Standard Chartered PLC - Acquisition of Business

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Standard Chartered to acquire leading auto and personal loans business in Singapore

Standard Chartered PLC announces that Standard Chartered Bank ("Standard Chartered") has signed an agreement to acquire GE Money Pte. Ltd, a specialist in auto and personal loans in Singapore.

The transaction is subject to regulatory approvals and is expected to be completed in the first quarter of 2011.

The gross assets of the underlying business being acquired were SGD2,350 million, or USD1,807 million equivalent, as at 31 December 2009.

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Note to Editors:

Standard Chartered – leading the way in Asia, Africa and the Middle East

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GE Money

GE Money in Singapore is a wholly owned subsidiary of GE Capital. GE Money offers a range of consumer financial services in Singapore.

GE Money is committed to operating a responsible and sustainable lending portfolio. With some of the world's most sophisticated risk management expertise and analytics. GE Money takes prides in its commitment towards responsible lending by offering customers highly competitive products.

GE Money, the consumer finance services unit of General Electric, is a global provider of banking and financial services to consumers, retailers and business partners.

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