

TABOGLU & DEMIRHAN

Newsletter

CAPITAL MARKETS HIGHLIGHTS

cont'd.

- Dogan Yayin Holding has decided to increase its shareholding ratio in Yaysat Yayin Satis to 75%. According to the disclosure released by the Holding to the Public Disclosure Platform, their current shareholding of 50%, which is fully paid in, will be increased through purchase of entire stakes of Ihlas Holding, Profesyonel Medya Reklam, and Ihlas Pazarlama in Yaysat Yayin Satis, which is currently non-active.
- Is Bankasi has decided to increase its paid in share capital to TRY 4.5 billion. According to the disclosure made to the Public Disclosure Platform, the increase will be covered through bonus shares received from its subsidiaries, the extraordinary reserves and inflation adjustment difference.
- In the third quarter of 2009, Cimsa has made a profit of TRY 34.7 million with a rise of 57% compared to same period of the last year. It is reported that the turnover of Cimsa has been computed as TRY 460 million at the end of the first 9-month period, and the net profit has been realized as TRY 75 million.
- Chartis, carrying out its activities under different brand names, has decided to gather its activities under one name. Accordingly, their Turkish subsidiary, AIG Sigorta, will continue its operations under the name "Chartis Sigorta". According to the statement made by Chartis Sigorta, Turkey displays an important role as being one of the key markets, and one of the first markets where the change of trade name has already been realized.
- Is Yatirim Menkul Degerler is about to set up a company under the trade name of "Is Investment Gulf Ltd." in Dubai to be active in capital markets. According to the disclosure made by the Company to the Public Disclosure Platform, on 23 November 2009, the Board of Directors of the Company has resolved to establish a company with an initial capital of US\$ 5,000,000.
- Aksigorta has made a net profit of TRY 47.5 million in the third quarter of 2009. The General Manager of Aksigorta has stated that the Company had incurred a loss of TRY 21.8 million during the same period of last year.
- Credit Suisse Group AG has declared that around 5 big companies are planning to go public within the first half of 2010, which may be read as a sign to get closer to the end of global financial crisis. Name of the companies were not disclosed, but it has been stated that these companies are making their final preparations to float their shares. It is also noted that private equity investors, who are particularly interested in logistics, health and retail sectors, constitute an alternative financing tool. Private equity investments have a slice of 15% in direct foreign investments which should be over 30%. Pursuant to the news, 872 big companies out of 1,000 do not trade in the stock exchange, and despite the financial crisis, Ran Lojistik which has recently offered its shares to public, has realized a successful sale of US\$ 9.15 million.
- Ulutas Tekstil has sold its shares in Mensa Mensucat in order to settle its debts owed to Halk Bank. As per the news, 1 million shares have been sold out and no further sale is considered. As a result, the shareholding ratio of Ulutas Tekstil in Mensa Mensucat has decreased to 48.45%.
- Koza Altin Isletmeleri has mandated Is Yatirim and Ak Yatirim for offering of its shares. Koza Anadolu Metal Madencilik has made the respective disclosure to the Public Disclosure Platform and announced that shares of its indirect subsidiary, Koza Altin Isletmeleri, will be offered to public in the upcoming days. In the past, the Company has attempted to offer its shares to public a number of times, but suspended due to bad market conditions.

cont'd.

Highlights

a. Capital Markets Highlights

b. Banking Sector News

c. Energy Market Updates

BANKING SECTOR NEWS

- Pursuant to the dailies, the value of Asya Katilim Bankasi shares has improved by 156% since March, which has triggered sale of shares by the shareholders including the Directors. It is reported that the share value has increased to TRY 2.90, and the market value of the Bank has reached to TRY 1 billion 745 million within this period. The Chairman has sold 1 million 815 thousand shares, as a result of which his shareholding in the Bank has decreased to 0.005%. Other Directors have also sold certain part of their shares.
- The Banking Regulation and Supervision Authority has granted its permission to the transfer of shares held by Aksigorta and Exsa Export in Akbank to Sabanci Holding through partial spin off.
- ATMs will be located in retail markets and coffee chains through the “off-site” system to be launched by the cooperation of TEB and First Data. Currently, ATMs are mainly located next to banks and through this new system they will be present in new sites. The goal is to establish 250 ATMs in 2010, and 1,250 by the end of 2012. In the meantime, it is also planned to set up the off-site ATMs in hotels, gas stations and parking lots. Establishment, operation and management phases will be realized jointly by TEB and First Data, who will further invest about US\$ 20 million within the next 3 years for the system. TEB customers will not pay for their transactions at the ATMs whereas individuals other than TEB customers will pay a given commission fee that will be designated by their own banks subject to the credit card they use at the time of the transaction. The agreement between TEB and First Data will remain in force for a term of 10 years.

ENERGY MARKET UPDATES

- Heritage, an English energy company, has withdrawn its offer amounting to US\$ 6 million made for shares of Genel Enerji, one of the Turk Cukurova Group companies. Heritage had recently sold the oil wells in Uganda to Italian Eni, and according to the statement made by the Company, the funds received from the sale of oil wells will be allocated for development of projects in Northern Iraq and Russia, and the remaining will be distributed to the shareholders.
- The Minister of the Energy and Natural Resources has recently made some remarks regarding the model considered for the tender of Turkey’s first nuclear power plant. He has stated that the model will be decided upon the offers to be received. Participation of the State in the investment or a pure private investment may be considered, if such serves for the benefit of the country. He has further quoted that the most favorable method, which needs to have sufficient legal and administrative grounds, will be preferred in order to attend to Turkey’s interests. On the other hand, upon the questions regarding the thoughts of the Russians on cancellation of the tender, he has stated that the Russians are closely following the developments, and a visit is planned to be made to Russia by the end of this year or around January 2010. Recently, the nuclear power plant tender has been cancelled upon the stay of execution decision of the Council of State which has not been appealed by the Ministry. Last year, a Russian company had won the tender opened for the first nuclear power plant.

The aim of this weekly newsletter is to highlight mainly the regulatory changes made by the Turkish Government during the relevant week. The content of this bulletin is limited to those areas Taboglu & Demirhan advises its clients. It contains a general summary of the changes and the areas it covers are broader. Thus, one should not rely on it for specific advice. For further information or advice please contact Taboglu & Demirhan, a full-service law firm based in Istanbul.

TABOGLU & DEMIRHAN

Attorneys at Law

Levent Cad. No. 9

1. Levent, 34330, Istanbul, Turkey

E-MAIL: enquiries@taboglu.av.tr

www.taboglu.av.tr

PHONE: (212) 339 8800

FAX: (212) 339 8899