehensive income or directly in equity.



*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 have been enacted or substantively enacted at the reporting date.

Current income tax relating to items recognized directly in equity is recognized in equity and not in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income. Management periodically evaluates positions taken in the tax returns with respect to situations in which applicable tax regulations are subject to interpretation and establishes provisions where appropriate.

*Deferred tax*

Deferred tax is provided using the balance sheet liability method on all 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. Deferred tax assets are recognized for all deductible temporary differences, carryforward benefit of unused tax credits from excess minimum corporate income tax (MCIT) over the regular corporate income tax (RCIT) and net operating losses carryover (NOLCO), to the extent that it is probable that future 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 are not recognized when they arise from the initial recognition of an asset or liability in a transaction that is not a business combination and, at the time of transaction, affects neither the accounting income nor taxable income or loss. Deferred tax liabilities are not provided on nontaxable temporary differences associated with investments in domestic subsidiaries, associates and interests in joint ventures.

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

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured at the tax rates that are expected to apply to 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. Movements in the deferred tax assets and liabilities arising from changes in tax rates are credited to or charged against income for the period.

Deferred tax relating to items recognized outside profit or loss is recognized outside profit or loss. Deferred tax items are recognized in correlation to the underlying transaction either in OCI or directly in equity.

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

Foreign Currencies

The Group's consolidated financial statements are presented in Philippine Peso, which is also the Parent Company's functional currency. For each entity, the Group determines the functional currency and items included in the financial statements of each entity are measured using that





functional currency. The Group uses the direct method of consolidation and on disposal of a foreign operation, the gain or loss that is reclassified to profit or loss reflects the amount that arises from using this method.

#### *Transactions and balances*

Transactions in foreign currencies are initially recorded by the Group's entities at their respective functional currency spot rates at the date the transaction first qualifies for recognition. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated at the functional currency spot rates of exchange at the reporting date.

Differences arising on settlement or translation of monetary items are recognized in profit or loss except for monetary items that are designated as part of the hedge of the Group's net investment in a foreign operation. These are recognized in OCI until the net investment is disposed of, at which time, the cumulative amount is reclassified to profit or loss. Tax charges and credits attributable to exchange differences on those monetary items are also recognized in OCI.

Non-monetary items that are measured in terms of historical cost in a foreign currency are translated using the exchange rates at the dates of the initial transactions. Non-monetary items measured at fair value in a foreign currency are translated using the exchange rates at the date when the fair value is determined. The gain or loss arising on translation of non-monetary items measured at fair value is treated in line with the recognition of the gain or loss on the change in fair value of the item (i.e., translation differences on items whose fair value gain or loss is recognized in OCI or profit or loss are also recognized in OCI or profit or loss, respectively).

In determining the spot exchange rate to use on initial recognition of the related asset, expense or income (or part of it) on the derecognition of a non-monetary asset or non-monetary liability relating to advance consideration, the date of the transaction is the date on which the Group initially recognizes the non-monetary asset or non-monetary liability arising from the advance consideration. If there are multiple payments or receipts in advance, the Group determines the transaction date for each payment or receipt of advance consideration.

#### *Group consolidation*

On consolidation, the assets and liabilities of foreign operations are translated into Philippine Peso at the rate of exchange prevailing at the reporting date and their statements of profit or loss are translated at exchange rates prevailing at the dates of the transactions. The exchange differences arising on translation for consolidation are recognized in OCI. On disposal of a foreign operation, the component of OCI relating to that foreign operation is reclassified to profit or loss.

Any goodwill arising on the acquisition of a foreign operation and any fair value adjustments to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities arising on the acquisition are treated as assets and liabilities of the foreign operation and translated at the spot rate of exchange at the reporting date.

#### Earnings Per Share ("EPS")

Basic EPS is calculated by dividing income applicable to common shares by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the year with retroactive adjustments for stock dividends. Diluted EPS is computed in the same manner as basic EPS, however, net income attributable to common shares and the weighted average number of shares outstanding are adjusted for the effects of all dilutive potential common shares.



### Segment Reporting

The Executive Committee is the Group's chief operating decision-maker. Operating segments are reported in a manner consistent with the internal reporting provided to the Executive Committee. The Executive Committee, who is responsible for allocating resources and assessing performance of the operating segments, has been identified as the steering committee that makes strategic decisions.

### Provisions

Provisions are recognized when the Group has a present obligation (legal or constructive) as a result of a past event, it is probable that an outflow of resources embodying economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation, and a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation. Where the Group expects a provision to be reimbursed, the reimbursement is recognized as a separate asset but only when the reimbursement is virtually certain. The expense relating to a provision is presented in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income net of any reimbursement. Provisions are included in current liabilities, except for those with maturities greater than 12 months after the reporting period, which are then classified as noncurrent liabilities. Provisions are reviewed at the end of each reporting period and adjusted to reflect the current best estimate. If it is no longer probable that an outflow of resources embodying economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation, the provision is recognized in profit or loss.

### Contingencies

Contingent liabilities are not recognized in the consolidated financial statements. They 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 benefit is probable.

### Events after the Reporting Date

Post year-end events up to the date when the consolidated financial statements are authorized for issue that provide additional information about the Group's position at each reporting date (adjusting events) are reflected in the consolidated financial statements. Post year-end events that are not adjusting events are disclosed in the notes to the consolidated financial statements, when material.

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## **3. Significant Accounting Judgments, Estimates and Assumptions**

The preparation of the Group's consolidated financial statements requires management to make judgments, estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of revenues, expenses, assets and liabilities, and the accompanying disclosures, and the disclosure of contingent liabilities.

Uncertainty about these assumptions and estimates could result in outcomes that require a material adjustment to the carrying amount of assets or liabilities affected in future periods.

Management believes the following represent a summary of these significant judgments, estimates and assumptions:

### 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.



*Applying acquisition method*

The Parent Company used acquisition method in accounting for its business combination of entities acquired which are under common control. The Parent Company has assessed that acquisition method is more reflective of the substance of the transaction considering that the transaction is conducted at fair value with purchase price determined using price earnings multiple which are within the range of market values for comparative companies of the same industry and size.

All the acquired entities are engaged in cargo forwarding and money remittance services which are all aligned with the business of the Group, thus, the Parent Company expects that the business combination will add value to the Group due to additional cash inflow from external revenues and efficiency in administrative functions creating savings and synergies in the internal processes.

*Consolidation of entities in which the Group holds 50% or less than 50% ownership*

LBCE has assessed that it controls the entities located in Bahrain, Kuwait, Qatar and Brunei even at 49% - 50% ownership due to the following reasons:

- (a) it has the power to direct the relevant activities (e.g. operations, hiring of people, setting up of rates) of the entities. It has the full discretion on its day to day operations and decides on major transactions these entities enter into.
- (b) it is exposed to variable returns of the entities.
- (c) given its participation in the relevant activities of the entities, it is able to affect the returns of the entities.

*Determining functional currency*

The entities within the Philippines has determined that its functional currency is the Philippine Peso while the subsidiaries that are operating outside the Philippines determines their own functional currencies. It is the currency of the primary economic environment in which the entities operate.

*Determining timing of revenue recognition and measurement of progress of performance obligation*

The Group determined that the revenue for its logistics services is to be recognized over time because the customer simultaneously receives and consumes the benefits provided by the Group's performance of the obligation as the Group delivers the goods.

The Group has determined that the output method used in measuring the progress of the performance obligation faithfully depicts the Group's performance in delivering the services. The measurement of progress used the estimated period travelled (measured in days) of the goods being delivered over the period of the date of acceptance up to the delivery date. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Group reassessed the period of the date of acceptance up to delivery date and revised its assumptions in determining its contract liabilities.

*Determining provisions and contingencies*

The Group is currently involved in various legal proceedings. The estimate of the probable costs for the resolutions of these claims has been developed in consultation with outside counsel handling the defense in these matters and is based upon an analysis of potential results. The Group currently does not believe these proceedings will have a material effect on the Group's financial position. It is possible, however, that future results of operations could be materially affected by changes in the estimates or in the effectiveness of the strategies relating to these proceedings.

No provision for probable losses arising from legal contingencies was recognized in the consolidated financial statements for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019 (see Note 29).



*Determining significant influence over an investee company*

The Group determined that it exercises significant influence over its associates by considering, among others, its ownership interest (holding 30% and 24.787% of the voting power of (Orient Freight International, Inc. (OFII) and TBAI, respectively), board representation and other contractual terms.

Further details on investment in associates are disclosed in Note 11.

*Determination of the non-cancellable term of the lease - Group as a lessee*

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.

The Group has the option, under some of its existing leases to lease the assets for additional terms of two to five years. The Group applies judgment in evaluating whether it is reasonably certain to exercise the option to renew. That is, it considers all relevant factors that create an economic incentive for it to exercise the renewal. 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. The Group assessed whether it has the right to use the asset beyond the non-cancellable period by determining if the optional periods are enforceable. In assessing the enforceability of a contract, the Group considered whether the lessor can refuse to agree to a request from the lessee to extend the lease. Accordingly, if the Group determined that there are enforceable rights and obligations are beyond the initial non-cancellable period, the Group considered those optional periods in the assessment of lease term.

For leases involving transportation equipment, the Group has determined that it retains all significant risks and rewards of ownership of the leased properties and so accounts for the contracts as finance lease.

Estimates and Assumptions

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 described below. The Group based its assumptions and estimates on parameters available when the consolidated financial statements were prepared. Existing circumstances and assumptions about future developments, however, may change due to market changes or circumstances arising beyond the control of the Group. Such changes are reflected in the assumptions when they occur.

*Identifying performance obligations*

The Group identifies performance obligations by considering whether the promised goods or services in the contract are distinct goods or services. A good or service is distinct when the customer can benefit from the good or service either on its own or together with other resources that are readily available to the customer and the Group's promise to transfer the good or service to the customer is separately identifiable from other promises in the contract. The management has assessed that the identified performance obligations of the Group are distinct and separately identifiable and are outlined in the contract.

*Assessing impairment losses on financial assets*

The Group uses a provision matrix to calculate ECLs for financial assets. The provision rates are based on days past due for groupings of various customer segments that have similar loss patterns.



The provision matrix is initially based on the Group's historical observed default rates. The Group calibrates the matrix to adjust the historical credit loss experience with forward-looking information. For instance, if forecast economic conditions (i.e., non-performing loans and gross domestic product) are expected to deteriorate over the next year which can lead to an increase in prices of basic goods and services, the historical default rates are adjusted.

At every reporting date, the historical observed default rates are updated and changes in the forward-looking estimates are analyzed.

The assessment of the correlation between historical observed default rates, forecast economic conditions, and ECLs, which have been adjusted to consider a range of possible outcomes, 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 considered the impact of COVID-19 pandemic in its calculation of ECL by revisiting the propriety of customer segmentation, ensuring that the loss rates have been appropriately adjusted to reflect the expected future changes for future looking information based on the current economic condition, and revising the probability weighting rates for each macroeconomic scenario per customer segment.

Further details on the expected credit losses are disclosed in Note 6.

#### *Accounting for business combinations*

The Group accounts for acquired businesses using the acquisition method of accounting which requires that the assets acquired and the liabilities assumed be recognized at the date of acquisition at their respective fair values.

The application of the acquisition method requires certain estimates and assumptions especially in the determination of the fair values of acquired net assets. Except for software, the fair valuation of identifiable financial assets and liabilities which mostly composed the acquired net assets are based on contractual amounts that are expected to be fully collected or settled within one year. The fair value of software for an acquired entity was determined using relief from royalty method which reflects the net present value of all forecast royalties assuming the software is owned by another party. It involves estimating of future sales, applying an appropriate royalty rate based on comparable transactions and then discounting. The valuation is based on information available at the acquisition date (see Note 4).

#### *Evaluating impairment of goodwill*

Goodwill impairment testing requires an estimation of the recoverable amount which is the fair value less cost to sell or value in use of the cash-generating units to which the goodwill is allocated. Estimating value in use amount requires management to make an estimate of the expected future cash flows for the cash-generating units and to choose suitable discount rates to calculate the present value of cash flows. The Group's impairment test for goodwill on acquisitions discussed in Note 4 is based on value-in-use calculations using a discounted cash flow model.

The recoverable amount is most sensitive to the discount rate used for the discounted cash flow model as well as the expected future cash-inflows and the growth rates used, considering the impact of COVID-19 pandemic. The post-tax discount rates used ranges from 7.01% to 9.30%. The growth rate used beyond the forecasted period for different cash-generating units ranges from 1% to 2%.

Further details on goodwill are disclosed in Note 4.



*Estimating useful lives of depreciable property and equipment*

The Group estimates the useful lives of its property and equipment based on the period over which the assets are expected to be available for use. The Group reviews annually the estimated useful lives of its property and equipment based on expected asset utilization and historical experience. It is possible that future results of operations could be materially affected by changes in these estimates brought about by changes in the factors mentioned. A reduction in the estimated useful lives of its property and equipment would increase the recorded depreciation and decrease the carrying value of its property and equipment.

There are no changes in the estimates of the lives of property and equipment as of December 31, 2020.

Further details on property and equipment are disclosed in Note 8.

*Estimating pension cost*

The cost of defined benefit pension plans and other post-employment benefits as well as the present value of the pension obligation are determined using actuarial valuations. The actuarial valuation involves making various assumptions. These include the determination of the discount rates, future salary increases, mortality rates and attrition. Due to the complexity of the valuation, the underlying assumptions and its long-term nature, defined benefit obligations are highly sensitive to changes in these assumptions. All assumptions are reviewed at each reporting date.

In determining the appropriate discount rate, management considers the interest rate of government bonds that are denominated in the currency in which the benefits will be paid, with extrapolated maturities corresponding to the expected duration of the defined benefit obligation adjusted based on the manner of cash outflow of settling the pension liability.

The mortality rate is based on publicly available mortality tables in the Philippines and is modified accordingly with estimates of mortality improvements. Future salary increases is based on expected salary rate increase over the duration of the obligation. Attrition rate is based on historical experiences. Further details about the assumptions used are provided in Note 23.

*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 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.

*Recognizing deferred tax assets*

The Group reviews the carrying amounts of deferred tax assets at each reporting date and reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that sufficient future taxable income will be available to allow all or part of the deferred tax assets to be utilized. Significant management judgment is required to determine the amount of deferred tax assets that can be recognized, based upon the likely timing and level of future taxable profits together with future tax planning strategies.



Realization of future tax benefit related to deferred tax assets is dependent on each entity's ability within the Group to generate future taxable income during the periods in which they are expected to be recovered. The Group has considered factors in reaching a conclusion as to the amount of deferred tax assets recognized as at December 31, 2020 and 2019. Management believes that the entities within the Group will be able to generate future taxable income to allow for the realization of deferred tax assets.

Further details on taxes are disclosed in Note 21.

*Estimating fair value of embedded derivatives*

The fair value of embedded derivatives, related to the issuance of convertible bond recorded in the consolidated statement of financial position as derivative liability, is measured using binomial pyramid model. The inputs to this model are taken from a combination of observable markets and unobservable market data. Changes in inputs about these factors could affect the reported fair value of the embedded derivatives and impact profit or loss (see Note 25).

Further details on embedded derivatives are disclosed in Notes 16 and 25.

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#### 4. **Business Combinations, Goodwill and Disposal of a Subsidiary**

##### Business Combinations in 2019

##### Entities under LBC Holdings USA Corporation

On March 7, 2018, the BOD of the Parent Company approved the purchase of shares of the entities under LBC Holdings USA Corporation (LBC US Entities). On the same date, the share purchase agreements (SPA) were executed by the Parent Company and LBC Holdings USA Corporation with a total share purchase price amounting to US \$8.34 million, subject to certain closing conditions.

The transfer of the ownership of the shares and all rights, titles and interests thereto shall take place following the payment of the consideration defined and shall be subject to the necessary approvals of the US regulatory bodies that oversee and/or regulate the Companies.

Effective January 1, 2019, the Parent Company's purchase of LBC Mundial Corporation and LBC Mabuhay North America Corporation was completed upon approval by the US Regulatory bodies that oversee and/or regulate the following entities:

- LBC Mundial Corporation (LBC Mundial) which operates as a cargo and remittance company in California, USA. The Parent Company purchased 4,192,546 shares or 100% of the total outstanding shares from LBC Holdings USA Corporation. LBC Mundial wholly owns LBC Mundial Nevada Corporation which operates as a cargo company in Nevada, USA.
- LBC Mabuhay North America Corporation (LBC North America) which operates as a cargo and remittance company in New Jersey. The Parent Company purchased 1,605,273 shares or 100% of the total outstanding shares from LBC Holdings USA Corporation. LBC North America wholly owns LBC Mundial Cargo Corporation which operates as a cargo company in Canada and LBC Mundial Remittance Corporation, a money remittance company in Canada.



On July 1, 2019, the Parent Company's purchase of LBC Mabuhay Hawaii Corporation, which operates as a cargo and remittance company in Hawaii, was completed upon the approval by the US regulatory bodies. The Parent Company purchased 1,536,408 shares or 100% of the total outstanding shares from LBC Holdings USA Corporation.

Mermaid Co. Ltd.

On October 31, 2019, the Parent Company acquired all 180 shares of Mermaid Co. Ltd., for a total purchase price of US \$200,000 or ₱10.21 million. Mermaid operates as a service for the shipping of household and other goods from expatriates living in Japan to their respective home countries, known as the "Balikbayan Box". On December 12, 2019, the purchase of Mermaid was completed upon approval of Governmental Authorities of Japan.

*Identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed*

The fair values of the identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed, including goodwill, as at the date of acquisitions are shown below:

	<b>LBC Mundial Corporation and Subsidiary</b>	<b>LBC Mabuhay North America Corporation and Subsidiaries</b>	<b>LBC Mabuhay Hawaii Corporation</b>	<b>Mermaid Co., Ltd.</b>	<b>Total</b>
Percentage of ownership of Parent Company	100%	100%	100%	100%	
<b>Assets</b>					
Cash and cash equivalents	₱416,992,734	₱135,914,809	₱36,067,228	₱134,807	₱589,109,578
Trade receivables	9,163,278	637,890	5,067	182,521	9,988,756
Receivable from related parties	30,133,703	7,036,075	452,802	–	37,622,580
Notes receivable, current	4,247,143	–	–	–	4,247,143
Prepayments and other current assets	40,832,026	9,176,472	3,609,667	4,384,621	58,002,786
<b>Total current assets</b>	<b>501,368,884</b>	<b>152,765,246</b>	<b>40,134,764</b>	<b>4,701,949</b>	<b>698,970,843</b>
Right-of-use asset	166,435,879	13,413,892	10,665,735	–	190,515,506
Property and equipment	3,274,227	82,025	491,098	305,970	4,153,320
Intangibles	–	–	–	189,789	189,789
Deferred tax asset	–	452,765	–	–	452,765
Notes receivable, noncurrent	31,538,054	–	–	–	31,538,054
Security deposit	8,894,924	1,496,027	782,903	–	11,173,854
Other noncurrent asset	7,908,600	8,009,888	2,565,346	–	18,483,834
<b>Total noncurrent asset</b>	<b>218,051,684</b>	<b>23,454,597</b>	<b>14,505,082</b>	<b>495,759</b>	<b>256,507,122</b>
<b>Total asset</b>	<b>719,420,568</b>	<b>176,219,843</b>	<b>54,639,846</b>	<b>5,197,708</b>	<b>955,477,965</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>					
Accounts and other payables	101,525,750	35,127,065	9,406,274	9,526,091	155,585,180
Payable to related parties	3,335,795	63,974,339	–	5,060,886	72,371,020
Transmission liability	36,637,211	1,461,726	7,217,883	–	45,316,820
Income tax payable	34,770,283	3,004,012	3,927,678	–	41,701,973
Lease liabilities	166,435,879	13,413,892	10,910,415	–	190,760,186
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>342,704,918</b>	<b>116,981,034</b>	<b>31,462,250</b>	<b>14,586,977</b>	<b>505,735,179</b>
<b>Net assets attributable to Parent Company</b>	<b>376,715,650</b>	<b>59,238,809</b>	<b>23,177,596</b>	<b>(9,389,269)</b>	<b>449,742,786</b>
Add: Purchased goodwill	–	655,654	–	19,595,869	20,251,523
Less: Gain on bargain purchase	14,818,114	–	5,655,910	–	20,474,024
<b>Purchase consideration</b>	<b>₱361,897,536</b>	<b>₱59,894,463</b>	<b>₱17,521,686</b>	<b>₱10,206,600</b>	<b>₱449,520,285</b>

In 2019, the purchase price allocation (PPA) for Mermaid has been prepared on a provisional basis due to unavailability of information to complete the fair value calculation. The PPA was finalized in 2020 and did not result to material change from what has been presented in the 2019 provisional basis.





The total goodwill of ₱20.25 million arising from the above acquisitions represents the fair value of the expected synergies, revenue growth and future development that do not meet the recognition criteria for intangible assets.

*Purchase consideration and net cash flows*

There were no contingent considerations in the above acquisitions. Net cash related to acquisition of the above entities in 2019 are shown below.

	LBC Mundial Corporation and Subsidiary	LBC Mabuhay North America Corporation and Subsidiaries	LBC Mabuhay Hawaii Corporation	Mermaid Co., Ltd.	Total
Application of 2018 advances for future investment in shares	₱361,897,536	₱59,894,464	₱18,031,608	₱-	₱439,823,608
Cash paid in 2019	-	-	-	(10,206,600)	(10,206,600)
Cash acquired in 2019	416,992,734	135,914,809	36,067,228	134,807	589,109,578

The purchase considerations for the acquisitions of LBC US Entities are paid in full which were paid in advance by the Parent Company in 2018. The gain on bargain purchase was recognized under "Others - net" of "Other income (charges)" in the consolidated statements of comprehensive income.

The share in revenue and net income included in the statement of comprehensive income of each of the acquired entities from the acquisition dates to December 31, 2019 follows:

	LBC Mundial Corporation and Subsidiary	LBC Mabuhay North America Corporation and Subsidiaries	LBC Mabuhay Hawaii Corporation	Mermaid Co., Ltd.	Total
Share in revenue	₱1,577,681,870	₱389,396,161	₱57,504,330	₱-	₱2,024,582,361
Share in net income	58,909,340	32,452,260	1,212,153	-	92,573,753

Had the business combinations took place at the beginning of 2019, the share in revenue and net income (loss) in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income of the acquired entities for the year ended December 31, 2019 would have been as follow:

	LBC Mundial Corporation and Subsidiary	LBC Mabuhay North America Corporation and Subsidiaries	LBC Mabuhay Hawaii Corporation	Mermaid Co., Ltd.	Total
Share in revenue	₱1,747,424,949	₱398,101,467	₱142,096,777	₱8,808,979	₱2,296,432,172
Share in net income (loss)	64,164,718	6,542,091	12,381,077	(901,906)	82,185,980

Business Combinations in 2018

QUADX Inc.

On March 19, 2018, through a Deed of Assignment, LBCE assigned its receivables from QUADX Inc. to the Parent Company amounting to ₱186.02 million. On the same date, the Parent Company and QUADX Inc. entered into a Subscription Agreement to subscribe and issue a total of 1,860,214 shares of stock of QUADX Inc. through the conversion of the assigned advances to equity which represents 86.11% ownership by the Parent Company.



QUADX Inc owns and operates e-commerce websites and primarily offers shipping, re-packing and consolidation facilities, multi-payment platforms, and digital services that serves clients in the Philippines.

The increase in authorized capital stock of QUADX Inc. was approved by the SEC on June 14, 2018, the same date that the Parent Company accounted the business combination under the acquisition method.

#### Overseas Entities

All entities acquired from overseas, except QuadX Pte. Ltd, are entities under common control of the Araneta Family.

#### QuadX Pte. Ltd.

On April 4, 2018, the BOD of the Parent Company approved the acquisition of 86.11% equity interest in QuadX Pte. Ltd., an entity domiciled in Singapore, through the following: (a) the purchase of 862 ordinary shares of QuadX Pte. Ltd. held by an individual shareholder, at the sale price of \$1.00 per share; and (b) the subscription to 85,248 ordinary shares out of the unissued capital stock of QuadX Pte. Ltd. at the subscription price of \$1.00 per share.

On April 23, 2018, the BOD of the Parent Company approved the infusion of additional capital to QuadX Pte. Ltd. in the amount of ₱31.86 million for the purpose of partially financing the purchase by the latter of Software Assets in the amount of ₱37.00 million from QUADX Inc.

QuadX Pte. Ltd. is engaged in digital logistics business. The acquisition is expected to contribute to the global revenue stream of the Group.

#### LBC Mabuhay Saipan, Inc.

On March 7, 2018, the Parent Company acquired 100% ownership of LBC Mabuhay Saipan, Inc. (LBC Saipan) for a total purchase price of \$207,652 or ₱10.80 million. LBC Saipan operates as a cargo and remittance Company in Saipan.

#### LBC Express Airfreight (S) Pte. Ltd., LBC Aircargo (S) Pte. Ltd., LBC Money Transfer PTY Limited and LBC Australia PTY Limited

On June 27, 2018, the BOD of the Parent Company approved the purchase of shares of various overseas entities. On the same date, the following Share Purchase Agreements (SPAs) were executed by the Parent Company and Jamal Limited, a transitory seller, for a total purchase price of US \$4.60 million or ₱245.67 million under the SPAs. Jamal Limited, a third party, purchased these entities from Advance Global Systems Limited, an entity under common control, prior to sale to the Parent Company. Details follow:

<u>Entity Name</u>	<u>Number of shares</u>	<u>Purchase price</u>	<u>Primary operation</u>	<u>Place of business</u>
LBC Express Airfreight (S) Pte. Ltd. (LBC Singapore)	10,000	\$2,415,035	Cargo	Singapore
LBC Aircargo (S) Pte. Ltd. (LBC Taiwan)	94,901	146,013	Cargo	Taiwan
LBC Money Transfer PTY Limited (LBC Australia Money)	10	194,535	Remittance	Australia
LBC Australia PTY Limited (LBC Australia Cargo)	223,500	1,843,149	Cargo	Australia

The transfer of the ownership of the shares and all rights, titles and interests thereto shall take place following the payment of the considerations defined. These entities operate as logistics and money remittance companies on the countries where they are domiciled.



LBC Mabuhay (Malaysia) SDN BHD

On August 15, 2018, the BOD of the Parent Company approved the acquisition of 92.5% equity ownership of LBC Mabuhay (Malaysia) SDN BHD (LBC Malaysia) for a total purchase price of US \$461,782 or ₱24.68 million. LBC Malaysia engages in the business of courier services in Malaysia.

LBC Mabuhay (B) Sdn Bhd and LBC Mabuhay Remittance Sdn Bhd

On October 15, 2018, the Parent Company acquired 50% ownership of LBC Mabuhay Remittance Sdn Bhd and LBC Mabuhay (B) Sdn Bhd for total purchase price of US \$557,804 and US \$225,965, respectively, equivalent to ₱42.39 million. These entities operate as logistics and money remittance companies in Brunei, respectively.

The Parent Company accounted the aforementioned business combinations under the acquisition method. These acquisitions were expected to contribute to the global revenue stream of the Group.

*Identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed*

The total fair value of the receivables of the entities acquired in 2018 amounted to ₱297.58 million. The gross receivables amounted to ₱315.46 million, ₱17.88 million of which is expected to be uncollectible as of acquisition dates.

Intangible assets pertaining to a software product of QUADX Inc. were adjusted to their fair value as required by PFRS 3. The fair values were determined using a Relief from Royalty Method (RFR), which is an income approach and measured at Level 3 (Significant unobservable inputs). Adjustments made by the Group amounted to ₱81.25 million as at acquisition date.

The goodwill of ₱492.45 million arising from the acquisitions discussed above represents the fair value of expected synergies, revenue growth and future developments that do not meet the recognition criteria for intangible assets.



The final fair values of the identifiable assets and liabilities acquired, including goodwill, as at the date of acquisitions are shown below. The noncontrolling interests are reflected at fair value.

	Percentage of ownership of Parent Company										Total
	LBC Singapore	LBC Taiwan	LBC Australia Money	LBC Australia Cargo	LBC Saipan	LBC Brunei Money	LBC Brunei Cargo	QUADX Inc.	QuadX Pte. Ltd.	LBC Malaysia	
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	50%	50%	86.11%	86.11%	92.50%	
<b>Assets</b>											
Cash and cash equivalents	₱41,843,269	₱6,837,535	₱17,129,600	₱30,264,965	₱25,852,714	₱51,399,857	₱6,463,668	₱81,245,875	₱254,114	₱23,276,681	₱284,568,278
Trade receivables	832,414	4,404,638	19,197,136	4,501,519	1,561	67,977	19,800	266,353,454	2,180,393	18,126	297,577,018
Receivable from a related party	100,378,160	12,312,883	4,149,428	12,973,549	16,951,251	34,945,560	27,615,877	18,300,964	-	10,649,768	238,277,440
Prepayments and other current assets	1,903,508	1,102,911	253,913	2,564,779	33,279	256,028	1,084,187	36,371,312	-	2,546,189	46,116,106
Financial asset at fair value	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9,397,260	-	9,397,260
<b>Total current assets</b>	144,957,351	24,657,967	40,730,077	50,304,812	42,838,805	86,669,422	35,183,532	402,271,605	11,831,767	36,490,764	875,936,102
Property, plant and equipment	1,219,553	793,142	665,953	947,912	412,196	38,225	35,389	83,678,915	-	103,705	87,894,990
Deferred income tax assets	107,802	503,870	6,283,152	5,136,584	-	-	-	-	-	-	12,031,408
Intangible assets	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	114,661,984	469,498	-	115,131,482
Security deposit	4,260,166	274,747	93,194	1,350,532	265,007	118,564	241,081	16,416,243	-	645,144	23,664,678
Other noncurrent asset	-	-	-	-	-	2,173,677	-	-	-	-	2,173,677
<b>Total noncurrent asset</b>	5,587,521	1,571,759	7,042,299	7,435,028	677,203	2,330,466	276,470	214,757,142	469,498	748,849	240,896,235
<b>Total asset</b>	150,544,872	26,229,726	47,772,376	57,739,840	43,516,008	88,999,888	35,460,002	617,028,747	12,301,265	37,239,613	1,116,832,337
<b>Liabilities</b>											
Accounts and other payables	14,820,737	7,978,930	6,159,479	30,306,712	3,639,995	2,401,416	6,214,615	630,530,128	1,022,390	6,976,540	710,050,942
Payable to a related party	266,247	178,717,132	12,437,069	31,182	13,479,920	-	3,800,453	-	6,386,957	4,509,155	219,628,115
Transmission liability	-	-	33,801,762	-	13,466,212	18,332,164	-	-	-	-	65,600,138
Income tax payable	6,425,537	107,053	812,123	4,393,437	-	-	-	-	-	4,488,034	16,226,184
Lease liabilities	1,538,403	-	-	179,275	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,717,678
<b>Total current liabilities</b>	23,050,924	186,803,115	53,210,433	34,910,606	30,586,127	20,733,580	10,015,068	630,530,128	7,409,347	15,973,729	1,013,223,057
Retirement benefit obligation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,096,164	-	-	3,096,164
Lease liabilities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,197,745	-	-	5,197,745
Deferred tax liability	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	24,411,031	-	-	24,411,031
<b>Total noncurrent liabilities</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	32,704,940	-	-	32,704,940
<b>Total liabilities</b>	23,050,924	186,803,115	53,210,433	34,910,606	30,586,127	20,733,580	10,015,068	663,235,068	7,409,347	15,973,729	1,045,927,997
<b>Total net assets (liabilities)</b>	127,493,948	(160,573,389)	(5,438,057)	22,829,234	12,929,881	68,266,308	25,444,934	(46,206,321)	4,891,918	21,265,884	70,904,340
Attributable to non-controlling interest	-	-	-	-	-	(34,133,154)	(12,722,467)	6,418,058	(679,487)	(1,594,941)	(42,711,991)
<b>Net assets (liabilities) attributable to Parent Company</b>	127,493,948	(160,573,389)	(5,438,057)	22,829,234	12,929,881	34,133,154	12,722,467	(39,788,263)	4,212,431	19,670,943	28,192,349
Add: Purchased goodwill	1,519,637	168,373,549	15,830,311	75,633,629	-	-	-	225,809,663	267,528	5,011,767	492,446,084
Less: Gain on bargain purchase	-	-	-	-	2,147,343	3,966,556	502,054	-	-	-	6,615,953
<b>Purchase consideration</b>	₱129,013,585	₱7,800,160	₱10,392,254	₱98,462,863	₱10,782,538	₱30,166,598	₱12,220,413	₱186,021,400	₱4,479,959	₱24,682,710	₱514,022,480



*Purchase consideration and net cash flows*

There were no contingent considerations in the above acquisitions. Net cash related to acquisition of the above entities are shown below.

	LBC Singapore	LBC Taiwan	LBC Australia Money	LBC Australia Cargo	LBC Saipan	LBC Brunei Money	LBC Brunei Cargo	QUADX Inc.	QuadX Pte. Ltd.	LBC Malaysia	Total
Cash paid	₹129,013,585	₹7,800,160	₹10,392,254	₹98,462,863	₹10,782,538	₹30,166,598	₹12,220,413	₹-	₹4,479,959	₹24,682,710	₹328,001,080
Cash acquired	41,843,269	6,837,535	17,129,600	30,264,965	25,852,714	51,399,857	6,463,668	81,245,875	254,114	23,276,681	284,568,278
Net cash outflow (inflow)	₹87,170,316	₹962,625	₹(6,737,346)	₹68,197,898	₹(15,070,176)	₹(21,233,259)	₹5,756,745	₹(81,245,875)	₹4,225,845	₹1,406,029	₹43,432,802

The purchase considerations are paid in full for overseas entities. The gain on bargain purchase for LBC Saipan and Brunei entities were recognized under "others - net" of "Other income (charges)" in the consolidated statements of comprehensive income. Acquisition-related costs, which include documentary stamp tax amounting to ₹249,593 were recognized as expense in 2018.

The share in revenue and net income (loss) included in the statement of comprehensive of each of the acquired entities from the acquisition dates to December 31, 2018 are as follow:

	LBC Singapore	LBC Taiwan	LBC Australia Money	LBC Australia Cargo	LBC Saipan	LBC Brunei Money	LBC Brunei Cargo	QUADX Inc.	QuadX Pte. Ltd.	LBC Malaysia	Total
Share in revenue	₹106,535,120	₹22,816,981	₹25,873,210	₹115,843,701	₹37,105,122	₹3,489,808	₹1,738,446	₹719,036,533	₹127,764,240	₹33,576,701	₹1,193,779,862
Share in net income (loss)	15,376,632	(3,549,062)	(173,833)	6,799,993	8,563,619	524,574	(644,172)	(215,294,780)	4,719,561	4,960,551	(178,716,917)

Had the business combinations took place at the beginning of 2018, the share in revenue and net income (loss) in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income of the acquired entities for the year ended December 31, 2018 would have been as follow:

	LBC Singapore	LBC Taiwan	LBC Australia Money	LBC Australia Cargo	LBC Saipan	LBC Brunei Money	LBC Brunei Cargo	QUADX Inc.	QuadX Pte. Ltd.	LBC Malaysia	Total
Share in revenue	₹218,259,406	₹47,044,132	₹53,066,746	₹210,119,164	₹48,151,151	₹13,718,677	₹10,965,235	₹1,240,311,531	₹127,794,918	₹74,030,888	₹2,043,461,848
Share in net income (loss)	40,799,271	(9,259,027)	(1,955,211)	13,450,190	9,084,382	4,446,163	(86,143)	(336,124,923)	4,730,192	11,379,889	(263,535,217)



Disposal of QUADX Inc.

On May 29, 2019, the Parent Company sold all its 1,860,214 common shares in QUADX Inc. to LBCE for a cash consideration of ₱186,021,400 or ₱100 per share payable no later than two years from the date of sale, subject to any extension as may be agreed in writing by the parties.

On July 1, 2019, LBCE then sold all its QUADX Inc. shares to LBCDC for the same cash consideration payable no later than two years from the date of sale, subject to any extension as may be agreed in writing by the parties. On the same date, LBCE, LBCDC and QUADX entered into a Deed of Assignment of Receivables whereas LBCE agreed to assign, transfer and convey its receivables from QUADX as of March 31, 2019 to LBCDC which shall be paid in full, from time to time starting July 1, 2019 and no later than two years from the date of the execution of the Deed, subject to any extension as may be agreed in writing by LBCE and LBCDC.

QUADX Inc. owns, maintains and operates an e-com website including but not limited to an online marketplace, online marketing services, and an online retail store. The divestment by the Parent Company of its QUADX Inc. shares is being made pursuant to the plans of the Parent Company to refocus the strategic direction for QUADX Inc., which may include implementing certain organizational changes, with a view of turning around the losses of QUADX Inc.

Following the loss of control of QUADX Inc., LBCH derecognized the carrying amounts of the assets (including goodwill) and liabilities of QUADX Inc. and the carrying amount of NCI including any components of OCI attributable to NCI. LBCH also recognized the fair value of the consideration received and any resulting difference as gain or loss in profit and loss attributable to the Parent Company.

The carrying amounts of assets and liabilities which were derecognized as at the date of disposal of QUADX, Inc. and the net effect of the sale are shown below:

Carrying Values	June 30, 2019
<b>Assets</b>	
Cash and cash equivalents	₱362,489,501
Trade receivables	175,125,106
Prepayments and other current assets	176,198,512
<b>Total current assets</b>	<b>713,813,119</b>
Right-of-use asset	83,095,195
Property and equipment	149,263,508
Intangible assets	179,116,525
Security deposit	17,645,728
Goodwill	225,809,663
<b>Total noncurrent assets</b>	<b>654,930,619</b>
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>1,368,743,738</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>	
Accounts and other payables	1,571,695,687
Deferred tax liability	15,572,341
Due to related parties	191,958,000
Lease liabilities- current portion	42,245,711
<b>Total current liabilities</b>	<b>1,821,471,739</b>
Retirement benefit liability	7,052,146
Lease liabilities- noncurrent portion	49,854,132
<b>Total noncurrent liabilities</b>	<b>56,906,278</b>
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>1,878,378,017</b>
<b>Net liabilities</b>	<b>(₱509,634,279)</b>

(Forward)



Carrying Values	June 30, 2019
Fair value of intangible assets	(₱51,907,801)
Total net liabilities	(561,542,080)
Net liabilities attributable to Parent Company (86.11%)	(483,543,885)
Less: Goodwill	225,809,663
Net liabilities attributable to Parent Company - after goodwill	(257,734,222)
Transaction price	(186,021,400)
Gain on sale of QUADX Inc.	(₱443,755,622)

#### *Impairment testing of Goodwill*

The Group performed its annual impairment testing of goodwill amounting to ₱286.89 million as of December 31, 2020 which are primarily related to the acquisitions of LBC Taiwan, LBC Australia Cargo, LBC Australia Money and Mermaid Co. Ltd. The impairment testing performed considered the impact of COVID-19 pandemic in the assumptions.

The key assumptions used in determining the recoverable amount based on value-in-use calculations as of December 31, 2020 and 2019 are as follow:

#### LBC Taiwan

Goodwill arising from the acquisition of LBC Taiwan amounted to ₱168.37 million. The value-in-use calculation is based on the forecast approved by the management over an explicit period of five years. The projected cash flows are based on the plan of the management to expand business partnership and introduction of new promotions. Revenue is projected to increase at compounded annual growth rate of 11.16% and 9.00% in 2020 and 2019, respectively, and long-term growth rate of 1.00% in 2020 and 2019. Direct costs are forecasted to follow the trend of revenue except for those that are non-variable but with various cost reduction initiatives. Discount rate used in 2020 and 2019 are 9.88% and 8.68%, respectively. The discount rates are based on a risk adjusted discount rate using the weighted average cost of capital adjusted to factor in the specific amount and timing of the future tax flows in order to reflect a pre-tax discount rate.

#### LBC Australia Cargo

Goodwill arising from the acquisition of LBC Australia Cargo amounted to ₱75.63 million. The value-in-use calculation is based on the forecast approved by the management over an explicit period of five years. The projected cash flows are based on the plan of the management given its strategy to capture the demands driven by the growing population of Filipino community in the area. These include the opening of additional branches and introduction of new promotions and bundled products. Revenue is projected to increase at a compounded annual growth rate of 13.11% and 10.00% in 2020 and 2019, respectively, and long-term growth rate of 2.00% in 2020 and 2019. Direct costs and capital expenditures are forecasted to follow the trend of revenue except for those that are non-variable. Discount rate used in 2020 and 2019 are 13.81% and 10.72%, respectively. This is based on a risk adjusted discount rate using the using weighted average cost of capital adjusted to factor in the specific amount and timing of the future tax flows in order to reflect a pre-tax discount rate.

#### LBC Australia Money

Goodwill arising from the acquisition of LBC Australia Money amounted to ₱15.83 million. The value-in-use calculation is based on the forecast approved by the management over an explicit period of five years. Similar to LBC Australia Cargo, the projected cash flows are based on the plan of the management given its strategy to capture the demands driven by the growing population of Filipino community in the area, which include the opening of additional branches. Revenue is projected to increase at a compounded annual growth rate of 10.04% and 7.00% in 2020 and 2019, and long-term growth rate of 2.00% in 2020 and 2019. Direct costs and capital expenditures are forecasted to follow the trend of revenue except for those that are non-variable. Discount rate used in 2020



and 2019 are 13.04% and 9.56%, respectively based on a risk adjusted discount rate using the using weighted average cost of capital adjusted to factor in the specific amount and timing of the future tax flows in order to reflect a pre-tax discount rate.

Mermaid Co. Ltd.

Goodwill arising from the acquisition of Mermaid Co. Ltd. amounted to ₱19.60 million. The value-in-use calculation is based on the forecast approved by the management over an explicit period of five years. The projected cash flows are based on the plan of the management given its strategy to expand operations by offering cargo deliveries via air and sea through its agents. This also includes opening of additional branches and management's initiatives in promoting and creating awareness of their services. Revenue is projected to increase at compounded annual growth rate of 12.55% in 2020 with a long-term growth rate of 2.00%. Direct costs are forecasted to follow the trend of revenue except for those that are non-variable but with various cost reduction initiatives such as constant negotiation with its suppliers. Discount rate used in 2020 is 9.06%. The discount rates are based on a risk adjusted discount rate using the weighted average cost of capital adjusted to factor in the specific amount and timing of the future tax flows in order to reflect a pre-discount rate.

The key assumptions used in the value-in-use calculations are mostly sensitive to revenue annual growth rate, revenue long-term growth rate beyond explicit forecast period and discount rate.

Below are the level of assumptions, all things being equal, which would result to impairment of goodwill:

	Annual growth rate	Long-term growth rate	Discount rate
LBC Taiwan	6.70%	-7.24%	31.82%
LBC Australia Cargo	6.93%	None*	160.48%
LBC Australia Money	4.96%	None*	None**
Mermaid Co. Ltd.	11.67%	None*	None**

\*even at -200% long-term growth rate, goodwill will not be impaired

\*\*even at 200% discount rate, goodwill will not be impaired

Based on the assessment of the value in use of the acquirees, the recoverable amount of the acquirees exceeded their carrying amounts plus goodwill, hence, no impairment was recognized as at December 31, 2020 and 2019 in relation to the goodwill.

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## 5. Cash and Cash Equivalents

This account consists of:

	2020	2019
Cash on hand	<b>₱489,482,813</b>	₱341,090,334
Cash in banks	<b>2,829,691,499</b>	2,281,905,425
Cash equivalents	<b>1,926,878,163</b>	1,795,673,494
	<b>₱5,246,052,475</b>	₱4,418,669,253

Cash in banks earn interest at the respective bank deposit rates. Cash equivalents include short-term placements made for varying periods of up to three months depending on the immediate cash requirements of the Group and earn interest at the prevailing short-term placement rates.





Cash in banks and cash equivalents earn interest ranging from 0.05% to 2.63% and 0.25% to 6% per annum in 2020 and 2019. Interest income earned from cash and cash equivalents amounted to ₱18.29 million, ₱43.04 million and ₱33.25 million in 2020, 2019 and 2018, respectively.

## 6. Trade and Other Receivables

This account consists of:

	2020	2019
Trade receivable - outside parties	₱1,768,010,128	₱1,327,605,105
Trace receivable - related parties (Note 18)	338,853,930	311,922,475
	<b>2,106,864,058</b>	1,639,527,580
Less allowance for impairment losses	193,699,800	172,728,970
	<b>1,913,164,258</b>	1,466,798,610
Other receivables:		
Advances to officers and employees	30,734,852	41,224,668
Others	39,467,492	29,825,276
	<b>₱1,983,366,602</b>	₱1,537,848,554

Trade receivables arise from sale of services related to inbound and outbound courier services handling and consolidation services with normal credit terms of 30 to 90 days.

Advances to officers and employees consist mainly of noninterest-bearing advances which are subject to liquidation upon completion of the business transaction and personal advances subject to salary deductions.

Others mainly consist of SSS benefit receivable to be reimbursed within a year and accrual of interest income which is expected to be collected upon maturity of the short-term placements.

The amount of trade receivables written off amounted to ₱29.46 million in 2020 (nil in 2019). Trade receivables written off were deemed uncollectible and were previously provided with allowance.

The Group performed reassessment of the collectability of its receivables and as a result, recognized additional provision for impairment losses. These were recognized under operating expenses in the consolidated statements of comprehensive income.

The movements in allowance for impairment losses of trade receivables follow:

	2020	2019
<b>Balance at beginning of year</b>	<b>₱172,728,970</b>	₱147,238,593
Provision for impairment losses (Note 20)	53,387,878	33,791,019
Accounts written-off	(29,457,407)	-
Recoveries	(2,959,641)	-
Disposal of a subsidiary	-	(8,300,642)
<b>Balance at end of year</b>	<b>₱193,699,800</b>	₱172,728,970



## 7. Prepayments and Other Assets

This account consists of:

	2020	2019
Input value-added tax (VAT)	<b>₱282,064,886</b>	₱254,588,799
Materials and supplies	<b>216,672,206</b>	146,605,098
Prepayments:		
Taxes	<b>61,892,570</b>	20,004,932
Insurance	<b>20,022,880</b>	32,820,513
Employee benefits	<b>18,345,731</b>	24,072,852
Rent	<b>17,610,598</b>	13,116,426
Software maintenance	<b>13,389,683</b>	11,906,850
Transportation supplies	<b>13,080,083</b>	9,204,873
Dues and subscriptions	<b>4,900,634</b>	3,862,321
Advertising	<b>595,529</b>	9,037,843
Others	<b>31,934,886</b>	39,150,228
Creditable withholding taxes (CWTs)	<b>152,747,522</b>	166,582,305
Short-term cash investments	<b>124,175,918</b>	128,645,081
Loan receivable (Note 12)	<b>81,371,302</b>	89,816,880
Notes receivable (Note 18)	<b>21,342,954</b>	26,814,836
Deferred input VAT	<b>18,587,778</b>	12,390,680
Restricted cash in bank	<b>10,373,664</b>	31,342,587
Advance payment to a supplier	<b>9,000,000</b>	9,000,000
Electronic Wallet	<b>6,354,979</b>	6,567,785
Others	<b>9,789,131</b>	10,712,113
	<b>1,114,252,934</b>	1,046,243,002
Less: noncurrent portion	<b>217,807,631</b>	238,462,851
	<b>₱896,445,303</b>	₱807,780,151

Details of noncurrent portion follow:

	2020	2019
VAT on capital goods	<b>₱101,571,438</b>	₱107,598,218
Loan receivable (Note 12)	<b>75,606,982</b>	83,727,600
Notes receivable (Note 18)	<b>21,342,954</b>	26,814,836
Advance payment to a supplier	<b>9,000,000</b>	9,000,000
Prepaid rent	<b>2,495,392</b>	3,060,405
Others	<b>7,790,865</b>	8,261,792
	<b>₱217,807,631</b>	₱238,462,851

Input VAT is applied against output VAT. Management believes that the remaining balance is recoverable in future periods.

Materials and supplies consist of office supplies, packing materials and official receipts to be used in the Group's operations. Materials and supplies recognized under cost of services in profit or loss for the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018 amounted to ₱629.98 million, ₱582.52 million and ₱482.51 million, respectively (see Note 19).



Prepaid taxes primarily consist of unamortized portion of business permits.

Prepaid transportation supplies, insurance, software maintenance and advertising are payments made in advance which will be applied against future billings due within 12 months.

Prepaid employee benefits pertain to advance payments to employees which will be consumed through future employee services.

Other prepayments pertain to advance payments to suppliers and service providers.

CWTs are attributable to taxes withheld by the withholding agents which are creditable against income tax payable.

Short-term cash investments are time deposits with maturity of more than three months from the date of acquisition but not exceeding one year.

Restricted cash in banks represent cash deposits, in the name of LBCE, with a maturity of one year and assigned to specific customers as a performance guarantee.

The interest income earned from the short-term cash investments and restricted cash in bank amounted to ₱0.62 million, ₱1.83 million and ₱0.20 million in 2020, 2019 and 2018, respectively.

Loans receivable pertains to receivable of the Parent Company from Transtech Co., Ltd. (see Note 12).

Electronic wallet represents revolving fund intended for the G-Cash wallet loading services offered by the Group.

Advance payment to a supplier pertains to payment to a service provider intended for the purchase of a software.

Notes receivable pertains to receivable from LBC Holdings USA Corporation (see Note 18).

The noncurrent portion of prepaid rent pertains to advance payments for rental of the Group's leases of low-value assets. These payments are to be applied in the last two to three months of the lease term which is beyond 12 months after balance sheet date.



8. **Property and Equipment**

The rollforward analysis of this account follows:

	2020							Total
	Transportation Equipment	Leasehold Improvements	Furniture, Fixtures and Office Equipment	Computer Hardware	Land	Construction in Progress		
<b>Costs</b>								
Balances at beginning of year	₱607,588,702	₱1,731,966,989	₱635,785,721	₱942,680,948	₱1,031,257,734	₱6,370,930	₱4,955,651,024	
Additions	66,291,097	48,351,022	90,451,637	101,039,102	-	120,823,256	426,956,114	
Reclassifications	-	110,010,116	-	-	-	(110,010,116)	-	
Disposals	(78,617,079)	(4,572,214)	(221,262,526)	-	-	-	(304,451,819)	
Effect of changes in foreign currency exchange rates	(2,761,181)	(1,430,678)	(205,359)	(606,655)	-	-	(5,003,873)	
Balances at end of year	592,501,539	1,884,325,235	504,769,473	1,043,113,395	₱1,031,257,734	17,184,070	5,073,151,446	
<b>Accumulated depreciation and amortization</b>								
Balances at beginning of year	373,345,035	1,255,480,892	534,980,566	681,109,471	-	-	2,844,915,964	
Depreciation and amortization (Notes 19 and 20)	55,550,137	233,077,679	67,679,524	147,407,508	-	-	503,714,848	
Disposals	(76,599,165)	(4,428,663)	(221,237,552)	-	-	-	(302,265,380)	
Effect of changes in foreign currency exchange rates	(2,913,457)	(1,335,500)	(426,876)	(353,783)	-	-	(5,029,616)	
Balances at end of year	349,382,550	1,482,794,408	380,995,662	828,163,196	-	-	3,041,335,816	
<b>Net book value</b>	₱243,118,989	₱401,530,827	₱123,773,811	₱214,950,199	₱1,031,257,734	₱17,184,070	₱2,031,815,630	



2019

	Transportation Equipment	Leasehold Improvements	Furniture, Fixtures and Office Equipment	Computer Hardware	Land	Construction in Progress	Total
Costs							
Balances at beginning of year	₱561,991,290	₱1,506,615,476	₱695,846,319	₱723,884,444	₱-	₱201,932,044	₱3,690,269,573
Additions	58,637,651	34,089,776	79,718,663	341,467,716	1,031,257,734	51,491,776	1,596,663,316
Additions through business combinations (Note 4)	218,786	1,893,554	701,610	1,339,370	-	-	4,153,320
Reclassifications	-	247,052,890	-	-	-	(247,052,890)	-
Disposals	(11,520,583)	(16,930,231)	(113,781,901)	(8,136,457)	-	-	(150,369,172)
Disposals due to sale of a subsidiary (Note 4)	-	(39,955,160)	(26,056,908)	(115,860,254)	-	-	(181,872,322)
Effect of changes in foreign currency exchange rates	(1,738,442)	(799,316)	(642,062)	(13,871)	-	-	(3,193,691)
Balances at end of year	607,588,702	1,731,966,989	635,785,721	942,680,948	1,031,257,734	6,370,930	4,955,651,024
Accumulated depreciation and amortization							
Balances at beginning of year	331,774,084	1,022,165,369	588,846,283	574,361,063	-	-	2,517,146,799
Depreciation and amortization (Notes 19 and 20)	52,260,347	258,400,514	64,420,702	126,988,587	-	-	502,070,150
Disposals	(9,468,766)	(13,171,335)	(108,610,840)	(7,910,155)	-	-	(139,161,096)
Disposals due to sale of a subsidiary (Note 4)	-	(11,244,962)	(9,293,675)	(12,070,177)	-	-	(32,608,814)
Effect of changes in foreign currency exchange rates	(1,220,630)	(668,694)	(381,904)	(259,847)	-	-	(2,531,075)
Balances at end of year	373,345,035	1,255,480,892	534,980,566	681,109,471	-	-	2,844,915,964
Net book value	₱234,243,667	₱476,486,097	₱100,805,155	₱261,571,477	₱1,031,257,734	₱6,370,930	₱2,110,735,060



The cost of fully depreciated assets that are still in use amounted to ₱1,466.00 million and ₱1,776.15 million as of December 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively.

Depreciation and amortization charges were recognized as follow:

	2020	2019	2018
Cost of services (Note 19)	<b>₱471,088,950</b>	₱452,061,329	₱270,815,638
Operating expenses (Note 20)	<b>32,625,898</b>	50,008,821	40,944,067
	<b>₱503,714,848</b>	₱502,070,150	₱311,759,705

In 2015, LBCE purchased a computer hardware on a long-term payment arrangement. The liability is a non-interest bearing and payable over 60 months. As of December 31, 2020 and 2019, the outstanding liability amounted to ₱1.13 million and ₱12.85 million, respectively, which is reported under 'accounts and other payables' in the statements of financial position (see Note 8). Interest expense arising from the amortization of the deferred interest amounted to ₱0.88 million, ₱2.23 million and ₱3.48 million in 2020, 2019 and 2018, respectively.

On April 15, 2019, LBCE entered into a Contract to Sell (CTS) with a third party for the purchase of parcels of land for a total consideration of ₱916.89 million. The land will be used as the future office site of the Group. LBCE paid ₱275.07 million in 2019, while the remaining purchase price amounting to ₱641.82 million shall be paid through a bank financing not later than one year from the CTS date and is reported under 'Accounts and other payables' in 2019. Subsequently on February 10, 2020, LBCE availed a bank loan to settle the remaining unpaid purchase price wherein the same property was used as collateral to secure the bank loan (see Note 15). In 2019, capitalized direct expenses include transfer fees, capital gains tax, documentary stamp taxes and notarial fees amounting to ₱114.37 million.

In 2020, 2019 and 2018, the Group recognized loss on sale and retirement of assets amounting to ₱1.25 million, ₱2.00 million and ₱1.29 million, respectively. This is presented in 'Others-net' in 'Other income (charges)', in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income.

There were no capitalized borrowing costs as of December 31, 2020 and 2019.

There are no other property and equipment pledged as security for liabilities except for Land (see Note 15).



## 9. Intangible Assets

The rollforward analysis of this account follows:

	2020		
	Software	Development in Progress	Total
<b>Costs</b>			
Balances at beginning of year	₱546,200,840	₱71,564,823	₱617,765,663
Additions	26,397,504	33,789,395	60,186,899
Reclassification	31,081,055	(31,081,055)	-
Retirement	(38,030,856)	-	(38,030,856)
Effect of changes in foreign currency exchange rates	(3,376,245)	(325,946)	(3,702,191)
<b>Balances at end of year</b>	<b>562,272,298</b>	<b>73,947,217</b>	<b>636,219,515</b>
<b>Accumulated Amortization</b>			
Balances at beginning of year	254,018,765	-	254,018,765
Amortization (Notes 19 and 20)	100,760,882	-	100,760,882
Retirement	(38,030,856)	-	(38,030,856)
Effect of changes in foreign currency exchange rates	(2,223,415)	-	(2,223,415)
<b>Balances at end of year</b>	<b>314,525,376</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>314,525,376</b>
<b>Net book value</b>	<b>₱247,746,922</b>	<b>₱73,947,217</b>	<b>₱321,694,139</b>
2019			
	Software	Development in Progress	Total
<b>Costs</b>			
Balances at beginning of year	₱727,554,102	₱118,932,565	₱846,486,667
Additions	20,143,936	86,491,215	106,635,151
Additions through business combination (Note 4)	189,789	-	189,789
Reclassification	70,201,092	(70,201,092)	-
Retirement	(95,310,041)	-	(95,310,041)
Derecognition	-	(2,184,000)	(2,184,000)
Disposals due to sale of a subsidiary (Note 4)	(175,332,342)	(61,473,865)	(236,806,207)
Effect of changes in foreign currency exchange rates	(1,245,696)	-	(1,245,696)
<b>Balances at end of year</b>	<b>546,200,840</b>	<b>71,564,823</b>	<b>617,765,663</b>
<b>Accumulated Amortization</b>			
Balances at beginning of year	291,117,011	-	291,117,011
Accumulated Amortization			
Effect of changes in foreign currency exchange rates	(37,776)	-	(37,776)
Amortization (Notes 19 and 20)	115,939,253	-	115,939,253
Retirement	(95,310,041)	-	(95,310,041)
Disposals due to sale of a subsidiary (Note 4)	(57,689,682)	-	(57,689,682)
<b>Balances at end of year</b>	<b>254,018,765</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>254,018,765</b>
<b>Net book value</b>	<b>₱292,182,075</b>	<b>₱71,564,823</b>	<b>₱363,746,898</b>

In 2017, LBCE purchased an IT security tool, a new payroll system and a logistics software on a non-interest-bearing long-term payment arrangement payable over 36 months, 60 months and 60 months, respectively. As at December 31, 2020 and 2019, the outstanding liability related to purchase of



these intangible assets amounted to ₱38.06 million and ₱65.81 million, respectively, ₱17.45 million and ₱39.79 million, respectively, of which is presented under “Other noncurrent liabilities” in the consolidated statement of financial position. Interest expense arising from the amortization of deferred interest amounted to ₱2.35 million, ₱4.11 million and ₱5.50 million in 2020, 2019 and 2018, respectively.

In 2018, a web filtering software was acquired on an interest-bearing payment arrangement over 18 months. The outstanding liability related to the purchase was already fully paid in 2020. Interest expense arising from the amortization of deferred interest amounted to ₱0.01 million, ₱0.17 million and ₱0.08 million in 2020, 2019 and 2018, respectively.

Development in progress pertains to costs related to ongoing development of software, user license and implementation costs.

There were no capitalized borrowing costs in 2020 and 2019.

#### 10. Investments at Fair Value through Profit or Loss and through OCI and AFS Investments

Investment at FVPL represent the Group’s investment in unit investment trust fund.

Investment at FVOCI represent investment in the quoted shares of stock of Araneta Properties, Inc.

Movements of the investments at FVPL and FVOCI follow:

<b>FVOCI</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2018</b>
<b>Balance at beginning of year</b>	<b>₱286,738,308</b>	₱337,453,928	₱444,736,969
Unrealized fair value loss during the year	(54,616,820)	(50,715,620)	(107,283,041)
	<b>₱232,121,488</b>	₱286,738,308	₱337,453,928

<b>FVPL</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2018</b>
<b>Balance at beginning of year</b>	<b>₱15,629,263</b>	₱131,294,744	₱440,763,495
Unrealized foreign exchange gain (loss)	(723,184)	(625,041)	126,077
Additions	–	171,000,000	888,580,000
Redemption	–	(280,748,100)	(1,215,938,291)
Additions through business combination	–	–	9,271,183
Unrealized fair value gain (loss) during the year	<b>36,523</b>	(5,292,340)	8,492,280
	<b>₱14,942,602</b>	₱15,629,263	₱131,294,744

The unrealized fair value gain (loss) related to investment at FVPL is presented under ‘Other income (charges)’ in the consolidated statements of comprehensive income.

Movement in unrealized gain on investment at FVOCI follow:

	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2018</b>
Balance at beginning of year	<b>₱22,626,546</b>	₱73,342,166	₱180,625,207
Unrealized loss during the year from quoted investments:	(54,616,820)	(50,715,620)	(107,283,041)
Balance at end of year (Note 17)	<b>(₱31,990,274)</b>	₱22,626,546	₱73,342,166





## 11. Investment in Associates

### Investment in Terra Barbaza Aviation, Inc. (TBAI)

On December 17, 2020, the application for authorized capital stock for Preferred A and B Shares of TBAI was approved by SEC. The approval resulted to the conversion of the 20,000,000 Common Shares purchased by LBCE from the common shareholder to 20,000,000 non-voting Preferred A Shares and 1,250 Common Shares will then represent 24.787% of the total outstanding Common Shares. Share in earnings of associate was recognized from TBAI amounting to ₱1.78 million.

Movement in the investment in TBAI is as follows:

	2020
<b>Costs</b>	
Costs	₱78,727,321
Addition:	
Costs directly attributable to the investments	1,081,701
	<u>79,809,022</u>
<b>Accumulated Equity on Net Earnings</b>	
Equity share in net earnings	1,783,992
	<u>1,783,992</u>
<b>Carrying Value</b>	<u>₱81,593,014</u>

The summarized statements of financial position of TBAI follows:

	2020
Current assets	₱49,488,072
Noncurrent assets	411,985,141
Current liabilities	(44,048,613)
Equity	417,424,600
Proportion of Group's ownership	24.787%
Group's share in identifiable asset	103,467,036
Negative goodwill	(22,955,723)
Cost directly attributable to the investment	1,081,701
Carrying amount of the investment	<u>₱81,593,014</u>

The summarized statement of comprehensive income of TBAI follows:

	2020
Revenue	₱26,430,344
Cost and expenses	19,233,057
Net income	<u>7,197,287</u>
Group's share in total comprehensive income	<u>₱1,783,992</u>

### Investment in Orient Freight International, Inc. (OFII)

On March 19, 2018, the Parent Company invested in 30% of OFII, a company involved in freight forwarding, warehousing and customs brokerage businesses operating within the Philippines. In relation to the acquisition of shares, the Parent Company shall also exert commercially reasonable efforts to direct a certain amount of additional annual recurring logistics service business to OFII for a period of five years from closing date.



In 2020 and 2019, OFII declared dividends amounting to ₱21.00 million and ₱15.00, respectively (see Note 18). No impairment loss was recognized for the investment in associate in 2020 and 2019.

Movement in the investment in OFII is as follows:

	2020	2019
<b>Costs</b>		
At January 1	₱227,916,452	₱227,916,452
<b>Accumulated Equity on Net Earnings</b>		
Balance at beginning of year	22,257,868	11,103,396
Equity share in net earnings	3,291,726	26,154,472
Less: Dividend income (Note 18)	(21,000,000)	(15,000,000)
	4,549,594	22,257,868
<b>Other Comprehensive Income</b>		
Balance at beginning of year	464,363	-
Equity share in other comprehensive income	(239,704)	464,363
	224,659	464,363
<b>Carrying Value</b>	<b>₱232,690,705</b>	<b>₱250,638,683</b>

The summarized statements of financial position of OFII follows:

	2020	2019
Current assets	₱595,803,889	₱483,298,470
Noncurrent assets	190,480,192	154,035,750
Current liabilities	(284,954,232)	(180,680,848)
Noncurrent liabilities	(80,309,957)	(62,389,430)
Equity	421,019,892	394,263,942
Proportion of Group's ownership	30.00%	30.00%
Group's share in identifiable asset	126,305,968	118,279,183
Goodwill	108,873,250	108,873,250
Dividends declared before acquisition date	14,400,000	14,400,000
Cost directly attributable to the investment at acquisition date	9,086,250	9,086,250
Intercompany transactions	(25,974,763)	-
Carrying amount of the investment	<b>232,690,705</b>	<b>250,638,683</b>

The summarized statement of comprehensive income of OFII follows:

	2020	2019
Revenue	₱550,593,274	₱1,334,969,460
Cost and expenses	539,620,853	1,247,787,887
Net income	10,972,421	87,181,573
Other comprehensive income	(799,012)	1,547,878
Total comprehensive income	<b>₱10,173,409</b>	<b>₱88,729,451</b>
Group's share in total comprehensive income	<b>₱3,052,023</b>	<b>₱26,618,835</b>



## 12. Receivables and Trademark Agreement with Transtech

On September 25, 2019, LBCH extended a 15-year 2.3% interest-bearing loan to Transtech Co. Ltd. (Transtech) amounting to \$1.80 million. Transtech, an entity incorporated in Japan, is involved in freight forwarding, warehousing, and packing business. Its services include forwarding of Balikbayan boxes from Japan to the Philippines.

Transtech shall pay interests on a quarterly basis. The Loan Agreement also constitutes a pledge by Transtech on its trademark for the benefit of LBCH, to secure LBCH's claims to the repayment of the loaned amount in case of default as defined in the Loan Agreement.

Subsequently, on September 30, 2019, Transtech granted LBCH an exclusive license to use its registered trademark subject to restrictions for a period of 10 years with automatic renewal of 3 years unless otherwise discontinued in writing by either parties. LBCH may, in its discretion, use the trademark in combination with any text, graphics, mark, or any other indication. As consideration for the exclusive use of license, LBCH shall pay royalty of \$0.13 million annually.

In 2020 and 2019, LBCH incurred royalty fee amounting to ₱6.21 million and ₱1.59 million, respectively. The related payable was offset to LBCH's interest receivable and loan receivable from Transtech amounting to ₱1.98 million and ₱4.56 million, respectively in 2020 and ₱0.06 million and ₱1.53 million, respectively, in 2019. Effect of foreign currency exchange rate related to interest receivable and loan receivable offsetting amounted to ₱0.32 million in 2020 (nil in 2019).

Current and noncurrent portion as at December 31, 2020 and December 31, 2019 is as follows:

	2020	2019
Current portion*	₱5,764,320	₱6,089,280
Noncurrent portion**	75,606,982	83,727,600
	<b>₱81,371,302</b>	<b>₱89,816,880</b>

\*Presented under 'prepayment and other current assets'

\*\*Presented under 'Other noncurrent assets'

Interest income earned amounted to ₱1.98 million and ₱0.53 million in 2020 and 2019, respectively.

## 13. Accounts and Other Payables and Other Noncurrent Liabilities

This account consists of:

	2020	2019
Trade payable - outside parties	₱1,091,635,283	₱1,724,740,841
Trade payable - related parties (Note 18)	25,498,565	9,862,896
Accruals:		
Salaries, wages and other benefits	378,967,627	341,631,303
Contracted jobs	211,674,549	89,419,768
Rent and utilities	161,124,705	106,876,470
Claims (Note 18)	46,696,727	61,523,772
Advertising	36,294,322	118,284,036
Taxes	32,606,690	34,192,766
Professional fees	23,450,583	22,894,903

(Forward)



	2020	2019
Outside services	P20,636,652	P14,588,459
Software maintenance	16,487,655	9,450,532
Others	44,023,492	42,809,771
Taxes payable	485,732,906	393,188,600
Contract liabilities	305,719,056	197,168,011
Government agencies contributions payables	32,075,622	29,855,611
Others	72,919,251	45,693,122
	<b>P2,985,543,685</b>	<b>P3,242,180,861</b>

Trade payable and accrued expenses arise from regular transactions with suppliers and service providers. These are noninterest-bearing and are normally settled on one to 60-day term.

Accrued salaries and wages pertain to unpaid salaries and employees' allowances and benefits.

Other accruals mainly pertain to liabilities of the Group related to operations which are awaiting for actual billings from suppliers (except for taxes).

Taxes payable include withholding taxes on payment to suppliers and employees' compensation which are settled on a monthly basis and deferred output VAT on uncollected receivables from vatable sales.

Contract liabilities pertain to payments received in advance from customers for services which have not yet been performed and are expected to be realized within the year.

Government agencies contribution payable pertains to monthly required remittances to government agencies such as SSS, Pag-ibig and Philhealth.

Other payables include employees' salary loan deductions payable to third parties and payables arising from expenses incurred in relation to transactions with nontrade suppliers.

The Group's other liabilities consist of unpaid balances pertaining to purchased computer hardware under long-term payment arrangement and purchased IT security tool, a new payroll system and a logistics software on a non-interest-bearing long-term payment arrangement.

Movements in other liabilities follows:

	2020	2019
Balance at beginning of year	P80,339,409	P131,549,113
Principal payments	(44,384,659)	(57,721,750)
Amortization of deferred interest	3,236,584	6,512,046
	<b>39,191,334</b>	<b>80,339,409</b>
Less: current portion*	21,744,239	40,551,470
Noncurrent portion	<b>P17,447,095</b>	<b>P39,787,939</b>

\*Included in others under "Accounts and other payables"



#### 14. Transmissions Liability

Transmissions liability represents money transfer remittances by clients that are still outstanding, and not yet claimed by the beneficiaries as at reporting date. These are due and demandable.

Transmissions liability amounted to ₱1,081.61 million (₱1.19 million of which is payable to an affiliate) and ₱586.89 million (₱10.70 million of which is payable to an affiliate) as at December 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively (see Note 18).

#### 15. Notes Payable

The Group has outstanding notes payable to various local banks. The details of these notes as at December 31, 2020 and 2019 are described below:

2020					
Bank	Date of Availment	Outstanding Balance	Maturity	Interest Rate	Terms
a. Unionbank of the Philippines	June 2019	₱15,400,000	April 2024	7.053%, fixed rate	Clean; Interest and principal payable every quarter
b. Rizal Commercial Banking Corporation	October 2019	30,555,556	October 2022	6.55%, fixed rate	Clean; interest and principal payable every month
c. Unionbank of the Philippines	April 2019	54,600,000	April 2024	7.826%, fixed rate	Clean; Interest and principal to be paid quarterly
d. Banco de Oro	Various availments in 2016	452,500,000	May 2021	4.25%, subject to repricing	With mortgage; Interest payable every month, principal payable quarterly
e. Banco de Oro	June 2020	₱142,500,000	June 2021	4.25%, subject to repricing	Clean; Interest payable every month, principal to be paid on maturity date
f. Unionbank of the Philippines	July 2020	44,000,000	January 2021	5.75%, subject to repricing	Clean; Interest payable every month, principal payable upon maturity
g. Banco de Oro	November 2020	55,500,000	May 2021	4.25%, subject to repricing	Clean; Interest payable every month, principal to be paid on maturity date
h. Banco de Oro	February 2020	588,337,750	February 2025	4.25%, subject to repricing	With mortgage; Interest payable every month, monthly principal payment of ₱5.34 million and lump-sum payment at the end of 5 <sup>th</sup> year
i. Unionbank of the Philippines	April 2020	208,333,333	April 2023	6.00%, subject to repricing	Clean; Interest and principal payable every quarter
j. Rizal Commercial Banking Corporation	October 2020	188,000,000	April 2021	5.625%, fixed rate	Clean; Interest payable every month, principal payable upon maturity

(Forward)



2020					
Bank	Date of Availment	Outstanding Balance	Maturity	Interest Rate	Terms
k. Unionbank of the Philippines	December 2020	100,000,000	December 2023	5.00%, subject to repricing	Clean; Interest and principal payable every quarter
<b>Total</b>		<b>₱1,879,726,639</b>			
<b>Current portion</b>		<b>₱1,100,015,633</b>			
<b>Noncurrent portion</b>		<b>₱779,711,006</b>			

2019					
Bank	Date of Availment	Outstanding Balance	Maturity	Interest Rate	Terms
a. Unionbank of the Philippines	June 2019	₱19,800,000	April 2024	7.053%, fixed rate	Clean; interest and principal payable quarterly
b. Rizal Commercial Banking Corporation	October 2019	47,222,222	October 2022	6.55%, fixed rate	Clean; interest and principal payable every month
c. Unionbank of the Philippines	April 2019	70,200,000	April 2024	7.826%, fixed rate	Clean; interest payable every month, principal payable quarterly
d. Banco de Oro	Various availments in 2016	532,500,000	May 2021	5.25%, subject to repricing	With mortgage; Interest payable every month, principal payable quarterly
e. Banco de Oro	September 2019	150,000,000	March 2020	5.25%, subject to repricing	Clean; Interest payable every month, principal to be paid quarterly
f. Unionbank of the Philippines	August 2019	50,000,000	January 2020	7.00%, subject to repricing	Clean; Interest and principal payable quarterly
g. Banco de Oro	October 2019	60,000,000	April 2020	5.25%, subject to repricing	Clean; Interest and principal payable every month
<b>Total</b>		<b>₱929,722,222</b>			
<b>Current portion</b>		<b>₱376,666,667</b>			
<b>Noncurrent portion</b>		<b>₱553,055,555</b>			

- a. On June 25, 2019, LBCE availed a 5-year interest bearing loan amounting to ₱22.00 million to finance other capital expenditures.
- b. On October 23, 2019, LBCE availed a 3-year interest-bearing loan amounting to ₱50.00 million to finance other capital expenditure.
- c. On April 15, 2019, LBCE availed a 5-year interest-bearing loan amounting to ₱78.00 million to finance other capital expenditures.
- d. The Notes Facility Agreement entered into by the Company with BDO in 2016 is with a credit line facility amounting to ₱800.00 million. The loan is secured by a real estate mortgage on land owned by the Company's affiliate (see Note 18).
- e. LBCE availed a short-term loan in 2018 amounting to ₱150.00 million to finance working capital requirement. In 2020, ₱7.50 million of the loan was settled by LBCE. This was rolled over in June and December 2020 with maturity date of June 2021.



- f. A short-term loan availed with Union Bank of the Philippines in August 2019 amounting to ₱50.00 million was rolled over in July 2020. In 2020, ₱6.00 million of the loan was settled by LBCE. This was subsequently rolled over in January 2021 with a maturity date of July 2021.
- g. LBCE availed a short-term loan in December 2018 with Banco De Oro (BDO) to finance working capital requirement amounting to ₱60.00 million. In 2020, ₱4.50 million of the loan was settled by LBCE. This was rolled over in October 2019, June 2020 and November 2020.
- h. On February 10, 2020, LBCE availed a 5-year interest bearing loan amounting to ₱641.82 million to finance the 70% balance of the acquisition of land, recorded under property and equipment with a carrying amount of ₱1,031.26 million, which served as a collateral for the loan.
- i. On April 13, 2020, LBCE availed a 3-year interest-bearing loan amounting to ₱250.00 million to finance other capital expenditures.
- j. On May 4, 2020, LBCE availed a 90-day interest-bearing loan amounting to ₱200.00 million to finance its working capital requirements. In 2020, ₱12.00 million of the loan was settled by LBCE. This was rolled over in August 2020 and October 2020.
- k. On December 9, 2020, LBCE availed a 3-year interest-bearing loan from a UBP amounting to ₱100.00 million to finance its capital expenditures

Interest expense amounted to ₱88.25 million, ₱53.11 million, and ₱40.62 million in 2020, 2019 and 2018, respectively

The loans were used primarily for working capital requirements and capital expenditures and are not subject to any loan covenants.

Movements in the notes payable account follow:

	2020	2019
Balance at beginning of year	₱929,722,222	₱829,500,000
Availments	1,191,823,000	410,000,000
Payments	(241,818,583)	(309,777,778)
	<b>₱1,879,726,639</b>	<b>₱929,722,222</b>

## 16. Convertible Instrument

This account consists of:

	2020	2019
<b>Derivative liability</b>		
Balances at beginning of year	₱2,048,681,561	₱1,406,175,427
Fair value loss on derivative	51,104,280	642,506,134
	<b>₱2,099,785,841</b>	<b>₱2,048,681,561</b>
<b>Bond payable</b>		
Balances at beginning of year	₱1,247,021,058	₱1,108,417,074
Accretion of interest	201,855,843	182,124,669
Unrealized foreign exchange gain	(72,952,263)	(45,319,435)
Amortization of issuance cost	1,798,750	1,798,750
	<b>₱1,377,723,388</b>	<b>₱1,247,021,058</b>



On June 20, 2017, the BOD of the Parent Company approved the issuance of convertible instrument. The proceeds of the issuance of convertible instrument will be used to fund the growth of the business of the Parent Company, including capital expenditures and working capital. Accordingly, on August 4, 2017, the Parent Company issued, in favor of CP Briks Pte. Ltd (CP Briks), a seven-year secured convertible instrument in the aggregate principal amount of US\$50.0 million (₱2,518.25 million) convertible at any time into 192,307,692 common shares of the Parent Company at the option of CP Briks initially at ₱13.00 per share conversion price, subject to adjustments and resetting of conversion price in accordance with the terms and conditions of the instrument as follow:

- effective on three years (3) from issuance date (the Reset Date) - if the 30-day Trading Day Weighted Average Price (TDWAP) of the Parent Company's common shares on the Principal Market prior to the Reset Date is not higher than the initial conversion price, the conversion price shall be adjusted on the Reset Date to the 30-day TDWAP prior to Reset Date;
- upon issuance of common shares for a consideration less than the conversion price in effect - the conversion price shall be reduced to the price of the new issuance;
- upon subdivision or combination (i.e., stock dividend, stock split, recapitalization or otherwise) - the conversion price in effect shall be proportionately reduced or increased; and
- other events or voluntary adjustment.

The convertible instrument (to the extent that the same has not been converted by CP Briks as the holder or by the Parent Company) is redeemable at the option of CP Briks, commencing on the 30<sup>th</sup> month from the issuance date at the redemption price equal to the principal amount of the bond plus an internal rate of 13% (decreasing to 12%, 11% and 10% on the 4th, 5th and 6th anniversary of the issuance date, respectively). The agreement also contains redemption in cash by the Parent Company at a price equal to the principal amount of the bond plus an internal rate of 13% (decreasing to 12%, 11% and 10% on the 4th, 5th and 6th anniversary of the issuance date, respectively) in case of a Change of Control as defined under the agreement.

The Parent Company also has full or partial right to convert the shares subject to various conditions including pre-approval of the PSE of the listing of the conversion shares and other conditions to include closing sale price and daily trading volume of common shares trading on the Principal Market and upon plan of offering, placement of shares or similar transaction with common share price at a certain minimum share price.

The convertible instrument is a hybrid instrument containing host financial liability and derivative components for the equity conversion and redemption options. The equity conversion and redemption options were identified as embedded derivatives and were separated from the host contract.

On October 3, 2017, the Parent Company entered into a pledge supplement with CP Briks whereby the Parent Company constituted in favor of CP Briks a pledge over all of the Parent Company's shares in LBCE consisting of 1,041,180,504 common shares, representing 100% of the total issued and outstanding capital stock of LBCE.

In the event of default, CP Briks may foreclose upon the pledge over LBCE shares as a result of which LBCE shares may be sold via auction to the highest bidder. The sale of LBCE shares in such public auction shall extinguish the outstanding obligation, whether or not the proceeds of the foreclosure sale are equal to the amount of the outstanding obligation. Under the terms of the pledge agreement, if LBCE shares are sold at a price higher than the amount of the outstanding obligation, any amount in excess of the outstanding obligation shall be paid to the Parent Company.





While CP Briks may participate in the auction of LBCE shares should there be a foreclosure, any such foreclosure of the pledge over LBCE shares and any resulting acquisition by CP Briks of equity interest in LBCE are always subject to the foreign ownership restrictions applicable to LBCE, which may not exceed 40% of the total issued and outstanding capital stock entitled to vote, and 40% of the total issued and outstanding capital stock whether or not entitled to vote, of LBCE.

*Covenants*

While the convertible instrument has not yet been redeemed or converted in full, the Parent Company shall ensure that neither it or its subsidiaries shall incur, create or permit to subsist or have outstanding indebtedness, as defined in the Omnibus Agreement, or enter into agreement or arrangement whereby it is entitled to incur, create or permit to subsist any indebtedness and that the Parent Company shall ensure, on a consolidated basis, that:

- a. Total Debt to EBITDA for any Relevant Period (12 months ending on the Parent Company's financial year) shall not exceed 2.5:1.
- b. The ratio of EBITDA to Finance Charges for any Relevant Period shall not be less than 5.0:1; and
- c. The ratio of Total Debt on each relevant date to Shareholder's Equity for that Relevant Period shall be no more than 1:1.

The determination and calculation of the foregoing financial ratios are based on the agreement and interpretation of relevant parties subject to the terms of the convertible instrument. The Group is in compliance with the above covenants as at December 31, 2020, the latest Relevant Period subsequent to the issuance of the convertible instrument. Relevant period means each period of twelve (12) months ending on the last day of the Parent Company's financial year.

In relation to the issuance of the convertible instrument and following the entry of CP Briks as a stakeholder in the Parent Company, the Parent Company entered into the following transactions:

- a. On August 4, 2017, LBCE and LBCDC agreed for LBCE to discontinue royalty for the use of LBC Marks (see Note 18).
- b. On various dates, the Parent Company entered into the following transactions for the acquisition of certain overseas entities:
  - i. Effective January 1, 2019, the Parent Company was granted the regulatory approvals on the purchase of the following entities under LBC USA Corporation:
    - LBC Mundial Corporation (LBC Mundial) which operates as a cargo and remittance Group in California. The Parent Company purchased 4,192,546 shares or 100% of the total outstanding shares from LBC Holdings USA Corporation.
    - LBC Mabuhay North America Corporation (LBC North America) which operates as a cargo and remittance Parent Company in New Jersey. The Parent Company purchased 1,605,273 shares or 100% of the total outstanding shares from LBC Holdings USA Corporation.
  - ii. Effective July 1, 2019, the Parent Company's purchase of LBC Mabuhay Hawaii Corporation, who operates as a cargo and remittance company in Hawaii, was completed upon the approval by the US regulatory bodies. The Parent Company purchased 1,536,408 shares or 100% of the total outstanding shares from LBC Holdings USA Corporation.
  - iii. On March 7, 2018, the Parent Company acquired 100% ownership of LBC Mabuhay Saipan, Inc. (LBC Saipan) for a total purchase price of US \$207,652 or ₱10.80 million.



- iv. On June 27, 2018, the BOD of the Parent Company approved the purchase of shares of some overseas entities. The acquisition is expected to benefit the Parent Company by contributing to its global revenue streams. On the same date, the SPAs were executed by the Group and Jamal Limited, as follow:
- LBC Aircargo (S) PTE. LTD. which operates as a cargo branch in Taiwan. The Parent Company purchased 94,901 shares or 100% of the total outstanding shares of the acquiree at a purchase price of US \$146,013;
  - LBC Money Transfer PTY Limited which operates as a remittance company in Australia. The Parent Company purchased 10 shares or 100% of the total outstanding shares of the acquiree at a purchase price of US \$194,535;
  - LBC Express Airfreight (S) PTE. LTD. which operates as a cargo company in Singapore. The Parent Company purchased 10,000 shares or 100% of the total outstanding shares of the acquiree at a purchase price of US \$2,415,035; and
  - LBC Australia PTY Limited which operates as a cargo company in Australia. The Parent Company purchased 223,500 shares or 100% of the total outstanding shares of the acquiree at a purchase price of US \$1,843,149.
- v. On August 15, 2018, the Parent Company approved the acquisition of 92.5% equity ownership of LBC Mabuhay (Malaysia) SDN BHD (LBC Malaysia) for a total purchase price of \$461,782 or ₱24.68 million.
- vi. On October 15, 2018, the Parent Company acquired the following overseas entities:
- LBC Mabuhay Remittance Sdn. Bhd. which operates as a remittance company in Brunei. The Parent Company purchased one (1) share which represents 50% equity interest at the subscription price of US \$557,804 per share.
  - LBC Mabuhay (B) SDN BHD which operates as a cargo company in Brunei. The Parent Company acquired 50% of LBC Mabuhay (B) SDN BHD for a total purchase price of US \$225,965.
- vii. The documentation requirements for the acquisition of the remaining overseas entity is still in process.

Upon completion of the acquisitions discussed in (i) to (vi) above, the Parent Company will have acquired equity interests in twelve overseas entities which are affiliated to the Parent Company and LBCDC. In accordance with the directions from LBCDC, the Parent Company intends to complete the acquisition of the remaining overseas entity in 2021, after which the Group expects (on the basis of LBCDC's manifestations) settlement by LBCDC of all of its obligations to the Parent Company, except for the assigned receivables from QUADX Inc. which will be settled based on agreed terms (see Note 18). As at report date, LBCDC has not settled its obligations to the Parent Company pending completion of acquisition of the remaining overseas entity.

If an event of default shall have occurred and be continuing, CP Briks may require the Parent Company to redeem all or any portion of the convertible instrument, provided that CP Briks provides written notice to the Parent Company within the applicable period. Each portion of the convertible instrument subject to redemption shall be redeemed by the Parent Company at price equal to 100% of the conversion amount plus an internal rate of return (IRR) equal to 16% (inclusive of applicable tax, which shall be for the account of CP Briks).



## 17. Equity

### Capital Stock

As of December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018, the details of the Parent Company's capital stock follow:

	Number of Shares of Stocks	Amount
Capital stock - ₱1 par value		
Authorized	2,000,000,000	₱2,000,000,000
Issued and outstanding	1,425,865,471	1,425,865,471

The Parent Company's track record of capital stock is as follows:

	Number of shares registered	Issue/ Offer price	Date of approval	Number of holders as of yearend
At January 1, 2015	40,899,000	₱1/share		
			July 22, October 16 and October 21, 2015	
Add: Additional issuance	1,384,966,471	₱1/share		
December 31, 2015	1,425,865,471			485
Add: Movement	-			-
December 31, 2016	1,425,865,471			485
Add: Movement	-			1
December 31, 2017	1,425,865,471			486
Add: Movement	-			1
December 31, 2018	1,425,865,471			487
Add: Movement	-			-
December 31, 2019	1,425,865,471			487
Add: Movement	-			-
December 31, 2020	1,425,865,471			487

### Retained earnings

The unappropriated retained earnings include accumulated equity in undistributed net earnings of the consolidated subsidiaries amounted to ₱1,563.00 million and ₱1,478.71 million as of December 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively. These are not available for dividend declaration until declared by the BOD of the respective subsidiaries.

In accordance with the Revised Securities Regulation Code Rule 68, the Parent Company's retained earnings available for dividend declaration as of December 31, 2020 and 2019 amounted to ₱223.41 million and ₱501.09 million, respectively.

### Cash dividends

On October 19, 2020, the BOD of LBCH approved the declaration of cash dividends of amounting to ₱285.17 million, ₱3.94 million of which remains unpaid as of December 31, 2020.

On October 27, 2020, the BOD of LBC Mabuhay Remittance Sdn Bhd declared cash dividends of BND300,000 (₱10.74 million). The related noncontrolling interest amounting to BND150,000 (₱5.38 million) is presented in the consolidated statement of changes in equity.



On November 5, 2020, the BOD of LBC Express Shipping Company WLL (Kuwait) declared cash dividends of KWD 800 per common share held by stockholders. The related noncontrolling interest amounting to ₱6.51 million is presented in the consolidated statement of changes in equity.

On November 15, 2020, the BOD of LBC Mabuhay (Malaysia) Sdn Bhd declared cash dividends of ₱20.18 million (MYR1,700,000). The related noncontrolling interest amounting to ₱1.75 million (MYR127,503) remains unpaid and is presented in the consolidated statement of changes in equity as of December 31, 2020.

On May 7, 2019, the BOD of LBC Express Shipping Company WLL (Kuwait) declared cash dividends of KWD 2,500 per common share held by stockholders. The related noncontrolling interest amounting to ₱20.93 million is presented in the statement of changes in equity.

On September 12, 2019, the BOD of LBCH approved the declaration of cash dividends amounting to ₱356.47 million, ₱14.78 million of which remains unpaid as of December 31, 2019.

On December 20, 2018 and April 19, 2017, the BOD of LBCH approved the declaration of cash dividends amounting to ₱285.17 million and ₱827.00 million, respectively.

On February 8, 2019 and November 4, 2019, through a Memorandum of Agreement, LBCDC assigned to LBCH a portion of its payable to LBCE amounting to ₱229.37 million and ₱263.92 million, respectively. The same amount was offset against the dividends payable of LBCE to LBCH.

*Accumulated comprehensive income*

Details of accumulated comprehensive income as at December 31 follow:

	2020	2019
Remeasurement gain on retirement benefit plan net of tax (Note 23)	₱129,541,136	₱194,638,659
Unrealized fair value gain on investment at FVOCI (Note 10)	(31,990,274)	22,626,546
Share in other comprehensive income of an associate (Note 11)	224,659	464,363
Currency translation loss	(109,641,068)	(30,182,365)
	<b>(11,865,547)</b>	<b>187,547,203</b>
Accumulated comprehensive income (loss) attributable to:		
Controlling interest	<b>(₱4,063,817)</b>	<b>₱193,677,606</b>
Non-controlling interest	<b>(₱7,801,730)</b>	<b>(₱6,130,403)</b>

## 18. Related Party Transactions

In the normal course of business, the Group transacts with related parties consisting of its ultimate parent, LBCDC and affiliates. Affiliates include those entities in which the owners of the Group have ownership interests outside the Group. These transactions include royalty, delivery, service and management fees and loans and cash advances. Except as otherwise indicated, the outstanding accounts with related parties shall be settled in cash. The transactions are made at terms and prices agreed upon by the parties.



Details of related party transactions and balances as at and for the years ended December 31 are follow:

	2020			
	Amount/Volume	Receivable (Payable)	Terms	Conditions
<b>Due from related parties (Trade receivables)</b>				
<i>Affiliates - under common control</i>				
a.) Delivery fee, management fee, financial Instant Peso Padala (IPP) fulfillment fee (Notes 6 and 26)	₱74,764,484	₱338,853,930	Noninterest-bearing; due and demandable	Unsecured, no impairment
		₱338,853,930		
<b>Due from related parties (Non-trade receivables)</b>				
<i>Ultimate parent company</i>				
b.) Advances	₱39,599	₱1,018,793,934	Noninterest-bearing; due and demandable	Unsecured, no impairment
<i>Affiliates - under common control</i>				
b.) Advances	48,264,285	54,889,024	Noninterest-bearing; due and demandable	Unsecured, no impairment
<i>Beneficial Owners</i>				
b.) Advances	35,030,678	37,709,077	Noninterest-bearing; due and demandable	Unsecured, no impairment
h.) Notes receivable current portion	-	3,781,976	Interest-bearing; fixed monthly payment	Unsecured, no impairment
		₱1,115,174,011		
<b>Due from related parties (Other noncurrent assets)</b>				
<i>Affiliates - under common control</i>				
h.) Other noncurrent assets	₱-	₱21,342,954	Interest-bearing; fixed monthly payment	Unsecured, no impairment
<b>Due from related parties (Advances for future investments in shares)</b>				
<i>Affiliates - under common control</i>				
g.) Advances for future investments in shares	₱1,081,701	₱-	Noninterest-bearing; for settlement of the subscription of shares	Unsecured, no impairment
<b>Dividend receivable</b>				
i.) Associate (Note 11)	₱21,000,000	₱-	Noninterest-bearing; due and demandable	Unsecured, no impairment
<b>Due to related parties (Trade payables)</b>				
<i>Ultimate Parent Company</i>				
d.) Royalty fee (Note 13)	₱-	(₱131,132)	Noninterest-bearing; due and demandable	Unsecured
<i>Associate</i>				
f.) Sea freight and brokerage (Note 13)	658,750,174	(25,367,433)	Noninterest-bearing; due and demandable	Unsecured
e.) Guarantee fee	7,142,857	-	Noninterest-bearing; due and demandable	Unsecured
		(₱25,498,565)		
<b>Due to a related party (Non-trade payables)</b>				
<i>Affiliates - under common control</i>				
b.) Advances	₱92,113,553	(₱39,790,868)	Noninterest-bearing; due and demandable	Unsecured
<i>Officer</i>				
b.) Advances	-	(422,342)	Noninterest-bearing; due and demandable	Unsecured
		(₱40,213,210)		

(Forward)



2020				
	Amount/Volume	Receivable (Payable)	Terms	Conditions
<b>Due to a related party (Transmissions liability)</b>				
<i>Affiliates - under common control</i>				
a.) Money remittance payable (Note 14)	₱54,818,597	(₱1,191,967)	Noninterest-bearing; due and demandable	Unsecured
<b>Due to a related party (Accrued claims and losses)</b>				
a.) Accrued claims and losses	₱1,826,707	(₱1,927,605)	Noninterest-bearing; due and demandable	Unsecured
<b>Dividends payable</b>				
<i>Parent Company</i>				
c.) Dividends declared and payable (Note 17)	₱285,173,094	(₱3,940,068)	Noninterest-bearing; due and demandable	Unsecured, no impairment
<i>Affiliates - under common control</i>				
c.) Dividends declared and payable (Note 17)	13,634,724	(1,746,586)	Noninterest-bearing; due and demandable	Unsecured, no impairment
		(₱5,686,654)		
2019				
	Amount/Volume	Receivable (Payable)	Terms	Conditions
<b>Due from related parties (Trade receivables)</b>				
<i>Affiliates - under common control</i>				
a.) Delivery fee, management fee, financial Instant Peso Padala (IPP) fulfillment fee (Notes 6 and 26)	₱231,954,134	₱311,922,475	Noninterest-bearing; due and demandable	Unsecured, no impairment
		₱311,922,475		
<b>Due from related parties (Non-trade receivables)</b>				
<i>Ultimate parent company</i>				
b.) Advances	₱1,018,089,621	₱1,000,220,309	Noninterest-bearing; due and demandable	Unsecured, no impairment
<i>Affiliates - under common control</i>				
b.) Advances	57,057,956	61,212,739	Noninterest-bearing; due and demandable	Unsecured, no impairment
<i>Officer</i>				
b.) Advances	29,149,637	38,434,032	Noninterest-bearing; due and demandable	Unsecured, no impairment
h.) Notes receivable current portion	3,938,307	3,938,307	Interest-bearing; fixed monthly payment	Unsecured, no impairment
		₱1,103,805,387		
<b>Due from related parties</b>				
<i>Affiliates - under common control</i>				
h.) Other noncurrent assets	₱26,814,836	₱26,814,836	Interest-bearing; fixed monthly payment	Unsecured, no impairment
<b>Due from related parties (Advances for future investments in shares)</b>				
<i>Affiliates - under common control</i>				
g.) Advances for future investments in shares	₱78,727,321	₱78,727,321	Noninterest-bearing; for settlement of the subscription of shares	Unsecured, no impairment
<b>Dividend receivable</b>				
i.) Associate (Note 11)	₱15,000,000	₱-	Noninterest-bearing; due and demandable	Unsecured, no impairment

(Forward)



		2019		
	Amount/Volume	Receivable (Payable)	Terms	Conditions
<b>Due to related parties (Trade payables)</b>				
<i>Ultimate Parent Company</i>				
d.) Royalty fee (Note 13)	₱-	(₱138,500)	Noninterest-bearing; due and demandable	Unsecured
<i>Associate</i>				
f.) Sea freight and brokerage (Note 13)	₱692,112,798	(₱9,724,396)	Noninterest-bearing; due and demandable	Unsecured
e.) Guarantee fee	7,142,857	-	Noninterest-bearing; due and demandable	Unsecured
		(₱9,862,896)		
<b>Due to a related party (Non-trade payables)</b>				
<i>Affiliates - under common control</i>				
b.) Advances	₱13,057,092	(₱33,173,265)	Noninterest-bearing; due and demandable	Unsecured
<i>Officer</i>				
b.) Advances	-	(438,100)	Noninterest-bearing; due and demandable	Unsecured
		(₱33,611,365)		
<b>Due to a related party (Accrued claims and losses)</b>				
a.) Accrued claims and losses	₱5,072,871	(₱100,898)	Noninterest-bearing; due and demandable	Unsecured
<b>Dividends payable</b>				
<i>Parent Company</i>				
c.) Dividends declared and payable (Note 17)	₱356,466,368	(₱14,775,250)	Noninterest-bearing; due and demandable	Unsecured, no impairment
<i>Affiliates - under common control</i>				
c.) Dividends declared and payable (Note 17)	20,934,148	-	Noninterest-bearing; due and demandable	Unsecured, no impairment
		(₱14,775,250)		
<b>Due to a related party (Transmissions liability)</b>				
<i>Affiliates - under common control</i>				
a.) Money remittance payable (Note 14)	₱668,926,130	(₱10,700,530)	Noninterest-bearing; due and demandable	Unsecured

**Compensation of Key Management Personnel:**

	For the years ended December 31	
	2020	2019
Salaries and wages	₱99,850,158	₱92,634,449
Retirement benefits (Note 23)	9,185,155	10,136,064
Other short-term employee benefits	22,360,820	18,199,598
	₱131,396,133	₱120,970,111

- a.) In the normal course of business, the Group fulfills the delivery of balikbayan boxes, fulfillment of money remittances and performs certain administrative functions on behalf of its affiliates. The Group charges delivery fees and service fees for the fulfillment of these services based on agreed rates.

The Group is charged penalties by its affiliate for the Group's failure to meet the maximum period of delivery as contained in the service level agreement. Total claims and losses recognized amounting to ₱1.83 million and ₱5.08 million in 2020 and 2019, respectively, is shown as a reduction in 'Service fees'. Outstanding payable for these penalties amounting to ₱1.93 million



and ₱0.10 million as of December 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively, is recognized as 'Accrued claims' under 'Accounts and other payables' in the consolidated statement of financial position.

- b.) The Group regularly makes advances to and from related parties to finance working capital requirements and as part of their cost reimbursements arrangement. These unsecured advances are non-interest bearing and payable on demand.

In prior years, the Group has outstanding advances of ₱295.00 million to LBC Development Bank, an entity under common control of LBCDC. In 2011, management assessed that these advances are not recoverable. Accordingly, the said asset was written-off from the books in 2011 (see Note 29).

On May 29, 2019, LBCH sold all its 1,860,214 common shares in QUADX Inc. to LBCE for ₱186,021,400 or ₱100 per share payable no later than two years from the execution of deed of absolute sale of share, subject to any extension as may be agreed in writing by the parties.

On July 1, 2019, LBCE sold all its QUADX shares to LBCDC for ₱186.02 million, payable no later than two years from the date of sale, subject to any extension as may be agreed in writing by the parties. On the same date, LBCE, LBCDC and QUADX Inc. entered into a Deed of Assignment of Receivables whereas LBCE agreed to assign, transfer and convey its receivables from QUADX as of March 31, 2019 amounting to ₱832.64 million to LBCDC which shall be paid in full, from time to time starting July 1, 2019 and no later than two years from the date of the execution of the Deed, subject to any extension as may be agreed in writing by LBCE and LBCDC. There is no extension of the said repayment that has been agreed to date.

- c.) On September 12, 2019, the BOD of LBCH declared cash dividends amounting to ₱356.47 million. On November 4, 2019, through a Memorandum of Agreement, LBCDC assigned to LBCH a portion of its payable to LBCE amounting to ₱263.92 million. The same amount was offset against the dividends payable of LBCE to LBCH.

Furthermore, upon completion of the acquisition of the remaining entity, as disclosed in Note 16, LBCH expects settlement by LBCDC of all of its obligations to LBCH, except for the assigned receivables from QUADX Inc. which will be settled based on abovementioned agreed terms.

On October 19, 2020, the BOD of LBCH approved the declaration of cash dividends of amounting to ₱285.17 million, ₱3.94 million of which remains unpaid as of December 31, 2020.

On November 15, 2020, the BOD of LBC Mabuhay (Malaysia) Sdn Bhd declared cash dividends of ₱20.18 million (MYR1,700,000). The related noncontrolling interest amounting to ₱1.75 million (MYR127,503) remains unpaid and is presented in the consolidated statement of changes in equity as of December 31, 2020.

- d.) Starting 2007, LBCDC (Licensor), the Ultimate Parent Company, granted to the Group (Licensee) the full and exclusive right to use the LBC Marks within the Philippines in consideration for a continuing royalty rate of two point five percent (2.5%) of the Group's Gross Revenues which is defined as any and all revenue from all sales of products and services, including all other income of every kind and nature directly and/or indirectly arising from, related to and/or connected with Licensee's business operations (including, without limitation, any proceeds from business interruption insurance, if any), whether for cash or credit, wherever made, earned, realized or accrued, excluding any sales discounts and/or rebates, value added tax. Such licensing agreement was amended on August 4, 2017 and was subsequently discontinued





effective September 4, 2017 in recognition of the Group's own contribution to the value and goodwill of the trademark.

- e.) As discussed in Note 15, the Group entered into a loan agreement with BDO which is secured with real estate mortgage on various real estate properties owned by the Group's affiliate. Effective April 1, 2016, in consideration of the affiliate's accommodation to the Group's request to use these properties as loan collateral, the Group agreed to pay the affiliate in 12 equal monthly installment, a guarantee fee of 1% of the face value of the loan and until said properties are released by the bank as loan collateral. The guarantee fee is reported as part of interest expense in the consolidated statements of comprehensive income amounting to ₱7.14 million in 2020, 2019 and 2018.
- f.) In the normal course of business, LBCE acquires services from OFII which include sea freight and brokerage mainly for the cargoes coming from international origins. These expenses are billed to the origins at cost.
- g.) In 2019, LBCE subscribed 20,000,000 Preferred A shares and 29,436,968 Preferred B Shares TBAI amounting to ₱78.73 million. The Preferred A Shares will be issued upon conversion of the 20,000,000 Common Shares in TBAI arising from the 20,001,250 Common Shares purchased by LBCE from a common shareholder in January 2020.

In February 2020, LBCE paid incidental costs related to purchase of the above stocks amounting to ₱1.08 million.

On December 17, 2020, TBAI's application of its authorized capital stock for Preferred A and B Shares was approved by the SEC. The approval resulted to the conversion of the 20,000,000 Common Shares purchased by LBCE from the common shareholder to 20,000,000 non-voting Preferred A Shares and 1,250 Common Shares will then represent 24.787% of the total outstanding Common Shares.

- h.) In November 2011, LBC Mundial Corporation paid-off LBC Holdings USA Corporation's outstanding mortgage loan which is consolidated into a long-term promissory note amounting to \$1,105,148 at 4% interest, payable in 180 equal monthly installments. As of December 31, 2020, total outstanding notes receivable amounted to ₱25.12 million, ₱21.34 million of which is presented as noncurrent under "Other noncurrent assets". Interest income earned from notes receivable amounted to ₱1.16 million and ₱1.21 million in 2020 and 2019, respectively.
- i.) On July 16, 2020 and June 6, 2019, LBCH recognized cash dividend from OFII amounting to ₱21.00 million and ₱15.00 million, respectively, for its 30% interest on OFII.

Aside from required approval of related party transactions explicitly stated in the Corporation Code, the Group has established its own related party transaction policy stating that any related party transaction involving amount or value greater than 10% of the Group's total assets are deemed 'Material Related Party Transactions'. Such transactions shall be reviewed by the Related Party Transaction Committee prior to its endorsement for the Board's Approval. Moreover, any related party transaction involving less than 10% of the Group's total assets will be submitted to the President and Chief Executive Officer for review.



## 19. Cost of Services

This account consists of:

	2020	2019	2018
Cost of delivery and remittance	<b>₱4,188,630,504</b>	₱4,832,431,987	₱3,914,936,264
Salaries, wages and employee benefits	<b>3,280,627,028</b>	3,215,237,590	2,268,340,538
Depreciation and amortization (Notes 2, 8, 9 and 22)	<b>1,219,758,236</b>	1,159,320,196	297,930,769
Utilities and supplies (Note 7)	<b>1,179,397,655</b>	1,146,927,498	995,938,157
Rent (Notes 2 and 22)	<b>317,963,536</b>	406,727,830	876,405,581
Repairs and maintenance	<b>147,502,212</b>	130,612,248	109,976,084
Transportation and travel	<b>109,651,609</b>	138,311,964	76,031,963
Retirement benefit expense (Note 23)	<b>71,135,555</b>	107,658,451	95,432,277
Insurance	<b>66,470,406</b>	63,357,345	27,801,301
Software subscriptions	<b>29,334,154</b>	19,069,346	10,946,037
Others	<b>40,005,211</b>	44,132,705	30,886,273
	<b>₱10,650,476,106</b>	₱11,263,787,160	₱8,704,625,244

Others pertain to bank charges, bank service fees and other miscellaneous expenses.

## 20. Operating Expenses and Foreign Exchange Gains - net

Operating expenses consist of:

	2020	2019	2018
Salaries, wages and employee benefits	<b>₱582,747,354</b>	₱603,819,368	₱633,900,980
Advertising and promotion	<b>312,054,003</b>	446,347,513	317,301,731
Professional fees	<b>277,526,088</b>	279,474,804	188,686,108
Utilities and supplies	<b>274,244,983</b>	195,986,551	165,492,496
Travel and representation	<b>238,711,185</b>	175,581,692	191,028,402
Taxes and licenses	<b>208,831,153</b>	207,271,978	143,541,786
Commission expense	<b>192,163,401</b>	184,362,259	50,154,725
Depreciation and amortization (Notes 8, 9 and 22)	<b>175,013,568</b>	198,901,422	107,435,343
Dues and subscriptions	<b>106,096,948</b>	92,668,959	64,084,638
Donations	<b>58,156,002</b>	27,592,948	18,693,217
Software maintenance costs	<b>57,118,090</b>	45,209,189	44,644,420
Provision for expected credit losses (Note 6)	<b>53,387,878</b>	33,791,019	80,038,709
Retirement benefit expense (Note 23)	<b>31,872,420</b>	31,895,990	34,092,793
Losses	<b>29,042,492</b>	36,671,850	28,291,231
Insurance	<b>23,297,014</b>	23,777,054	23,366,371
Rent (Notes 2 and 22)	<b>21,971,966</b>	46,615,210	126,472,229
Royalty	<b>6,208,396</b>	1,585,750	-
Repairs and maintenance	<b>5,063,803</b>	4,795,948	5,453,651
Others	<b>22,594,288</b>	29,632,980	30,629,726
	<b>₱2,676,101,032</b>	₱2,665,982,484	₱2,253,308,556

Others comprise mainly of bank and finance charges, penalties and other administrative expenses.



Foreign exchange gains - net arises from the following:

	2020	2019	2018
Cash and cash equivalents	(₱40,488,204)	₱7,542,551	₱68,745,839
Advances to affiliates - net	(1,989,493)	(8,147,474)	51,327,603
Bonds payable	72,952,263	45,319,435	50,577,641
Trade payable	3,254,566	(8,315,485)	(7,380,789)
Equity investment at FVPL	(723,184)	(625,041)	–
	<b>₱33,005,948</b>	<b>₱35,773,986</b>	<b>₱163,270,294</b>

## 21. Income Taxes

Provision for income tax consists of:

	2020	2019	2018
Current	₱202,570,425	₱383,692,852	₱486,668,102
Deferred	(16,113,823)	(23,670,453)	(19,001,913)
	<b>₱186,456,602</b>	<b>₱360,022,399</b>	<b>₱467,666,189</b>

Details of the Group's net deferred tax assets as at December 31 are as follow:

	2020	2019
Deferred tax assets arising from:		
Retirement benefit liability	₱226,837,523	₱188,327,061
Allowance for impairment losses	60,258,723	58,184,772
Accrued employee benefits	47,956,855	51,484,181
Lease liabilities	53,408,435	43,019,847
NOLCO	–	16,828,168
Contract liabilities	26,017,598	13,849,738
Accelerated depreciation charged to retained earnings	10,914,695	13,847,894
Unrealized foreign exchange losses	2,822,872	5,030,963
MCIT	–	248,063
Others	15,344,284	13,493,165
	<b>443,560,985</b>	<b>404,313,852</b>
Deferred tax liabilities arising from:		
Unrealized foreign exchange gains	–	(20,530,140)
Others	–	(6,222,216)
	–	<b>(26,752,356)</b>
	<b>₱443,560,985</b>	<b>₱377,561,496</b>

Details of the Group's deferred tax liabilities as at December 31 are as follow:

	2020	2019
Unrealized foreign exchange gains	(₱20,053,072)	₱–
Others	(1,933,656)	–
	<b>(₱21,986,728)</b>	<b>₱–</b>



The movements in net deferred tax assets for the years ended December 31 are as follows:

	2020	2019
Balances at beginning of year	₱377,561,496	₱349,779,183
Charged to profit or loss	16,113,823	23,670,453
Recorded under other comprehensive income	27,898,938	(11,833,190)
Effect of disposal of a subsidiary	-	15,572,341
Effect of business combination	-	452,765
Applied MCIT against income tax due	-	(80,056)
	<b>₱421,574,257</b>	<b>₱377,561,496</b>

As of December 31, 2020 and 2019, there are no unrecognized deferred tax assets.

In 2020, the Group utilized remaining NOLCO and excess MCIT over RCIT arising from previous periods amounting to ₱56.09 million and ₱0.02 million, respectively. These NOLCO and excess of MCIT over RCIT came from LBCH and other subsidiaries.

The reconciliation between income tax expense at the statutory rate and the actual income tax expense presented in the consolidated statements of comprehensive income for the years ended December 31 follows:

	2020	2019	2018
Income tax at the statutory income tax rate	₱116,301,664	₱250,752,773	₱545,009,174
Tax effects of items not subject to statutory rate:			
Nondeductible expense	93,365,078	272,805,753	50,699,903
Derecognition	6,460,227		
Applied NOLCO	16,828,168	-	-
Applied MCIT	248,063	-	-
Expired NOLCO	-	1,873,476	31,809,041
Change to OSD of subsidiaries	(20,637,970)	(19,014,565)	(20,719,179)
Nontaxable income	(12,206,542)	(202,381,696)	(166,073,589)
Movement in unrecognized deferred tax assets	-	75,925,562	28,027,640
Others	(13,902,086)	(19,938,904)	(1,086,801)
	<b>₱186,456,602</b>	<b>₱360,022,399</b>	<b>₱467,666,189</b>

On December 18, 2008, the Bureau of Internal Revenue issued Revenue Regulation No. 16-2008 which implemented the provisions of Republic Act (R.A.) No. 9504, as amended by R.A. 10963 or the Tax Reform Acceleration and Inclusion Act (TRAIN), on Optional Standard Deduction (OSD). This regulation allows individuals and corporate taxpayers to use OSD in computing their taxable income. For corporate taxpayers, they may elect a standard deduction in the amount equivalent to 40% gross income in lieu of the itemized deductions.

For the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019, eighteen (18) of LBCE's Subsidiaries opted to use OSD in computing the current provision for income tax.



## 22. Lease Commitments

The following are the lease agreements entered into by the Group:

1. Lease agreements covering its current corporate office spaces, both for a period of five years from September 1, 2018 and from January 1, 2019. The lease agreements are renewable upon mutual agreement with the lessor and includes rental rate escalations during the term of the lease.
2. Lease agreements covering various service centers and service points within the Philippines and foreign branches and subsidiaries for a period of one (1) to eight (8) years except for one (1) warehouse which has a lease term of twenty (20) years renewable at the Group's option at such terms and conditions which may be agreed upon by both parties. These lease agreements include provision for rental rate escalations including payment of security deposits and advance rentals.
3. Lease agreement with a local bank covering transportation equipment for a period of three to five years. The lease agreement does not include escalation rates on monthly payments.

There are no contingent rents for the above lease agreements.

### (a) Right-of-use assets

The amounts recognized in the consolidated statement of financial position and consolidated statement of comprehensive income is shown below:

Right-of-use assets as at December 31, 2020 and December 31, 2019:

	For the year ended December 31, 2020			
	Right-of-use assets			
	Office and Warehouses	Vehicles	Computer Equipment	Total
<b>Costs</b>				
Balances at beginning of year	₱2,411,268,975	₱130,806,818	₱61,353,144	₱2,603,428,937
Additions	1,098,597,888	49,558,928	–	1,148,156,816
Lease modification	(8,368,420)	–	–	(8,368,420)
End of contracts	(267,997,100)	(10,433,254)	(27,939,577)	(306,369,931)
Effect of changes in foreign currency exchange rates	(5,578,278)	(1,199,863)	(1,868,187)	(8,646,328)
Balances at end of year	3,227,923,065	168,732,629	31,545,380	3,428,201,074
<b>Accumulated amortization</b>				
Balances at beginning of year	₱658,232,882	₱28,985,675	₱30,380,308	₱717,598,865
Amortization (Notes 19 and 20)	769,678,671	37,459,591	10,886,096	818,024,358
End of contracts	(267,997,100)	(10,433,254)	(27,939,577)	(306,369,931)
Effect of changes in foreign currency exchange rates	2,183,102	(427,893)	(705,369)	1,049,840
Balances at end of year	1,162,097,555	55,584,119	12,621,458	1,230,303,132
<b>Net book value</b>	<b>₱2,065,825,510</b>	<b>₱113,148,510</b>	<b>₱18,923,922</b>	<b>₱2,197,897,942</b>



For the year ended December 31, 2019				
Right-of-use assets				
	Office and Warehouses	Vehicles	Equipment	Total
<b>Costs</b>				
Balances at beginning of year	₱2,053,766,086	₱76,338,649	₱25,312,929	₱2,155,417,664
Additions	329,349,728	33,854,584	–	363,204,312
Additions through business combination	133,861,706	20,613,585	36,040,215	190,515,506
Disposal of a subsidiary (Note 4)	(105,708,545)	–	–	(105,708,545)
<b>Balances at end of year</b>	<b>2,411,268,975</b>	<b>130,806,818</b>	<b>61,353,144</b>	<b>2,603,428,937</b>
<b>Accumulated amortization</b>				
Balances at beginning of year	₱–	₱–	₱–	₱–
Amortization (Notes 19 and 20)	680,846,232	28,985,675	30,380,308	740,212,215
Disposal of a subsidiary (Note 4)	(22,613,350)	–	–	(22,613,350)
<b>Balances at end of year</b>	<b>658,232,882</b>	<b>28,985,675</b>	<b>30,380,308</b>	<b>717,598,865</b>
<b>Net book value</b>	<b>₱1,753,036,093</b>	<b>₱101,821,143</b>	<b>₱30,972,836</b>	<b>₱1,885,830,072</b>

Amortization of right-of-use assets recorded in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income is net of the recognized effect of waived rentals for COVID-19 related rent concessions amounting to ₱27.73 million (see Note 2).

Lease modification pertain to contract with the lessor with revised terms effective during the year and moving forward.

End of contracts pertain to lease agreements which reached the end of the lease terms. These were subsequently renewed as short-term leases.

(b). Lease liabilities

The amounts shown in the consolidated statement of financial position and consolidated statement of comprehensive income are shown below:

	Lease Liabilities	
	December 31, 2020	December 31, 2019
<b>Balance at beginning of year</b>	<b>₱2,001,745,651</b>	₱2,188,493,350
Additions	1,156,748,898	363,204,312
Additions through business combination	–	190,760,186
Disposal of a subsidiary (Note 4)	–	(92,099,843)
Lease modification	(16,960,501)	–
Rent concessions (Note 2)	(27,728,283)	–
Payments of principal	(736,825,124)	(648,612,354)
Payments of interest	(138,386,631)	(135,712,457)
Accretion of interest	138,386,631	135,712,457
Effect of changes in foreign currency exchange rates	(8,646,328)	–
<b>Balance at end of years</b>	<b>2,368,334,313</b>	2,001,745,651
<b>Less: current portion</b>	<b>816,980,388</b>	645,014,412
<b>Noncurrent portion</b>	<b>₱1,551,353,925</b>	₱1,356,731,239

In 2020, the Group recognized gain on remeasurement of lease liability amounting to ₱8.59 million arising from the remeasurement of one of the Group's lease contracts.

The Group recognized rent expense from short-term leases of ₱316.75 million and ₱440.49 million in 2020 and 2019, respectively.



In 2020, the amortization expense recognized under cost of services and operating expenses in the statement of comprehensive income amounted to ₱729.47 million and ₱60.83 million, respectively. In 2019, the amortization expense recognized under cost of services and operating expenses amounted to ₱666.23 million and ₱73.98 million, respectively (see Notes 19 and 20).

Interest expense arising from the accretion of lease liability amounted to ₱138.39 million and ₱135.71 million in 2020 and 2019, respectively, recognized under 'Other income (charges)' in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income.

The following summarizes the maturity profile of the Group's undiscounted lease payments:

	2020	2019
Less than 1 year	₱1,663,750,750	₱1,314,773,034
More than 1 year to 2 years	1,348,932,741	1,160,370,933
More than 2 years to 3 years	1,015,786,128	915,039,778
More than 3 years to 4 years	712,984,444	715,638,125
More than 5 years	988,904,123	877,619,875
	<b>₱5,730,358,186</b>	<b>₱4,983,441,745</b>

(c) Rent Expenses

The rent expenses recognized under cost of services and operating expenses in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income are considered short-term leases or leases of low value assets where the short-term lease recognition exemption is applied.

	2020	2019	2018
Cost of services (Note 19)	₱317,963,536	₱406,727,830	₱876,405,581
Operating expenses (Note 20)	21,971,966	46,615,210	126,472,229
	<b>₱339,935,502</b>	<b>₱453,343,040</b>	<b>₱1,002,877,810</b>

The Group maintains security deposits arising from the said lease agreements amounting to ₱359.63 million and ₱330.62 million as of December 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively.

**23. Retirement Benefits**

The entities under LBC Express, Inc. and Subsidiaries has funded noncontributory defined benefit retirement plans covering all qualified employees. The retirement plan is intended to provide for benefit payments to employees equivalent to 25% to 130% of the employee's final monthly basic salary for every year of credited service. Benefits are paid in lump sum upon retirement or separation in accordance with the terms of the Plan. The Group updates the actuarial valuation every year by hiring the services of a third-party qualified actuary. The latest actuarial valuation report was as of reporting date.

The Retirement Plan Trustee, as appointed by the Group in the Trust Agreement executed between the Group and the duly appointed Retirement Plan Trustee, is responsible for the general administration of the Retirement Plan and the management of the Retirement Fund. The Retirement Plan Trustee may seek the advice of a counsel and appoint an investment manager or managers to manage the Retirement Fund, an independent accountant to audit the Fund and an actuary to value the



Retirement Fund. The Group has no transaction either directly or indirectly through its subsidiaries or with its employees' retirement benefit fund.

Under the existing Philippine regulatory framework, Republic Act 7641 requires a provision for retirement pay to qualified private sector employees in the absence of any retirement plan in the entity, provided however that the employee's retirement benefits under any collective bargaining and other agreements shall not be less than those provided under the law. The Group's retirement plan meets the minimum retirement benefit specified under Republic Act 7641.

For the Group's Philippine entities and foreign branches, any qualified employee who voluntarily resigns from the service of the Group after completing at least 10 years of service, shall receive a benefit equal to a percentage of his accrued retirement benefits.





Changes in net defined benefit liability in 2020 and 2019 are as follow:

	2020		Remeasurements in other comprehensive income (Note 13)					December 31, 2020				
	January 1, 2020	Net benefit cost in consolidated statements of comprehensive income	Subtotal	Benefits paid from plan assets	Benefits paid by the Group	Return on plan assets	Actuarial changes arising from changes in demographic assumptions		Actuarial changes arising from changes in financial assumptions	Experience adjustments	Subtotal Contributions	
Present value of defined benefit obligation	₱868,252,210	₱67,504,436	₱117,755,795	(₱36,681,324)	(₱697,412)	₱-	₱80,005,344	₱-	₱10,816,714	₱90,822,058	₱- ₱1,039,451,327	
Fair value of plan assets	(230,457,525)	-	(14,747,820)	36,681,324	-	2,174,403	-	-	-	2,174,403	(68,216,030)	(274,565,648)
Net defined benefit liability	₱637,794,685	₱67,504,436	₱103,007,975	₱-	(₱697,412)	₱2,174,403	₱80,005,344	₱-	₱10,816,714	₱92,996,461	(₱68,216,030)	₱764,885,679

	2019		Remeasurements in other comprehensive income					December 31, 2019				
	January 1, 2019	Net benefit cost in statements of comprehensive income	Subtotal	Benefits paid from plan assets	Benefits paid by the Group	Return on plan assets	Actuarial changes arising from changes in demographic assumptions		Actuarial changes arising from changes in financial assumptions	Experience adjustments	Subtotal Contributions	
Present value of defined benefit obligation	₱803,245,359	₱10,028,911	₱65,948,354	(₱40,894,226)	(₱888,414)	₱-	(₱54,488,253)	₱19,377,955	(₱2,598,750)	(₱37,709,048)	₱-	₱868,252,210
Fair value of plan assets	(130,980,215)	2,976,765	(14,973,009)	40,894,226	-	(1,722,382)	-	-	-	(1,722,382)	(126,652,910)	(230,457,525)
Net defined benefit liability	₱672,265,144	(₱7,052,146)	₱50,975,345	₱139,554,441	(₱888,414)	(₱1,722,382)	(₱54,488,253)	₱19,377,955	(₱2,598,750)	(₱39,431,430)	(₱126,652,910)	₱637,794,685



The major categories of the Group's plan assets follow:

	2020	2019
Cash and cash equivalents	<b>₱132,532,838</b>	₱132,973,992
Equity instruments	<b>3,679,180</b>	3,318,588
Debt instruments:		
Government bonds	<b>128,771,289</b>	86,767,258
Other bonds	<b>4,530,333</b>	4,079,098
Others	<b>5,052,008</b>	3,318,589
	<b>₱274,565,648</b>	₱230,457,525

All equity and debt instruments held have quoted prices in active market.

The equity instruments are investment in stocks of a holding company of a conglomerate listed in the Philippines stock market engaged in various businesses.

The Retirement Trust Fund assets are valued by the fund manager at fair value using the mark-to-market valuation.

The Group is not required to pre-fund the future defined benefits payable under the Retirement Plan before they become due. For this reason, the amount and timing of contributions to the Retirement Fund are at the Group's discretion. However, in the event a benefit claim arises and the Retirement Fund is insufficient to pay the claim, the shortfall will then be due and payable by the Group to the Retirement Fund.

The Retirement Plan Trustee monitors regularly the status of the plan assets and liabilities to ensure availability of funds upon retirement of personnel.

The Group expects to contribute ₱219.00 million to the retirement plan in 2021. The retirement plan does not have a formal funding policy. The funding requirement is mainly driven by the availability of excess fund from the Group's operations.

The movement in actuarial gain recognized in other comprehensive income follows:

	2020	2019	2018
Balance at beginning of year	<b>(₱278,055,227)</b>	(₱238,623,797)	(₱207,546,644)
Actuarial loss (gain) from defined benefit obligation	<b>90,822,058</b>	(37,709,048)	(36,789,276)
Plan asset remeasurement loss (gain)	<b>2,174,403</b>	(1,722,382)	5,712,123
Balance at end of year, gross	<b>(₱185,058,766)</b>	(278,055,227)	(238,623,797)
Deferred tax effect	<b>55,517,630</b>	83,416,568	71,682,093
	<b>(₱129,541,136)</b>	(₱194,638,659)	(₱166,941,704)

The principal assumptions used in determining retirement for the defined benefit plans are shown below:

	2020	2019	2018
Discount rate	<b>3.19% to 3.60%</b>	3.70% to 5.61%	4.19% to 8.47%
Salary increase	<b>2.00% to 3.07%</b>	3.00%	5.00%



*Discount rate*

The discount rate is determined by reference to spot yield curve at the end of the reporting period based on government bonds with currency and term similar to the estimated term of the benefit obligation. The Group used as reference long-term Philippine Treasury Bonds adjusted to create virtual zero-coupon bonds as of the reporting date and to reflect the term similar to the estimated term of the benefit obligation as determined by the actuary.

*Salary increase*

This is the expected long-term average rate of salary increase taking into account inflation, seniority, promotion and other market factors. Salary increase comprises of the general inflationary increases plus a further increase for individual productivity, merit and promotion. The future salary increase rates are set by reference over the period over which benefits are expected to be paid.

*Demographic assumptions*

Assumptions regarding mortality experience are set based on published statistics and experience in the Philippines.

The sensitivity analysis below has been determined based on reasonably possible changes of each significant assumption on the defined benefit liability as of the end of reporting date, assuming if all other assumptions were held constant.

It should be noted that the changes assumed to be reasonably possible at the valuation date are open to subjectivity, and do not consider more complex scenarios in which change other than those assumed may be deemed to be more reasonable.

		2020	2019
	Increase (decrease)	Net defined benefit liability	Net defined benefit liability
Discount rate	+1.00%	(P66,819,454)	(P52,602,743)
	-1.00%	75,251,760	58,868,532
Salary increase	+1.00%	75,535,576	59,824,546
	-1.00%	(68,291,307)	(54,352,982)

The weighted average duration of the defined benefit obligation at the end of the reporting period is 7.04 years.

Shown below is the maturity analysis of retirement benefit payments up to ten years:

	2020	2019
Less than 1 year	P160,326,997	P144,482,338
More than 1 year to 5 years	534,362,338	499,866,127
More than 5 years to 10 years	573,402,367	562,978,187
	<b>P1,268,091,702</b>	<b>P1,207,326,652</b>



## 24. Financial Risk Management Objectives and Policies

The Group has various financial assets such as cash and cash equivalents, restricted cash, trade and other receivables (excluding advances to officers and employees), due from related parties, financial assets at FVPL, financial assets at FVOCI, short-term investments under other current assets, loan receivable and notes receivable.

The Group's financial liabilities comprise of accounts and other payables (excluding statutory liabilities, accrued taxes and contract liabilities), due to related parties, notes payable, transmissions liability, lease liabilities, dividends payable, bonds payable, derivative liability and other noncurrent liabilities. The main purpose of these financial liabilities is to finance the Group's operations.

The main risks arising from the Group's financial instruments are price risk, interest rate risk, liquidity risk, foreign currency risk and credit risk. The BOD reviews and approves policies for managing each of these risks which are summarized below.

### *Price risk*

The Group closely monitors the prices of its equity securities as well as macroeconomic and entity-specific factors which could directly or indirectly affect the prices of these instruments. In case of an expected decline in its portfolio of equity securities, the Group readily disposes or trades the securities for replacement with more viable and less risky investments.

Such investment securities are subject to price risk due to changes in market values of instruments arising either from factors specific to individual instruments or their issuers, or factors affecting all instruments traded in the market.

The following table shows the effect on total comprehensive income should the change in the close share price of quoted equity securities occur as of December 31, 2020 and 2019 with all other variables held constant.

	Effect on total comprehensive income	
	2020	2019
Change in share price		
+5.00%	<b>₱11,606,074</b>	₱14,336,915
-5.00%	<b>(11,606,074)</b>	(14,336,915)
Change in NAV		
+5.00%	<b>₱747,130</b>	₱781,463
-5.00%	<b>(747,130)</b>	(781,463)

The Group is also exposed to equity price risk in the fair value of the derivative liability due to the embedded equity conversion feature. Furthermore, at a given point in time in the future until maturity date, the derivative liability has a redemption option offering a minimum return in case the value of the conversion feature is low. The impact of the changes in share price in the valuation is minimal.

### *Interest rate risk and credit spread sensitivity analysis*

Except for the credit spread used in the valuation of the convertible redeemable bond, the Group is not significantly exposed to interest rate risk as the Group's interest rate on its cash and cash equivalents and notes payable are fixed and none of the Group's financial assets and liabilities carried at fair value are sensitive to interest rate fluctuations. Further, the impact of fluctuation on interest rates on the Group's finance leases will not significantly impact the results of operations. The Group regularly monitors its interest rate exposure in interest rates movements. Management minimizes its



interest rate risk by resorting to short-term financing, as needed, and believes that cash generated from normal operations are sufficient to pay its obligation as they fall due.

The value of the Group's convertible redeemable bond is driven primarily by two risk factors: underlying stock prices and interest rates. Interest rates are driven by using risk-free rate, which is a market observable input, and credit spread, which is not based on observable market data. The following table demonstrates the sensitivity to a reasonably possible change in credit spread, with all other variables held constant, on the fair value of the Group's embedded conversion option of the convertible redeemable bond.

	Effect in fair value	
	2020	2019
Credit spread +1%	<b>₱54,515,429</b>	₱57,425,852
Credit spread -1%	<b>(54,621,778)</b>	(60,301,921)

*Liquidity risk*

Liquidity risk is the risk from inability to meet obligations when they become due because of failure to liquidate assets or obtain adequate funding. The Group ensures that sufficient liquid assets are available to meet short-term funding and regulatory capital requirements.

The Group has a policy of regularly monitoring its cash position to ensure that maturing liabilities will be adequately met.

Prudent liquidity risk management implies maintaining sufficient cash, the availability of funding through an adequate amount of committed credit facilities and the ability to close out market positions. Management believes that cash generated from operations is sufficient to meet daily working capital requirements.

Surplus cash is invested into a range of short-dated money time deposits and unit investment trust fund which seek to ensure the security and liquidity of investment while optimizing yield.

The following summarizes the maturity profile of the Group's financial assets based on remaining contractual undiscounted collections:

	2020		Total
	Due in less than one year	Due in more than one year	
Cash and cash equivalents			
Cash in bank	<b>₱2,829,691,499</b>	₱-	<b>₱2,829,691,499</b>
Cash equivalents	<b>1,926,878,163</b>	-	<b>1,926,878,163</b>
Short-term investments	<b>124,175,918</b>	-	<b>124,175,918</b>
Restricted cash in bank	<b>10,373,664</b>	-	<b>10,373,664</b>
Receivables			
Trade	<b>1,913,164,258</b>	-	<b>1,913,164,258</b>
Others	<b>39,467,492</b>	-	<b>39,467,492</b>
Due from related parties	<b>1,115,174,011</b>	-	<b>1,115,174,011</b>
FVPL	<b>14,942,602</b>	-	<b>14,942,602</b>
FVOCI	-	<b>232,121,488</b>	<b>232,121,488</b>
Notes receivable	*-	<b>21,342,954</b>	<b>21,342,954</b>
Loans receivable	**-	<b>75,606,982</b>	<b>75,606,982</b>
	<b>₱7,973,867,607</b>	<b>₱329,071,424</b>	<b>₱8,302,939,031</b>

\*Current portion is classified under Due from related parties

\*\*Current portion is classified under Prepayments and other current assets



	2019		Total
	Due in less than one year	Due in more than one year	
Cash and cash equivalents			
Cash in bank	₱2,281,905,425	₱-	₱2,281,905,425
Cash equivalents	1,795,673,494	-	1,795,673,494
Short-term investments	128,645,081	-	128,645,081
Restricted cash in bank	31,342,587	-	31,342,587
Receivables			
Trade	1,466,798,610	-	1,466,798,610
Others	29,825,276	-	29,825,276
Due from related parties	1,103,805,387	-	1,103,805,387
FVPL	15,629,263	-	15,629,263
FVOCI	-	286,738,308	286,738,308
Notes receivable	*-	26,814,836	26,814,836
Loans receivable	**-	83,727,600	83,727,600
	<b>₱6,853,625,123</b>	<b>₱397,280,744</b>	<b>₱7,250,905,867</b>

\*Current portion is classified under Due from related parties

\*\*Current portion is classified under Prepayments and other current assets

Except as indicated, the Group's financial liabilities based on undiscounted cash flows as shown below are due and expected to be paid within 12 months after the reporting period, which is the earlier of the contractual maturity date or the expected settlement date:

	2020		Total
	Due in less than one year	Due in more than one year	
Accounts payable and accrued expenses			
Trade payable	₱1,117,133,848	₱-	₱1,117,133,848
Accrued expenses	939,356,312	-	939,356,312
Others	72,919,251	-	72,919,251
Due to related parties	40,213,210	-	40,213,210
Notes payable	1,100,015,633	779,711,006	1,879,726,639
Transmissions liability	1,081,611,192	-	1,081,611,192
Derivative liability	-	2,099,785,841	2,099,785,841
Bond payable	-	1,544,078,995	1,544,078,995
Lease liabilities	816,980,388	2,515,253,511	3,332,233,899
Dividends payable	5,686,654	-	5,686,654
Other noncurrent liabilities	-	17,447,095	17,447,095
	<b>₱5,173,916,488</b>	<b>₱6,956,276,448</b>	<b>₱12,130,192,936</b>

	2019		Total
	Due in less than one year	Due in more than one year	
Accounts payable and accrued expenses			
Trade payable	₱1,734,603,737	₱-	₱1,734,603,737
Accrued expenses	807,479,014	-	807,479,014
Others	45,693,122	-	45,693,122
Due to related parties	33,611,365	-	33,611,365
Notes payable	376,666,667	553,055,555	929,722,222
Transmissions liability	586,888,109	-	586,888,109
Derivative liability	-	2,048,681,561	2,048,681,561
Bond payable	-	2,893,079,676	2,893,079,676
Lease liabilities	707,225,934	3,668,688,711	4,375,914,645
Dividends payable	14,775,250	-	14,775,250
Other noncurrent liabilities	-	39,787,939	39,787,939
	<b>₱4,306,943,198</b>	<b>₱9,203,293,442</b>	<b>₱13,510,236,640</b>



Lease liabilities include future interest payments.

Payable to government agencies, accrued taxes, taxes payable and contract liabilities amounting to ₱856.13 million and ₱654.40 million as at December 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively, are considered nonfinancial liabilities (see Note 13).

The Group expects to generate cash flows from its operating activities mainly on sale of services. The Group also has sufficient cash and adequate amount of credit facilities with banks and its ultimate parent company to meet any unexpected obligations.

*Foreign currency risk*

Foreign currency risk is the risk that the future cash flows of financial assets and financial liabilities will fluctuate because of changes in foreign exchange rates. The Group's exposure to the risk of changes in foreign exchange rates relates to the Group's operating activities when revenue or expenses are denominated in a different currency from the Group's functional currency.

The Group operates internationally through its various international affiliates by fulfilling the money remittance and cargo delivery services of these related parties. This exposes the Group to foreign exchange risk primarily with respect to Euro (EUR), Hongkong Dollar (HKD), US Dollar (USD) and Japanese Yen (JPY). Foreign exchange risk arises from future commercial transactions, foreign currency denominated assets and liabilities and net investments in foreign operations.

The Group enters into short-term foreign currency forwards, if needed, to manage its foreign currency risk from foreign currency denominated transactions.

Information on the Group's foreign currency-denominated monetary assets and liability recorded under 'cash and cash equivalents', 'trade and other receivables' and 'bond payable', respectively, assets and liabilities related to convertible instrument in the consolidated statements of financial position and their Philippine Peso equivalents follow:

	2020	
	Foreign currency	Peso equivalent
<b>Assets:</b>		
Euro	3,444,953	₱197,464,706
Hongkong Dollar	25,086,252	155,785,625
US Dollars	30,700,191	1,474,530,174
Japanese yen	15,897,870	7,313,020
<b>Liabilities:</b>		
US Dollars	(28,815,241)	(1,383,996,025)
<i>The translation exchange rates used were ₱57.32 to EUR 1, ₱6.21 to HKD 1, ₱48.03 to USD 1, ₱0.46 to JPY 1 in 2020.</i>		
	2019	
	Foreign currency	Peso equivalent
<b>Assets:</b>		
Euro	3,059,119	₱171,096,526
Hongkong Dollar	18,234,261	118,340,354
US Dollars	27,463,284	1,393,589,819
Japanese yen	18,297,353	8,416,782
<b>Liabilities:</b>		
US Dollars	(24,737,217)	(1,255,166,391)
<i>The translation exchange rates used were ₱55.93 to EUR 1, ₱6.49 to HKD 1, ₱50.74 to USD 1, ₱0.46 to JPY 1 in 2019.</i>		



The following table demonstrates the sensitivity to a reasonably possible change in foreign exchange rates, with all variables held constant, of the Group's income before tax (due to changes in the fair value of monetary assets and liabilities) as at December 31, 2020 and 2019.

Reasonably possible change in foreign exchange rate for every two units of Philippine Peso	Increase (decrease) in income before tax	
	2020	2019
₱2	(₱92,628,050)	(₱84,633,600)
(2)	92,628,050	84,633,600

There is no impact on the Group's equity other than those already affecting profit or loss. The movement in sensitivity analysis is derived from current observations on fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates.

The Group recognized ₱33.01 million, ₱35.77 million and ₱163.27 million foreign exchange gains - net, for the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018, respectively, arising from settled transactions and translation of the Group's cash and cash equivalents, trade receivables and payables, advances to affiliates - net and bond payable (see Note 20).

#### *Credit risk*

Credit risk is the risk that one party to a financial instrument will fail to discharge an obligation and cause the other party to incur a financial loss.

Credit risk is monitored and actively managed by way of strict requirements relating to the creditworthiness of the counterparty at the point at which the transactions are concluded and also throughout the entire life of the transactions, and also by way of defining risk limits.

The maximum credit risk exposure of the Group's financial assets is equal to the carrying amounts in the consolidated statements of financial position.

There are no collaterals held as security or other credit enhancements attached to the Group's financial assets.

As of December 31, 2020 and 2019, the credit quality per class of financial assets is as follows:

	2020			Past due and/or Individually Impaired	Total
	Neither Past Due nor Impaired				
	High Grade	Standard	Substandard Grade		
Cash in banks and cash equivalents	₱4,756,569,662	₱-	₱-	₱-	₱4,756,569,662
Trade and other receivables	1,784,493,528	-	-	361,838,022	2,146,331,550
Due from related parties	1,115,174,011	-	-	-	1,115,174,011
	<b>₱7,656,237,201</b>	<b>₱-</b>	<b>₱-</b>	<b>₱361,838,022</b>	<b>₱8,018,075,223</b>





	2019				Total
	Neither Past Due nor Impaired			Past due and/or	
	High Grade	Standard	Substandard Grade	Individually Impaired	
Cash in banks and cash equivalents	₱4,077,578,919	₱-	₱-	₱-	₱4,077,578,919
Trade and other receivables	1,468,306,583	-	-	201,046,273	1,669,352,856
Due from related parties	1,103,805,387	-	-	-	1,103,805,387
	₱6,649,690,889	₱-	₱-	₱201,046,273	₱6,850,737,162

The Group's basis in grading its receivables are as follow:

High grade - these are receivables which have a high probability of collection (i.e., the counterparty has the apparent ability to satisfy its obligation and the security on receivables readily enforceable).

Standard - these are receivables where collections are probable due to the reputation and the financial ability of the counterparty to pay but have been outstanding for a certain period of time.

Substandard - these are receivables that can be collected provided the Group makes persistent effort to collect them.

Cash in banks and cash equivalents are deposited/placed in banks that are stable as they qualify either as universal or commercial banks. Universal and commercial banks represent the largest single group, resource-wide, of financial institutions in the country the Group is operating. They offer the widest variety of banking services among financial institutions. These financial assets are classified as high grade due to the counterparties' low probability of insolvency.

As of December 31, 2020 and 2019, the aging analyses of the Group's receivables are as follows:

	2020				Total
	Current	Past Due			
		1 to 30 days	31 to 90 days	Over 90 days	
Trade and other receivables	₱1,784,493,528	₱21,156,330	₱14,029,655	₱326,652,037	₱2,146,331,550

	2019				Total
	Current	Past Due			
		1 to 30 days	31 to 90 days	Over 90 days	
Trade and other receivables	₱1,380,709,605	₱32,705,205	₱31,863,646	₱224,074,400	₱1,669,352,856

There are no collaterals held by the Group with respect to trade receivables that have been identified as past due but not impaired.

#### *Capital Management*

The Group's objectives in managing capital are to safeguard the Group's ability to continue as a going concern so that it can continue to provide shareholder returns and to maintain an optimal capital structure to reduce the cost of capital and thus, increase the value of shareholder investment.

In order to maintain a healthy capital structure, the Group may adjust the amount of dividends paid to shareholders, issue new shares or sell assets to reduce debts. Management has assessed that the Group is self-sufficient based on historical and current operating results.



The Group is subject to externally imposed capital requirements due to debt covenants. The Group is in compliance with the covenants as at December 31, 2020, the latest Relevant Period subsequent to the issuance of the convertible instrument (see Note 16). No changes were made in the objectives, policies or processes for managing capital during the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019.

The capital that the Group manages is equal to the total equity as shown in the consolidated statements of financial position at December 31, 2020 and 2019 amounting to ₱2,971.11 million and ₱3,268.11 million, respectively.

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## 25. Fair Values and Offsetting Arrangements

The methods and assumptions used by the Group in estimating the fair value of the financial instruments are as follows:

The carrying amounts of cash and cash equivalents, trade and other receivables, due from/to related parties, short-term cash investments, accounts and other payables, dividends payable, transmissions liability, and the current portion of notes payable and lease liabilities approximate their fair value because these financial instruments are relatively short-term in nature.

The fair value of financial assets at FVOCI is the current closing price while the financial asset at FVPL is based on the published net asset value per unit as of reporting date.

The estimated fair value of long-term portion of notes payable is based on the discounted value of future cash flow using applicable rates ranging from 1.85% to 2.93% in 2020 and 4.00% to 7.83% in 2019.

The fair value of the long-term portion of lease liabilities is based on the discounted value of future cash flow using applicable interest rates ranging from 1.66% to 2.63% in 2020 and 3.00% to 3.55% in 2019.

The estimated fair value of other noncurrent liabilities is based on the discounted value of future cash flow using applicable rate of 1.83% to 2.08% in 2020 and 3.00% to 3.55% in 2019.

The estimated fair value of derivative liability as at December 31, 2020 and 2019 is based on an indirect method of valuing multiple embedded derivatives. This valuation technique using binomial pyramid model uses stock prices and stock price volatility. This valuation method compares the fair value of the option-free instrument against the fair value of the hybrid convertible instrument. The difference of the fair values is assigned as the value of the embedded derivatives.

The significant unobservable input in the fair value is the stock price volatility of 24.65% and 15.97% in 2020 and 2019, respectively. A 5% increase (5% decrease) in the stock price volatility would not materially affect the fair value of the derivative liability.

The plain bond is determined by discounting the cash flows, which is simply the principal at maturity, using discount rate of 14.27% and 15.36% in 2020 and 2019. The discount rate is composed of the matched to maturity risk free rate and the option adjusted spread (OAS) of 12%.



### Fair Value Hierarchy

The Group uses the following hierarchy for determining and disclosing the fair value of financial instruments by valuation technique:

- Level 1: quoted (unadjusted) prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities
- Level 2: other techniques for which all inputs which have a significant effect on the recorded fair value are observable, either directly or indirectly
- Level 3: techniques which use inputs which have a significant effect on the recorded fair value that are not based on observable market data

Except for the fair values of financial asset at FVOCI which are classified as Level 1, the discounting used inputs such as cash flows, discount rates and other market data, hence are classified as Level 3.

The financial asset at FVPL is under the Level 2 category.

The quantitative disclosures on fair value measurement hierarchy for financial assets and financial liabilities as of December 31, 2020 and 2019 follow:

	2020				
	Carrying values	Total	Fair value measurements using		
			Quoted prices in active markets for identical assets (Level 1)	Significant observable inputs (Level 2)	Significant unobservable inputs (Level 3)
<b>Assets measured at fair value</b>					
FVOCI	P232,121,488	P232,121,488	P232,121,488	P-	P-
FVPL	14,942,602	14,942,602	-	14,942,602	-
<b>Liability measured at fair value</b>					
Derivative liability	2,099,785,841	2,099,785,841	-	-	2,099,785,841
<b>Liabilities for which fair value are disclosed</b>					
Bond payable	1,377,723,388	1,544,078,995	-	-	1,544,078,995
Long-term notes payable	779,711,006	819,259,138	-	-	819,259,138
Noncurrent lease liabilities	1,551,353,925	1,879,905,946	-	-	1,879,905,946
Other noncurrent liabilities	17,447,095	19,666,795	-	-	19,666,795
	2019				
	Carrying values	Total	Fair value measurements using		
			Quoted prices in active markets for identical assets (Level 1)	Significant observable inputs (Level 2)	Significant unobservable inputs (Level 3)
<b>Assets measured at fair value</b>					
FVOCI	P286,738,308	P286,738,308	P286,738,308	P-	P-
FVPL	15,629,263	15,629,263	-	15,629,263	-
<b>Liability measured at fair value</b>					
Derivative liability	2,048,681,561	2,048,681,561	-	-	2,048,681,561
<b>Liabilities for which fair value are disclosed</b>					
Bond payable	1,247,021,058	1,350,898,104	-	-	1,350,898,104
Long-term notes payable	553,055,555	560,121,284	-	-	560,121,284
Noncurrent lease liabilities	1,356,731,239	1,352,153,074	-	-	1,352,153,074
Other noncurrent liabilities	39,787,939	44,440,039	-	-	44,440,039

For the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019, there were no transfers between Level 1 and Level 2 fair value measurements and no transfers into and out of Level 3 fair value measurements.



**Offsetting of Financial Instruments**

The following table represents the recognized financial instruments that are offset as of December 31, 2020 and shows in the 'Net' column the net impact on the Group's consolidated statements of financial position as a result of the offsetting rights.

<i>Royalty offsetting</i>	December 31, 2020			
	Gross Amount	Offsetting	Forex	Net Amount
Loans receivable	₱86,251,729	(₱4,555,267)	(₱324,960)	₱81,371,502
Interest receivable <sup>(1)</sup>	1,978,089	(1,978,089)	-	-
Royalty payable <sup>(2)</sup>	(6,208,396)	6,208,396	-	-
	<b>₱82,021,422</b>	<b>(₱324,960)</b>	<b>(₱324,960)</b>	<b>₱81,371,502</b>

<sup>(1)</sup>included in other receivable in trade and other receivable

<sup>(2)</sup>included in others in accounts and other payables

<i>Dividend Offsetting</i>	December 31, 2019		
	Gross Amount	Offsetting	Net Amount
Due from related parties	₱1,597,098,962	₱-	₱1,597,098,962
Dividends payable	-	(493,293,575)	(493,293,575)
	<b>₱1,597,098,962</b>	<b>(₱493,293,575)</b>	<b>₱1,103,805,387</b>

<i>Royalty Offsetting</i>			
Loans receivable	₱91,339,200	(₱1,522,320)	₱89,816,880
Interest receivable <sup>(1)</sup>	529,517	(63,430)	466,087
Royalty payable <sup>(2)</sup>	(1,585,750)	1,585,750	-
	<b>₱90,282,967</b>	<b>₱-</b>	<b>₱90,282,967</b>

<sup>(1)</sup>included in other receivable in trade and other receivable

<sup>(2)</sup>included in others in accounts and other payables

The Parent Company's dividends payable to LBCDC has been offset against due from LBCDC. The Parent Company and LBCDC have the intention of settling on a net basis.

The Parent Company's royalty payable has been offset to its loan receivable and interest receivable (see Note 12).

**26. Segment Reporting**

Management has determined the operating segments based on the information reviewed by the executive committee for purposes of allocating resources and assessing performance.

The Group's two main operating segments comprise of logistics and money transfer services. The executive committee considers the business from product perspective.

The Group's logistics products are geared toward both retail and corporate clients. The main services offered under the Group's logistics business are domestic and international courier and freight forwarding services (by way of air, sea and ground transport).

Money transfer services comprise of remittance services (including branch retail services, prepaid remittance cards and online and mobile remit) and bills payment collection and corporate remittance payout services. Money transfer services include international presence through its branches which comprises international inbound remittance services.'



The Group only reports revenue line item for this segmentation. Assets and liabilities and cost and expenses are shared together by these two segments and, as such, cannot be reliably separated.

The Group has no significant customer which contributes 10.00% or more to the revenue of the Group.

Set out below is the disaggregation of the Group's revenue from contracts with customers:

Segments	For the year ended December 31, 2020		
	Logistics	Money transfer services	Total
<b>Type of Customer</b>			
Retails	₱10,463,286,313	₱529,876,299	₱10,993,162,612
Corporate	3,081,793,663	42,111,158	3,123,904,821
<b>Total revenue from contracts with customer</b>	<b>₱13,545,079,976</b>	<b>₱571,987,457</b>	<b>₱14,117,067,433</b>
<b>Geographic Markets</b>			
Domestic	₱9,309,199,788	₱314,475,077	₱9,623,674,865
Overseas	4,235,880,188	257,512,380	4,493,392,568
<b>Total revenue from contracts with customer</b>	<b>₱13,545,079,976</b>	<b>₱571,987,457</b>	<b>₱14,117,067,433</b>

Segments	For the year ended December 31, 2019		
	Logistics	Money transfer services	Total
<b>Type of Customer</b>			
Retail	₱9,944,616,061	₱925,774,882	₱10,870,390,943
Corporate	4,273,045,282	66,519,378	4,339,564,660
<b>Total revenue from contracts with customer</b>	<b>₱14,217,661,343</b>	<b>₱992,294,260</b>	<b>₱15,209,955,603</b>
<b>Geographic Markets</b>			
Domestic	₱10,255,596,454	₱659,080,286	₱10,914,676,740
Overseas	3,962,064,889	333,213,974	4,295,278,863
<b>Total revenue from contracts with customer</b>	<b>₱14,217,661,343</b>	<b>₱992,294,260</b>	<b>₱15,209,955,603</b>

Segments	For the year ended December 31, 2018		
	Logistics	Money transfer services	Total
<b>Type of Customer</b>			
Retail	₱7,170,416,217	₱859,566,586	₱8,029,982,803
Corporate	4,192,458,708	103,140,966	4,295,599,674
<b>Total revenue from contracts with customer</b>	<b>₱11,362,874,925</b>	<b>₱962,707,552</b>	<b>₱12,325,582,477</b>
<b>Geographic Markets</b>			
Domestic	₱9,286,835,023	₱799,485,028	₱10,086,320,051
Overseas	2,076,039,902	163,222,524	2,239,262,426
<b>Total revenue from contracts with customer</b>	<b>₱11,362,874,925</b>	<b>₱962,707,552</b>	<b>₱12,325,582,477</b>

The Group disaggregates its revenue information in the same manner as it reports its segment information.

The revenue of the Group consists mainly of sales to external customers. Revenue arising from service fees charged to affiliates amounted to ₱74.76 million, ₱231.95 million and ₱633.30 million in 2020, 2019 and 2018, respectively (see Note 18).



Seasonality of Operation

Normally, the Group's operation experiences increased volume in cargo transaction and remittance transmission throughout most of the second quarter and fourth quarter of the year, particularly during the start of the school year and during the holiday season. In 2020, the increase in volume for cargo transactions surged during the third and fourth quarter of the year upon lifting of the enhanced community quarantine caused by the coronavirus pandemic.

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**27. Note to Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows**

In 2020, the Group has the following non-cash transactions under:

Investing Activities

- a.) Unpaid acquisition of property and equipment amounting to ₱6.38 million.
- b.) Offsetting of loans receivable and interest against royalty fee recorded under 'accounts and other payables' (see Note 12) amounting to ₱6.53 million.
- c.) Reclassification of advances for future investment in shares to investment in associates of ₱79.81 million.



Financing Activities

	Non-cash activities						December 31, 2020
	December 31, 2019	Cash Flows	Leasing arrangements	Interest	Foreign exchange movement	Fair value changes	
	₱929,722,222	₱950,004,417	₱-	₱-	₱-	₱-	₱1,879,726,639
Notes payable							
Lease and other non-current liabilities	2,041,533,590	(781,209,783)	1,125,457,601	-	-	-	2,385,781,408
Convertible bond and derivative liability)	3,295,702,619	-	-	203,654,593	(72,952,263)	-	3,477,509,229
Dividends payable	14,775,250	(294,261,690)	-	-	-	285,173,094	5,686,654
Interest payable	3,031,235	(235,176,606)	-	237,028,952	-	-	4,883,581
Due to related parties	33,611,365	(7,032,879)	-	-	-	13,634,724	40,213,210
Total liabilities from financing activities	₱6,318,376,281	(₱367,676,541)	₱1,125,457,601	₱440,683,545	(₱72,952,263)	₱51,104,280	₱7,793,800,721

\*Relates to fair value changes of derivative liability

In 2019, the Group has the following non-cash transactions under:

Investing Activities

- d.) Unpaid acquisition of property and equipment amounting to ₱653.54 million.
- e.) Offsetting of due from LBCDC against dividend payable amounting to ₱493.29 million recorded under 'Due from related parties' (see Note 18).
- f.) Offsetting of loans receivable and interest receivable against royalty fee recorded under 'accounts and other payables' amounting to ₱1.52 million and ₱0.06 million, respectively (Note 12).
- g.) Increase in receivable from LBCDC amounting to ₱1,018.66 million arising from the disposal of QUADX, Inc. in which ₱186.02 million pertains to the selling price of QUADX, Inc. and ₱832.64 million pertains to the assigned receivables (see Note 18).
- h.) Decrease in due from related parties amounting to ₱78.73 million due to application of payment for advances for future investment in shares.



**Financing Activities**

Details of the movement in cash flows from financing activities are as follows:

	Non-cash activities									
	December 31, 2018	Cash Flows	Leasing arrangements	Interest	Offsetting of dividends	Foreign exchange movement	Fair value changes	Effect of business combination and disposal of a subsidiary (Note 4)	Dividend declaration	December 31, 2019
	₱	₱	₱	₱	₱	₱	₱	₱	₱	₱
Notes payable	₱829,500,000	₱100,222,222								₱929,722,222
Lease and other non-current liabilities	220,055,216	(706,334,104)	2,429,152,135					98,660,343		2,041,533,590
Convertible bond (bond and derivative liability)	2,514,592,501			183,923,419		(45,319,435)	642,506,134*			3,295,702,619
Dividends payable	285,173,094	(133,570,637)			(493,293,575)				356,466,368	14,775,250
Interest payable	1,570,160	(201,007,631)		202,468,706						3,031,235
Due to related parties	93,992,129	43,215,678						(124,530,590)	20,934,148	33,611,365
<b>Total liabilities from financing activities</b>	<b>₱3,944,883,100</b>	<b>(₱897,474,472)</b>	<b>₱2,429,152,135</b>	<b>₱386,392,125</b>	<b>(₱493,293,575)</b>	<b>(₱45,319,435)</b>	<b>₱642,506,134</b>	<b>(₱25,870,247)</b>	<b>₱377,400,516</b>	<b>₱6,318,376,281</b>

\*Relates to fair value changes of derivative liability





In 2018, the Group has the following non-cash transactions under:

Investing Activities

- i.) Fair value adjustment of intangible assets amounting to ₱81.25 million arising from the result of business combination
- j.) Unpaid acquisitions of property and equipment and intangible assets amounting to ₱151.17 million and ₱12.66 million, respectively
- k.) Acquisition of investments in QUADX Inc. through the conversion of assigned advances to equity recorded under 'Due from related parties' amounting to ₱186.02 million

Financing Activities

Details of the movement in cash flows from financing activities are as follows:

	December 31, 2017	Cash Flows	Non-cash activities					Effect of business combination (Note 4)	December 31, 2018
			Leasing arrangements	Interest	Dividends declared	Foreign exchange movement	Fair value changes		
Notes payable	₱1,041,300,000	(₱211,800,000)	₱-	₱-	₱-	₱-	₱-	₱-	₱829,500,000
Lease and other non-current liabilities	236,050,436	(69,751,123)	46,840,480	-	-	-	-	6,915,423	220,055,216
Convertible bond (bond and derivative liability)	2,756,558,538	-	-	161,654,374	-	50,577,641	(454,198,052)*	-	2,514,592,501
Dividends payable	-	-	-	-	285,173,094	-	-	-	285,173,094
Interest payable	1,655,549	(62,327,013)	-	62,241,624	-	-	-	-	1,570,160
Due to related parties	2,542,585	(128,178,571)	-	-	-	-	-	219,628,115	93,992,129
<b>Total liabilities from financing activities</b>	<b>₱4,038,107,108</b>	<b>(₱472,056,707)</b>	<b>₱46,840,480</b>	<b>₱223,895,998</b>	<b>₱285,173,094</b>	<b>₱50,577,641</b>	<b>(₱454,198,052)</b>	<b>₱226,543,538</b>	<b>₱3,944,883,100</b>

\*Relates to fair value changes of derivative liability

## 28. Basic/Diluted Earnings Per Share

The following table presents information necessary to calculate earnings per share (EPS) on net income attributable to owners of the Parent Company:

	2020	2019	2018
Net income attributable to equity holder of the Parent Company	<b>₱200,283,516</b>	₱494,574,503	₱1,359,766,592
Add loss (profit) impact of assumed conversion of bonds payable	<b>203,692,289</b>	794,705,949	(257,139,329)
	<b>₱403,975,805</b>	₱1,289,280,452	₱1,102,627,263
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding	<b>1,425,865,471</b>	1,425,865,471	1,425,865,471
Dilutive shares arising from convertible debt	<b>184,753,846</b>	195,169,231	202,784,615
Adjusted weighted average number of common shares for diluted EPS	<b>1,610,619,317</b>	1,621,034,702	1,628,650,086
<b>Basic EPS</b>	<b>₱0.14</b>	₱0.35	₱0.95
<b>Diluted EPS</b>	<b>₱0.14</b>	₱0.35	₱0.68

In 2020 and 2019, the Parent Company did not consider the effect of the assumed conversion of convertible debt since it is anti-dilutive. As such, in 2020 and 2019, the diluted EPS presented in the consolidated statements of comprehensive income is the same value as the basic EPS



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## 29. Closure of LBC Development Bank, Inc.

On September 9, 2011, the BSP, through Monetary Board Resolution No. 1354, resolved to close and place LBC Development Bank Inc.'s (the "Bank") assets and affairs under receivership and appointed Philippine Deposit Insurance Company (PDIC) as the Bank's official receiver and liquidator.

On December 8, 2011, the Bank, thru PDIC, demanded LBC Holdings USA Corporation (LBC US) to pay its alleged outstanding obligations amounting to approximately ₱1.00 billion, a claim that LBC US has denied for being baseless and unfounded.

In prior years, the Group has outstanding advances of ₱295.00 million to the Bank, an entity under common control of LBCDC. In 2011, upon the Bank's closure and receivership, management assessed that these advances are not recoverable. Accordingly, the receivables amounting to ₱295.00 million were written-off.

On March 17 and 29, 2014, PDIC's external counsel sent demand/collection letters to LBC Express, Inc. (LBCE), for collection of the alleged amounts totaling ₱1.79 billion. It also sent demand/collection letter to LBC Systems, Inc. [Formerly LBC Mundial Inc.] [Formerly LBC Mabuhay USA Corporation], demanding the payment of amounts aggregating to ₱911.59 million on March 24 and 29, 2014, July 29, 2014, June 17, 2015 and June 26, 2015.

On November 2, 2015, the Bank, represented by the PDIC, filed a case against LBCE and LBCDC, together with other respondents, before the Makati City Regional Trial Court (RTC) for a total collection of ₱1.82 billion representing collection of unpaid service fees due from June 2006 to August 2011 and service charges on remittance transactions from January 2010 to September 2011. PDIC justified the increase in the amount from the demand letters that were sent on March 17 and 29, 2014 due to their discovery that the supposed payments of LBCE were allegedly unsupported by actual cash inflow to the Bank.

On December 28, 2015, summons and writ of preliminary attachment were served on the former Corporate Secretary of LBCE. The writ of preliminary attachment resulted to the (a) attachment of the 1,205,974,632 shares of LBC Express Holdings, Inc. owned by LBCDC and (b) attachment of various bank accounts of LBCE totaling ₱6.90 million. The attachment of the shares in the record of the stock transfer agent had the effect of preventing the registration or recording of any transfers of shares in the records, until the writ of attachment is discharged.

On January 21, 2016, LBCE and LBCDC filed its Urgent Motion to Approve the Counterbond and Discharge the Writ of Attachment which was resolved in favor of LBCE and LBCDC.

On February 17, 2016, the RTC issued the order to lift and set aside the writ of preliminary attachment. The order to lift and set aside the preliminary attachment directed the sheriff of the RTC to deliver to LBCE and LBCDC all properties previously garnished pursuant to the writ. The counterbond delivered by LBCE and LBCDC stands as security for all properties previously attached and to satisfy any final judgment in the case.

From August 10, 2017 to January 19, 2018, LBCE, LBCDC, the other defendants and PDIC were referred to mediation and Judicial Dispute Resolution (JDR) but were unable to reach a compromise agreement. The RTC ordered the mediation and JDR terminated and the case was raffled to a new judge who scheduled the case for pre-trial proceedings.



On or about September 3, 2018, PDIC filed a motion for issuance of alias summons to five individual defendants, who were former officers and directors of the Bank. For reasons not explained by PDIC, it had failed to cause the service of summons upon five other individual defendants and hence, the RTC had not acquired jurisdiction over them. Since PDIC was still trying to serve summons on the five individual defendants and thus, for orderly proceedings, LBCE and other defendants filed motions to defer pre-trial until the RTC had acquired jurisdiction over the remaining defendants.

On January 18, 2019, PDIC filed its Pre-Trial Brief. LBCE and other defendants, on the other hand, filed its own Pre-Trial Brief without prejudice to their pending Motions to defer Pre-Trial.

On May 2, 2019, at the pre-trial hearing, the judge released his Order, whereby, among others, he granted the motion to defer pre-trial proceedings in order to have an orderly and organized pre-trial and deferred pre-trial hearing until the other defendants have received summons and filed their answers. In the meantime, the parties have proceeded to pre-mark their respective documentary exhibits in preparation for eventual pre-trial.

Later on, four of the five individual defendants received summons and then filed motions to dismiss the case, all of which were denied by the RTC. All four individual defendants filed for motions for reconsideration. The motions for reconsideration filed by the three individual defendants were eventually denied by the RTC. Thereafter, the three individual defendants filed their Answers to the Complaint with the RTC.

Meanwhile, on January 16, 2021, summons, together with a copy of the Complaint were served on LBC Properties, Inc., another defendant in this case. On February 11, 2021, LBC Properties, Inc. filed its Answer to the Complaint.

The last remaining individual defendant is scheduled to file her Answer on April 2, 2021.

While waiting for the last remaining individual defendant to file her Answer to the Complaint, PDIC, LBCE, LBCDC and the other defendants are scheduled to pre-mark their respective documentary exhibits on April 21, 23 and 30, 2021. The court has not set a date for pre-trial.

In relation to the above case, in the opinion of management and in concurrence with its legal counsel, any liability of LBCE is not probable and estimable at this point.

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### 30. Reclassification

Contracts with customers require the Group to compensate its customers in the form of penalties in the event of product damage, product loss and/or late return and deliveries. The Group previously accounted for these penalties as Losses presented under 'Operating expenses' in the consolidated statements of comprehensive income. Management has assessed that these penalties are considered as a variable consideration being directly linked to the performance of the Group's service obligation as stipulated in the contracts with customers. Accordingly, the penalties form part of the amount of consideration to which the Group expects to be entitled in exchange for transferring the promised services to its customers, which shall be accounted as a reduction in service revenue.

In 2019 and 2018, the Group recognized additional variable consideration amounting to ₱17.10 million and ₱15.95 million, respectively, presented as a reduction in service revenue, from the previous classification as part of operating expenses.



Furthermore, in 2019 and 2018, the Group reclassified rent expenses of certain operating branches from 'Operating expenses' to 'Cost of services' amounting to ₱69.62 million and ₱141.04 million, respectively. The reclassification did not impact the consolidated statements of financial position and cash flows.

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### 31. Impact of COVID-19 Pandemic and Subsequent Events

#### *Impact of the recent Coronavirus situation*

The declaration of COVID-19 outbreak by the World Health Organization as a pandemic and declaration of nationwide state of calamity and implementation of community quarantine measures throughout the Philippines starting March 16, 2020 have caused disruptions to businesses and economic activities, and its impact on businesses continues to evolve.

In order to remain operational during the pandemic period, the Group activated its Business Continuity Plans in order to continue to fulfill services much needed during this crisis period. The Group's delivery lead times have been extended to adjust for increased safety, security and travel restrictions. Likewise, the Group has implemented processes leading to contactless delivery and other safety and security measures within operations, and maintains stringent measures and protocols set by the government including social distancing and regular sanitation of branches, hubs and warehouses, and other facilities, including all cargo. The Group has also adapted a skeletal manpower model, when necessary, in its offices, delivery and courier operations and has suspended operations of selected branches in various locations caused by local lockdowns, until further notice. All frontliners are ensured of their safety and well-being and are provided with safety and protection gear, point-to-point shuttles for easier commute, free meals, medical assistance and allowances, among others. Rapid testing is also being implemented, fulfilling the Group's commitment to health and safety, not just for its employees, but also, in turn, for its customers.

The impact of the pandemic resulted to decline in revenue (see Note 3), recognition of additional allowance for expected credit losses (see Note 3) and receipt of rent concessions from lessors (see Note 2). The Group also incurred COVID-19 pandemic related expenses such as medical and sanitation supplies, shuttling costs, donation of face shields and face masks, premiums paid to employees and rapid testing costs.

Management is continuously monitoring the financial impact to the Group as the COVID-19 situation progresses and as the Group maintains its commitment to the continuous provision of services to its customers while ensuring the safety and welfare of its employees.

#### *Corporate Recovery and Tax Incentives for Enterprises Act or "CREATE"*

President Rodrigo Duterte signed into law on March 26, 2021 the Corporate Recovery and Tax Incentives for Enterprises (CREATE) Act to attract more investments and maintain fiscal prudence and stability in the Philippines. Republic Act (RA) 11534 or the CREATE Act introduces reforms to the corporate income tax and incentives systems. It takes effect 15 days after its complete publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation or April 11, 2021.

On April 8, 2021, the Secretary of Finance, with recommendation from the Commissioner of the Bureau of Internal Revenue, promulgated the Implementing Rules and Regulations for the effectivity of the approved provisions of CREATE Act and clarified how the taxable income for the period beginning July 1, 2020 will be computed.



The following are the key changes to the Philippine tax law pursuant to the CREATE Act which have an impact on the Group:

- Effective July 1, 2020, regular corporate income tax (RCIT) rate is reduced from 30% to 25% for domestic and resident foreign corporations. For domestic corporations with net taxable income not exceeding Php5 million and with total assets not exceeding Php100 million (excluding land on which the business entity's office, plant and equipment are situated) during the taxable year, the RCIT rate is reduced to 20%.
- Minimum corporate income tax (MCIT) rate reduced from 2% to 1% of gross income effective July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2023.
- Imposition of improperly accumulated earnings tax (IAET) is repealed.
- Foreign-sourced dividends received by domestic corporations are exempt from income tax subject to the following conditions:
  - The funds from such dividends actually received or remitted into the Philippines are reinvested in the business operations of the domestic corporation in the Philippines within the next taxable year from the time the foreign-sourced dividends were received;
  - Shall be limited to funding the working capital requirements, capital expenditures, dividend payments, investment in domestic subsidiaries, and infrastructure project; and
  - The domestic corporation holds directly at least 20% of the outstanding shares of the foreign corporation and has held the shareholdings for a minimum of 2 years at the time of the dividend distribution.

As of December 31, 2020, the foreign-sourced dividends received by the Group have been subjected to applicable regular corporate income tax.

As clarified by the Philippine Financial Reporting Standards Council in its Philippine Interpretations Committee Q&A No. 2020-07, the CREATE Act was not considered substantively enacted as of December 31, 2020 even though some of the provisions have retroactive effect to July 1, 2020. The passage of the CREATE Act into law on March 26, 2011 is considered as a non-adjusting subsequent event. Accordingly, current and deferred taxes as of and for the year ended December 31, 2020 continued to be computed and measured using the applicable income tax rates as of December 31, 2020 (i.e., 30% RCIT / 2% MCIT) for financial reporting purposes.

Applying the provisions of the CREATE Act, the Group would have been subjected to lower regular corporate income tax rate of either 25% or 20% effective July 1, 2020.

This will result in lower provision for current income tax for the year ended December 31, 2020 and lower income tax payable as of December 31, 2020 by ₱12.23 million and ₱9.64 million, respectively, which will be reflected in the Group's 2020 annual income tax return but will only be recognized for financial reporting purposes in its 2021 financial statements.

This will result in lower deferred tax assets and liabilities as of December 31, 2020 and provision for deferred tax for the year then ended by ₱72.41 million and ₱84.51 million, respectively. These reductions will be recognized in the 2021 financial statements.




## **INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON SUPPLEMENTARY SCHEDULES**

The Stockholders and the Board of Directors  
LBC Express Holdings, Inc. and Subsidiaries  
LBC Hangar, General Aviation Centre  
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Pasay City, Metro Manila

We have audited in accordance with Philippine Standards on Auditing, the consolidated financial statements of LBC Express Holdings, Inc. and its Subsidiaries (the Group) as at and for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019 and for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2020, included in this Form 17-A, and have issued our report thereon dated April 14, 2021. Our audit was made for the purpose of forming an opinion on the consolidated financial statements taken as a whole. The schedules listed in the Index to the Consolidated Financial Statements and Supplementary Schedules are the responsibility of the Group's management. These schedules are presented for purposes of complying with the Revised Securities Regulation Code Rule 68 and are not part of the consolidated financial statements. These schedules have been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the consolidated financial statements and, in our opinion, fairly state, in all material respects, the information required to be set forth therein in relation to the consolidated financial statements taken as a whole.

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**LBC EXPRESS HOLDINGS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES**

**SCHEDULE A: FINANCIAL ASSETS**

**DECEMBER 31, 2020**

Name of issuing entity and association of each issue	Number of shares	Amount shown in the balance sheet	Income received and accrued	Value Based on Market Quotation and End of Reporting Period
Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income - Araneta Properties, Inc.	195,060,074	₱232,121,488	₱-	N/A
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	-	14,942,602	-	N/A
		247,064,090		N/A
Financial assets at amortized costs:	-	4,756,569,662	18,286,027	N/A
Cash in bank and cash equivalents	-	124,175,918	620,907	N/A
Short-term investment	-	10,373,664	-	N/A
Restricted cash in bank	-	1,952,631,752	-	N/A
Trade and other receivables	-	1,115,174,011	-	N/A
Due from related parties	-	21,342,954	1,165,977	N/A
Notes receivable (noncurrent)	-	81,371,302	1,978,089	N/A
Loans receivable (current and noncurrent)	-	8,061,639,263	22,051,000	N/A
		₱8,308,703,353	₱22,051,000	



**LBC EXPRESS HOLDINGS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES**  
**SCHEDULE B: AMOUNTS RECEIVABLE FROM DIRECTORS, OFFICERS, EMPLOYEES, RELATED PARTIES AND PRINCIPAL STOCKHOLDER (OTHER THAN RELATED PARTIES)**  
**DECEMBER 31, 2020**

Name and Designation of debtor	Balance at beginning of period	Additions	Amounts collected	Amounts written off	Current	Non-current	Balance at end of period
Santiago G. Araneta, <i>Beneficial owner</i>	₱9,537,387	₱35,030,678	(₱35,030,678)	₱-	₱9,537,387	₱-	₱9,537,387
Fernando G. Araneta <i>Beneficial owner</i>	18,821,782	-	-	-	18,821,782	-	18,821,782
Monica G. Araneta <i>Beneficial owner</i>	9,349,708	-	-	-	9,349,708	-	9,349,708
Miguel Angel A. Camahort <i>Chief Executive Officer</i>	724,955	-	(724,955)	-	-	-	-
	<b>₱38,433,832</b>	<b>₱35,030,678</b>	<b>(₱35,755,633)</b>	<b>₱-</b>	<b>₱37,708,877</b>	<b>₱-</b>	<b>₱37,708,877</b>

**LBC EXPRESS HOLDINGS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES**  
**SCHEDULE C: AMOUNTS RECEIVABLES/PAYABLES FROM/TO RELATED PARTIES WHICH ARE ELIMINATED DURING THE CONSOLIDATION**  
**OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**DECEMBER 31, 2020**

Name of Subsidiaries	Balance at beginning of period	Additions	Amounts collected/paid	Sale of Subsidiary	Current	Not current	Balance at end of period
LBC Express, Inc.	(P1,878,721,192)	(P3,445,290,436)	P4,023,798,700		(P1,300,212,928)		(P1,300,212,928)
LBC Express, Inc. - MM	96,462,585	270,758,492	(263,549,301)		103,671,776		103,671,776
LBC Express, Inc. - SCC	16,163,852	61,692,800	(57,865,968)		19,990,684		19,990,684
LBC Express, Inc. - NEMM	21,146,975	184,380,855	(180,447,368)		25,080,462		25,080,462
LBC Express, Inc. - NWM	29,613,768	132,219,082	(126,512,377)		35,320,473		35,320,473
LBC Express, Inc. - EMM	23,696,239	104,312,959	(100,769,703)		27,239,495		27,239,495
LBC Express, Inc. - SMM	16,136,077	112,406,989	(111,406,847)		17,136,219		17,136,219
LBC Express, Inc. - CMM	16,264,009	139,196,797	(134,377,603)		21,083,203		21,083,203
LBC Express, Inc. - SL	61,412,175	252,434,538	(238,310,306)		75,536,408		75,536,408
LBC Express, Inc. - SEL	44,067,088	142,569,347	(139,718,898)		46,917,537		46,917,537
LBC Express, Inc. - CL	35,802,740	185,164,861	(183,276,649)		37,690,952		37,690,952
LBC Express, Inc. - NL	34,396,835	182,752,170	(180,026,140)		37,122,865		37,122,865
LBC Express, Inc. - VIS	60,358,010	231,997,866	(223,860,797)		68,495,079		68,495,079
LBC Express, Inc. - WVVIS	38,428,715	182,091,144	(176,953,406)		43,566,453		43,566,453
LBC Express, Inc. - MIN	46,767,187	207,412,837	(200,517,161)		53,662,864		53,662,864
LBC Express, Inc. - SEM	37,626,122	125,691,736	(121,365,276)		41,952,582		41,952,582
LBC Express, Inc. - SMCC	14,218,035	33,536,918	(32,035,580)		15,719,374		15,719,374
LBC Express, Inc. - ESI	(5,017,866)	(8,364,958)	6,838,541		(6,544,283)		(6,544,283)
LBC Express, Inc. - SCS	38,924,355	205,383,298	(173,341,121)		70,966,532		70,966,532
LBC Systems, Inc.	(55,484,375)	16,235,479	(15,021,153)		(54,270,048)		(54,270,048)
LBC Express WLL	20,949,925	(45,580,536)	59,673,230		35,042,619		35,042,619
LBC Express Bahrain WLL	(20,919,147)	(6,926,038)	(2,147,925)		(29,993,109)		(29,993,109)
LBC Express LLC	(71,007,698)	(29,091,845)	29,351,637		(70,747,907)		(70,747,907)
LBC Mabuhay Saipan, Inc.	(48,271,677)	(6,697,774)	40,187,660		(14,781,791)		(14,781,791)
LBC Aircargo (S) Pte. Ltd	(143,416,881)	(3,567,752)	1,146,013		(145,838,621)		(145,838,621)
LBC Money Transfer PTY Limited	(70,443,146)	(9,230,387)	48,557,852		(31,115,681)		(31,115,681)
LBC Airfreight (S) Pte. Ltd	105,146,491	(37,636,754)	72,862,145		140,371,882		140,371,882
LBC Australia PTY Limited	10,113,112	(34,628,768)	40,886,508		16,370,852		16,370,852
LBC Mabuhay (Malaysia) SDN BHD	5,403,949	(13,879,333)	17,052,723		8,577,339		8,577,339
LBC Mabuhay (B) SDN BHD	22,240,907	(4,582,720)	2,055,170		19,713,357		19,713,357
LBC Mabuhay Remittance SDN BHD	5,033,035	(7,569,630)	21,886,759		19,350,164		19,350,164
LBC Mundial Corporation	(6,637,789)	(313,982,448)	394,519,484		73,899,247		73,899,247
LBC Mabuhay North America Corporation	—	62,512,612	(62,306,123)		206,489		206,489
QUADX Pte Ltd.	13,670,094	—	(24,204,466)		(10,534,372)		(10,534,372)
Mermaid Co., Ltd.	(5,060,886)	—	(24,025,981)		(29,086,867)		(29,086,867)
	(P1,490,938,377)	(P1,134,278,599)	P1,986,776,273		(P1,300,212,928)		(P638,440,700)

**LBC EXPRESS HOLDINGS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES**

**SCHEDULE D: LONG TERM DEBT**

**DECEMBER 31, 2020**

Title of issue and type of obligation	Amount authorized by indenture	Amount shown under caption "Current liabilities" in related balance sheet	Amount shown under caption "Noncurrent liabilities" in related balance sheet
Notes payable	₱1,879,726,639	₱1,100,015,633	₱779,711,006
Lease liabilities	2,368,334,314	816,980,388	1,551,353,926
Bond payable	1,377,723,388	-	1,377,723,388
Derivative liability	2,099,785,841	-	2,099,785,841
Other liabilities	39,191,334	21,744,239	17,447,095
	<b>₱7,764,761,516</b>	<b>₱1,938,740,260</b>	<b>₱5,826,021,256</b>

**LBC EXPRESS HOLDINGS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES**  
**SCHEDULE E: INDEBTEDNESS TO RELATED PARTIES**  
**DECEMBER 31, 2020**

Name of related party	Balance at Beginning of Period	Balance at End of Period
Fernando G. Araneta, <i>Beneficial owner</i>	₱43,741	₱41,407
LBC Insurance Agency, Inc.	13,057,902	5,804,559
Blue Eagle and LBC Services Pte. Ltd.	17,508,283	17,066,489
QUADX Inc.	2,607,080	12,291,628
LBC Holdings USA Corporation	—	4,190,742
Others	394,359	818,385
	<b>₱33,611,365</b>	<b>₱40,213,210</b>

**LBC EXPRESS HOLDINGS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES**

**SCHEDULE F: GUARANTEES OF SECURITIES OF OTHER ISSUERS**

**DECEMBER 31, 2020**

Name of issuing entity of securities guaranteed by the company for which this statements is filed	Title of issue of each class of securities guaranteed	Total amount guaranteed and outstanding	Amount of owned by person for which statement is filed	Nature of guarantee
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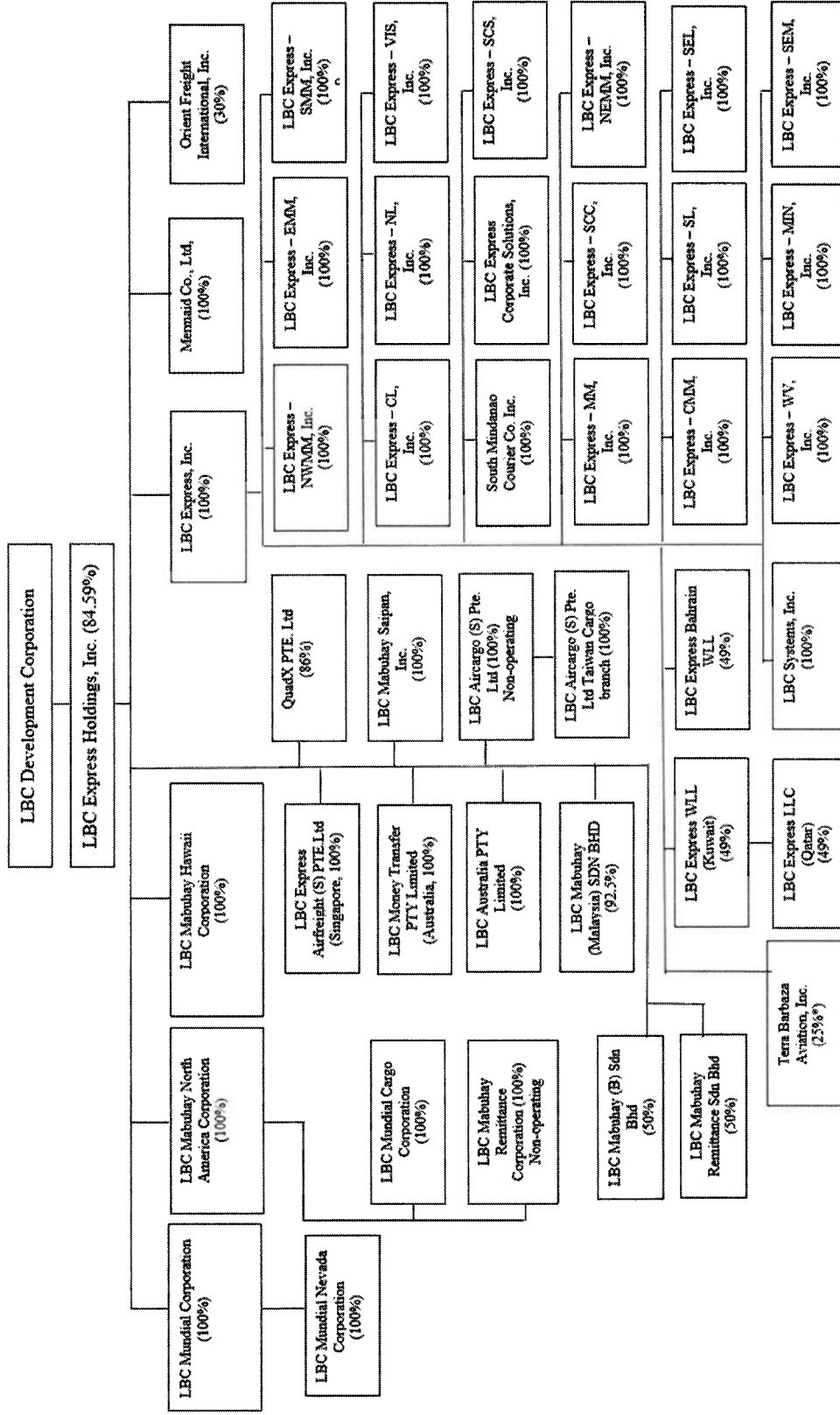
**LBC EXPRESS HOLDINGS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES**

**SCHEDULE G: CAPITAL STOCK**

**DECEMBER 31, 2020**

Title of issue	Number of shares authorized	Number of shares issued and outstanding at shown under related balance sheet caption	Number of shares reserved for options, warrants, conversion and other rights	Number of shares held by		
				Related parties	Directors, officers and employees	Others
Common stock - ₱1 par value	2,000,000,000	1,425,865,471	-	1,206,178,232	230,007	219,457,232

**LBC EXPRESS HOLDINGS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES**  
**MAP OF THE RELATIONSHIPS OF THE COMPANIES WITHIN THE GROUP**  
**DECEMBER 31, 2020**



\*25% ownership in Terra Barbaza Aviation, Inc. is based on common stock with voting rights

**RECONCILIATION OF RETAINED EARNINGS AVAILABLE FOR DIVIDEND  
DECLARATION  
As of DECEMBER 31, 2020**

**LBC EXPRESS HOLDINGS, INC.**

LBC Hangar, General Aviation Centre, Domestic Airport Road, Pasay City, Metro Manila

<b>Unappropriated retained earnings, beginning</b>		<b>₱994,108,545</b>
Adjustments:		
Fair value adjustment (M2M gains)	(454,198,052)	
Unrealized foreign exchange gain - net (after tax, except those attributable to cash and cash equivalents)	(38,823,509)	<b>(493,021,561)</b>
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<b>Unappropriated retained earnings, as adjusted to available for dividend distribution as at January 1, 2020</b>		<b>501,086,984</b>
<b>Add: Net income actually incurred during the period</b>	<b>58,563,086</b>	
<b>Net income during the period closed to retained earnings</b>		
Less: Non-actual / unrealized income net		
Equity in net income of associate/joint venture	-	
Unrealized foreign exchange gain - net (after tax, except those attributable to cash and cash equivalents)	(51,066,584)	
Unrealized actuarial gain	-	
Fair value adjustment (M2M gains)	-	
Fair value adjustment of investment property resulting to gain	-	
Adjustment due to deviation from PFRS/GAAP gain	-	
Other unrealized gains or adjustments to the retained earnings as a result of certain transactions accounted for under the PFRS	-	
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Subtotal	-	
Add: Non-actual losses		
Depreciation on revaluation increment (after tax)	-	
Adjustment due to deviation from PFRS / GAAP - loss	-	
Loss on fair value adjustment of investment property (after tax)	-	
<b>Net income actually incurred during the period</b>	<b>7,496,502</b>	<b>508,583,486</b>
Add (Less):		
Dividend declarations during the period	(285,173,094)	
Appropriations of retained earnings during the period	-	
Reversals of appropriations	-	
Effects of prior period adjustments	-	
Treasury shares	-	
Subtotal		<b>(285,173,094)</b>
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		<b>₱223,410,392</b>
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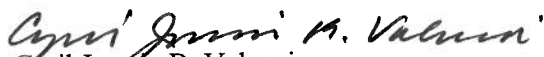


## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPONENTS OF FINANCIAL SOUNDNESS INDICATORS

The Stockholders and the Board of Directors  
LBC Express Holdings, Inc. and Subsidiaries  
LBC Hangar, General Aviation Centre  
Domestic Airport Road  
Pasay City, Metro Manila

We have audited in accordance with Philippine Standards on Auditing, the consolidated financial statements of LBC Express Holdings, Inc. and its Subsidiaries (the Group) as at December 31, 2020 and 2019 and for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2020, and have issued our report thereon dated April 14, 2021. Our audits were made for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic consolidated financial statements taken as a whole. The Supplementary Schedule on Financial Soundness Indicators, including their definitions, formulas, calculation, and their appropriateness or usefulness to the intended users, are the responsibility of the Group's management. These financial soundness indicators are not measures of operating performance defined by Philippine Financial Reporting Standards (PFRS) and may not be comparable to similarly titled measures presented by other companies. This schedule is presented for the purpose of complying with the Revised Securities Regulation Code Rule 68 issued by the Securities and Exchange Commission, and is not a required part of the basic consolidated financial statements prepared in accordance with PFRS. The components of these financial soundness indicators have been traced to the Group's consolidated financial statements as at December 31, 2020 and 2019 and for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2020 and no material exceptions were noted.

SYCIP GORRES VELAYO & CO.

  
Cyril Jazmin B. Valencia

Partner

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SEC Accreditation No. 1737-A (Group A),

January 24, 2019, valid until January 23, 2022

Tax Identification No. 162-410-623

BIR Accreditation No. 08-001998-074-2020,

December 3, 2020, valid until December 2, 2023

PTR No. 8534376, January 4, 2021, Makati City

April 14, 2021



**LBC EXPRESS HOLDINGS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES**  
**SCHEDULE OF FINANCIAL SOUNDNESS INDICATORS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020**

*Financial Soundness Indicators*

Below are the financial ratios that are relevant to the Group as of December 31, 2020 and 2019:

<b>Financial ratios</b>	<b>Formula</b>	<b>Current Year</b>		<b>Prior Year</b>	
Current ratio	Total Current Assets	<b>9,255,980,993</b>	<b>1.52</b>	7,883,732,608	1.60
	Total Current Liabilities	<b>6,077,675,750</b>		4,942,499,617	
Acid Test Ratio	Total Current Assets - Prepayments and other current assets	<b>8,359,535,690</b>	<b>1.38</b>	7,075,952,457	1.43
	Current Liabilities	<b>6,077,675,750</b>		4,942,499,617	
Solvency Ratio	Net Income After Tax – Non-Cash Expenses	<b>1,957,763,272</b>	<b>0.15</b>	2,713,028,900	0.25
	Total Liabilities	<b>12,668,582,684</b>		10,825,571,654	
Debt-to-equity ratio	Total liabilities	<b>12,668,582,684</b>	<b>4.26</b>	10,825,571,654	3.31
	Stockholder's equity attributable to Parent Company	<b>2,971,108,747</b>		3,268,113,705	
Asset-to-equity ratio	Total Assets	<b>15,661,678,159</b>	<b>5.27</b>	14,093,685,359	4.31
	Stockholder's equity attributable to Parent Company	<b>2,971,108,747</b>		3,268,113,705	
Interest rate coverage ratio	Income before interest and tax expense	<b>828,355,757</b>	<b>1.88</b>	1,222,234,702	3.16
	Interest Expense	<b>440,683,545</b>		386,392,125	
Return on equity	Net income attributable to Parent Company	<b>200,283,516</b>	<b>0.07</b>	494,574,503	0.15
	Stockholder's equity attributable to Parent Company	<b>2,971,108,747</b>		3,268,113,705	
Debt to total assets ratio	Total liabilities	<b>12,668,582,684</b>	<b>0.81</b>	10,825,571,654	0.77
	Total assets	<b>15,661,678,159</b>		14,093,685,359	
Return on average assets	Net income attributable to Parent Company	<b>200,283,516</b>	<b>0.01</b>	494,574,503	0.04
	Average assets	<b>14,877,681,759</b>		12,731,930,057	
Net profit margin	Net income attributable to Parent Company	<b>200,283,516</b>	<b>0.01</b>	494,574,503	0.03
	Service fee	<b>14,117,067,433</b>		15,209,955,603	
Book value per share	Stockholder's equity attributable to Parent Company	<b>2,971,108,747</b>	<b>2.08</b>	3,268,113,705	2.29
	Total number of shares	<b>1,425,865,471</b>		1,425,865,471	
Basic earnings per share	Net income attributable to Parent Company	<b>200,283,516</b>	<b>0.14</b>	494,574,503	0.35
	Weighted average number of common shares outstanding	<b>1,425,865,471</b>		1,425,865,471	
Diluted earnings per share	Net income attributable to Parent Company after impact of conversion of bonds payable	<b>200,283,516</b>	<b>0.14</b>	494,574,503	0.35
	Adjusted weighted average number of common shares for diluted EPS	<b>1,425,865,471</b>		1,425,865,471	

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**Sustainability  
Report**

**LBC Express Holdings, Inc.**



***We Like To Move It***



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## **Sustainability Report**

### **LBC Express Holdings, Inc.**

The year that has passed will go down in history, arguably, as one of the most trying, challenging, and unprecedented in recent history.

2020 challenged us as a company, as employers, as a service provider, and as people.

*However, not once did it ever cross our minds to back down.*

We pushed ourselves and our people, our systems, to operate at its best, and continuously adjust, adapt, innovate, in order to continuously serve customers. Now, more than ever, has our business/company been necessary, relevant, and essential.

Our foremost priority was always health and safety – not just of our customers, but most especially of our own people.

This Sustainability Report focuses on the Economic, Social, and Customer Satisfaction initiatives of LBC, as these were most material in 2020.

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# Contextual Information

## Company Details

Name of Organization

LBC Express Holdings, Inc.

Location of Headquarters

Pasay City

Location of Operations

Nationwide, +29 countries

Report Boundary: Legal entities (e.g. subsidiaries) included in this report

LBC Express, Inc., other subsidiaries shown in chart

The Group's business is principally comprised of two major segments: (a) Logistics; and (b) Money Transfer Services.

The Group's Logistics products serves Retail (C2C) and Corporate/Institutional (B2B/B2C) customers. The main services offered under the Group's Logistics business are Domestic and International Courier, and Freight Forwarding services (by way of air, sea and ground transport).

Money Transfer Services include Domestic Remittance services (available as branch retail services), Bills Payment collection, and Corporate Remittance Payout services. International Money Transfer Services are also offered overseas through the Group's own branches, and through partners, which encompasses International Inbound Remittance services.

Business Model, including Primary Activities, Brands, Products, and Services

Reporting Period

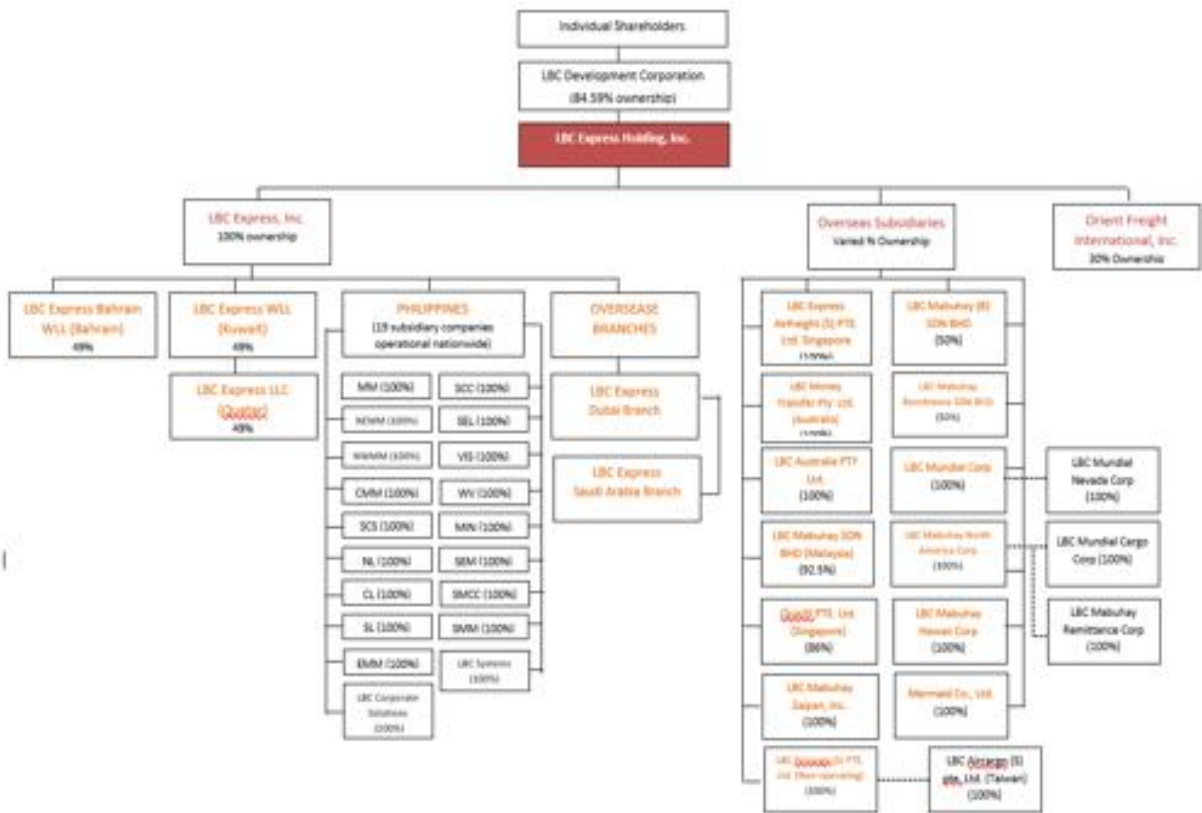
2019-2020

Highest Ranking Person responsible for this report

Maria Anna Victoria L. Gomez  
Corporate Affairs Senior Manager

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# Contextual Information



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# Contextual Information



## What Moves and Drives Us

**Our Vision.** By 2020, LBC shall be the access and delivery solutions provider of choice, professionally and technologically equipped to serve Filipino families and business entities through total customer experience.

**Our Mission.** Linking and bridging customers through our network and innovating new solutions to provide faster, easier, and more cost-effective delivery solutions.

## What We Are All About

### Our Culture

These are the values that define everything we do in LBC:

- *Humility*
- *Integrity*
- *Trust*
- *Commitment*
- *Social Responsibility*
- *Customer First*
- *Teamwork*
- *Innovative*
- *Positive Thinking*

### Our Brand Attributes

#### Clarity

We believe in providing transparent and timely information to give customers peace of mind.

We want to pay particular attention to:

- The process of moving items or money
- The schedule and timing of your delivery
- Clear communication of our cost

#### Certainty

We believe in providing our various stakeholders with certainty through:

- Presenting relevant options for different needs
- Our staff's commitment to set expectations and deliver on our promises
- Fair and timely updates of information

#### Convenience

We promise to make your experience as hassle-free as possible by:

- Constantly improving our processes and adding new and relevant capabilities
- Easy access to call center and frontline staff
- Growing of our network coverage

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## What We Commit To

### Our Brand Promise:

*"A friend who makes your day"*

LBC is the warm and helpful partner who enjoys moving packages, goods and money for you. We understand that people look forward to what you're sending, so we provide clarity, certainty and convenience to help make everyone's day."

## What Inspires Us

### Our Brand Tagline:

*"We like to move it"*

1

### History and Network

Integrate core competencies to create a solid foundation for our service commitment.

2

### Understand and Learn

Gain meaningful insight into the evolution of the modern customer and apply to reinvent the business model.

3

### Quality and Service

Apply new capabilities to win customers through quality and customer satisfaction

4

### Innovate and Execute

Ensure resilience and agility as well as maintain market position by delivering high value products and services.





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# Contextual Information



***We Like To Move It***



*LBC is the Philippines' market leader in retail and corporate courier & cargo, money remittance, and logistics services. With a growing network of over 6,400 branches, hubs & warehouses, partners, and agents in over 20 countries, LBC is committed to moving lives, businesses, and communities and delivering smiles around the world. Listed in the Philippine Stock Exchange through LBC Express Holdings, Inc., LBC aims to deliver value to all of its stakeholders, as it has for over 60 years. Founded in 1945 as a brokerage and air cargo agent, LBC pioneered time-sensitive cargo delivery and 24-hour door-to-door delivery in the Philippines. Today, it is the most trusted logistics brand of the Global Filipino.*

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# Materiality Process

*Explain how you applied the materiality principle (or the materiality process) in identifying your material topics.*

In 2019, we conducted a roundtable interview with senior management and an internal survey of 155 respondents representing all departments across our operations to identify these material sustainability issues.

- **Environment:**
  - Energy use in terms of fuel consumption for vehicles and electricity use and efficiency in operations
  - Use of raw materials and recycled input materials in operations to minimize waste
  - Compliance with laws and regulations
- **Social issues:**
  - Employee hiring and retention
  - Compensation and benefits
  - Employee training and development (including lifelong learning)
- **Product responsibility:**
  - Customer satisfaction
  - Innovation and future technologies
  - Data security, protection and privacy

This report holds information on these key sustainability issues, some of which are actually LBC strongholds that we are quite proud of, such as product responsibility, human resources, and our financial performance. Given the spread and complexity of our operations, we decided to focus on available environmental performance data from Central Exchange, our 24-hour facility where all deliveries are centralized and sorted before delivery. We expect to improve on the scope and collection of our environmental data over the next few years.

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# Economic

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## ***Economic Performance***

### **Direct Economic Value Generated and Distributed**

<i>Disclosure</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>Currency</i>	<i>Remarks</i>
Direct economic value generated (revenue)	14,117,067,433	PhP	
Direct economic value distributed:			
a. Operating costs	13,315,790,687	PhP	COS and OPEX
b. Employee wages and benefits	3,966,382,358	PhP	(excludes contracted jobs)
c. Payments to suppliers, other operating costs	407,376,818	Php	Movement in Accounts Payable as documented in the Statement of Cash Flows
d. Dividends given to stockholders and interest payments to loan providers	298,807,818	PhP	
e. Taxes given to government	198,308,390	PhP	Tax paid as documented in Statement of Cash Flows
f. Investments to community (e.g. donations, CSR)	58,156,003	PhP	Donation account

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# Economic

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## ***Economic Performance***

### **Direct Economic Value Generated and Distributed**

Growth is our responsibility to the globalized Filipino.

As we expand our presence, LBC remains the brand that they can trust to connect them, no matter where they are in the world, meaningfully back home.

- **14.12 Billion in revenues**
  - **Present in 29 countries worldwide**
  - **1,556 branches in the Philippines**
  - **996,708 balikbayan boxes delivered**
  - **13,666,092 million remittance transactions**
  - **285,797 international parcels forwarded**
  - **2,818 total number of couriers**
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# Economic

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## **Economic Performance**

### **Direct Economic Value Generated and Distributed**

As markets change, LBC also transforms while continuously improving standard of product responsibility and accountability that LBC is known for.

Digital transformation enhances our ability to deliver solutions aligned with our brand attributes and upholding our service principles throughout.



	<i>Target</i>	<i>2020</i>	<i>2019</i>	<i>2018</i>	<i>2017</i>
<b>On-time delivery rate</b>	90%			88.09%	89.4%
<b>Productivity per courier</b>	90%			65%	70%
<b>Customer Care Answer level</b>	95%	72%	64%	95%	96%
<b>Customer Care Average handling time (minutes)</b>	3.9	4.44	4.10	3.83	3.58
<b>Customer Care Total response time (minutes)</b>	45	9	55	44	55
<b>Customer Care Complaint management</b>					
• closure rate	80%	100%	100%	100%	100%
• closure rate w/in 24 hours	80%	100%	92%	84%	62%

# Economic

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## **Economic Performance**

Direct Economic Value Generated and Distributed

LBC has been focused on continuously expanding its network, both in the Philippines and globally. This is integral to providing the best possible service to customers, enabling them access to cargo & money services most conveniently and efficiently.

**Over 520,000 touchpoints + DHL's presence in 2020 countries**

<b>LBC owned</b>	Overseas Branches	<b>75</b>		<i>cargo &amp; money in</i>
	Philippine Branches	<b>1,556</b>		<i>cargo &amp; money in &amp; out</i>
<b>Partners</b>	Overseas Cargo Agents	<b>229</b>		<i>cargo in</i>
	Overseas Money Agents	<b>1,500</b>		<i>money in</i>
<b>Local partners</b>	Palawan Pawnshop branches	<b>9,139</b>		<i>money in &amp; out</i>
	Cebuana Lhuillier branches	<b>2,500</b>		<i>money in &amp; out</i>
	Mlhuillier branches	<b>3,000</b>		<i>money in &amp; out</i>
	PJLhuillier branches	<b>300</b>		<i>money in &amp; out</i>
	Local banks	<b>3,300</b>		<i>money in</i>
<b>Partners</b>	Western Union global	<b>500,000</b>	agents	<i>money in &amp; out</i>
	DHL global	<b>220</b>	countries	<i>cargo out</i>

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The Company provides fulfillment services for international inbound remittances from over 20 countries and territories overseas to the Philippines through its overseas branches and affiliates and its network of international remittance agents.

To expand its international reach, LBCE has also entered into agreements with affiliates and remittance fulfillment agents in countries and territories outside of the Philippines. These agents include International Remittance houses such as in the Asia-Pacific region: in Hong Kong, Pacific Ace Forex H.K. Limited; in Malaysia, SMJ TERATAI SDN. BHD., TML Remittance Center SDN. BHD., Merchantrade Asia SDN. BHD., Trangolo; in Taiwan, Eastern Union Interactive Corp.; in Japan, TransRemittance Co. Ltd., Japan Remit Finance Co. Ltd.; in Singapore, Kabayan Remittance PTE. LTD.; in Israel, WIC Worldcom Finance Ltd.; in the Middle East continent: Zenj Exchange Co., WLL., Bahrain; in the United Arab Emirates, Al Ansari Exhchange LLC., Al Ghurair Exchange LLP., Instant Cash FZE., Onyx Exchange; in the European continent, Money Exchange SA, Spain; Intel Express Georgia, Georgia; Xpress Money Services Ltd., and Philippines

**13,666,092 million  
remittance  
transactions  
In 2020**



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**Ang pera padala puwede  
mong gawin ONLINE!**

**Send money via**



**INSTANT PESO  
PADALA**





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Remittances Ltd., in the United Kingdom; in the North American region; Uremit International Corp. and Atin Ito Variety Bakery & Remittance Ltd., Canada; Remitly Inc., Intermex Wire Transfer LLC, Limica Corporation (Guam), XOOM Corporation, Envios De Valores La Nacional Corp., and Placid NK Corporation, in the United States of America, among others.

International remittances are also encashed by LBCE from Philippine-based companies with international presence, such as Petnet Inc. (under Western Union), Pinoy Express Hatid Padala Services, Inc., New York Bay Philippines, Inc., Filremit Corp., Fastremit Service Inc., I-Remit Inc., Betur Inc. (DBA COINS PH), Pisopay.Com Inc., True Money Philippines Inc., Optimum Exchange Remit Inc., Ayannah Business Solutions, Inc., Atomtrans Tech Corp., Uniteller Filipino, Inc., among others.

For this same purpose, the Company also has partnerships with Philippine financial institutions with strong international and local presence such

as Asia United Bank Corporation, Bank of Commerce, China Banking Corporation, Metropolitan Bank & Trust Company and Subsidiaries, Rizal Commercial Banking Corporation, Bank of the Philippine Islands, and Landbank of the Philippines, among others, as well as other pawnshop/money service businesses such as Eight Under Par, Inc. (Palawan Pawnshop), Cebuana Lhuillier Services Corporation (Cebuana Lhuillier), Michel J. Lhuillier Financial Services, Inc. (MJ Lhuillier), and P.J. Lhuillier, Inc., among others.

The Group believes that its strategic partnerships with Palawan Pawnshop, Cebuana Lhuillier, MLhuillier, and PJ Lhuillier, among others, have enabled it to greatly expand its geographical reach in the Philippines and provide more services to more customers, particularly in areas where it has fewer Company-owned branches.

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**ONLINE na, ang pinalawak na LBC Instant Peso Padala**  
Dahil sa pinalawak na network, madaling ma-pickup sa kahit saang LBC branch padala mo.

The advertisement features a hand holding a smartphone in the foreground. The phone screen displays the LBC logo at the top, followed by the text "INSTANT PESO PADALA ONLINE" in large, bold, yellow and white letters. Below this, it says "Visit lbceexpress.com". The background is a vibrant scene of four people (two men and two women) jumping joyfully. They are surrounded by stylized speech bubbles and logos for various LBC branches: "M'PLUILLIER" (in a red bubble), "PALAWAN EXPRESS" (in a green bubble), "CEBUANA" (in a blue bubble), and the "LBC INSTANT PESO PADALA" logo (in a red bubble) at the bottom right. The overall theme is one of excitement and convenience.

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More and more Filipinos are doing their shopping online. Since 2017, the e-commerce industry has been growing exponentially, with digital marketplaces registering record sales and consistent growth. The Philippines has also ranked first in social media use and time spent online, which makes the country an ideal market for e-commerce to thrive and sustain vigorous activity.

One of the many challenges faced by many e-commerce merchants were payment gateways/options. A majority of online sellers are also considered "casual sellers" or "social sellers" and with most of them unbanked, completing a transaction had been a challenge. LBCE's inception of a payment solution bundled with logistics capabilities was "Cash On Delivery" (COD) and "Cash On Pick-up" (COP) service.

With this innovative new service, LBCE has enabled more merchants, including "casual or social sellers" to enter into and participate regularly in the thriving e-commerce arena. With "COD/COP," merchants have LBC deliver their goods and collect payment for them, which in turn can either be remitted to their appointed bank accounts or picked up from a designated LBC branch.

This pioneering service has helped spur the further growth of the e-commerce industry in the country, enabling trade, commerce, and generated income for many—promoting the Company's strategy of financial inclusivity and wide accessibility of services.

"COD/COP" utilizes both of LBCE's core business/services: logistics, as a courier of parcels & boxes, and money remittance, as a payment collection channel and payout conduit. Furthermore, LBC serves as a venue for transactions or "trading place": COP guarantees convenient and seamless transactions between merchant and buyer, a buyer may opt for any of LBCE's 1,556 branches as a pick-up point for their items purchased. COD offers the more established delivery scheme: LBC delivery associates collect payments from buyers upon delivery of the items, and these are delivered to any designated address, be it residential, office, or any other location. The collection of payments on behalf of the merchants from the buyers offer safe, reliable and guaranteed assurance for merchants engaging in online selling transactions. LBCE's expansive nationwide network and serviceable areas also allows for buyers to shop from anywhere in the Philippines, and sellers to reach more customers nationwide. COD/COP rates are competitively priced, providing value for money for merchants and buyers, along with LBC's guaranteed service levels.

COD/COP can be availed of at any LBC branch, without any other obligations or contracts; transactions are immediately processed upon fulfillment of the prescribed forms available at the branch. There is no need to create an "account" on online shopping sites, or to maintain any minimum volume of transactions to start an online or "social selling" business.

# Sign-up with SoShop! and Move Your Business Forward!



Dito nagsasama-sama ang mga Winner na Social Sellers at Bargain-Happy Buyers.  
Winner ka dito, kaya sign-up na with SoShop! Everyone is welcome to join!

Signup today at: [www.lbc.com.ph/so-shop](http://www.lbc.com.ph/so-shop)  
or scan the QR code below.

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SHOP!**

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The SoShop! program was launched by LBC Express in 2020 to provide E-commerce solutions to a growing customer base of online businesses and social sellers. The program includes end-to-end services such as Cash on Delivery (COD), Cash on Pick Up (COP), and LBC Online. This program was availed of by approximately 240,000 customers within 2020.

SoShop! encourages usage and retention for the Company's current base of customers, while also attracting new customers. SoShop! members enjoy perks and privileges, are invited to join special events, and offered tools designed to help them grow their businesses and scale revenues. The program provided members the opportunity for education and engagement, making them enabled and empowered and part of a growing community. A SoShop! Online Bazaar was held with over 150 seller participants, a first in the country. Members are also given access to free webinars hosted by LBC together with partners such as Facebook, Google, Canva, Prosperna, Sharetreasts.

**SoShop! has over  
40K members  
with approx. 450+  
activations daily,  
and growing**

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## SoShop! Online Bazaar



# Economic

02

## SoShop! Online Bazaar





# Economic

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## Covid Response & Recovery

The Board of Directors and Management of LBC Express Holdings, Inc., and its operating company LBC Express, Inc., were cognizant of the risks for exposure to public health & safety of COVID-19, and enjoined the nation in its efforts to mitigate these risks within its operations.

The Management continuously aims to protect its employees and serve its customers, and has taken measures to ensure these for definitive reassurance of all stakeholders. The Group's Management has and will exercise all efforts to provide business continuity across the enterprise; extraordinary measures and contingencies are in effect to ensure this.

Adjustments in service level agreements with customers pertinent to air forwarding alternatives were properly communicated to all concerned. These were regularly reassessed to ensure continuous service.

The management abided by government directives, and re-assessed the impacts of these on a daily basis. Commensurate adjustments to internal protocols and directives to employees were likewise effected, as well as to customer-facing procedures.

All our employees and customers were reassured that the Group was exercising all efforts to ensure public health and safety, and the Group continues to be united with the nation during these trying times.

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PHASES:



OBJECTIVES:  
(across all recovery phases)



ENABLERS:



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## ead our employees @ customers to safety



### EMPLOYEES

- Provide security and clarity during these uncertain times
- Recognize continuous service & dedication
- Boost morale & rally to continue working hard & smart



### CUSTOMERS

- Assure customers of LBC's safe & secure services
- Inform customers of service availability & delivery status
- Understand new needs & concerns



### COMMUNITY

- Mobilize impactful donations & service assistance (CSR)
- Inspire & motivate the public
- Increase awareness & brand love



Safety & Protective Measures



Contactless Delivery



Ensure Customer Service is active



**#WeAreStillMovingIt**



**#WeAreStillMovingIt**

# **B**oost revenues amid uncertainty

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1  
Rebalance and reposition products and services toward new consumer needs and behavior



2  
Rapidly innovate services and capabilities leveraging on the accelerated shift of consumers



3  
Capitalize on new market dynamics beyond the crisis

## What does this mean for logistics?

AREAS OF OPPORTUNITY & HORIZONS FOR GROWTH for LBC



### 1 EXPAND MARKET

Understand new market landscape.  
Expand share with service offerings addressing:

- NEW consumer behavior
- CHANGE in market dynamics and
- EXPERIENCED pain points



### 2 ACCELERATE DIGITAL

Accelerate digitization of current services and customer experience



### 3 NEW BIZ MODELS

Participate in new logistics capabilities, business models and revenue streams

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## Leverage on the accelerated shift of consumers



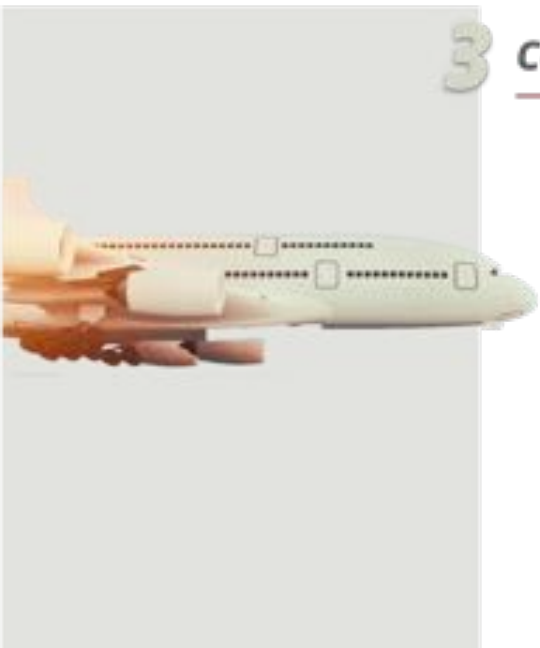
Transform Digital Channel



Create new products and services



Venture into new models; Study M&A



## Capitalize on New Market Dynamics



Seek out advantages of the industry situation



Actively follow developments in other industries for the "new normal" needs



New supply chain issues experienced

# **C**ompress @ Control Costs

Urgent cost management efforts & cash conservation, from immediate spend handbrakes to aggressive cost-cutting

**1**



Cash Flow Management

**2**



Resource Efficiency

**3**



Cost Reduction Programs

## **1** Cash Flow Management

Diligently manage liquidity

**a**



Receivables and Payables

**b**



Maximize use of cash:  
Sweeping accounts, targeting  
critical projects

**c**



Tighter Financial Management

**d**



Prudent use of cash reserves & credit line

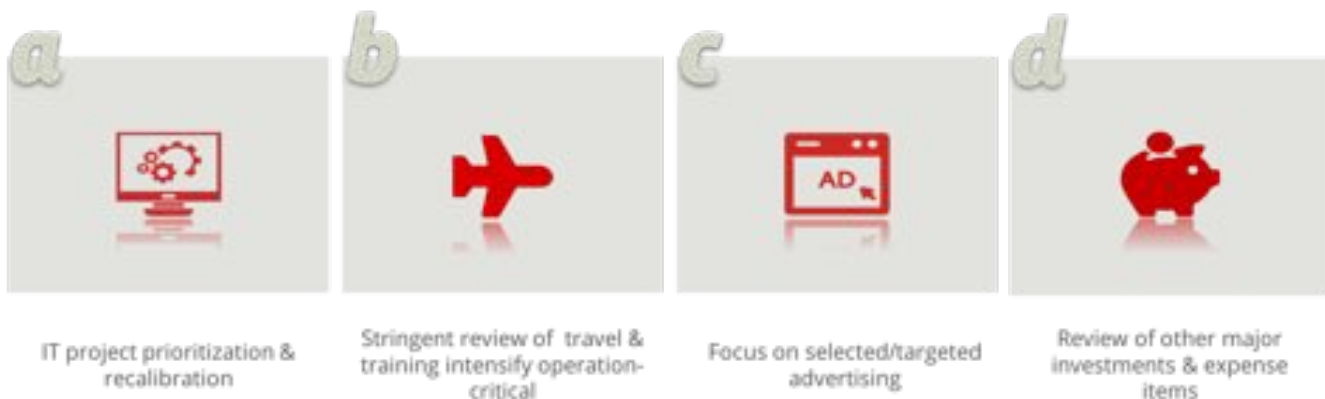
## 2 Resource Efficiency

Efficient use & purchase of resources, ensuring agile adoption to changes



## 3 Cost Reduction Programs

Rationalize spend towards more operation-critical & high-return expenses





# Economic

# 02

## Covid Response & Recovery

### PHILIPPINES

The Covid-19 pandemic has allowed technology-based companies to significantly fulfil market demands and needs by offering alternative services both for finance and logistics, the Group has successfully played a role in bridging gaps within the virtual money space and cargo movement. The brick and mortar business model in the Philippines has proven to be efficient in both first-mile and last-mile fulfilment segments, however, the Group's partnerships with several banks and eWallet operators made its offerings effective as LBC became their Cash-In ("First Mile") and Cash-Out ("Last Mile") conduit, necessary for its "Middle Mile" to work. The 1,600-strong branch network of LBC has contributed in making online financial services convenient for Filipinos to learn and adapt to the ongoing situation.

In logistics, LBC has opened more opportunities for Filipinos to become entrepreneurs with its services like Cash On Delivery (COD) and Cash On Pick-Up (COP), available for retail E-commerce customers.

This service, created for and targeted to Small-Medium Entrepreneurs (SMEs), Social Sellers and Buyers, Filipinos were able to sell goods and services online, and utilize LBC as a "middle man" for payments and fulfilment. The Group's brick and mortar stores are likewise utilized as "PUDO" (Pick-Up and Drop-Off) points for physical payment and cargo movement requirements. LBC is a first mover on this space, and it is continuously enhancing its offerings to adapt to the continuous shifts and movements of online selling and buying behaviors.

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## Covid Response & Recovery

Since 2019, and further enhanced in 2020, LBC services are available through its online platforms, where customers can avail of the Group's services without leaving their homes or offices. Online Booking for logistics is available, and is fulfilled either through Pick-Up or Drop-Off at any LBC branches. Online Remittance services are also made available for customers to send money anytime online.

Many initiatives and protocols were implemented in LBC branches since the beginning of the Covid-19 pandemic, including Safety Protocols for Frontliners (All Frontliners are required to wear protective gear such as face masks, face shields and gloves while attending to customers). Among the approximately 4,000 LBC branch frontliners nationwide, branch operations were unaffected and the virus' spread was effectively prevented and controlled. Social Distancing and limiting the number of customers allowed inside each branch was also immediately implemented, as well as protective counter shields installed in approximately 600 branches with high foot traffic.

All branches are disinfected twice daily, provide customers with access to disinfectant/alcohol upon entry and during transaction, and all accepted shipments are disinfected before movement out of the branch. Within 2020, there were no recorded incidents where customers were found to have been infected with the virus, from any of the LBC branches nationwide.

To hasten transactions of customers and shorten their queuing time within an LBC branch, a QMS (Queuing Management System) was also installed in high traffic branches. The system also allows customers to wait at another location around the vicinity of the branch, and are alerted via SMS text message when their transaction is ready to be accepted at the branch.

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## Covid Response & Recovery

The Group's Logistics Systems continued to operate despite the Covid-19 pandemic. Retail and Corporate Customers were continuously and uninterruptedly served amid the various national and local challenges. In 2020, additional Exchange warehouses (Cargo Exchange, La Suerte, Merville) were established, to cater to the volume increases and likewise in order to observe proper Social Distancing at all service locations; additional Roro trucks were acquired, to move shipments to the Visayas and Mindanao areas due to the reduced airline capacity and infrequency of flights; a pick-up service was introduced to provide options to and convenience for customers, with 100% booked pick-ups served; capacities and resources were reinforced by hiring additional manpower to ensure a continuous flow of operations.

The Group fulfilled uninterrupted service and zero backlogs in distribution, while regularly disinfecting all warehouses and all cargo, and implemented all Covid-19 precautionary measures such as regular disinfection of facilities, trucks and cargo. This included installation of misting tents in major facilities and the installation of protective barriers/shields in all service hubs.

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## Covid Response & Recovery

### OVERSEAS

#### *North America*

Keeping employees and customers safe during the Covid-19 pandemic was the primary objective of the Group's operations across the globe, and its operations in North America resumed 100% operations by June 2020 by aggressively implementing Covid protocols. Likewise, only less than 5% of employees were affected.

Promotions such as the "Kabayani Deal 2020" promotion were also immediately implemented, with results of 43% revenue growth in Canada and 28% growth in the USA. The SoShop! Program was also rolled out to Social Sellers in the continent, with the pandemic bringing about the rise of Filipinos selling care items to *kababayans* in the Philippines via social media. NAM has onboarded about 50 social sellers, to date.

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# Economic

# 02

## Covid Response & Recovery

### ***Asia-Pacific***

In the Asia-Pacific and Australia region, the Covid-19 outbreak was detected as early as the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of 2020, and the respective governments of these origins had started to implement safety measures and guidelines that were strictly enforced. In spite of these protocols, LBC in the region remained operational, to serve the needs of its customers. In Singapore and Malaysia, LBC successfully secured the necessary permits to continue to operate under “essential services.” LBC enhanced certain aspects of its operations to adhere to the policies set forth by the authorities of each origin, to provide a safe environment for both customers and employees.

Contactless Service was implemented across all origins, where operational procedures for sea cargo pick-up service minimized close contact with customers. A step-by-step protocol was prepared and cascaded to each origin for implementation.

This, of course, also included equipping our employees with proper safety materials such as gloves, alcohol, disinfectant sprays and portable cash bin where customers placed their payments. The use of face masks and daily sanitation of branches were strictly enforced; Social distancing and mandatory temperature checking and contact tracing likewise was strictly implemented. The maximum number of allowed persons inside the facilities was observed, based on the guidelines of each origin. Cashless Payment Options were implemented in Australia by installing EFTPOS terminals in all LBC branches; in Singapore, LBC worked with PAYNOW, an online payment facility for payments via online transfer. This yielded a 100% cashless transactions in Australia, and 30% utilization in Singapore.

These measures resulted in a 49% increase in Air Cargo sales recorded in 2020 vs 2019.

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## Covid Response & Recovery

### ***Middle East***

Operations in the Middle East exercised 100% compliance on the use of face masks, gloves, sanitation kits to use for all pickup and delivery services, upgraded branch set-up with social distancing signages and installation of acrylic shields and dividers, and providing alternative contactless payment services for carded customers (Go-Collect ME/ GEIDEA KSA terminals)

In order to maintain the health and safety of all employees, 100% compliance was also implemented for regular temperature checks of all employees upon entry to warehouse and other facilities, the implementation of business continuity protocol and implemented work-from-home schedules where applicable, regular sanitation of all workstations; Contact-tracing protocol for handling Covid cases among employees.

LBC in the Middle East continuously communicated and engaged its customers through the implementation of non-traditional marketing executions such as shifting from on-ground to online activations (Online events such as Independence Day/Kalayaan Festivities), Online Branch Opening Sequence (ie. Satwa Online Branch Opening), online engagement activities with brand ambassadors (ie. Satwa UAE and Jeddah KSA's Online Cargo Patrol, Kuwait's Quaran-sing, Qatar's Truck ni Kabayan Online, Bahrain's Kantahan sa Tambayan).

The team was likewise able to implement service enhancements, such as Express Pickup (Sameday Service), Cashless transactions through Go-Collect/ GEIDEA, and Special Handling (Crating in UAE and Kuwait, and jack-wrapping/bubble-wrapping in KSA and Bahrain).

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# 03

## Environment

- Due to the Covid Pandemic, Environmental data was not gathered in 2020.



**Social**

**04**

# 15,709 Employees

11,231 Organic Employees    4,478 Inorganic Employees

**Organic Age Range**

4,990

**20-30**

Years old

4,337

**31- 41**

Years old

1,413

**41- 50**

Years old

425

**51- 60**

Years old

66

**61 - up**

Years old

**Male**

7424 | 66%

**Female**

3807 | 34%

**Baby Boomer**

**Gen x**

**Gen y**

**Gen z**

2% | 230 Employees

14% | 1,553 Employees

70% | 7,884 Employees

14% | 1,564 Employees



**Social**

**04**

**Total Promotions: 93**

## **Seniority Level**

Supervisory = 82

Middle Management = 10

Senior Management = 1

Top Management = 0

## **Job Level**

Associate to Supervisory = 81

IC to Supervisor = 1

Supervisory to Middle Mngt = 9

Senior Mngt to Senior Mngt = 1

## **Attrition**

**2020**

**16.72%**

**Organic**



**Social**

**04**

## MY BENEFITS PLAN

The "My Benefits Plan" is a program giving different plans for our associates. These plans will give employees a choice when their benefits should be released. The benefits like 14th month pay, Birthday/Anniversary Gift, Medicine Allowance, Uniform Allowance and Christmas Cash Gift shall be divided to either monthly or quarterly equivalent amounts and shall be released based on the selected plan.

### TOTAL OF 115 ENROLLEES FOR 2021 FY 2021 MBP

Period of enrollment: Fr Oct 1 to Oct 1  
Relaunched enrollment until 11-30-2020  
Start of the implementation year is 2021



### FY 2020 MBP

Total Enrollees 2020 = 213 Active = 190 or 89%  
Inactive = 23 or 11%

## SSS SMALL BUSINESS WAGE SUBSIDY

Under the Small Business Wage Subsidy (SBWS) measure, the government, through the Social Security System (SSS), shall provide a wage subsidy of between P5,000 to P8,000 (based on the regional minimum wage) per month for two (2) months per eligible employee.

### Eligibility:

Their entities were pre-qualified by BIR.

NWNP employees and reduced pay or hold pay due to no leave credits.

**Total Enrollees: 1,749 Emp**



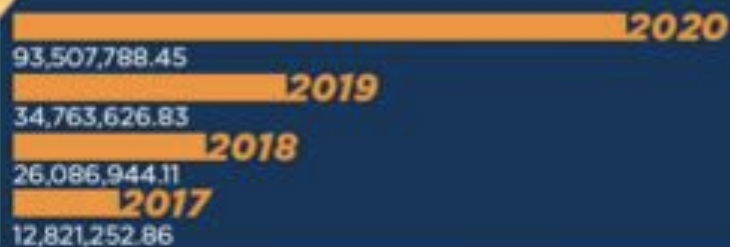
**Social**

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# REFRESHED BENEFITS SAVINGS

**49% of our total HC is  
under Refreshed Benefits Package.**

## RB SAVINGS FY 2017-2020



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# TRAINING

OVERALL TRAINING  
EVALUATION FOR 2020

Unique employees trained: **1,823**

COTP-CCM, and OTP-PBO trained: **485**

NAO trained for FY 2020: **1,817**

CDSP Nomines: **648**

CDSP Promoted Employees 2017-2020: **203**

3.90  
TRAINER

**3.84**

3.76  
PROGRAM



As of October 2020

**11,508**

Active Employees within the Organization  
Source: HR Masterfile as of October 20

As of October 2020

**1,823**

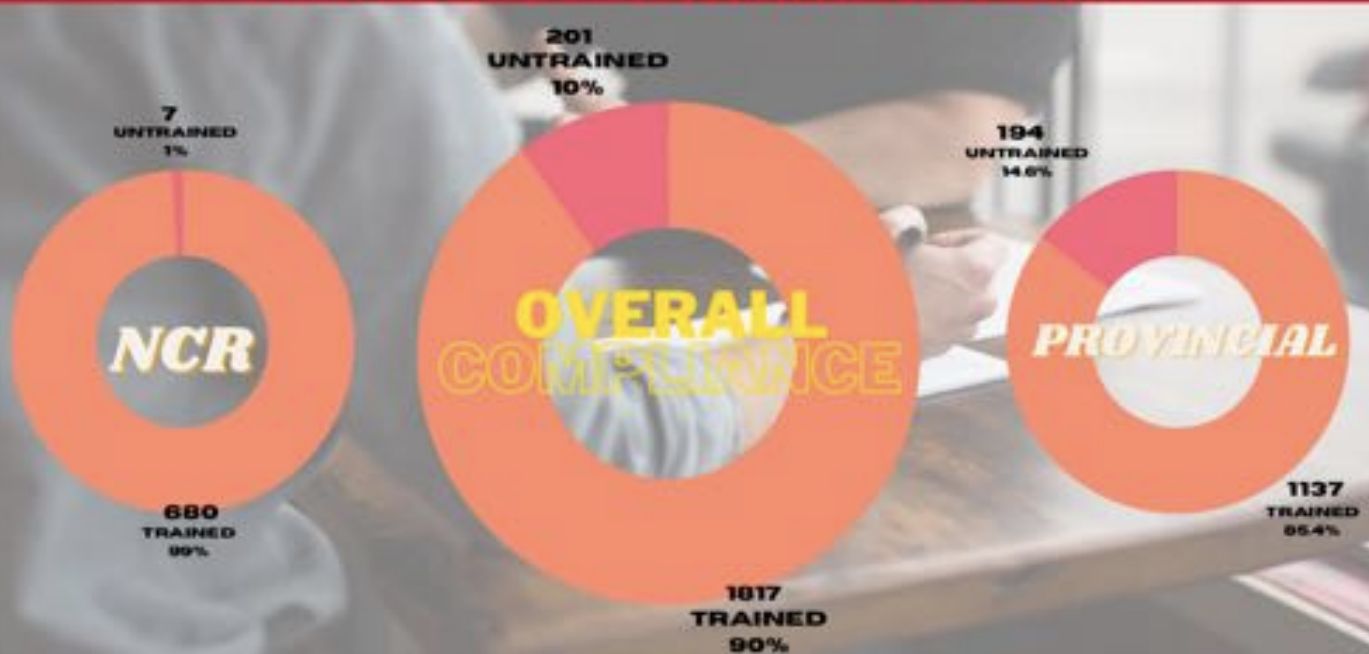
# Social

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## COMPREHENSIVE TRAINING PROGRAMS FOR PBO AND CCM



## NEW ASSOCIATE ORIENTATION COMPLIANCE 2020



# Social

# 04

## CAREER DEVELOPMENT SUCCESSION PLANNING PROGRAM 2020



# 648

ACTIVE CDSP NOMINEES AS OF OCTOBER 2020

**39**

NORTH LUZON

**267**

NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION

**120**

SOUTH LUZON

**105**

VISAYAS

**106**

MINDANAO

**11**

OVERSEAS



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04

# ENGAGEMENT



**PHP 257K**

Helping 126 employees affected by calamities and the pandemic



**PHP 24,950**

Received donations from Jam for Hope online concert

**LBC Ka-Movers FB Page**

**472 Additional Membership Request!**

**1,451**  
Comments

1,282%

**4,536**  
Reactions

364%

Appreciation Video – we posted several appreciation for our Ka-LBC frontliners (CA, DA, CCM, Support group)



# Social

# 04

## LBC 100 Club



- Launched Sept 1, 2020
- For 3 months, we were able to gather 257,590
- We were able to help 126 employees affected by recent typhoons and the pandemic (total amount of 203,500)
- Remaining funds to date: 54,090

## LBC Global Movers Awards 2020



- Special boxes were customized for all the contenders of GMA 2020
- Total of 98 Ka-LBCs received their boxes which may be useful for their child's online learning.
- Based from their comments/captions on social media, they are really grateful for it despite the pandemic.
- The video (post event) was seen by 1.7K (65%) out of 2.6K active members.



Social

04



Caloy Dela Cruz

25 April · 🌐

Hello mga Ka-LBC!  
Mahilig ka bang sumayaw?  
Proud ka ba na maging Ka-LBC?  
Hinahamon kita na ipakita ang iyong talento sa pagsayaw habang pinapakita ang iyong Ka-LBC pridel... See more



**Aming Ligaya**  
Dance Challenge



👍👍👍 Joy Cee, Nelson Gencaya and 257 others

104 comments 98 shares

**Social**

**04**

## Information/Awareness Campaign



## Internal Communications Released

- COVID Information/Details (Symptoms, etc.)
- Ka-LBC Medgate
- Germ Hotspot
- COVID Hotline
- IATF Details
- Food to boost Immune Systems
- FAQs with Interview with LBC Company Physician
- LBC Safety Measures
- Appreciation Videos
- Brain Break Tips
- Webinar Series



# Social

# 04

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**HEALTH TIPS**

**FOOD THAT BOOST THE IMMUNE SYSTEM**

- GINGER
- ORANGE
- BROCOLLI
- BELL PEPPER
- PINEAPPLE
- PAPAYA
- GARLIC
- SWEET POTATO
- CARROT

Poor nutrition weakens your immune system and makes you prone to viral infection and diseases. So strengthen your immune system with good eating habits. Stay safe and healthy, Ka-LBC!

**START SHARING YOUR THOUGHTS WITH SBOX!**

Just type [bit.ly/LBCSBOX](https://bit.ly/LBCSBOX). We'd love to hear from you!

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**HEALTH TIPS**

**Ka-LBC Telemed always ready to serve you in this time of COVID-19**

- Provide medical consultation for non-flu type cases.
- Interpret laboratory results.
- Keep you safe from potential exposure by delivering medicine to the following areas:
  - Metro Manila
  - Pampanga
  - Nueva Ecija
  - La Union
  - Laguna
  - Davao
  - Cagayan de Oro
  - Cavite
  - Baguio
  - Cebu

**#CallKaLBCTelemed is open 24/7 to give you the care you deserve without being exposed to other diseases.**

**Call us!**

Manila: (02) 88705 - 0700	Globe: 0927 - 536 - 2156
Cebu: 032 265 - 5222	Smart: 0998 - 990 - 7540
Davao: 082 285 - 5222	Sun: 0925 - 714 - 7794
Dumaguete: 035 522 - 5222	

\*Ka-LBC Telemed doesn't conduct COVID-19 testing, provide medical certificate and fit to work clearance

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# Social

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## PROTOCOLS TO PROTECT YOUR HOME



COVID-19 is spreading in different communities. WHO and DOH urges everyone to stay at home and practice social distancing. Take part in avoiding the spread by taking precautions including: constant washing of hands, covering of coughs and sneezes, cleaning and disinfecting surfaces. If needed to go out to buy food or medicines, here are checklists for how to avoid bringing the virus home after venturing out.

### When Leaving Your Home

Make sure to have facemask on to avoid any droplets that has the COVID-19 virus and wear gloves for extra protection.



When you leave the house, practice social distancing.

When you're in public places, be responsible whenever you sneeze or cough. Cover your mouth and nose to avoid particles being spilled.

### Before Entering Your Home



1. Ask your family members to open the gates and doors to avoid touching other surfaces.



2. Take off your shoes.



3. Go directly to the bathroom and take a bath.



4. Make sure to change your clothes and separate it from your laundry.



5. Dispose your facemask properly and wash your hands with alcohol after.



6. Disinfect the items you're bringing inside by washing or leaving them out in the sun for several minutes.

Stay safe and healthy, mga Ka-LBC!



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## DOH COVID - 19 HOTLINE

Call the following numbers in case of emergency.

OPEN TO ALL CALLERS NATIONWIDE:  
**(02) 894 - COVID**

(02) 894 - 26843

FOR PLDT, SMART, SUN,  
AND TNT SUBSCRIBERS:

**1555**

Promote a habit of safety and vigilance. Stay safe and healthy mga Ka-LBC!

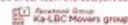
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Be part of our team and add/Join/Subscribe



Facebook Account  
Cathy Dale Cruz



WhatsApp Group  
Ka-LBC Movers group



YouTube Channel  
Ka-LBC TV



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To Move It

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PROTEKTAHAN ANG SARILI LABAN SA **COVID-19**

## PAGPASOK AT PAG-UWI GALING SA TRABAHO

### HABANG NASA BYAHE

- Magsuot ng face mask
- Ugaliing gumamit ng alcohol o sanitizer
- Iwasang humawak sa mga bagay at sa iyong mukha
- Iwasan ang matataong lugar hangga't makakaya

### PAGDATING SA TRABAHO

- Sumailalim sa screening
- I-disinfect ang sapatos
- I-disinfect ang mga gamit at iwasang manghiram sa mga katrabaho
- Ugaliing maghugas ng kamay, sundin ang cough etiquette at social distancing

### PAGKAUWI SA BAHAY

- I-disinfect ang sapatos o iwan sa labas ng bahay
- I-disinfect ang mga gamit
- Mag-hugas ng mga kamay
- Ihiwalay ang mga damit at labhan agad
- Maligo muna bago makisalamuha sa iba

Stay safe and healthy, mga Ka-LBC!

Source: <https://www.facebook.com/mbaofpedroDPA/graphics/wpj.3019478341440068/30194879417224>



Mga Ka-LBC, please share your **Heroic Stories** to us. Contact your respective **HCSS Generalist** for amazing stories.

DOH COVID HOTLINE  
(02) 894 - 30043 | 1555

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Tuloy pa rin sa paghatid ng

# Ligaya.

Government Actions in  
Preventing the Pandemic

LBC's Response in  
Building a New and Better  
Normal

Love for Our  
Employees



## Rapid Testing and Self Isolation

As we ease our way into full operation, the health and safety of everyone in LBCs is our utmost priority. For this reason, we have entered into a partnership with Project Ark, a group that initiates the use of Rapid Testing (RT) to help contain the spread of the virus by early detection and isolation.

The Rapid Testing in LBC started in May in NCR after thorough planning and discussion of the Human Capital Success and Services team together with operations heads. A very first online meeting with 200+ heads including team heads attended for awareness on the test, the schedules and the interpretation of the different results and health teachings. The test was held every two weeks to our Ka-LBCs especially in the NCR, as the government declared NCR having the most cases hence LBC required all Ka-LBCs to undergo rapid antibody test partnering with Red Cross for confirmatory testing. Later on, LBC sourced other quicker confirmatory tests for swifter isolation, information and return of those who are confirmed negative, allowing them to report back to work.

The Rapid Test were held at the hub/branch or the major LBC facilities such as at Hangar, Ecom, OSMA, and the like. Later on, this same test was also extended to provinces with most cases as well. Guidelines and health teachings were indicated point-by-point to educate and provide awareness to everyone in interpreting the result. This way, information is disseminated not just by the Medical Team, but they are also made aware of health teachings to keep and maintain a negative test result.

Aside from the townhall of 200+, attended by Team Heads and Managers/Offices of NCR to ensure awareness of this new endeavor requiring the support of all HCSS also created its in-house app called Rapid Appdates. It features the Medical Team whereabouts on the Rapid Test schedules and other updates on the LBC Rapid Testing. Employees can also give feedback on the Medical team's services during the testing and also view photos of Rapid Testing in the different LBC sites. This test is made mandatory to ensure not only our safety but safety too of people around us as well.

# Love For Our Employees



We are very grateful for the services of our Ka-LBCs. We applaud your sacrifice and dedication to serve the Company and our fellow countrymen. We are extremely proud of your efforts to serve anywhere you are. We support you by putting efforts to ensure you that we are well-equipped and protected by providing safety and protection gears, point-to-point shuttle transportation for an easier and safe commute, rapid tests, medical assistance, accommodations for those at the Hangar, providing leaves with pay provisions particularly on home quarantine leaves for affected employees, when needed and more.

We assure you that you are not alone and we are with you every step of the way. Thank you for going well beyond the call of duty as a front-liner in our line of service. Let's keep delivering smiles Ka-LBC!

**Social**

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**Shuttle services provided for employees**





**Social**

**04**

## **Employee health & safety has been the top priority of LBC.**

Supplies have been issued to LBC employees nationwide as to date.

LBC is continuously providing this supplies for employees need as part of their safety and sanitation

- **69,360 pcs washable Masks**
- **15,775 pcs Face Shield**
- **16,381 gallons of Alcohol**
- **531,300 tables of Vitamin C**
- **423,500 disposable gloves**
- **150,000 testing kits**

Additional Disinfection Controls in Hubs:

20 Additional Handwashing Areas

23 Disinfecting Foot Bath

106 Sanitation Stations

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# Social

# 04

## **Employee health & safety has been the top priority of LBC.**

### **Taking care of LBC Employees by giving different types of Leaves:**

- Provided Seven days (7) Calamity leave with Pay to all Employees (Regular, Probationary and even Contractual/inorganic employees)
  - Providing Home Quarantine leaves with Pay to Employees experiencing with flu-like symptoms.
  - Declared by local public health office due to work or travel or exposure from Province/Municipality with COVID 19 cases
  - Daily Monitoring of employees in Quarantine list. Our nurses are checking their health status and providing health tip advices until they recuperate and complete the required quarantine days.
  - LBC Management treated the entire period from March 16 to April 14, 2020 as considered paid for Luzon; for Visayas Mindanao from date of declaration to original end-date. The paid period applies not just those who were authorized to work but also those who were in a Work-From-Home arrangement.
  - Applying forced leave with pay to affected employees due to temporary closure of branches and hubs.
  - Provided work from home arrangement to backroom positions to support the LBC front-liners
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# Social

# 04

## **Employee health & safety has been the top priority of LBC.**

**How we are supporting and taking care of LBC Frontliners who are still actively reporting to continue the services of LBC:**

- Ongoing Rapid Testing since early May 2020
  - Increased frequency of testing in large site areas and those with high cases per the DOH
  - LBC created its own medical teams for the testing since May to-date.
  - Converted our facilities to lodging spaces for 122 employees with their personal beds , linens, vitamins, hygiene kits and personal bottles of alcohol while maintaining cafeteria operations to provide food for all employees staying in these facilities.
  - Disinfecting all our facilities twice a day including all cargo that go to our exchange facilities using an industrial type of fumigating machine and food grade disinfectants for all cargo and parcels. Main offices have daily UVC sterilization/disinfection.
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# 04

## **Employee health & safety has been the top priority of LBC.**

- Normalizing the HR services to have a "BAU" (Business As Usual) feel for employees who continue to have needs for loan application, leave inquiries, philhealth, HMO LOA, etc.
  - Continued developing content that inspires our frontliners - depicting them as not only corporate heroes but "national" heroes as well.
  - Mapped employee's houses using Google Earth to identify the most efficient routes for shuttling services and currently servicing up to 172 employees per day.
  - By the third week, we started addressing the social maladies that may have affected our employees during their isolation. We released a Mental Health Counselling hotline open to our employees 24/7 for anyone needing psychological and emotional support during the quarantine period.
  - Short webinars are scheduled to address anxiety, depression, fear, unhealthy eating, isolating together with family, and becoming productive managers during the crisis.
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# Social

# 04

## **Employee health & safety has been the top priority of LBC.**

**As a support to employees in these most difficult times and its worsening condition affecting their financial needs and needed income support, the Company initiated the following:**

- LBC Management treated the entire period from March 16 to April 14, 2020 as considered paid for Luzon; for Visayas, Mindanao from date of declaration to original end-date. The paid period applies not just those who were authorized to work but also those who were in a Work-From-Home arrangement.
  - Early release of portion of the 13<sup>th</sup> month pay to all employees (March, May – 1<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> 25% of 13<sup>th</sup> month pay)
  - Applying 1 month to 2 months of loan moratorium (company calamity loan and third party loan providers) this is even prior to RA 11469 advisory.
  - Early releasing of medicine of allowance and instead of regular release as gift certificate the company opted to give as cash.
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# Social

# 04

## Covid Stories



*What makes someone a hero?  
Is it saving lives, acting in a moment, speaking out,  
or sacrificing your life to fight for others?  
Can it be a superhero or can it be more common  
such as your relatives, friends or officemates?  
Some people can be kind and courageous but only some get credit for it.  
This makes it hard to identify what a true hero is.  
The idea of heroism has become thoroughly muddled today.  
In present-day society, any behavior that seems distinctly difficult  
or unusually remarkable is classified as heroic.  
But what motivates these people to act heroically  
and what prevents other people from being heroes?  
There can be a lot of reasons for doing heroic acts.  
Some show admirable courage, but unless it involves risk  
or sacrifice in order to help others, then it isn't heroism at all.  
A hero can be anyone that does something they have fear of  
but are brave enough to still do something.  
The journeys recorded here really occurred;  
these are the actual tales of some of our Ka-LBC  
who exhibited an act of bravery in the face of threat, combats danger through feats of  
ingenuity, selflessness, courage or strength or displayed a sense of concern and kindness  
for others.*

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## A Hero Within Us

Employee: Marcial T. Agcaoili Business  
Unit: Systems Team: Camanava Delivery  
Area: NCR North

Bawat tao ay mayroong "Good Samaritan" within us, pero ang maging instrumento para manguna at manghikayat sa pagiging Good Samaritan is another thing. Starting a movement at ang maging bridge sa nangangailangan at tumutulong ay hindi basta-basta.

Alam nating lahat na busy ang delivery teams during lockdown. Bukod sa dumoble ang load dahil hindi nakakalabas ang mga tao at marami ang nangangailangan, maslalong mahirap kapag ikaw ay nakatira sa probinsya.

Ang ating Ka-LBC na si Marcial T. Agcaoili ng NCR-North Delivery ay gumawa ng paraan para makatulong sa kanyang kapitbahay na nangangailangan.

"Nung nagkaroon po ng lockdown, meron po kaming kapitbahay na walang pinagkukunan ng pangkain sa araw-araw maliban sa binibigay naming magkakapit-bahay. Nag-post po ako sa social media ng kanyang larawan looking for a Good Samaritan," sabi ni Agcaoili.

Mayroong tumawag sa kanya na gustong magpahatid ng tulong sa lugar nila. At dahil total lockdown ang Montalban, siya lang ang pwedeng lumabas dahil siya ay APOR (Authorized Person Outside of Residence). Ginamit niya ang pagkakataon na ito para puntahan ang mga taong gusto mag-abot ng bigas, delata at anu-ano pa na pwedeng maibigay sa iba pang nangangailangan.

Sabi ni Agcaoili "Challenge po ay ang pagpunta sa lugar ng mga nangangailangan, ganun din po sa pagpunta sa address ng mga nagbibigay dahil minsan pulis po at mga barangay officials ang pinapakiusapan ng matagal para makapasok o makapunta sa mga address na iyon."

Bukod sa pagtulong sa mga nangangailangan sa kanilang lugar, si Agcaoili ay isang Team Head ng isang delivery team, bagamat mahirap, ang mga pagtulong ay ginagawa niya after ng kanyang work schedule sa LBC. Labis niyang ikinatuwa ang pag-suporta sa kanya ng kanyang misis sa ginagawa niyang ito at ika nga niya, ito ay ginagawa niya with dedication and happiness.

"Ginawa ko iyon upang makatulong din sa mga taong nangangailangan at para maghatid ng tulong na pagkain at gamit nang walang hinihinging bayad. Ngiti at salamat lang po ang nakakapawi ng aking pagod sa mga oras na 'yun. Kapag nakita mo na sila at nakangiti at masaya, mas masaya ang pakiramdam ko dahil sa simpleng bagay naiambag ko at nakapagpasaya kami ng mga taong nangangailangan noong panahon ng lockdown," tugon ni Agcaoili.

Dagdag pa ni Agcaoili na lagi tayong magthink positive dahil mayroong tutulong sa oras ng kagipitan. At the same time, hindi rin naman hadlang ang lockdown para makatulong sa bawat taong nangangailangan. Ang mga gawa ni Marcial na ito ay nagpapatunay na isa siyang Ka-LBC na may malasakit sa kapwa kahit after working hours. Hindi natin maitatangi na siya at ang pamilya ay may pangangailangan din sa mga panahong ito, pero mas pinili niyang unahin ang pangangailangan ng iba. "I want to share na kahit anong busy natin sa trabaho pwede pa rin tayong magbigay ng tulong. Malayo man o malapit, kung gugustuhin natin, maraming bagay na rin ang pwedeng gawin o i-ambag para mapaganda at maisakatuparan ang ating mission para makatulong," wika ni Agcaoili.

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## **Maliit Na Tulong, Malaking Bagay**

Employee: Rogelio M. Magno Jr. & Rodel E. Sapico  
Business Unit: Systems  
Team: Kalayaan Delivery 2  
Area: NCR Central

Minsan akala natin ang mga maliliit na bagay na ginagawa natin sa ibang tao ay nananatiling maliit na bagay lamang sa paningin nila. Pero hindi masusukat ng sarili nating mga mata ang mga aksyon na nakikita sa atin ng ibang tao. Ipinamalas ng ating mga Ka-LBC na si Rogelio M. Magno Jr. at Rodel E. Sapico ang isa sa ating mga values sa LBC, ang teamwork. Isang araw si Magno ay may delivery na "transfer" sa SM Fairview, na hindi sakop ng kanilang team, mayroong isang consignee na lumapit sa kanila at nag-inquire kung kilala ba nila ang courier na magde-deliver ng kanyang shipment, hindi nila kilala dahil ito ay hindi nila area.

Mayroong dalang NOD ang consignee na iyon na malabo ang details pero readable ang tracking number, kinuha ni Sapico ang tracking number at pagdating sa kanilang office, nag-track siya para malaman kung nasaan at sino ang courier. Sinabihan niya ang kaniyang teammate na si Magno na i-tag as redeliver ang item at tawagan ang consignee.

Sabi ni Magno, "Inabot saken ni Rodel yung kopya ng track and trace item para mabigay sa post-del (post-delivery) at malagay sa redel (re-delivery). Tinawagan ko si consignee noon at ipinaliwanag ko din kung baket di ko nadeliver yung item. Wala kaseng nilagay na contact number at hanggang gate lang kame kaya nag-iwan ako ng kopya ng NOD sa guard. Nirequest na i-deliver ko na lang yung item sa Fairview. Hindi na po namin area yung bagong delivery address pero dahil sa nakikiusap ang consignee at wala daw siyang masakyan papunta sa dating address nagsabi po ako na i-deliver na lang yung item sa kanila tatal nakamotor naman po ako."

Palaging sinasabi ng kanilang Team Head na "kung may request sa consignee sa panahon na to na i-deliver sa ibang lugar at malapit lang, gawin na naten. Maliit na tulong lang naman at yung mga padala ay mahalaga". Ang mga aral na ito, dagdag pa ng kabutihang loob ay nagkakaroon ng malaking impact sa mga taong pinagsilbihan nina Magno at Sapico. "Sa mga tulad kong Delivery Associate, mahirap yung trabaho naten madalas mainit, pero kapag naa-apreciate ng mga consignee naten yung ginagawa naten nakakawala din ng pagod," aniya ni Sapico.



## **The Hustle And Juggle**

Employee: Jilbert N. Organo Business

Unit: Systems Team: Kalayaan Delivery 2

Area: NCR Central

As the title suggests, juggling is a hard thing to do. It looks cool and easy to do, but it needs a great amount of focus, muscle memory, and reflexes to be able to execute this well.

Ito ang juggle na nakikita natin madalas sa mga clown at magician. Astig 'diba? Pero paano kung ang juggle na ginagawa ng isang tao ay hindi bola, kundi ang maging isang Ka-LBC at isang army reservist? Ito ang kwento ng ating Ka-LBC na si Jilbert N. Organo na isang Delivery Associate ng NCR Central Delivery.

"Isa po akong reservist simula noong Aug. 2009. Isa sinumpaang naging tungkulin sabayan ay ang pangalagaan ang katahimikan at Seguridad. Tuwing ako po ay walang pasok noong pandemic, ako po ay dumu-duty sa checkpoint sa Bacoor Cavite)," sabi ni Organo.

Pinili niya pa rin na mag-duty sa checkpoint kahit na ang location ay malayo at kahit man lang sa limitadong oras lamang since meron din syang duty sa LBC,. "Nagduduty po ako sa mga checkpoints and tumutulong magdala ng mga relief para sa mga kababayan naten," wika niya. At ito ay ginagawa nya dahil sa sinumpaang tungkulin at gusto din niyang makatulong sa kapwa."

Kitang kita sa kanyang mga aksyon ang pagiging isang Pilipino at Ka-LBC. Tulad ng mga bolang hinahagis ng isang clown para maisagawa ang juggling, ang tindi ng focus at determinasyon na mayroon si Organo ay hindi mapapantayan. At ang higit sa lahat, malinaw nating nakita ang pagkakapareha ng isang Pilipino at isang Ka-LBC, ang pagiging matulungin sa kapwa.

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## **Riding The Extra Mile**

Employee: Tommy T. Replentes Business

Unit: Systems

Team: Kalayaan Delivery 2

Area: NCR Central

Bukod sa pagpasok sa LBC bilang isang rider, ang Ka-LBC natin na si Tommy T. Replentes ay isa ring passionate rider na kabilang sa isang riders group sa lungsod ng Pasig. Ang grupo na ito may magagandang hangarin na tumulong sa kapwa. Madalas nagco-conduct ng mga charity event ang riders group na iyon para sa mga kababayan nila.

“Kahit mahirap at kapos, may mga tao pa ding willing magbigay at handang tumulong” sabi Replentes.

Mas naging makabuluhan ang ginagawa ng kanyang grupo dahil sa pandemic. Nag-simula silang maglikom ng pera para magbigay ng mga nakakain sa mga tao na nasa kalsada. Ito ang nakikitang paraan para makatulong sa mga nahihirapan sa panahon ng pandemya. Sa kadahilanang mahirap din maglikom ng pera, hindi nila nabibigyan lahat ng kanilang gustong tulungan.

“Nakagisnan ko na po kaseng tumulong kahit sa maliit na bagay lang, nakakatuwa po kase pag nagbibigay ka at makikita mong nakangiti yung mga tao. Na kahit papano, may makakain sa araw na' yun. Laki din po kase ako sa hirap at ramdam ko yung nararamdaman nila,” wika ni Replentes.

“Isa na rin po ito sa mga paraan ko para magshare ng mga blessings na natatanggap ko at pasasalamat dahil ligtas at malakas kame sa araw araw,” aniya ni Replentes.

Dagdag pa ni Replentes, i-appreciate natin yung mga bagay na natatanggap natin, malaki man o maliit. Dahil sa ganitong mindset ni Replentes, nagagawa niyang tumulong sa kapwa. Dahil sa mga karanasan niya, that extra mile is never far at kayang kaya mag-ride papunta sa pinaroroonan nang hindi natitinag ng pagod kahit may iba pang responsibilidad.

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## **Walang Makakapigil**

Employee: John Carlo P. Lacerna

Business Unit: Systems

Team: East Shuttling Team

Area: NCR East

Para sa kaalaman ng lahat, ang ating shuttling team ay ang mga nagpi-pickup ng mga shipment galing sa branch at sila ang naghahatid sa LBC Hangar. And mostly ng kanilang trabaho ay sa gabi. Ngunit dahil sa pandemic, nagkaroon ng curfew hours sa buong Pilipinas. Hindi maiiwasang maapektuhan ang trabaho ng ating shuttling team dahil sa hadlang na ito.

Ang kwento ng Ka-LBC natin na si John Carlo P. Lacerna na isang Shuttling Associate sa NCR East Delivery ay magpapatunay na walang makakapigil sa isang Ka-LBC sa pagse-serbisyo at pagtulong sa ating mga customers at ang pagdeliver ng mga essential goods.

Ang normal route na tinatahak ni Lacerna kapag siya ay magpi-pickup sa Tanay branch ay dumadaan sa Antipolo, pero dahil sa lockdown, malaking challenge ang dumaan dito. Siya ay nakikiusap sa mga pulis o bantay para lamang makadaan. Pagtapos dito ay dederecho siya ng Teresa, Rizal na higit na mahigpit dahil total lockdown ang bayan nila.

Dagdag ni Lacerna, "Tyinaga ko lang po yung hirap sa kalsada magawa lang po yung tungkulin ko bilang isang shuttler. Ganun din po ang nangyari nung papuntang airport. kung ano-anong subdivision na po ang pinasok ko para makashortcut at makarating lang po sa LBC Exchange, maiturn over lang po lahat ng cargo na dala dala ko po. Yan po ang aking naranasan ko ngayon pandemic".

Dahil sa mga pangyayaring ito, napipilitang humanap ng ibang daanan si Lacerna papunta sa iba't ibang branches na naka-assign sa kanya. Kahit naiipit sa mahabang traffic, at kung saan saang subdivision na ang kanyang dinaanan, hindi nawala sa isip niya ang mga tungkulin niya bilang shuttler, ang maihatid sa LBC Hangar ang mga shipment na kanyang kinuha sa branch.

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## A Day In A Life Of A Ka-LBC

Employee: Jose Rico T. Memita Business

Unit: Systems

Team: East Shuttling Team

Area: NCR East

Dahil sa pandemic, nag-impliment ang gobyerno ng ECQ (Enhanced Community Quarantine) sa areas na may high-risk sa COVID-19 virus. Most of us stayed at home to be safe from the virus, a time when communities and families stay at home to do work, school and this became the new normal. Ngunit ito din ang panahon where our Filipino people needed LBC's services the most - a key role of logistics in supporting and protecting them during the time of need.

Pero ano nga ba talaga ang nangyayari sa labas ng ating mga bahay sa loob ng lockdown? Ulat ni Jose Rico T. Memita from NCR East Delivery na ito ang panahon na nag-iba ang buhay ng bawat isa. Not only commuting was difficult but risking your health and safety was a real challenge.

"March 16, 2020, lockdown was declared and government measures were implemented to fight COVID-19 and being a logistics company I understood that it is important that we still continue on working. From that day, only few of us Ka-LBCs reported back to work and I must set a good example and motivation for my co-workers who are willing to risk their safety just to go work," sabi ni Memita.

Kahit na mayroong calamity leave upang masigurado ang kanilang kaligtasan sa virus na ito, hindi parin tinanggap ni Memita at pinagpatuloy padin ang pagtrabaho sa labas ng bahay.

Patuloy na sinabi ni Memita, "I took the MRT/CMT route, therein we went to a lot of checkpoints for every town that we passed thru although IATF already issued guidelines for those essential companies to operate, still we were questioned as to our route and to where we are bound, more or less we went through 4 to 7 checkpoints daily.

"There were instances that we have to walk to and from branches due to road closure and extra effort was also expected in sanitizing ourselves as well the packages that we are handling.

Central Exchange was also was in close security and health measures. Another struggle was going home, curfew was implemented 8pm to 5am, and I most of the time went home beyond 8pm." Ito ang sinabi ni Memita na nagpapakita ng kanyang dedikasyon sa trabaho.

Extra effort was expected from those who were working outside, lalo na sa mga frontliners. They are the ones who are currently helping in the COVID-19 situation. From sanitizing not only themselves but also branches, warehouses, and the packages that they were handling.

"As a father I'd love to see my family in this time of crisis but then because of police checkpoints that I have to go through, it was a real struggle. In fact I was flagged down daily, wherein I would ask for their mercy and understanding for them to allow me to cross Rizal to Quezon City boundary. Covid19 was a wake up call for us all," wika ni Memita.

Napakahirap nung panahon na iyon. He and like all other Delivery Associates who were required to officially report to work, were risking the safety of themselves and their family. Ngunit sa kabila ng paghihirap at health risks ng ating mga Ka-LBC, pinagpatuloy pa din nila ang kanilang trabaho during and despite the pandemic. These hardworking heroes are keeping us Filipinos to get our LBC Customers' padala in any means necessary amidst the hurdles. Let us salute them for their human kindness and bayanihan spirit. Mabuhay ang real-life heroes!

## **Saan Aabot Ang Gas Mo?**

Employee: Ricniel S. Torres Business

Unit: Systems Team: San Fernando

Delivery Area: Central Luzon

Since we have shifted into a more relaxed general community quarantine, hindi parin nagbabago ang kahirapan sa pag-commute ng mga tao dahil sa COVID-19. Ina-advice pa din na tuparin ang physical distancing para maiwasan ang pagkalat ng virus, hindi lang basta-basta ang paglapit sa tao lalo na at hindi parin tayo safe sa pagkahawa. Given our situation, hindi nagdalawang isip ang ating Ka-LBC na tumulong sa kanyang kapwa.

Si Ricniel S. Torres, isang Delivery Associate ng Central Luzon Delivery Area, ay hindi nagdalawang isip para makatulong sa kapwa. Habang siya ay nasa route niya sa pag-deliver ng kanyang mga packages, nakakita siya ng nangangailangan ng tulong. Alamin natin kay sa isang social media post ang pangyayari of an inspitational tale of helping.

"He's a blessing in disguise. Kahit na alam nating nasa isa tayong pandemya nagawa parin niyang tulungan kami. He offered some gas of his own para makarating kami sa nearest gas station ng hindi nagtutulak," bahagi ng post ng isang natulungan ng ating LBC Delivery Associate. Ang taong nanghingi ng tulong ay nag-comment sa kabaitan at pagiging matulungan ng ating Ka-LBC Associate. Na-appreciate niya ang pag tulong ni Torres, kahit maliit na bagay lamang ang pagtulong niya. Malaking ikinagalak ng nag-post ang tulong na iniabot ni Torres, dahil walang tumutulong sa kanya sa daan.

Marami sa atin ang ayaw lumabas sa kanya-kanyang tirahan dahil sa takot ng virus, but our frontliners still continue and fight the unseen enemy, kaya saludo kami sa braveness and selflessness ng ating Delivery Associates tulad nito.

Ika nga nung natulungan sa post niya, "Thank you sobra! We know maliit na bagay yung ganito but we truly appreciate it. Magkikita pa rin tayo kuya at makakabawi din kami sayo. Delivery man with a good heart!".

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## Night Rider

Employee: Halsad P. Laidani Business  
Unit: Systems Team: Olongapo Delivery  
Area: West Luzon

Sa oras nang pandemya, hindi natin maiwasan ang magtrabaho nang extra especially sa skeletal workforce arrangement at dahil sa pangangailangan ng ating serbisyo, lalo na at ito ay essential goods. Karamihan sa atin ay swerte at nakakapag-trabaho nang nasa kaligtasan ng kanilang mga tahanan, ang iba satin ay lumalabas at bumiyabiyaha at hinaharap ang hamon ng pang araw-araw.

Si Halsad Laidani, isang courier nang Olongapo delivery team ay isa sa mga tao na lumalabas at hinaharap ang hamon nang pandemya. Matatapos ang araw ni Halsad ngunit siya ay nag hahatid pa din nang kanyang delivery items gawa nang madaming kailangan ihatid.

Hindi hinayaan ni Laidani ang pagod nya na makaapekto sa deliveries niya dahil alam niya na ang nilalaman nang package niya ay importante para sa consignee. Kahit pagod na, nahanapan pa ni Laidani na ngumiti sa harap nang consignee nang kanyang inabutan ng package. May kanya kanya tayong pangganyak (motivation) para sa pag trabaho kahit hinarap na tayo ng hamon at pagod. Para kay Halsad, ang pangganyak nya, ay yung makita ang tuwa nang manga consignee pag nakuha ang kanilang package.

Ayon sa consignee "The person looked tired and exhausted but was still smiling and polite when he handed me the package. I wanted to give him a commendation for a job well done."

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## **"Lolo Wave Alpha"**

Employee: Andrew L. De Jesus Business

Unit: Systems

Team: Cavite 3 Delivery

Area: South Luzon Area

Mula na mag-transition ang ECQ to GCQ, dahan dahan nang bumabalik sa normal ang lahat. Hindi nga lang ito tulad ng dati, pero unti-onti nakakaahon ang mga tao sa pandemyang ito. Sa panahon ng new normal, madami ang nag bago at may mga bagong hamon ang dal anito. Kaya sa pag subog na ito dapat tayo'y nag kakaisa't at nag tutulongan.

Isang araw nung si Andrew L. De Jesus ay papasok sa trabaho, hindi niya aakalain na magiging blessing siya sa isang kapwa Pilipino na nangangailangan ng tulong. May nakasalubong siya na nasiraan sa daan na nagkaroon ng aberya ang motor nito habang papunta sa trabaho. Nasira ang kanyang Lolo Wave Alpha (ang tawag sa motor) at di niya alam ang nang yari dito.

Base sa post ng isang kapwa pinoy sa social media, "Nung nasiraan ako ng motor, sinubukan kong tumawag ng back up kaso walang sumasagot at on-going pa sa trabaho lahat ng mga kakilala ko sa opisina. Kung hindi dumating (si De Jesus), wala akong choice kundi mag tulak hanggang lumagpas ng tulay na bakal sa Trece."

Ang kwento ni De Jesus, "While I was driving the LBC truck, I saw someone who needed help. His motorcycle wasn't working, and the person had no choice but to push it. When I saw this, I didn't hesitate but to help this man. At first, he rejected my offer to help, maybe because he was shy, but I insisted and told him that I can help him and still deliver the packages I have on time."

"So, we both lifted his motorcycle inside the truck, and I dropped him off directly to his work. He was working as a frontliner in a Korean Hospital in Trece. It was kind of the same with us, KA-LBC's because we continue to give services to the Filipino people amidst the covid pandemic."

Noong mga panahon na iyon ng lockdown, wala masyadong dumadaan na makakatulong and it was a very hard situation kung tutulong ba o hindi.... "but his motorcycle had a mechanical issue that if he would not help, he cant do his duty arriving to the workplace".

Ang kwento ni De Jesus, " I worked hard everyday for my family's needs and to be honest, I used to bring my work home and even work on my off. But of course, I never failed to give time for my family especially to bond with my kids. I know the man I helped is also doing the same; working tirelessly for his family and risking his life daily amidst the pandemic."

When asked kung anong learning ang pwedeng i-share mula sa nangyari pandemya ng 2020, ito ang sabi ni De Jesus, "I learned that helping one person might not change the world, but it could change the world for one person. Helping does not depend on how big or small it is but reaching down and lifting people up. When we give cheerfully and accept gratefully, everyone is blessed. You have not lived today until you have done something for someone who can never repay you. I want to remind every Ka-LBC that be a blessing to someone"

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## Everyday Routine to Work

Employee: Carlo E. Mahusay

Business Unit: Philippine Branch

Operations Team: Sogod Leyte Team

Area: Eastern Visayas

The crisis of the pandemic not only hit Metro Manila but all over the country. Isa sa ating mga Ka-LBC na si Carlo E. Mahusay, ay naka-experience na mahirapan ang kanyang hometown sa panahong ito. Araw-araw our Ka-LBC drives 140 kilometers at napansin niya na maraming kapwa niyang Pilipino ang nawalan ng trabaho at nahihirapan mag-provide ng mga daily needs tulad ng pagkain.

"I travel for almost 140 km from my residence bound to workplace at Sogod, Leyte. I still remember people of the street along Mahaplag – Sogod road (Mountainy area) are always raising their hand expecting from motorist to give any amount from them," sabi ni Mahusay. Bilang isang bread winner sa kanyang pamilya, alam niya kung gaano kahirap itaguyod ang kanyang pamilya, ang mabigyan ito ng tirahan at mabigyan ng makakain tatlong beses sa isang araw. Kaya siya ay nag papasalamat na siya ay mayroong trabaho na nagsusuporta sa kanyang pamilya.

"Every time I pass by I always stop and give children food kahit biscuits lamang or at least 2 to 5 pesos. Even the smallest thing that I can give....Then, when I see their smile and say "Daghang Salamat", it makes me feel good. As I always say to myself, giving to others who is in need can make them happy and so do I feel happy in helping.

Hindi pa tumigil doon ang pagiging Good Samaritan ni Mahusay. Isang araw noong buwan ng Agosto, nakakita siya ng magasawang senior citizen na magkatabing nakaupo sa isang lugar sa Brgy. Tabunok Leyte. Ang bahay ng magasawa ay gawa sa kahoy tulad ng isang nipa hut. As he observed them, he felt that they are too old to work at walang makapag-provide ng kanilang necessities pang araw-araw.

"Kapag nakikita ko sila, I keep in mind to give them something," sabi ni Mahusay. "When our local government gave packs of rice to every

household, , instead of using it, I didn't use to cook it for our own because I preferred to give it to the two senior citizens."

"On the next few days of my travel in the area, I prepared the rice, together with the viand "lechon Paksiw". I saw them sitting along the street early in the morning around 7:15AM. Without any doubt, I pulled over and got down from my motorbike then I smiled to them and greet them "Maayong Buntag Lolo ug Lola" or good morning Grandpa and Grandma and then they smiled looking at me and saying the word "Maayung buntad pud apo" or Good Morning also grandson. So, without saying another word, I gave to them the pack of rice and the Lechon paksiw. I saw both of them smile and say thank you so much. It really inspired me when they are happy to have a little," masayang ibinahagi ni Mahusay.

Our Ka-LBC Mahusay has learned na kung gaano man kahirap ang buhay, kailangan natin ipagpatuloy at wag matakot harapin ang ating mga problema sa buhay. It really inspired him to give back to people. It brings him joy to see the his fellow pinoy's happy and very thankful, even when receiving something simple from a Good Samaritan.

"I learned a lot of things and that difficulties can strike us, but I am very lucky and thankful despite this time of pandemic I have still a job with LBC. No matter how hard life is, we must keep going and never be afraid to face all the circumstances, sabi ni Mahusay. He also reminds us as a Modern Day Good Samaritan to keep in mind to forget what you give but never forget to give.

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## The Blockade Runner

Employee: Erick Jason A. Colina

Business Unit: Systems

Team: Talisay Delivery

Area: Central Visayas

Ang COVID-19 ay tunay na nagdala ng paghihirap at hamon para sa ating mga kapwa Pilipino, isa sa mga paghihirap na naranasan nating lahat ay ang pag-announce ng Gobyerno ng paglockdown sa ilang mga lugar sa Pilipinas. Noong panahon na lockdown ang mga lunsod, hindi natin ma-iwasan na matakot at mag-alala para sa ating mga kapamilya. Isa sa mga kinakatakutan natin ay yung pagistasyon ng mga tauhang militar sa mga boarder, nung mga araw na ito walang pwedeng dumaan sa mga border ng bawat syudad maliban na lang kung ikaw ay isang key personnel. May mga pagkakataon na kailangan nating makadaan sa border para makapaghatid ng pangangailangan pero gaano kalayo ang kaya mong tahakin para ikaw ay makaabot sa iyong pupuntahan?

Ito ang kwento ni Erick Jason A. Colina, isang Courier mula sa LBC Talisay Delivery Team. Patapos na usual na araw ni Eric sa pagtrabaho sa opisina, pauwi na si Colina nang inutusan na mag drop-off ng isang package.

"I was asked to drop off a parcel with address in Talisay City (which I'm assigned to)"  
Umalis si Colina papunta sa address ng parcel para ito ay i-drop-off nang makauwi na sya. Pagdating ni Colina sa address, tinawagan niya ang consignee para makuha ang kanyang exact location para maiabot ang kanyang package, ngunit may napansin si Colina sa address na ibinigay sakanya. Ang address na ibinigay sa kanya ay sa Bulacao, Cebu City area. Hindi ito alam ni Colina dahil hindi siya lokal na Cebuano, pero hindi niya hinayaang maging hadlang ito para maihatid ang package.

"Nevertheless, I tried to cross the border between Cebu City and Talisay City" Sinubukan ni Colina tumawid sa Talisay-Cebu border ngunit siya ay pinigilan ng mga militar. Ayaw magpatalo, naghanap ng ibang paraan si Colina para siya ay makapasok ng Cebu City at maihatid ang package. Ang package ay may nilalaman

na health essentials ng consignee para sa pandemya, kaya alam ni Colina kung gaanong kahalaga sa consignee yung package na iyon.

Nagmaneho pabalik si Colina ng SRP road papuntang Bulacao via Mambaling which is 10km mula sa military checkpoint na humarang sakanya. Isang malaking hamon ito kay Colina at kinailangan ng mahabang pasensya para sya ay mag tagumpay ng maka pasok ng Cebu City at pabalik.

Nung araw na iyon, si Colina ay muntikan nang makulong ng mga awtoridad pero ipinilit pa rin niya na bumiyaha at makipagkita sa consignee kung saan walang pulis para maiabot ang package. "Giving extra service for work could mean a lot to others" sabi ni Colina. "I also learned to put myself in others situation and understand how much he needs to have that parcel right away. You know, I could have returned the parcel to the office and request the assigned courier to deliver it which would take another day or two but I chose not to do so."

Bago pa nagsimula ang kwento ni Colina, pwede niyang piliin na ibalik na lang ang package sa opisina at i-request na ang assigned courier ang mag hatid nung package pero aabot ito ng isa o dalawa pang araw ngunit hindi ito pinili ni Colina. "We could probably extend our service in work because we empathized to the situation of others, but afterwards, our feeling of happiness in helping cannot be paid especially when you saw how delighted they are upon receiving the parcel and when they express how much they appreciate what you did."



## Lakas

Employee: Charlie F. Faceronda Jr.

Business Unit: Systems

Team: Caticlan Delivery

Area: Western Visayas Panay

Ang bawat tao ay may kwentong gustong ikwento, kwento ng kaisyahan, kalungkutan, pagmamahal, katuwaan, at galit. At dahil tayo ay hinaharap ng hindi na inaasahang pandemya, hindi lang tayong mga Pilipino, ngunit ang buong mundo, kinoconsider natin ang ating mga sarili bilang mga modern heroes hindi lang sa oras ng pandemya pero sa oras na tayo ay nagbibigay serbisyo sa mga kapwa natin. Araw araw tayo ay humaharap sa problema at hamon, mula noong nagimplementa ng ECQ ang gobyerno, libu-libong Pilipino ang naapektuhan, ilang mga kababayan ang stranded sa ibat-ibang lugar mula noong araw na iyon. Hanggang saan nga ba ang kakayanin ng isang tao kapag hinarap sa ganitong sitwasyon?

Si Charlie F. Faceronda Jr., isang empleyado ng LBC sa Caticlan ang isa sa mga tao na naiharap sa ganitong sitwasyon. Noong in-announce ang lockdown inabot ng tatlong buwan bago makita muli ni Charlie ang kanyang pamilya dahil sa lockdown.

"March 13, 2020 the Government has declared Community Quarantine to the entire nation and everyone was in panic and it seems it was the end of the world. Personally, i felt unprepared emotionally, spiritually and most of all financially because I never expected this to happen", sabi ni Faceronda.

Noong mga unang buwan ng ECQ, walang ibang maisip si Charlie kundi ang pamilya niya, paano na sila? Paano sila mabubuhay? Paano na ang mga daily needs nila ngayong may kaiksian ng supplies? Ang mga katanungang ito ay nakadagdag sa stress na hinaharap ni Charlie. Ito pa ang dagdag niyang salaysay, "The 1st day of GCQ, I was locked down at Caticlan, Malay, Aklan, where my area of assignment was there, and I felt a feeling of nervous and of course worry and helpless for my 2 children back home.

I was worried of their situations especially their daily needs like food, milk, vitamins and etc. Because as we all know having those essentials were not just as easy as usual that we used to. So stressful because most of the supplies during the 1st month of under Community Quarantine were having shortages and scarcity. The delivery of all goods was literally abnormal because of border restrictions and other LGU's rules and regulations implemented."

Sobrang stressful, pero kahit napalayo si Faceronda sa kanyang pamilya, hindi niya hinayaan ito para maapektuhan ang kanyang mga responsibilidad. Siya ang klase ng tao na hindi basta-basta lang bumibigay, kahit sa harap ng pandemya alam ni Faceronda ang dapat niyang gawin.

Ginawa ni Faceronda na maging positibo at masikap, napansin niya na ang kanyang mga kasamahan ay na-aapektuhan na ng pagiging malayo sa pamilya kaya nagsikap si Charlie na maging inspirasyon sa mga kasamahan nya.

"What I did to calm myself was to pray for my family and for myself and for everyone. Praying that everything will be okay and later, back to normal. I was also praying that my job and my employer--LBC will not be affected of this pandemic.

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Otherwise, I have no source of income and can't provide essentials for my family. I was always monitoring the situations every now and then by watching on TV and listening on Radios for the updates of COVID-19 pandemic and hoping that we could now lift the Quarantine Period but nothing happens and still the Quarantine continues and more infected have been reported. As a Bread Winner of the family, I need to be strong and resilient. Seeing them that they are okay is my happiness and God has a purpose on it," positibong sabi ni Faceronda.

"I was moving forward despite of this pandemic because my family needs me. I don't want to see them hopeless and I don't want them to see me the same. Facing these trying times is just a big trial and everything has a purpose."

Sa mga panahon na ito nare-realize natin na ang pagpahalaga sa pamilya at ang pananampalataya sa Diyos ang kailangan natin sa pagharap sa hirap at hamon.

Marami sa ating mga Ka-LBC Associates ay naranasan din ito at nagawa naman nilang gawin ang mga trabaho nila nang maayos. Nagawa din ng ating mga Delivery Associate maging on-time lagi sa kanilang mga deliveries, mapa-ulan o mapa-araw, nagawa pa rin nila na gawin ng maayos ang trabaho.

May mga panahon na nararandaman nila ang mga kalungkutan, pero ang kaisipan nila sa pamilya at duty ang nagpapatkbo sa kanila at ang nakakatulong sa kanila ng matapos ang araw. Kahit hinarap na sa hamon at emosyon, tuloy pa din ang pagsisikap at pag-inspire ni Faceronda sa kanyang mga katrabaho.

"As an ordinary individual with a simple life in this world, let us value everything. Let us firstly focus on the essentials and be prepared all the time. By giving value to that, is also having importance to your family and putting God in the center to make every step of your life more easier."

"I really learned a lot. I realized how important is family, our job, health and devotion to God. Family gives us strength and inspiration, our job gives us source of livelihood, health gives us safety and protection and devotion gives us hope. I am also starting to value things and be contented".

Ito ang mga aral na pwedeng mapulot kay Faceronda. We have to move on. We have to think positive and always not lose hope.

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## Small But Terrible

Employee: Febie V. Floro

Business Unit: Philippine Branch

Operations Area: Eastern Mindanao

Team: Panabo

Superman, Batman, Cat Woman, the Green Lantern, and even the Hulk are all superheroes in today's life. They all have a positive effect on others. They all wear costumes, but in normal life who are the heroes? And what is a hero by the way?

My definition of a hero is someone who contributes much to the lives of others, puts others ahead of herself/himself, and gives without expecting anything in return. They do not all wear capes or fly. They do not want to be famous for their daring acts. Some, however, do not look like a hero as how we could imagine.

This is how Febie V. Floro wants to live her life everyday. Febie or Nini by her close friends and family members, hails from Brgy. Kulambog Isulan Sultan Kudarat, a province in the Philippines located in the Soccsksargen region in Mindanao. She was hired as a Customer Associate under Panabo Team (EMIN Area) on October 14, 2019. In March 2020, at the height of the imposition of lockdowns in Mindanao, Febie was sent to Samal Island, to solely man our Branch. To be sent to a place about 238.9 km from home is something that requires courage and determination to withstand what awaits her in that place in the onset of the pandemic. Barely five (5) months in the company, Floro said that it was a big challenge for her to start her journey with risk and fear.

"Thinking will not overcome fear, but action will..."

As we all know, our government and LGUs need to close borders and travels are restricted just to deter the transmission of this virus. Hence, the locals in that area sent packages, transfers money and pay bills thru our Branch which happens to be the only courier and money remittance establishment in the place (Samal), catering three (3) Districts in the island. When asked how she felt at that time, this is what she says:

"I just imagined myself like a soldier, fighting physically and emotionally in the battlefield.

There were times that when I go home, all the establishments were already close, and the town looked like a ghost town. It was covered by darkness and fear, everyone is afraid to go outside, and the place was too creepy. I felt so scared sometimes that I felt sick, but thinking again, I can't be weak".

Just like in the combat movies, when a troop is facing defeat, the military commander sends back up. Floro knew and understands that no matter how much her area would like to send back up, it is impossible because Samal, as per Floro, strictly implements that only residents and those that has QR Code can enter and leave the island.

To her, every day is a struggle and a challenge. Floro, with her frail and petite built, solely put up the plastic barriers of the branch. When asked how, she said that everything was done at night, after finishing her daily grind – the balancing of collections vis a vis all transactions for the day up to reporting.

When asked how she keeps up despite the odds, this is what she has to say: "I am being motivated every time when my customers tell me they really admire and amaze me on how I am doing all my task. They even called me a small but terrible woman. A 45kg woman carrying a 25kg shipment, I just thought to myself that I have superpowers which is my courage and faith", sabi ni Floro. After four long months, Batman (Floro) finally has Robin (another female Customer Associate) to help her out manage our Samal Branch.

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Floro said she never regretted being sent to a battle. She even expressed her gratitude to LBC for she never felt that she was being abandoned and for the trust reposed on her in manning the Samal Branch.

Floro further said "Still struggling everyday but working without pain can't be called working. I was able to experience the situation with a purpose, to realize the importance of taking good care of our health, to appreciate the value of my job, friends and family and to strengthen my faith. HE sent me in a situation where he knows I can overcome. This pandemic will be ending soon and I'm preparing for more blessings that are coming my way. This story of mine is not only my story but it represents how us workers struggled during this pandemic mostly in the early of breakout of the virus, how we overcome fear and risk to continue our task and how dedicated we are to give service."

Other than the happiness that she felt in giving service to our customers in Samal, what keeps her sanity, motivates and gives her courage to continue this battle is her family especially her mother. Her mother calls her from time to time. As the country grapples with the virus, this is our Floro, championing resilience and a hero on her own right!!!

This story, says Floro is not only her story, but it represents all Ka-LBCs who worked and struggled during the pandemic and how they overcame the fear and risk to continue their tasks and show how dedicated LBC employees are, to give excellent service.

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## **World Class Malasakit, by Filipinos, to Filipinos**

Employees: Arlene L. De Guzman, Anita D. Gregorio,  
Lucita Y. Johns, Maria Cecilia Perez, Fely C. Ruiz

Business Unit: North America Finance-HQ

Vanessa A. Teopaco, Michael L. Salomon

Rafael P. Policarpio

Business Unit: North America International Sales & Operations

Retail

The global spread of the virus has touched the highest echelons of the world. This infinitesimal living thing is so ferocious that it doesn't spare nobody that crosses its path as even the affluent countries, like America, are greatly affected by it. Let us meet our different Ka-LBC tales from North America who performed acts of sacrifices notwithstanding the personal risks it may cause them.

And yes, there is little to be cheerful about in a world battered by the coronavirus disease (Covid-19). But if there is one thing that we should be happy about, are the people braving the virus to do something remarkable - big or small.

With the declared travel restrictions in the US strictly imposed, some employees from our North America region were furloughed and others had to work from home. The Finance Team of the North America region braved the offices while practicing social distancing and regular sanitizing – just to get the job done. This was not an easy work arrangement for the necessary and needed tools and materials were only accessible in the office and the fear and possibility of getting the virus as well.

Perhaps some of you may find ridiculous but when the Finance team were asked why do such a thing, this is what they say:

“LBC is an essential service. Therefore, our team is essential to support the business as a whole.

There are plenty of people who rely on LBC's services, especially during this pandemic. We felt that it was vital for us to do our job in order to help families in need.”

When masks were running out and hard to come by, Vanessa A. Teopaco of North California Area decided to start sewing masks for her whole Team. She worked incessantly to make sure they had it before their operation starts again.

When Covid-19 hit the USA, Michael L. Salomon of Area 2-North America did not hesitate to take on additional work. A lot of it, from his team members who were going through physical, mental and emotional challenges. He was working from morning until night for a few weeks and he did not hesitate to go to Texas via plane, not minding the risk, to open the new warehouse in the place, following a task assigned to him.

Toronto, Canada on the other hand, on August 2020, Rafael P. Policarpio of Area 3, 4, 5 shares this of CANPAYBILLS INC. initiating BOTTLES FOR CHANGE campaign for OFW Families affected by COVID-19 in the Philippines. The campaign was to collect empty wine bottles and beer cans, and funds raised were used to purchase rice to be distributed to Blas Ople Policy Center – OFW Assistance Program and to My Bonita Home for Girls of the Mary Queen of Heaven Missionaries.

CANPAYBILLS, a bills payment service solutions provider, supported by LBC initiated the collaboration last May 15, 2020 and ended August 15, 2020. The campaign raised \$876.00 from collecting bottles and cans and used to purchase 25-kilo sacks of rice.

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The sacks of rice were delivered to 180 distressed Overseas Filipino Worker's families under the care of Blas Ople Policy Center – Overseas Filipino Workers Assistance Program in Manila and the My Bonita Home for Girls of the Mary Queen of Heaven Missionaries in Cebu City. A total of fifteen, 25-kilo sacks of rice were donated to Blas Ople Policy Center and four, 50 kilo sacks of rice was delivered to My Bonita Home for Girls.

The Bottles for Change program began with CANPAYBILLS seeing the need for providing rice – a staple food to families and individuals affected by COVID 19 pandemic in the Philippines. CANPAYBILLS owner Mon Solis collaborated with BeamAndGo in the Philippines on their Project Kabayanihan for recipients of rice donation and with the Mary Queen of Heaven Missionaries in Talisay City, Cebu for their My Bonita Home for Girls, in Talamban Cebu.

The Bottles for Change program was supported by LBC thru the generosity of Policarpio by allowing the storage of empty bottles and beer cans at the LBC Warehouse as a staging area. It also got support from the Knights of Columbus Maharlika Council #7488, thru the leadership of its Grand Knight Shubert Restituto. There were 38 Donors of bottles and cans, and a total of 880 bottles/cans were collected. A total of 19 sacks of rice (15 25-kilo and 4 50-kilo sacks) were delivered. The campaign started last May 15, 2020 and ended on August 15, 2020.

The acts of heroism are never self-regarding or ridiculous but instead are courageous and self-sacrificing.

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## The Walkathon

Employee: Malvin C. Arce

Business Unit: Headquarters

Team: Contact Center Management

In the year 2020, many people from different walks of life had to resort to lots of walking. Walking became a routine for some people who needed to report to work due to the suspension of public transportation particularly in NCR. Lets listen to what Ka-LBC Malvin C. Arce has to say in his journey as one who resides in Makati and works at Pasig City.

"I work for LBC Express in Pasig City as a customer relations specialist for the past 6 years. Mass transport was suspended and a Luzon wide quarantine was imposed by President Duterte late in the evening of March 16, 2020 to curb the spread of the coronavirus disease. My mother was very concerned and said to me "Anak, paano na yan? Wala ka ng masasakyan papunta sa trabaho?" I simply gave her a hug and told her, "Pasok pa din 'nay. Try ko manghiram ng bike", Arce said.

"Sadly, I never found one. March 17, 2020 was the very first day that I walked from home going to the office. It was a long 5 kilometer walk of almost an hour of sweat and exhaustion. It was the first day that I was ever late for work. I just uttered to myself, "My God, what a day!" This was repeated on my way home. I dubbed this routine as "The Walkathon". Days became weeks and weeks became months of "The Walkathon". My mother would always ask me, "Naglalakad ka nanaman anak?" and I would always reply in a cheerful tone, "Opo 'nay sa awa po ng Diyos". I always felt that my mother was worried about me because of the dangers this pandemic may bring," Arce narrated.

The arrival of a typhoon even added to the hardship as the elevator was disabled due to loss of electricity. Arce even had to take the stairs to the 26th floor! The Company later on supported all Customer Relations Specialists with a shuttle and Arce thought "The Walkathon" would finally be over. But there were only certain points and routes where majority of workers can be picked-up. It still posed a problem for Arce.

Arce said, "I am deeply thankful for this provision but I also understood that not everyone could be accommodated including me. Nevertheless, I still chose to continue going to work on time for my mother since I need to support her needs especially her maintenance medicine as I am the sole breadwinner."

The work from home setup offered by the Company did not suit Arce too due to the poor internet signal at home and he preferred to report physically despite the danger. He believed he can help the customers better with complete equipment and stable internet signal in the office.

Sabi ni Arce, "Doing "The Walkathon" made me to start noticing people's faces with masks on. Some homeless would beg for some change just to have something to eat. This day-to-day experience made me realize the effect of the pandemic, but I am more than thankful to LBC that I am part of those lucky ones who still holds a job. I also felt that my co-workers reporting to work, despite the challenges, were also experiencing hardship so I always bring extra food to share as my simple contribution and a way to bond with them."

In these times customers were more irritable than usual and would not accept reasons for the delay in delivery even if it is due to the issues brought by the pandemic. Another learning that Malvin realized is that to treat customers with extra patience and empathy because they are also experiencing the same pandemic as we do.

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For all these challenges, Arce has this to say, "I smile when I need to. I bend my knees and pray that all will be well. I know for certain that all my struggles and challenges will lead to something greater and be someone better."

"Our life is meant to be a journey. I know that each and every one of us has certain hardships, struggles and happiness. This pandemic is no exception at all. I need to begin all over again. And find the courage to stand up, and face tomorrow with just as much hope as i had yesterday."

"If we look into it, we may feel frustrated, tired, angry or depressed, but these obstacles will help us be better and more prepared for upcoming battles. The support system (family, friends & co-employees) will help lessen the burden especially since we get our strength from them", he wholeheartedly said.

Malvin's passion to serve our customers drives him to take the challenge and be a better person. He also added, "Manifest hard work with dedication. Do what is right, for one day it will be all worth it. Life is meant to be filled with sad days that will make you appreciate the good days". It is very clear that his actions reflect his passion towards becoming better to serve others. Despite the harsh reality, he chose to be real and be compassionate.

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## Dear Family...

Employee: Joey D. Reyes

Business Unit: Systems

Team: Caloocan Cargo Delivery Area:

NCR North

Malaki ang pinagbago ng pandemic sa ating pamumuhay at pagta-trabaho. At first, the effect has not yet sunk-in ika nga, there was less traffic and people are staying at home. Sino ba naman ang hindi gusto manatili sa bahay? Pero sa pagtagal-tagal, nahirapan ang mga tao sa safety at pamumuhay ng kanilang pamilya kaya kahit naka-quarantine, ni-risk nila ang kaligtasan at tinutuloy pa rin ang pagpasok sa trabaho as LBC is a required essential service. Isa sa ehemplong ito ay si Joey D. Reyes, at ang kanyang istorya ay tungkol sa kahirapan sa panahon noong pandemya.

Sabi ni Reyes, "Being a frontliner and a Barangay Kagawad was a great challenge during the pandemic. As a Barangay Kagawad, I have an obligation to my constituents to monitor and enforce the health/safety protocols and at the same time I have an obligation to my family and earn a living."

Family for us Filipinos means the world. Ang welfare ng pamilya ay pinaka-importante sa mga isip nang bawat isa. Our frontliners are devoted and committed to their purpose and mission to serve our customers as their calling at isa na dun si Reyes.

"Ang challenges ko, during the quarantine period, we were obliged to report for duty every night until 12 AM and need to report to work before 6 AM. This is aside from my duty every Sunday, the whole day," at dagdag pa niya, "I need to do it as a sworn duty to my constituents likewise being the head of the family, not thinking of myself nor my health."

Tila ganito din ang karamihan sa ating mga frontliner na pinapakita ang dedikasyon sa trabaho especially due to the skeletal workforce arrangements, marami ding sacrifices needed to be done.

Utter selflessness and herosim, sacrificing time to be with family in the face of uncertainty and the dangers to life and limb. But papaano ito nagawa ni Reyes sa araw-araw kahit na mapanganib ang mga panahong iyon? What made him push from these challenges and saan niya nakuha ang kanyang lakas?

"All this is with the guidance of our Almighty God, and the loving support of my family giving me the strength to accomplish everything and my daily tasks", wika ni Reyes. "At this time of pandemic, we must wake-up and face all the challenges we may encounter and must admit that we are now living in the "New Normal" life."

The pandemic grows by the day, and it reminds us that anything can happen. But with a little sacrifice, we can help each other feel safe and healthy and maybe this situation we have will pass.

## Ang Empleyadong Bagong Salta

Employee: Joseph M. Bueno Business

Unit: Systems

Team: Quezon City Cargo Delivery Area:  
NCR North

When we hear the word “frontliner” usually, people think about Health Workers helping people that are infected by the virus. Perhaps, only a few may know that there are other frontliners as well, though not in the health sector, but is part of sending essential goods – the logistics frontliners, our Ka-LBC Delivery Associates.

Maraming nag-donate para makatulong sa bayan laban sa COVID. People donated PPE's and Medicine and it our job as LBC to deliver to hospitals and health workers. Ito ang kwento ni Joseph M. Bueno, isang Cargo Associate ng Quezon City Cargo Delivery Team bilang isang frontliner.

“Kakapasok ko palang sa LBC bago pa nag total lockdown ang Manila dahil sa COVID. Noon, araw-araw ako nag co-commute mula Mandaluyong papuntang Tandang Sora Hub sa Quezon City. Kaya nung nag lockdown hirap na hirap ako makapasok,” kwento ni Bueno.

“Laking pasasalamat ko sa LBC at nahihiram ko yung motor na aking ginagamit sa trabaho. Nakakatakot ang aming trabaho due to the exposure lalo na sa mga panahon na iyon. Nag-iingat nalang kami at sinusunod ang mga safety protocols para hindi mahawaan at makahawa ng sakit.

Aminado si Joseph na siya ay natakot at nagdadalawang isip pumasok, hindi lang dahil siya ay bago sa kumpanya kundi natatakot din siya i-risk ang kanyang safety. Araw-araw sila nag delivery ng mga shipments kahit alam nila na may chance silang mahawa at may posibilidad din mahawa ang kanilang mahal sa buhay. But what gave Bueno courage in continuing his work?

Iniiisip ko na lang ang tungkulin ko bilang isang delivery associate, maraming umaasa saamin na makuha ang kanilang packages. During lockdown, dinedeliver namin ang mga PPEs at iba't ibang klaseng gamot sa mga hispital. Masarap sa pakiramdam na makarinig sa mga tumatanggap ng pasasalamat, kahit delikado at nasa labas ako ginagampanan pa rin ang aking trabaho. Kita po sa mga mata ng aking pinadadalhan ang tuwa at pasasalamat, kung hindi daw dahil sa LBC di nila makukuha ang mga padalang kailangan nila sa kanilang mga pamilya.

The smiles of every Filipino pushes Bueno everyday, kahit na bago lang siya bilang isang Ka-LBC. Naipakita niya ang katatagan at ang ability to bounce back in every situation.

Sabin ni Bueno, “Nakatulong talaga sa takot ko ang pagtupad ng safety protocols na binigay ng LBC Management, upang magampanan ang aming tungkulin bilang Delivery Associate. Doble ingat lang talaga ang kailangan, sa awa ng Diyos hindi naman kami nahahawa. Natutunan ko din sa ginagawa ko ang dedikasyon at pagmamahal ko sa trabaho, kung may pagmamahal ka sa trabaho at alam mo ang goals ng Company magagawan ng paraan na matupad ang tungkulin mo kahit gaano kahirap ang situation. Ganun pala maging Ka-LBC!”

**Social**

**04**

## **Relationship with Community Significant Impacts on Local Communities**



**21,229 beneficiaries - Long-term**



**1,098,198 beneficiaries - Short-term**



**8 classrooms donated**



**285 scholars**



**21 medical assistance**

# Social

# 04



10 volunteer activities nationwide



150 unique volunteers



1,100 families served



150 person served



595 kids served



26 communities served



345 elders served

## In-kind donations



294 boxes donated



74 communities served



3,706 families served



2,660 students served



286 person served



286 kids served

# Social

# 04

## Move It Forward



1,657 boxes shipping sponsorship



12 NGO's served



125 communities served



12,325 families served



13,159 students served



29 persons served

## Disaster Relief



111 boxes shipping sponsorship



21 NGO served



21 LGU served



142 communities served



192,416 families served



34,862 persons served



195 kids served



**Social**

**04**

**Infrastructure Project  
Hope For All Children, Samal Island,  
Davao**

LBC Foundation donated one-storey, 2-classroom school facility with separate boys and girls comfort rooms to Hope for All Children Foundation (HFAC).

The boys comfort rooms include 3 stalls, 3 urinals and 2 sinks. The girls comfort rooms include 5 stalls and 2 sinks. It was turn-over last October 2020. A total of 23 children will benefit initially, now with room for more.



**Social**

**04**

**Infrastructure Project  
Sinapangan National High School,  
Balaoan, La Union**

Despite of the challenge of COVID pandemic, LBC Foundation able to donate one-storey two-classroom building in 16<sup>th</sup> school Sinapangan National High School in Balaoan, La Union last November 26, 2020. This is the 30<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup> classroom donated with Philam Foundation. A total of 350 students benefited.







**Social**

**04**

### **Infrastructure Project**

**Kalalake Elementary School, Olongapo, Zambales**

LBC Foundation continue to meet its objective providing access to the basic right of education to underserved communities and uplifting the quality of education by donating classrooms with Philam Foundation.

Last **December 3, 2020**, LBC Foundation turnover one-storey two classrooms building to **Kalalake Elementary School** in Olongapo, Zambales.

Kalalake Elementary School is the 17<sup>th</sup> school we assisted thru our Infrastructure project where **350 students** benefited.



**Social**

**04**



**Infrastructure Project  
San Juan Bano Elementary School,  
Arayat, Pampanga**

December 3, 2020 aside from Kalalake Elementary School, LBC Foundation also turnover one-storey 2 classrooms building to San Juan Bano Elementary School in Arayat, Pampanga



The 34<sup>th</sup> and 35<sup>th</sup> classrooms we donated since 2017. San Juan Bano Elementary is the 18<sup>th</sup> school we assisted thru Infrastructure project with Philam Foundation. A total of 400 students benefited.





**Social**

**04**

## **EDUCATION PROJECTS: Educational tools, training & equipment**



**19,800 students served**



**120 communities served**

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# Social

# 04

## Adopt A School Program - Printing of Modules Department of Education

Last November and December 2020 LBC Foundation partner with Department of Education for the Adopt-A School program by donating printed modules to the learners of twelve (12) divisions in Luzon.

The project beneficiary was Schools Division of;

Province	Donated Modules	Province	Donated Modules
1. Pampanga	2,000	7. Camarines Sur	2,000
2. Santiago	2,000	8. Albay	2,000
3. Cagayan	1,500	9. Quezon	1,000
4. Batangas	1,000	10. Pangasinan	2,000
5. Rizal	300	11. Isabela	2,000
6. Tuguegarao	2,000	12. Bulacan	2,000



Cost of the project per division is 100,000.

A total of 19,800 learners served.



**Social**

**04**



Turn-over of Module to Pampanga last November 26, 2020



Turn-over of Module to Santiago City last December 14, 2020



Turn-over of Module to Rizal December 17, 2020



**Social**

**04**

## **EDUCATION PROJECTS: Scholarships**



**19 communities served**



**260 students served**

**118 Elementary  
95 High School  
36 Senior High School  
20 College**

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**Social**

**04**

## COVID RELIEF OPERATION INITIATIVE



118 communities served



191,890 families served



34,440 persons served

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# Social

# 04

## MASKS SAVE LIVES

A campaign organized by LBC Foundation to help flatten the curve of the pandemic. Through the assistance of LBC Express, LBC Foundation commit to donate washable masks to public.

PROVINCE / CITY	QUANTITY OF MASKS	PROVINCE / CITY	QUANTITY OF MASKS
ALBAY	50,000	MAKATI	127,000
BUKIDNON	70,000	MANDALUYONG	70,000
CAMIGUIN	70,000	MANILA	570,500
DAGUPAN	70,000	PALAWAN	75,000
DAVAO	70,000	PAMPANGA	450,000
ILOCOS NORTE	200,000	PANGASINAN	20,000
ILOCOS SUR	70,000	PARANAQUE	150,000
ILOILO	40,000	PASAY	100,000
ISABELA	50,000	QUEZON CITY	190,000
LAGUNA	50,000	RIZAL	50,000
LAS PINAS	120,000	TACLOBAN	70,000

A total of **2,801,932** units of washable masks distributed in **15** provinces nationwide and **7** cities of Metro Manila.

A total of **190,000** families benefitted.

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**56,500**   
masks, suits,  
gloves, other PPEs  
to **60** hospitals

#LetsBlockCovid





**35,000**

masks produced  
by livelihood programs  
in Taguig & Manila



#LetsBlockCovid

**#LetsBlockCovid**

*"I am sewing  
face masks  
not only for  
my family,  
but it's also  
my service  
and way to  
help our  
countrymen."*

**Jocelyn  
Rodriguez,  
mother of 3**





# 2,800,000

masks distributed to NCR: Las Pinas, Manila, Makati, Mandaluyong, Paranaque, Pasay, Pasig, Quezon City  
Outside NCR: Ilocos Norte, Ilocos Sur, Isabela, Pangasinan, Pampanga, Laguna, Cavite, Rizal, Leyte, Quezon, Albay, Marinduque, Palawan, Iloilo, Bukidnon, Camiguin, Davao

#LetsBlockCovid





**2,500**  relief food packs

to **1,500** families in Manila,  
Paranaque, Quezon City, Rizal,  
Navotas, Bulacan, Laguna,  
Cavite, Baguio, and Palawan

#LetsBlockCovid





# 05

## Customer Satisfaction

Across the whole customer journey, LBC has implemented various procedures to ensure the best possible experience.

At branches, a queueing system with a target of 10 minutes waiting time, and 5 minutes transaction time;

For cargo operations, our focus has been next-day delivery, low return rate, next day transfer of funds for COD. However, due to the Covid pandemic, turnaround times for cargo has been adjusted;

With our Customer Care, we monitor answer levels across all channels and have a 24hr closure rate for all complaints that are ticketed;

For Customer Relations Management, various touchpoints are monitored and addressed, including social listening. Regular Customer Satisfaction Rating Surveys are also conducted, as well as "Mystery Shopping."

LBC utilizes an "omnichannel" approach for customer touchpoints, which include on-premise, online (e-mail, website, social media, mobile app), telephone, SMS.

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# 05

# Customer Satisfaction

In order to do its part in ensuring Customer Safety:

Throughout 2020, and to date, LBC has been continuously releasing communications to customers, on the following topics:

- Updated (SLAs) Delivery Lead Times
  - Daily Updates of Open Branches, via Branch Lookup
  - Updated Delivery areas (updated based on locked down areas)
  - Advisories for Customer safety
  - Availability of Online Bookings, Pickup Services, Online Money Transfer
  - Safety protocols
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# 05

# Customer Satisfaction

**LBC Express Inc. Default**  
 Posted by [Sharon Mae Mung](#) · April 14, 2020 ·

Hiya! As LBC, we are still moving it and doing what we can to get your packages delivered.  
 Your number is important to us so we can progress further and help you in making us better.  
 Thank you for understanding. #LBCExpressInc #LBCExpressIncPH

**ORIGIN: MINDANAO**  
**Delivery Lead Time**  
 Number of Days

Destination	Mode of Transport	Days	Days	Days
Cebu	Sea	3-5	3-7	3-5
	Sea	3-5	3-7	3-5
Davao	Sea	3-5	4-6	3-5
	Sea	3-5	3-5	3-5
Mindanao	Sea	3-5	4-6	3-5
	Sea	3-5	3-5	3-5
Other	Sea/Truck	3-5	3-5	3-5

**LBC Express Inc.**  
 Facebook Service

Send Message

## Updated Delivery Lead Time

Luzon		Visayas	
Manila	1-2	Manila	1-2
Quezon City	1-2	Quezon City	1-2
Cebu	1-2	Cebu	1-2
Davao	1-2	Davao	1-2
Mindanao	1-2	Mindanao	1-2
Other	1-2	Other	1-2

Mindanao		Other	
Manila	1-2	Manila	1-2
Quezon City	1-2	Quezon City	1-2
Cebu	1-2	Cebu	1-2
Davao	1-2	Davao	1-2
Mindanao	1-2	Mindanao	1-2
Other	1-2	Other	1-2

**LBC Express Inc.**  
 Facebook Service

Send Message

415,862  
 People Reached

41,648  
 Engagement

Score: Unavailable

LBC Express Inc. Facebook Service

Send Message

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Score: Unavailable

# 05

# Customer Satisfaction

**LBC Express Inc. Default**  
Published by Marketing • April 4, 2020

Para sa malaking bilang ng mga open branches ng LBC, sumigla lamang ang 4 simple steps na ito:

1. I-click ang link: <https://bit.ly/2dnd73n>
2. Mag-input nang maayos ng any information na may open branches
3. Latihan ang button ng mga open branches. See More

**Branch Tracker Guide**  
Step 1

1. Click on the link <https://bit.ly/2dnd73n>

2. Click on the button **Open Branches**

3. Click on the button **Open Branches**

**Branch Tracker Guide**  
Step 2

1. Enter the branch name and address

2. Click on the button **Open Branches**

**Branch Tracker Guide**  
Step 3

1. Enter the branch name and address

2. Click on the button **Open Branches**

**Branch Tracker Guide**  
Step 4

1. Enter the branch name and address

2. Click on the button **Open Branches**

**LBC Express Inc. Default**  
Published by Marketing • April 4, 2020

**Branch Tracker Link:** <https://bit.ly/2dnd73n>

Makapan ang open branches ng LBC sa 1 minute, gumamit ang 4 simple steps na ito:

<https://bit.ly/2dnd73n>

14,392 People Reached | 11,296 Engagements

**LBC Express Inc. Default**  
Published by Marketing • August 12, 2020

Our branches will remain open to serve you. To check our available branch schedule, please click here: <https://bit.ly/2P8wvzH>

**LBC will remain open to serve your padala needs.**



14,411 People Reached | 1,061 Engagements







**05**

# Customer Satisfaction



***Make every move click with LBC Online.***

- Choose PICK UP or BRANCH DROP-OFF at your convenience.
- Faster and smoother shipping experience.
- Easily track shipments and payment on your personal dashboard.

# 05

# Customer Satisfaction

**LBC Express Inc. (Default)**  
Published by **Mercurius** • April 22, 2020

Safety alert: pa-bago sa home! leaving your home  
visit <https://www.lbc.com.ph/2020/04/22/safety-alert> and schedule your pick-up.  
Our team will follow all safety protocols to pick-up and deliver your items. [See More](#)



**Always stay safe, Ko-LBC.**

**Schedule a Pick-up**

121,347 People Reached   6,000 Engagement   **Event Unavailable**

**LBC Express Inc. (Default)**  
Published by **Mercurius** • April 1, 2020

Hi mga ka-LBC! Hindi ba ginagamit niyo ang LBC Express? Para sa mga ka-LBC, mayroon kami isang bagong serbisyo na nagpapaligat sa pagpapadala ng mga pakete sa buong bansa. Maaaring magamit ito sa buong bansa. Maaaring magamit ito sa buong bansa. <https://www.lbc.com.ph/2020/04/01/hi-mga-ka-lbc> [See More](#)



**Advisory**

**No need to go to the branch para ipaabot ang padala.**

#mercuriusvlogpt

**LBC Express Inc. (Default)**  
Published by **Mercurius** • March 27, 2020

With LBC Online Pick-Up\* you're saving time and fees. You can schedule a pick-up from the comfort of your home.  
\*Only available at locations that allow entry.  
[View... See More](#)



**05**

# Customer Satisfaction



***Skip the lines, ipa-book mo na ang Pickup!***

Mag-schedule online and magpa-pickup from your own doorstep here

[lbconline.lbcexpress.com](http://lbconline.lbcexpress.com)



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# Customer Satisfaction

**LBC Express Inc. (Default)**  
Published by members • August 1, 2020

Any instant Pays Possible by LBC, may give you at ease yourself!  
Visit <https://www.lbc.com.ph/online-bill-payment> and send money from the comfort of your home. #LBCExpress #OnlineBillPayment

**Instant Pays Possible Online**

**STEP 1**  
Log in to LBC Online

**STEP 2**  
Select the bill to pay

**STEP 3**  
Review the bill details

**STEP 4**  
Confirm the payment

**Instant Pays Possible Online**

**Instant Pays Possible Online**

**+6**

**Best Unavailable**

**LBC Express Inc. (Default)**  
Published by members • August 27, 2020

To LBC Online, no need to line up or visit to help branches nearby.  
Headline towards the new normal, start banking online!  
Shop for as low as P100 on branch pickup!  
Start tracking a Pickup from your own home here:  
<https://lbc.com.ph>

**LBC empowers Filipinos amid COVID-19 - Manila Bulletin**

124,089 Page Reactions | 11,711 Engagements | **Best Unavailable**

# 05

# Customer Satisfaction

**LBC Express Inc. (Default)**  
Published by **Marketing** • May 28, 2022

No need to take chances with your health or your transaction fee points by wearing a mask while you Cash On Delivery. Just process our online system for a longer more spacious at checkout as your any LBC Delivery Associate wants to help you out. To get started, click here: <https://www.lbc.com.ph>

**Book online for Cash On Delivery.  
Safe ka at safe din ang items mo.**



**LBC Express Inc.**  
Product Service

[Learn More](#)

42K,164 People Reached    19,111 Engagements    [Boost Unavailable](#)

**LBC Express Inc. (Default)**  
Published by **Marketing** • April 16, 2022

Hindi lang limitado sa tingnan ng mga pakete magpakailanin!  
May sagot ang LBC sa iyong problema? I-mail ang Online PICK UP service at mag-book sa aming website [www.lbc.com.ph](http://www.lbc.com.ph)  
Name sa any details sa iyong pakete. Stay at home ka LBC! Inge! <https://www.lbc.com.ph>



**Mag mag online.  
We offer convenient delivery  
for your needs.**

**LBC Express Inc. (Default)**  
Published by **Marketing** • April 16, 2022

Magpakailanin ang pakete sa loob ng mas maayos na tingnan ng tingnan ng LBC? Book sa LBC Pick up online at <https://www.lbc.com.ph> magpakailanin ng pakete up...  
We'll ensure... [Get More](#)

# 05

# Customer Satisfaction

**LBC Express by Default**  
Published by default · March 15, 2020

We like to make it as easy as possible. Drop-off times are what you're approaching with hope at any major parcel drops. [#WeLikeToMoveIt](#)

## Advisory

LBC is fighting back against COVID-19

We make sure our facilities are disinfected and our personnel are sanitized while handling your goods. We assure you that your packages will arrive in a safe manner.

[#WeAreStillMoving](#)



9570  
People Reached

6,341  
Engagement

**LBC Express by Default**  
Published by default · March 15, 2020

### LBC Statement on COVID-19

#### LBC Statement on Coronavirus

LBC as LBC, respectfully and fully aware of addressing any and all concerns of our customers, is taking the following actions:

We are providing you with the following information: Philippines government working closely with the World Health Organization (WHO) for any LBC as it is advised to follow the guidelines to ensure the safety, health, and well-being of our customers, employees, and the community as a whole.

Human resources and facilities are under strict monitoring and management. LBC as it is advised to follow the guidelines to ensure the safety, health, and well-being of our customers, employees, and the community as a whole.

LBC as it is advised to follow the guidelines to ensure the safety, health, and well-being of our customers, employees, and the community as a whole.

LBC as it is advised to follow the guidelines to ensure the safety, health, and well-being of our customers, employees, and the community as a whole.



29,463  
People Reached

19,308  
Engagement

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# 05

# Customer Satisfaction

**LBC Express Inc. (Default)**  
Published by **WineLabs** · March 26, 2020 ·

Having may alala!  
Adapt your self to get any type cargo at anytime and day.  
Ginagawa namin lahat ng safety protocols para maibahid sa ating  
tugang ngayon... See More

**Advisory**



**We disinfect regularly para  
tuloy-tuloy lang ang padala.**

#WineLabsTechnology

85,417  
People Reached

5,121  
Engagements

Boost Engagement

**LBC Express Inc. (Default)**  
Published by **WineLabs** · March 26, 2020 ·

May sanasyon and safety process kami para sa ginagawang mga ka-  
ang team namin at ang pagpapalitan na [#WineLabsTechnology](#)  
You may find other LBC branches here at this link:  
[https://bit.ly/324F0Ys](#)

**Advisory**



**May sinusunod na sanitation  
and safety process ang LBC  
para tuloy lang ang padala.**

#WineLabsTechnology

115,108  
People Reached

5,548  
Engagements

Boost Engagement



# 05

# Customer Satisfaction

**LBC Express Inc. (Default)** is with **Eliza Tandy and Herly Dellar Samlayan**  
Published by **Marketing** · March 14, 2020 ·

**LBC** Serving you since March 14, 2020 · 1:38PM  
[#WeAreStillMovingIt](#)

## ADVISORY

We are business as usual!

- Branches are open and ready to serve
- Employees are practicing safety procedures
- Offices, vehicles, and warehouses are frequently sanitized

Your goods will arrive! Please bear with us as some delays are expected due to the situation.

Stay tuned for more updates.

**#WeAreStillMovingIt**

227,400 **Engagement** **Boost Unavailable**

**LBC Express Inc. (Default)** is with **Marketing** · March 11, 2020 ·

Para magpatibay sa mga basic necessities ninyo. [#WeAreStillMovingIt](#)  
We will keep a number of LBC branches open to serve you during these times.  
Check out our regularly updated list [#WeAreStillMovingIt](#)

## Advisory

Nandito kami to help you move your basic necessities. Open pa rin karamihan ng LBC branches, may ilang branches lang na closed until further notice.

[#WeAreStillMovingIt](#)

208,438 **Engagement** **Boost Unavailable**

# 05

# Customer Satisfaction

**LBC Express Inc. (Default)**  
Published by Facebook · March 24, 2020

**Advisory**

You may experience some delays while trying to get in touch with our Customer Care.

We apologize for any inconvenience. [See More](#)

**Advisory**

Our Customer Care Team is currently on skeletal force due to the Community Quarantine. We are giving our best effort to answer all your inquiries in a timely manner.

Please bear with us and we hope for your understanding.

[www.lbcexpress.ph](#)

81,414 Reach Reached | 8,762 Engagement | [View Insights](#)

**LBC Express Inc. (Default)**  
Published by Facebook · May 26, 2020

LBC will ensure the safety and security of all those we engage with. [#LBCares #BikManoManila](#)

**Advisory**

We are moving it safely as we transition back.

As part of our health and safety protocols, LBC will be conducting Antibody Rapid Test to ensure that our employees are healthy and fit to work.

Rest assured, lahat ng papawik ay dadoon sa tamang screening in compliance to DOH and World Health Organization standards.

Moraming salamat, mga ka-LBC.

[www.lbcexpress.ph](#)

477,040 Reach Reached | 22,526 Engagement | [View Insights](#)

# 05

# Customer Satisfaction

**LBC Express Inc. (Default)**  
Facebook · Posts · June 11, 2020

Your safety is our priority.  
We installed plastic shields on our counters upon providing safe and  
sound transaction using [#LBCLabanCOVID19](#) #22Care

## Laban Covid

### Plastic Shields

[#LBCLabanCOVID19](#) Any long branch counters by LBC will have newly installed plastic shields. Likewise to be ensure that all engagement is safe and secure.

We care. We deliver.

**100%** Supply Reached    **5.0/5** Engagement    **Boost Unavailable**

# 05

# Customer Satisfaction

**LBC Express Inc. Default**  
Published by **Marketing** • June 5, 2020

Diakses di **Google!** Please observe social distancing while inside the branch. #LBCLabanCity019 #LBCExpress



### Social Distancing

#LBCLabanCity019: Tetaplah di LBC branch, make sure to practice social distancing. May mga customer na kinopy sa ating staff sa ating guidance.

**134,762**  
Page Reached

**10,962**  
Engagement

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**LBC Express Inc. Default**  
Published by **Marketing** • June 5, 2020

To keep you and our branch associates safe, we are following a strict "NO MASK, NO ENTRY" policy. #LBCLabanCity019 #LBCExpress



### Face Mask

#LBCLabanCity019: Lahat ng tao na loob ng branches ng LBC ay dapat makamask. May ating "No Mask, No Entry" policy sa ating branch.

**215,746**  
Page Reached

**7,075**  
Engagement

Send Message

# 05

# Customer Satisfaction

## Customer Advocacy: Masks

Various messages promoting the use of face masks were shared, in Filipino and various dialects



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Ilokano:

Isu iti makatulong kanya tayo tapno haan tayo na maakaran iti Covid wenno makaakar iti sabali na tao. Daytoy mask ti salaknib tayo iti Covid.



#LetsBlockCovid

Sakbay nga ikabil ti mask yo, bugwan ti ima wenno dakulap, agaramat ti sabon ken danum.



#LetsBlockCovid

Dagitoy sumaganad no kasano nga usaren ti mask:  
1. Siguraduem na awan pigis wenno abut na.



#LetsBlockCovid

2. Siguraduen ti akin uneg wen no akin ruar.



#LetsBlockCovid

3. Iggaman ti face mask ken diay singkaw na. Saan na diay parte nga pangabbong dyay bibig.  
4. Ilaw-wit diay singkaw na nga natalged ken nasimpa nga nalang diay lapayag.



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5. Siguraduen nga natakaban diay bibig ken agong.



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Annadan nga saan nga masagid dagiti ramay mo ta mask nu us-usarem pay laeng.



#LetsBlockCovid

Nu ikkaten diay mask, haan mo iggaman diay parte na nangkallub iti agong ken ngiwat.



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Idulin mo diay mask mo diay nadalus nga lugar. Namaymayat nu ikabil iti kahon nga nadalus ken awan sabali nga katipon na.  
Labaan ti face mask nga kanayon. Nu mabalbalin ket inaldaw.



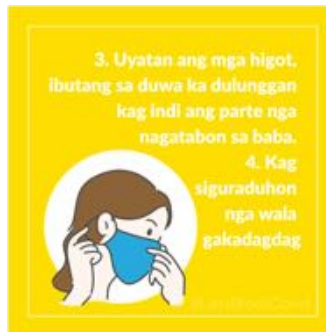
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Ilonggo:



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Waray:



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Beks: (for the LGBTQ Community)



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**LBC Express Website**  
**[www.lbcexpress.com](http://www.lbcexpress.com)**

**18.33M**  
**Total Users**  
**2020**

**91.57%**  
**Growth**  
**2020 vs 2019**



Book a Pickup today!

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## Social Media @lbcexpress

Facebook



Posts in 2020

**3.8K**  
posts

Instagram



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Platform / Metrics (Aggregated Values)	2020
Facebook Fans	1,080,141
Twitter Followers	40,834
Instagram Followers	10,558
FB Page Content Clicks	25,972,819
FB Page Content Likes	464,304
FB Engagement Rate	3%
FB Engagements	2,777,116
Twitter Engagement	41,384
Instagram Engagement	10,446

	<i>Philippines</i>	<i>Asia-Pacific</i>	<i>North America</i>	<i>Middle East</i>	<i>Europe</i>
Facebook Worldwide Fans	1,080,141	107,850	29,224	210,319	22,519

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The Customer Care Team handles all voice and non-voice customer-facing channels, and in 2020 these have been the primary conduit for interaction with customers.

Aside from customer concerns re transactions already completed, LBC's online/ digital assets are also utilized for bookings/sales, and marketing of LBC e-commerce services. Customer interactions are faster, easily accessible, more personalized, convenient and cost-effective.

The CCM team always "goes the extra mile" for the customer. Our people are encouraged to take stock and accountability of all their customer interactions. CCM is evolving beyond customer servicing alongside the digital transformation program of the company. It is slowly opening up more digital channels for better access and customer convenience given the commitment to serve customers to the best of our ability and availability.

**CCM is 100% operational in spite of the pandemic and various quarantine situations**

**5.1 million Interactions handled**

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Being the virtual frontliners, our touchpoints are open 24/7 to assist/help customers with all their concerns across all origins. We are one of the few units that has weathered the current situation and adjusted fully.

By living and breathing the LBC brand personality of being helpful; clear, certain & providing convenience for our customers. Given every opportunity or interaction we offer possible solutions to all our customers needs. We strive to accord them the best form of customer service.

**Achieved a 99% answer level and 89% service level across all touchpoints in Nov 2020**



	Target	2020	2019	2018	2017
<b>Customer Care Answer level</b>	95%	72%	64%	95%	96%
<b>Customer Care Average handling time (minutes)</b>	3.9	4.44	4.10	3.83	3.58
<b>Customer Care Total response time (minutes)</b>	45	9	55	44	55
<b>Customer Care Complaint management</b>					
• closure rate	80%	100%	100%	100%	100%
• closure rate w/in 24 hours	80%	100%	92%	84%	62%



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Despite the challenges we all faced, the Compliance department continued to discharge its mandate in protecting LBC from regulatory and reputational risks. The team kept up with all regulatory requirements of LBC's compliance program.

The LBC Compliance Department, with the help of the IT Department, adopted a homebased work model. It recalibrated its priorities to ensure the safety of the staff and at the same time all obligations were met to support the business, we recognize the collective effort and resilience of our staff in meeting their obligations during these extraordinary times. At short notice, we were able to maximize our resources and continue with our regular activities.

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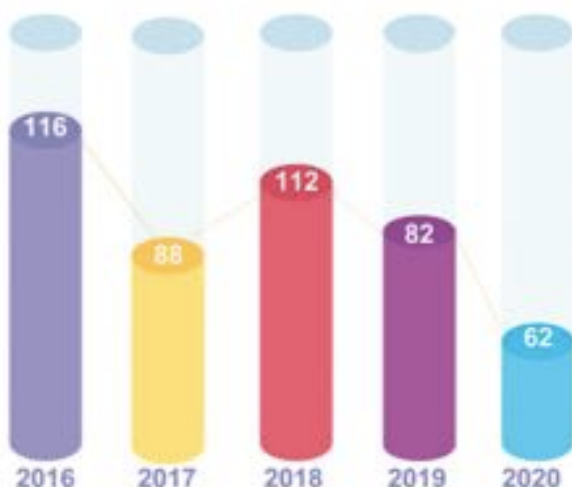
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61  
CTRs filed  
with AMLC for 2020

59 CTRs were International Transactions  
2 CTRs were Domestic Transactions

47  
CTRs filed  
with AMBD (Brunei) for  
2020

Brunei started filing CTRs with the regulator  
in Brunei for transactions over BND 15,000



This graph illustrates that LBC handled lesser number of transactions that are above P500,000 (or the equivalent in the origin's currency). It has been decreasing through the years mainly due to transaction limits imposed by our affiliates. For the year 2020, LBC filed 61 CTRs and 59 of those reports were for international transactions and 2 are from Sablayan Branch Mindoro. Of the 59 international transactions, 2 of them were accepted by our partner LIMICA (Guam) and the rest were all accepted by LBC Brunei.

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There was a slight decrease on the number of STRs filed from last 2019. Due to the lockdown, the Compliance team was faced with difficulty in working with the same efficiency. There was a month worth of backlog on clearing out the alerts in Optima. STRs for 2020 transactions were filed during the 1st quarter for 2021.

**STRs FILED**

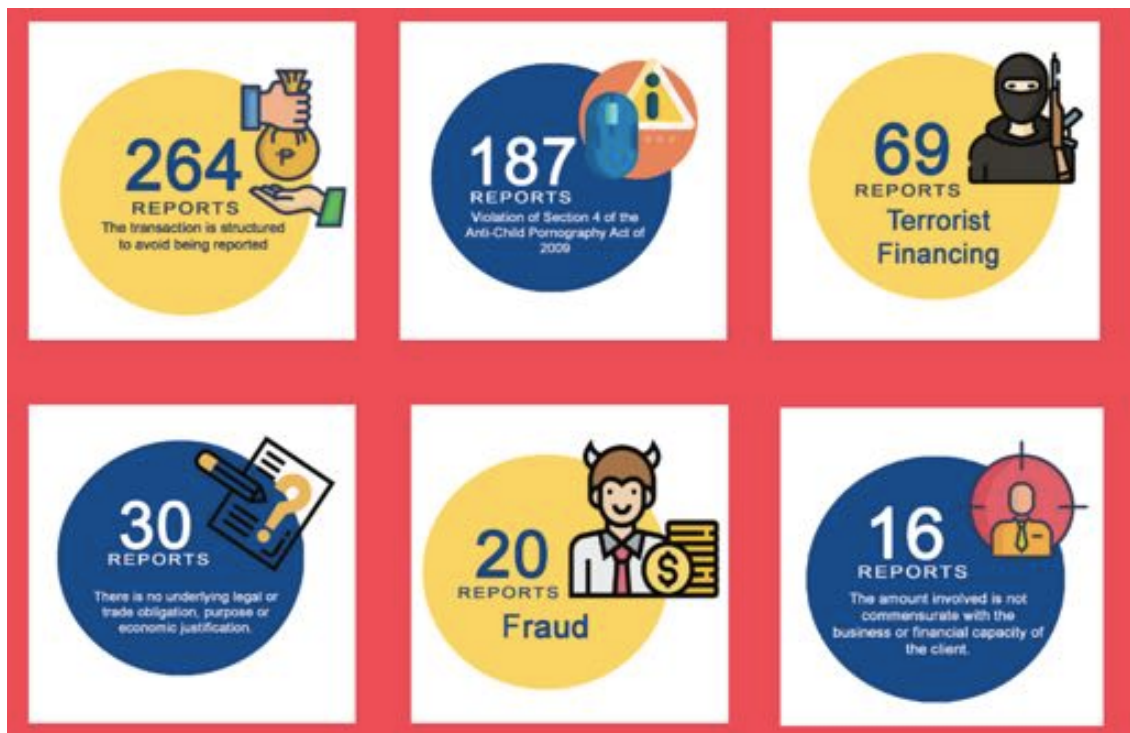
ORIGIN	NO OF REPORT
USA	1,414
PHIL	614
AUS	4
BRU	3
HK	1

STRs filed in the different origins. For 2020 LBC filed a total of 2036 STRs with the most number of STRs filed with FINCEN (USA).

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The top 3 reasons for STRs filed with the Anti-Money Laundering Council (AMLC) were:

### STRUCTURED TRANSACTIONS

Transactions conducted below reporting thresholds. Customers may have intentionally structured their transactions in order to avoid being reported.

### ONLINE SEXUAL EXPLOITATION OF CHILDREN (OSEC)

Transactions that may be related to the sale of child pornographic materials. Reports were based on the list from the Anti-Money Laundering Council of names of persons of interest involved in OSEC.

### TERRORIST FINANCING

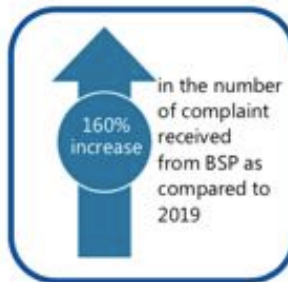
Reports were filed based on the referrals from AMLC. names of possible terrorists were provided to LBC for further investigations.

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# BSP REFERRALS



The Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas Consumer Empowerment Group receives complaints from the public regarding the service they received from any BSP supervised entity. BSP then refers these complaints to the entity involved for it to resolve the issue.

For 2020, LBC received 26 referrals from BSP, 160% increase from previous years. All of the complaints received through BSP were about delayed or un-remitted CASH-ON-DELIVERY (COD) or CASH-ON-PICKUP (COP) payments. Referrals of BSP need to be acted upon within 7 banking days from receipt of the complaint. Based on monitoring, we were able to meet the deadline 85% of the time. There were a few complaints that were not responded to within the timeline provided. The delays were mainly due to coordination with multiple departments.



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# Training Materials

Compliance Department came out with training materials for our frontliners. This is to supplement the AML knowledge of the staff as in-person training was put on hold. The materials include information on money laundering, fraud prevention and due diligence.



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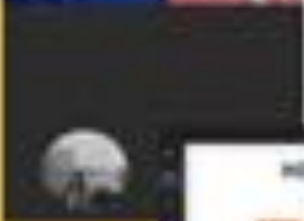
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### SPECIAL AML AND ANTI-FRAUD TRAININGS CONDUCTED ONLINE

The Compliance Department conducted a number of Special Trainings for identified branches with high incident of fraud.

The Special Trainings were conducted online through Microsoft Teams.

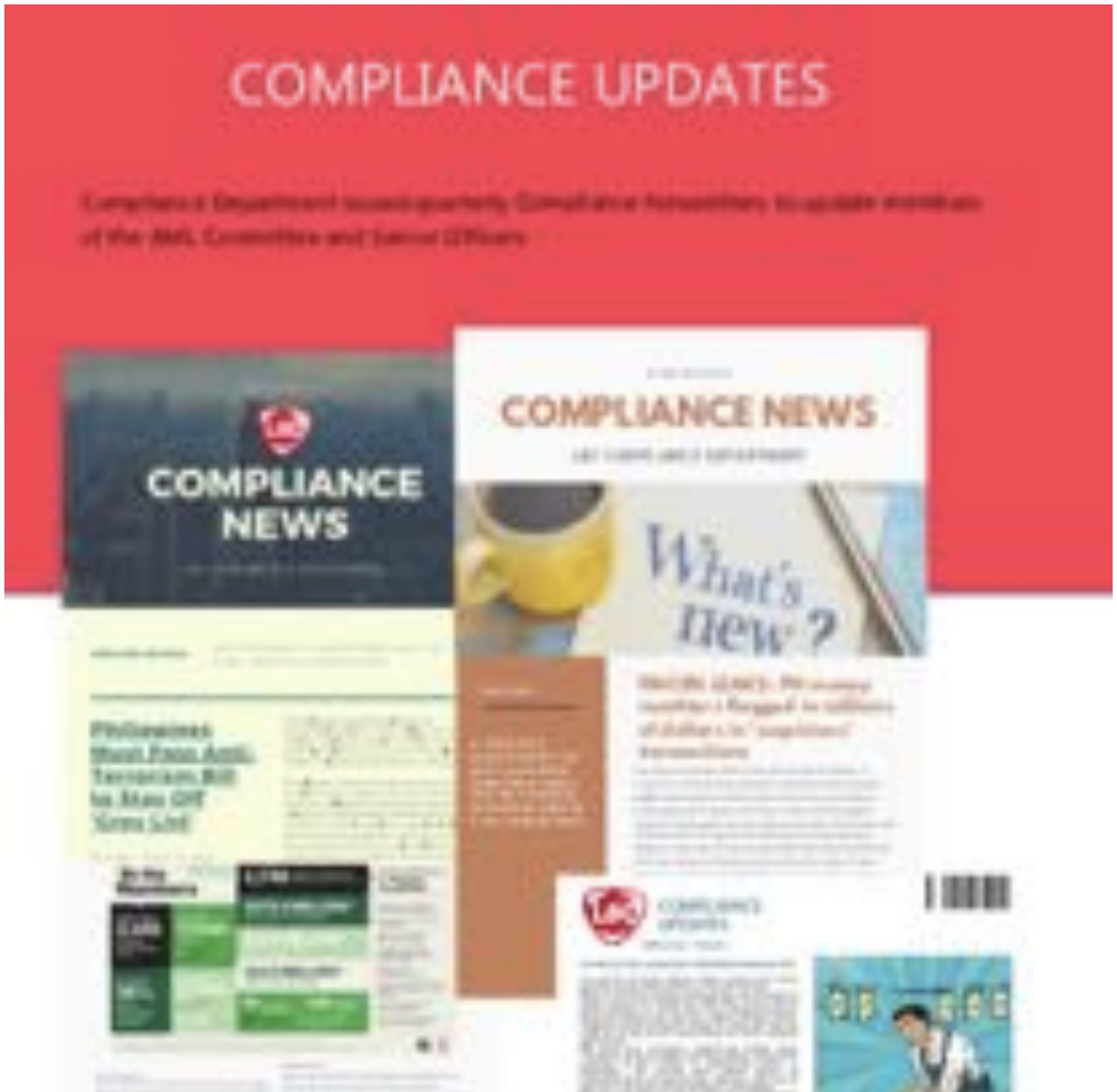
The training was focused on conducting enhanced due diligence for customers with high risk of possible fraud.



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## TAKING STEPS TO PROTECT CONSUMERS

LBC Express Inc., as a BSP supervised non-financial institution is committed to the highest service standards and a culture of fair and responsible dealings in the conduct of its business.

Part of this commitment is to protect consumers from unscrupulous individuals who use LBC services to defraud other customers. Last

February 25, 2020 LBC Compliance team with Richard Gonzales Area Manager (NCR operations) met with the team of Lt. Colby Salazar of the Philippine National Police's Anti-Cybercrime Group to discuss initiatives for consumer protection.

The INP- Anti-Cybercrime Group focuses on cybercrime offenses, computer-related offenses, and other content-related offenses such as cybersex, child pornography, unsolicited commercial communication, and other related offenses.

LBC and INP-ACC discussed a possible memorandum of agreement with regard to sharing of information and trainings. Due to the pandemic, the initiative was put on hold and will be picked up in 2021.



# UN Sustainable Development Goals

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LBC is committed to supporting the following UN Sustainable Development Goals:

- 1 No Poverty
  - 3 Good Health and Well-Being
  - 4 Quality Education
  - 5 Gender Equality
  - 8 Decent Work and Economic Growth
  - 9 Industry, Innovation, and Infrastructure
  - 12 Responsible Consumption and Production
  - 13 Climate Action
  - 16 Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions
  - 17 Partnerships for the Goals
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