

**For Immediate Release
August 27, 2015**

Manulife Philippines Opens A New Branch in Calbayog

Calbayog City, Philippines – Manulife Philippines recently opened a new branch in Calbayog City, Samar. The new location is located at the 2nd Floor, 729 Maharlika Highway, Brgy. Obrero, Calbayog City.

During the official branch inauguration, held on July 28th, Manulife Philippines President & CEO Ryan Charland shared, “Our global strategy puts the customer at the center of everything we do. In the Philippines, one of the ways we can do this is by expanding our network of branches across the country to make Manulife more accessible to our customers.

“We are excited to be opening this new office in Calbayog, as it will allow us to help more Filipinos secure their financial future,” Charland added. Earlier this year, Manulife Philippines announced a plan to expand its branch network to 50 branches by the end of 2016.

The event was graced by Hon. Ronaldo P. Aquino, Mayor of the City of Calbayog.

Manulife Calbayog is located at 2/F, 729 Maharlika Highway, Brgy. Obrero, Calbayog City. They can be reached at (055) 209-1214. For more information on Manulife Philippines, visit www.manulife.com.ph.



Calbayog Mayor Hon. Ronaldo P. Aquino (fourth from left) cuts the ceremonial ribbon at Manulife Calbayog with (left to right) Manulife Philippines Chief Operating Officer John Januszczak, Manulife Philippines Chief Agency Officer Stephen Ong, Manulife Philippines President & CEO Ryan Charland and Manulife Philippines VisMin Territory Head Bing delos Reyes.

About Manulife Philippines

The Manufacturers Life Insurance Company opened its doors for business in the Philippines in 1907. Since then, Manulife's Philippine Branch and later The Manufacturers Life Insurance Co. (Phils.), Inc. (Manulife Philippines) has grown to become one of the leading life insurance companies in the country. Manulife Philippines is a wholly-owned domestic subsidiary of Manulife Financial Corporation, among the world's largest life insurance companies by market capitalization.

About Manulife

Manulife Financial Corporation is a leading international financial services group providing forward-thinking solutions to help people with their big financial decisions. We operate as John Hancock in the United States, and Manulife elsewhere. We provide financial advice, insurance and wealth and asset management solutions for individuals, groups and institutions. At the end of 2014, we had 28,000 employees, 58,000 agents, and thousands of distribution partners, serving 20 million customers. At the end of June 2015, we had \$883 billion (US\$708 billion) in assets under management and administration, and in the previous 12 months we made more than \$22 billion in benefits, interest and other payments to our customers. Our principal operations are in Asia, Canada and the United States where we have served customers for more than 100 years. With our global headquarters in Toronto, Canada, we trade as 'MFC' on the Toronto, New York, and the Philippine stock exchanges and under '945' in Hong Kong. Follow Manulife on Twitter @ManulifeNews or visit www.manulife.com

Media Contacts:

Melissa Henson
Manulife Philippines
(+632) 884-5484
melissa_henson@manulife.com

Dessa Virtusio
Virtusio PR International, Inc.
(+632) 631-9479
dessa@virtusio.com