August 14, 2015

Subject: Management Discussion and Analysis of second Quarter and Half Year

Ending 30 June 2015

To: The President

Stock Exchange of Thailand

Univanich Palm Oil PCL hereby submits a discussion and analysis of the financial statements of the company and its subsidiaries for the second quarter of 2015 and for the half year ending 30<sup>th</sup> June 2015.

For the half year ending 30<sup>th</sup> June 2015, the consolidated net profit after tax of **Baht 211.47 million**, which was 52.6% lower than Baht 445.79 million in the same period of the previous year. The factors contributing to this result were:

- 1. Fruit production from our own plantations was **14.1% lower** year-on-year (y-o-y) and fruit purchased from outside growers was **21.5% lower**. The lower fruit production was mainly due to seasonal climate factors. As a result of lower fruit volumes our production of crude palm oil (CPO) was **21.20 % lower** than in the same period of last year.
- 2. The average selling price of CPO was **6.0% lower** and palm kernel oil was **24.2% lower** than last year, due to lower global commodity prices also affecting local markets.
- 3. The volume of palm oil sales declined by **51.2%** and our stocks of palm oil reached a high 14,089 tonnes at end June, compared to 8,540 tonnes end June last year. These high stocks were the result of a Government scheme started in May to support the local price of CPO at Baht 26.20/kg. As a result of this market intervention, palm oil became less competitive than other oils and sales volumes declined.

A positive factor which helped to counter the above effects of lower seasonal production and prices was that seedling sales were **14.4% higher** y-o-y partly due to government encouragement of farmers to replant rubber trees with oil palms.

The overall gross profit margin for the first half of 2015 increased from 16.6% to 17.3% due to a lower volume of low-margin export trading, and the increase in higher margin seeds & seedlings.

Second quarter consolidated profit after tax of **Baht 160.05 million**, was 56.2 % lower than the second quarter of last year, due to the lower fruit production and lower sales volume.

Earnings per share for the first half year were **Baht 0.22 per share**, compared to Baht 0.47 per share for the first half of last year.

Yours faithfully, Univanich Palm Oil Public Co., Ltd.

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cc: The Secretary-General

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