

STATE BANK OF MAURITIUS LTD

Abridged unaudited interim financial report for the nine months ended 31 March 2013

State Bank of Mauritius Ltd is pleased to submit its abridged unaudited interim financial report for nine months ended 31 March 2013.

The abridged unaudited interim financial report has been prepared in accordance with the Bank of Mauritius Guideline on Public Disclosure of Information and IAS 34 - Interim Financial Reporting. The interim financial report has been prepared using the accounting policies as those adopted in the financial statements for the financial year ended 30 June 2012, except IAS 16 as set out below and new standards that are effective as from 01 July 2012. The Bank's statutory auditors have reviewed the interim accounts and their report is attached.

The buildings on leasehold land previously stated at revalued amounts have been reinstated to historical cost on 01 July 2012 in view of the difficulty to measure reliably the fair value of the buildings erected on leased state land, particularly SBM Tower. The Group's and Bank's comparative figures have been restated accordingly.

Results

The Group had a robust growth in profit after tax of 21.68% to reach Rs 2,420m for the nine months ended 31 March 2013 compared to the corresponding period last year driven mostly by increase in net interest income. The Group continues to benefit from intensive balance sheet management. Net interest income increased by 24.26% with interest income increasing by 4.96% and at the same time interest expense decreased by 16.62%, with improved liability management techniques. Non interest income excluding exceptional dividend decreased by 8.6% mainly on account of substantial decrease in cross border card income and exchange income compared to 2012. Non interest expense increased by 11.83% to reach Rs 1,353m mostly due to higher system and business transformation costs. Cost to income ratio improved to 32.06% for the period ended March 2013 from 33.33% for the corresponding period of 2012.

Net advances grew by 10.59% to reach Rs 68.9bn as at 31 March 2013 compared to Rs 62.3bn at 30 June 2012. Deposits increased by 5.65% to reach Rs 80.5bn at 31 March 2013 driven by increase in CASA deposits by Rs 7.1bn offset partly by a planned decrease in higher cost foreign currency deposits. The effective growth rate in advances taking into account planned run-off of Buyers' credit portfolio as at 30 June 2012 yielding lower return was 15.08% whereas the effective growth rate in deposits was 10.49%.

Credit to deposit ratio for all currencies on aggregate basis stood at 86% as at 31 March 2013 up from 84% as at 31 March 2012. The Group's capital adequacy ratio as at 31 March 2013 was 21.4% and is comfortably above the minimum regulatory requirement of 10%.

On 13 December 2012, shareholders of the Company approved the split of each SBM share of nominal value Rs1 into 100 shares of nominal value of 1 cent which was implemented as from 1st March 2013.

Prospects

An uncertain European economic outlook continues to weigh on growth prospects for Mauritius, particularly for tourism and exports. With the real estate sector growing at subdued levels, tourism stagnating and construction set for significant contraction, demand for banks' credit would continue to suffer from a weak investment climate. SBM will maintain focus as a strategy on geographical diversification and continue to pursue planned technology and business transformation initiatives besides centralisation of certain services. While their implementation should give competitive edge to the Group and enhance its revenue generation capacity over the medium to long term, system costs relating to recent technology and business transformation initiatives would have impact on the Group's bottom line in the short term.

Jairaj Sonoo, C.S.K
Chief Executive - Banking
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Alain Rey
Chairman, Audit Committee

Muni Krishna T. Reddy, G.O.S.K
Chairman

15 May 2013

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**Report on Review of Interim Financial Information
To the Board of Directors of
State Bank of Mauritius Ltd “SBM”**

Introduction

We have reviewed the accompanying abridged unaudited interim statements of financial position of the Group and of the Bank as at 31 March 2013 and the related abridged unaudited interim statements of income, statements of comprehensive income, statements of changes in equity and statements of cash flows for the period then ended. The Board of Directors and management of SBM are responsible for the preparation and presentation of this interim financial information in accordance with the Bank of Mauritius Guideline on Public Disclosure of Information and International Financial Reporting Standards. Our responsibility is to express a conclusion on this interim financial information based on our review.

Scope of Review

We conducted our review in accordance with International Standard on Review Engagements 2410, “Review of Interim Financial Information Performed by the Independent Auditor of the Entity.” A review of interim financial information consists of making inquiries, primarily of persons responsible for financial and accounting matters, and applying analytical and other review procedures. A review is substantially less in scope than an audit conducted in accordance with International Standards on Auditing and consequently does not enable us to obtain assurance that we would become aware of all significant matters that might be identified in an audit. Accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion.

Conclusion

Based on our review, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the accompanying interim financial information is not prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with the Bank of Mauritius Guideline on Public Disclosure of Information and International Financial Reporting Standards.

**Deloitte
Chartered Accountants**

15 May 2013

STATE BANK OF MAURITIUS LTD
STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 31 MARCH 2013

| | -----Group----- | | | -----Bank----- | | |
|---|------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| | 31-Mar 2013 | 31-Mar 2012 (Restated) | 30-Jun 2012 (Restated) | 31-Mar 2013 | 31-Mar 2012 (Restated) | 30-Jun 2012 (Restated) |
| | Rs' 000 | Rs' 000 | Rs' 000 | Rs' 000 | Rs' 000 | Rs' 000 |
| ASSETS | | | | | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | 6,313,438 | 5,289,637 | 6,993,395 | 6,165,787 | 5,204,200 | 6,964,275 |
| Mandatory balances with central banks | 5,056,568 | 4,914,739 | 4,966,156 | 4,744,890 | 4,594,034 | 4,671,915 |
| Loans to and placements with banks | 1,131,535 | 2,034,347 | 1,511,936 | 1,131,535 | 2,034,347 | 1,511,936 |
| Trading assets | 219,027 | 188,919 | 254,168 | 219,026 | 188,920 | 254,168 |
| Loans and advances to customers | 68,878,740 | 62,288,771 | 62,273,473 | 68,385,308 | 61,769,113 | 62,017,430 |
| Investment securities | 22,447,818 | 20,547,498 | 19,430,791 | 16,593,871 | 16,419,057 | 15,042,044 |
| Property and equipment | 1,344,034 | 1,337,400 | 1,326,665 | 1,305,542 | 1,329,794 | 1,318,225 |
| Intangible assets | 256,545 | 58,134 | 86,865 | 255,571 | 57,487 | 85,437 |
| Deferred tax assets | 160,107 | 157,073 | 141,968 | 160,107 | 157,073 | 141,968 |
| Other assets | 518,452 | 308,554 | 552,146 | 493,290 | 521,998 | 511,626 |
| Total assets | 106,326,264 | 97,125,072 | 97,537,563 | 99,454,927 | 92,276,023 | 92,519,024 |
| LIABILITIES | | | | | | |
| Deposits from banks | 333,702 | 194,379 | 115,946 | 389,546 | 320,359 | 214,657 |
| Deposits from non-bank customers | 80,460,455 | 74,192,860 | 76,158,615 | 78,422,409 | 73,401,392 | 75,533,152 |
| Other borrowed funds | 5,104,452 | 5,158,857 | 2,924,795 | 5,104,452 | 5,157,038 | 2,924,795 |
| Trading liabilities | 68,451 | 143,628 | 164,353 | 68,450 | 143,628 | 164,353 |
| Derivative liabilities held for risk management | 25,246 | - | 18,371 | 25,246 | - | 18,371 |
| Current tax liabilities | 264,699 | 315,210 | 287,931 | 262,991 | 311,912 | 287,558 |
| Deferred tax liabilities | 24,043 | 37,563 | 28,327 | 24,013 | 37,489 | 28,290 |
| Other liabilities | 1,163,843 | 1,043,901 | 1,059,373 | 1,059,517 | 1,179,661 | 960,460 |
| Total liabilities | 87,444,891 | 81,086,398 | 80,757,711 | 85,356,624 | 80,551,479 | 80,131,636 |
| SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY | | | | | | |
| Share capital | 303,740 | 303,740 | 303,740 | 303,740 | 303,740 | 303,740 |
| Retained earnings | 16,263,136 | 14,091,975 | 14,743,530 | 14,944,093 | 12,827,313 | 13,488,458 |
| Other reserves | 4,647,783 | 3,976,245 | 4,065,868 | 1,183,756 | 926,777 | 928,476 |
| | 21,214,659 | 18,371,960 | 19,113,138 | 16,431,589 | 14,057,830 | 14,720,674 |
| Less treasury shares | (2,333,286) | (2,333,286) | (2,333,286) | (2,333,286) | (2,333,286) | (2,333,286) |
| Total equity attributable to equity holders of the parent | 18,881,373 | 16,038,674 | 16,779,852 | 14,098,303 | 11,724,544 | 12,387,388 |
| Total equity and liabilities | 106,326,264 | 97,125,072 | 97,537,563 | 99,454,927 | 92,276,023 | 92,519,024 |
| Contingent liabilities | 18,428,047 | 17,048,664 | 18,787,981 | 18,251,214 | 16,815,717 | 18,616,224 |
| Exchange rate (USD:MUR) | | | | 31.13 | 28.98 | 30.93 |

STATE BANK OF MAURITIUS LTD
ABRIDGED STATEMENTS OF INCOME FOR THE NINE MONTHS ENDED 31 MARCH 2013

| | -----Group----- | | | | | -----Bank----- | | | | |
|---|------------------|------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|------------------|------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| | Quarter ended | Quarter ended | Period ended | Period ended | Year ended | Quarter ended | Quarter ended | Period ended | Period ended | Year ended |
| | 31-Mar | 31-Mar | 31-Mar | 31-Mar | 30-Jun | 31-Mar | 31-Mar | 31-Mar | 31-Mar | 30-Jun |
| | <u>2013</u> | <u>2012</u> | <u>2013</u> | <u>2012</u> | <u>2012</u> | <u>2013</u> | <u>2012</u> | <u>2013</u> | <u>2012</u> | <u>2012</u> |
| | | (Restated) | | (Restated) | (Restated) | | (Restated) | | (Restated) | (Restated) |
| | Rs' 000 | Rs' 000 | Rs' 000 | Rs' 000 | Rs' 000 | Rs' 000 | Rs' 000 | Rs' 000 | Rs' 000 | Rs' 000 |
| Interest income | 1,567,033 | 1,522,833 | 4,632,235 | 4,413,239 | 5,897,800 | 1,528,500 | 1,474,936 | 4,504,173 | 4,257,310 | 5,687,956 |
| Interest expense | (571,506) | (665,083) | (1,737,317) | (2,083,530) | (2,699,107) | (550,756) | (647,127) | (1,668,962) | (2,003,921) | (2,593,942) |
| Net interest income | 995,527 | 857,750 | 2,894,918 | 2,329,709 | 3,198,693 | 977,744 | 827,809 | 2,835,211 | 2,253,389 | 3,094,014 |
| Net fee and commission income | 248,848 | 272,671 | 782,192 | 862,779 | 1,154,899 | 235,607 | 260,162 | 739,916 | 810,158 | 1,090,691 |
| Dividend income | 1,467 | 648 | 433,007 | 228,305 | 230,714 | 238,466 | 1,467,896 | 483,369 | 1,698,788 | 1,699,771 |
| Net trading income | 100,523 | 130,738 | 297,589 | 367,953 | 449,810 | 83,185 | 113,040 | 256,147 | 335,149 | 447,288 |
| Other operating income | 17,277 | 44 | 30,502 | 21,615 | 34,094 | 17,277 | 44 | 30,502 | 2,822 | 11,806 |
| Non interest income | 368,115 | 404,101 | 1,543,290 | 1,480,652 | 1,869,517 | 574,535 | 1,841,142 | 1,509,934 | 2,846,917 | 3,249,556 |
| Operating income | 1,363,642 | 1,261,851 | 4,438,208 | 3,810,361 | 5,068,210 | 1,552,279 | 2,668,951 | 4,345,145 | 5,100,306 | 6,343,570 |
| Non interest expense | (447,352) | (408,842) | (1,353,395) | (1,210,186) | (1,623,512) | (428,772) | (392,910) | (1,292,046) | (1,156,500) | (1,550,974) |
| Profit before net impairment loss on financial assets | 916,290 | 853,009 | 3,084,813 | 2,600,175 | 3,444,698 | 1,123,507 | 2,276,041 | 3,053,099 | 3,943,806 | 4,792,596 |
| Net impairment loss on financial assets | (41,964) | (30,072) | (216,326) | (179,108) | (253,560) | (54,550) | 309 | (216,401) | (118,624) | (173,897) |
| Operating profit | 874,326 | 822,937 | 2,868,487 | 2,421,067 | 3,191,138 | 1,068,957 | 2,276,350 | 2,836,698 | 3,825,182 | 4,618,699 |
| Share of profit of associates | 19,740 | 18,673 | 62,201 | 55,269 | 81,515 | - | - | - | - | - |
| Profit before income tax | 894,066 | 841,610 | 2,930,688 | 2,476,336 | 3,272,653 | 1,068,957 | 2,276,350 | 2,836,698 | 3,825,182 | 4,618,699 |
| Tax expense | (178,907) | (207,582) | (510,612) | (487,493) | (619,258) | (172,428) | (182,195) | (486,960) | (449,283) | (568,658) |
| Profit for the period attributable to equity holders of the parent | 715,159 | 634,028 | 2,420,076 | 1,988,843 | 2,653,395 | 896,529 | 2,094,155 | 2,349,738 | 3,375,899 | 4,050,041 |
| Earnings per share (Cents) | | | <u>9.37</u> | <u>7.70</u> | <u>10.28</u> | | | | | |

STATE BANK OF MAURITIUS LTD
STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE NINE MONTHS ENDED 31 MARCH 2013

| | -----Group----- | | | | | -----Bank----- | | | | |
|---|---|--|--|---|---|---|--|--|---|---|
| | Quarter ended 31-Mar 2013 | Quarter ended 31-Mar 2012 <i>(Restated)</i> | Period ended 31-Mar 2013 | Period ended 31-Mar 2012 <i>(Restated)</i> | Year ended 30-Jun 2012 <i>(Restated)</i> | Quarter ended 31-Mar 2013 | Quarter ended 31-Mar 2012 <i>(Restated)</i> | Period ended 31-Mar 2013 | Period ended 31-Mar 2012 <i>(Restated)</i> | Year ended 30-Jun 2012 <i>(Restated)</i> |
| | Rs' 000 | Rs' 000 | Rs' 000 | Rs' 000 | Rs' 000 | Rs' 000 | Rs' 000 | Rs' 000 | Rs' 000 | Rs' 000 |
| Profit for the period attributable to equity holders of the parent | 715,159 | 634,028 | 2,420,076 | 1,988,843 | 2,653,395 | 896,529 | 2,094,155 | 2,349,738 | 3,375,899 | 4,050,041 |
| Other comprehensive income : | | | | | | | | | | |
| Exchange differences on translation of foreign operations | 109,484 | 85,634 | 98,741 | (279,375) | (328,183) | 106,367 | 46,552 | 15,045 | (212,477) | (252,980) |
| Increase in value of available-for-sale investments | 109,213 | 445,448 | 486,131 | 322,874 | 441,214 | 96,119 | 86,223 | 249,559 | 107,325 | 148,294 |
| Fair value realised on disposal of available-for-sale investments | - | (3,358) | - | (22,152) | (21,524) | - | (649,885) | - | (3,375,570) | (3,387,334) |
| Deferred tax on revaluation surplus of property | 200 | - | 200 | 13,484 | 13,484 | 200 | - | 200 | 13,484 | 13,484 |
| Share of other comprehensive income of associates | - | 63 | - | (779) | 5,687 | - | - | - | - | - |
| Other comprehensive income/(loss) for the period | 218,897 | 527,787 | 585,072 | 34,052 | 110,678 | 202,686 | (517,110) | 264,804 | (3,467,238) | (3,478,536) |
| Total comprehensive income/(loss) attributable to equity holders of the parent | 934,056 | 1,161,815 | 3,005,148 | 2,022,895 | 2,764,073 | 1,099,215 | 1,577,045 | 2,614,542 | (91,339) | 571,505 |

STATE BANK OF MAURITIUS LTD
STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE NINE MONTHS ENDED 31 MARCH 2013

| Group | <u>Share Capital</u> Rs' 000 | <u>Treasury Shares</u> Rs' 000 | <u>Reserve arising on Share Buy Back</u> Rs' 000 | <u>Statutory Reserve</u> Rs' 000 | <u>Revenue Reserve</u> (Restated) Rs' 000 | <u>Net Unrealised Investment Fair Value Reserve</u> Rs' 000 | <u>Net Property Revaluation Reserve</u> (Restated) Rs' 000 | <u>Net Translation Reserve</u> Rs' 000 | <u>Net Other Reserve</u> Rs' 000 | <u>Total Equity</u> Rs' 000 |
|--|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---|-------------------------------------|---|--|--|---|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| At 01 July 2011 | | | | | | | | | | |
| - As previously stated | 303,740 | (2,333,286) | 236,071 | 504,572 | 12,874,754 | 3,060,911 | 1,467,453 | (216,383) | 72,671 | 15,970,503 |
| - Reversal of revaluation of leasehold buildings | - | - | - | - | - | - | (1,049,838) | - | - | (1,049,838) |
| - Adjustment of supplementary depreciation | - | - | - | - | - | - | (130,348) | - | - | (130,348) |
| - As restated | 303,740 | (2,333,286) | 236,071 | 504,572 | 12,874,754 | 3,060,911 | 287,267 | (216,383) | 72,671 | 14,790,317 |
| Profit for the period | - | - | - | - | 1,988,843 | - | - | - | - | 1,988,843 |
| Other comprehensive income for the period | - | - | - | - | - | 300,722 | 13,484 | (279,375) | (779) | 34,052 |
| Transfer to retained earnings | - | - | - | - | 2,916 | - | (2,916) | - | - | - |
| Dividend | - | - | - | - | (774,538) | - | - | - | - | (774,538) |
| At 31 March 2012 (as Restated) | 303,740 | (2,333,286) | 236,071 | 504,572 | 14,091,975 | 3,361,633 | 297,835 | (495,758) | 71,892 | 16,038,674 |
| At 01 July 2011 (as Restated) | 303,740 | (2,333,286) | 236,071 | 504,572 | 12,874,754 | 3,060,911 | 287,267 | (216,383) | 72,671 | 14,790,317 |
| Profit for the year | - | - | - | - | 2,653,395 | - | - | - | - | 2,653,395 |
| Other comprehensive income for the year | - | - | - | - | - | 419,690 | 13,484 | (328,183) | 5,687 | 110,678 |
| Transfer to retained earnings | - | - | - | - | 5,480 | - | (5,480) | - | - | - |
| Transfer to statutory reserve | - | - | - | 15,561 | (15,561) | - | - | - | - | - |
| Dividend | - | - | - | - | (774,538) | - | - | - | - | (774,538) |
| At 30 June 2012 (as Restated) | 303,740 | (2,333,286) | 236,071 | 520,133 | 14,743,530 | 3,480,601 | 295,271 | (544,566) | 78,358 | 16,779,852 |
| At 01 July 2012 | 303,740 | (2,333,286) | 236,071 | 520,133 | 14,743,530 | 3,480,601 | 295,271 | (544,566) | 78,358 | 16,779,852 |
| Profit for the period | - | - | - | - | 2,420,076 | - | - | - | - | 2,420,076 |
| Other comprehensive income for the period | - | - | - | - | - | 486,131 | 200 | 98,741 | - | 585,072 |
| Transfer to retained earnings | - | - | - | - | 9,524 | - | (9,524) | - | - | - |
| Transfer to statutory reserve | - | - | - | 6,367 | (6,367) | - | - | - | - | - |
| Dividend | - | - | - | - | (903,627) | - | - | - | - | (903,627) |
| At 31 March 2013 | 303,740 | (2,333,286) | 236,071 | 526,500 | 16,263,136 | 3,966,732 | 285,947 | (445,825) | 78,358 | 18,881,373 |

STATE BANK OF MAURITIUS LTD
STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE NINE MONTHS ENDED 31 MARCH 2013 (CONT'D)

| | Share Capital | Treasury Shares | Statutory Reserve | Revenue Reserve (Restated) | Net Unrealised Investment Fair Value Reserve | Net Property Revaluation Reserve (Restated) | Net Translation Reserve | Total Equity |
|--|------------------|--------------------|----------------------|----------------------------------|--|---|-------------------------------|-----------------|
| Bank | Rs' 000 | Rs' 000 | Rs' 000 | Rs' 000 | Rs' 000 | Rs' 000 | Rs' 000 | Rs' 000 |
| At 01 July 2011 | | | | | | | | |
| - As previously stated | 303,740 | (2,333,286) | 460,906 | 10,223,036 | 3,659,957 | 1,467,453 | (11,199) | 13,770,607 |
| - Reversal of revaluation of leasehold buildings | - | - | - | - | - | (1,049,838) | - | (1,049,838) |
| - Adjustment of supplementary depreciation | - | - | - | - | - | (130,348) | - | (130,348) |
| - As restated | 303,740 | (2,333,286) | 460,906 | 10,223,036 | 3,659,957 | 287,267 | (11,199) | 12,590,421 |
| Profit for the period | - | - | - | 3,375,899 | - | - | - | 3,375,899 |
| Other comprehensive loss for the period | - | - | - | - | (3,268,245) | 13,484 | (212,477) | (3,467,238) |
| Transfer to retained earnings | - | - | - | 2,916 | - | (2,916) | - | - |
| Dividend | - | - | - | (774,538) | - | - | - | (774,538) |
| At 31 March 2012 (as Restated) | 303,740 | (2,333,286) | 460,906 | 12,827,313 | 391,712 | 297,835 | (223,676) | 11,724,544 |
| At 01 July 2011 (as Restated) | 303,740 | (2,333,286) | 460,906 | 10,223,036 | 3,659,957 | 287,267 | (11,199) | 12,590,421 |
| Profit for the year | - | - | - | 4,050,041 | - | - | - | 4,050,041 |
| Other comprehensive loss for the year | - | - | - | - | (3,239,040) | 13,484 | (252,980) | (3,478,536) |
| Transfer to retained earnings | - | - | - | 5,480 | - | (5,480) | - | - |
| Transfer to statutory reserve | - | - | 15,561 | (15,561) | - | - | - | - |
| Dividend | - | - | - | (774,538) | - | - | - | (774,538) |
| At 30 June 2012 (as Restated) | 303,740 | (2,333,286) | 476,467 | 13,488,458 | 420,917 | 295,271 | (264,179) | 12,387,388 |
| At 01 July 2012 | 303,740 | (2,333,286) | 476,467 | 13,488,458 | 420,917 | 295,271 | (264,179) | 12,387,388 |
| Profit for the period | - | - | - | 2,349,738 | - | - | - | 2,349,738 |
| Other comprehensive income for the period | - | - | - | - | 249,559 | 200 | 15,045 | 264,804 |
| Transfer to retained earnings | - | - | - | 9,524 | - | (9,524) | - | - |
| Dividend | - | - | - | (903,627) | - | - | - | (903,627) |
| At 31 March 2013 | 303,740 | (2,333,286) | 476,467 | 14,944,093 | 670,476 | 285,947 | (249,134) | 14,098,303 |

STATE BANK OF MAURITIUS LTD

ABRIDGED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE NINE MONTHS ENDED 31 MARCH 2013

| | -----Group----- | | | -----Bank----- | | |
|---|------------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| | 31-Mar 2013 Rs' 000 | 31-Mar 2012 Rs' 000 | 30-Jun 2012 Rs' 000 | 31-Mar 2013 Rs' 000 | 31-Mar 2012 Rs' 000 | 30-Jun 2012 Rs' 000 |
| Net cash (used in) / from operating activities | (2,110,362) | 1,080,350 | 5,322,990 | (2,298,756) | 1,260,830 | 5,259,905 |
| Net cash from / (used in) financing activities | 1,276,030 | (2,740,355) | (4,974,417) | 1,276,030 | (2,742,174) | (4,974,417) |
| Net cash from / (used in) investing activities | 154,375 | 205,220 | (99,600) | 224,238 | 183,497 | 176,740 |
| Net change in cash and cash equivalents | (679,957) | (1,454,785) | 248,973 | (798,488) | (1,297,847) | 462,228 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period | 6,993,395 | 6,744,422 | 6,744,422 | 6,964,275 | 6,502,047 | 6,502,047 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at end of period | 6,313,438 | 5,289,637 | 6,993,395 | 6,165,787 | 5,204,200 | 6,964,275 |

CHANGE IN ACCOUNTING POLICY

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Copies of the interim report are available to the public free of charge at the registered office of the Company, SBM Tower, 1 Queen Elizabeth II Avenue, Place D'Armes, Port Louis and can be viewed on our website: www.sbmgroup.mu.

The statement of direct and indirect interests of officers of the Company in the capital of the Company and its subsidiaries may also be obtained free of charge upon request at the registered office of the Bank.

By order of the Board

B. M. Kallee
Company Secretary

15 May 2013

The Communiqué is issued pursuant to Listing Rule 12.20 and Securities Act 2005.

The Board of Directors of State Bank of Mauritius Ltd accepts full responsibility for the accuracy of the information contained in this Communiqué.

The financial information, including the report on review of interim financial information, has been extracted from the abridged unaudited interim financial report for the nine months ended 31 March 2013.