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"UHY STRENGTHENS PRESENCE IN SOUTHEAST ASIA" New member firm in the Philippines joins the UHY network

We welcome new member firm M.L. Aguirre & Co, CPAs, based in the Philippines to the global accountancy network UHY, extending our coverage within the Southeast Asia region.

M.L. Aguirre & Co, CPAs, with a team of 50 including 2 partners and 25 CPAs, is based in Makati City, one of the 16 cities that make up Metro Manila. The firm provides audit, advisory, tax, insolvency and recovery services to a portfolio of local and international clients primarily export oriented, foreign funded, non-governmental organisations and SMEs.

Managing partner and founder, Michael Aguirre says: "We have joined the UHY network for a number of reasons. The global presence of the network combined with the expertise and knowledge of UHY's colleagues around the world will support us in achieving our own firm's mission and vision long-term. We look forward to collaborating with and assisting mutual clients by providing reliable and timely advice."

Ladislav Hornan, chairman of UHY commented: "We are delighted M.L. Aguirre & Co, CPAs has joined the UHY network extending our coverage and capabilities in Southeast Asia. The launching of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) Economic Community later this year could boost further growth in the Philippines, as major international firms look to rationalise their operations following the lowering of trade and employment barriers in the region. M.L. Aguirre & Co, CPAs' admittance to the UHY network will bring strong regional market expertise, enhancing further our capabilities in this region."

The firm will soon be adopting the UHY branding and languages spoken by the team are English, Filipino and some Chinese.

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