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About BSP Convertible Notes Limited (BSP CN Fiji):

BSP Convertible Notes Limited (BSP CN Fiji) is a wholly owned subsidiary of BSP Financial Group Limited (BSP). BSP is a Papua New Guinea based full service Bank with representation in many major Pacific economies. BSP is listed on the Port Moresby Stock Exchange (PNGX) and has a B- credit rating from Standard & Poors. BSP Convertible Notes Limited (BSP CN Fiji) is a special purpose vehicle incorporated in Fiji with limited powers under its Memorandum and Articles. It is listed in the South Pacific Stock Exchange (SPX) in Fiji as BCN.



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Our Parent Company, BSP Financial Group Limited based in Port Moresby, PNG has released this market announcement on PNGX.

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PNG Budget announcement – introduction of "Dominant Industry Player Levy" on 1 January 2022

Introduction

On 25th November 2021, Ian Ling-Stuckey, Minister for Treasury, announced the introduction of a "Dominant Industry Player Levy" when handing down PNG's 2022 budget which comes into effect on 1 January 2022. The levy applies to any bank in PNG that has total assets that exceed 40% of total assets as published by the Bank of PNG. BSP Financial Group (BSP) is the only PNG commercial bank that will be required to pay the levy.

As reported in PNG's 2022 budget the levy is a flat tax, calculation of which is not linked to profit or balance sheet size, will result in BSP paying an additional K190 million (FJD113.58 million) in tax in Financial Year 2022 (FY22).

The levy is non-deductible and it will have a direct impact on BSP's net profit after tax of K190 million (FJD113.58 million) from 2022 onwards.

This announcement was authorised for release by Mary Johns, Company Secretary of BSP Financial Group Limited.

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