

Explanation according to Circular No. 96/2020/TT-BTC dated November 16, 2020, issued by the Ministry of Finance guiding information disclosure on the stock market.

**To: - State Securities Commission;
- Hanoi Stock Exchange**

Pursuant to Clause 4, Article 14 of Circular No. 96/2020/TT-BTC dated November 16, 2020 of the Ministry of Finance providing guidelines on disclosure of information on the securities market:

"...Article 14. Periodic information disclosure

... 4. When disclosing information on financial reports mentioned in Clauses 1, 2 and 3 of this Article, listed organizations and large-scale public companies must simultaneously explain the reasons when one of the following cases occurs:

a) The profit after corporate income tax recorded in the Income Statement of the disclosed period changes by 10% or more compared to the same period last year..."

Saigon Bank for Industry and Trade (SAIGONBANK) provides explanations for the Separate Financial Statements (of the parent company) and the Consolidated Financial Statements for 2025 as follows:

**I. AUDITED SEPARATE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (PARENT COMPANY)
FOR 2025**

Profit after corporate income tax amounted to VND 121.536 million, representing an increase of VND 42.368 million compared to the same period of 2024 (VND 79.168 million in 2024). Details are as follows:

(1) SAIGONBANK's business operations in 2025 recorded stable growth. Net interest income increased by VND 10.546 million compared to 2024 (FY2025: VND 714.191 million in 2025; VND 703.645 million in 2024), detailed as follows:

o Interest income and similar income reached VND 2.211.933 million, increased by VND 36.788 million compared to 2024 (VND 2.175.145 million in 2024).

o The Bank conducted a comprehensive review and reassessment of credit quality, and implemented risk mitigation measures to ensure liquidity and operational safety. However, due to certain customers failing to meet their repayment obligations as committed, the Bank reclassified loans and reversed accrued interest income. As a result, interest expenses and similar expenses in 2025 amounted to VND 1.497.742 million, increased by VND 26.242 million compared to 2024 (VND 1.471.500 million in 2024).

(2) Net income from other activities in 2025 increased by VND 59.874 million compared to 2024 (VND 190.345 million in 2025 vs. VND 130.471 million in 2024), mainly driven by recoveries from written-off debts. This reflected the Bank's effective credit quality control in 2025, demonstrating positive outcomes in risk

management and non-performing loan resolution. In particular, income generated from debt recovery and resolution activities played a significant role in offsetting credit risks, thereby contributing to the increase in recoveries from written-off debts.

(3) Income from capital contributions and equity investments in 2025 **increased by VND 6.985 million** compared to 2024 (VND 9.887 million in 2025 vs. VND 2.902 million in 2024). This mainly represented income received from investments in Saigon Factoring and Collateral Company Limited (a subsidiary) amounting to VND 3.333 million and National Payment Corporation of Vietnam amounting to VND 6.554 million.

(4) Net fee and commission income in 2025 increased by VND **4.117 million** compared to 2024 (VND 40.917 million in 2025 vs. VND 36.800 million in 2024).

(5) Net foreign exchange income in 2025 increased by VND **242 million** compared to 2024 (VND 19.402 million in 2025 vs. VND 19.160 million in 2024).

(6) Credit risk provisioning expenses in 2025 **decreased by VND 21.862 million** compared to 2024 (VND 149.276 million in 2025 vs. VND 171.138 million in 2024). The 2025 results of credit quality control indicated effective risk management and non-performing loan resolution, highlighting the substantive effectiveness of implemented debt control and recovery measures.

(7) Operating expenses in 2025 **increased by VND 52.406 million** compared to 2024 (VND 675.627 million in 2025 vs. VND 623.221 million in 2024). During 2025, the Bank implemented significant cost optimization measures; however, it also increased investments in upgrading information technology systems and provided additional compensation. Notably, employee salary expenses **increased by VND 55.920 million** (VND 424.071 million in 2025 vs. VND 368.151 million in 2024).

(8) Corporate income tax expenses in 2025 **increased by VND 8.852 million** compared to 2024 (VND 28.303 million in 2025 vs. VND 19.451 million in 2024).

Accordingly, profit after corporate income tax in 2025 reached VND 121.536 million, an increase of VND 42.368 million compared to the same period in 2024. This increase was driven by the combined effects of higher net interest income, other income, income from capital contributions and equity investments, service income, and foreign exchange trading income, together with a reduction in credit risk provisioning expenses; offset by increases in operating expenses and corporate income tax expenses, corresponding to (1)+(2)+(3)+(4)+(5)+(6)–(7)–(8).

II. AUDITED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR 2025

Profit after corporate income tax in 2025 **reached VND 121.536 million, an increase of VND 42.368 million** compared to the same period in 2024 (VND 79.168 million in 2024). Details are as follows:

(1) SAIGONBANK's business operations in 2025 recorded stable growth, net interest income increased by **VND 10.584 million** compared to 2024 (VND 714.862 million in 2025 vs. VND 704.278 million in 2024), detailed as follows:

○ Interest income and similar income reached VND 2.211.933 million, an increase of VND 36.788 million (VND 2.175.145 million in 2024).

○ The Bank conducted a comprehensive review and reassessment of credit quality, and implemented risk mitigation measures to ensure liquidity and operational safety. However, due to certain customers failing to meet their repayment obligations as committed, the Bank reclassified loans and reversed accrued interest income. As a result, interest expenses and similar expenses in 2025 **increased by VND 26.204 million** compared to 2024 (VND 1.497.071 million in 2025 vs. VND 1.470.867 million in 2024).

(2) Net income from other activities in 2025 **increased by VND 61.200 million** compared to 2024 (VND 205.104 million in 2025 vs. VND 143.904 million in 2024), mainly driven by recoveries from written-off debts. This reflected the Bank's effective credit quality control in 2025, demonstrating positive outcomes in risk management and non-performing loan resolution. In particular, income generated from debt recovery and resolution activities played a significant role in offsetting credit risks, thereby contributing to the increase in recoveries from written-off debts.

(3) Income from capital contributions and equity investments in 2025 **increased by VND 6.554 million** compared to 2024 (no income of this investment type was recorded in 2024). This mainly represented income received from the investment in National Payment Corporation of Vietnam.

(4) Net fee and commission income in 2025 **increased by VND 4.099 million** compared to 2024 (VND 37.626 million in 2025 vs. VND 33.527 million in 2024).

(5) Net foreign exchange income in 2025 **increased by VND 242 million** compared to 2024 (VND 19.402 million in 2025 vs. VND 19.160 million in 2024).

(6) Credit risk provisioning expenses **decreased by VND 21.862 million** compared to 2024 (VND 149.276 million in 2025 vs. VND 171.138 million in 2024). The 2025 results of credit quality control indicated effective risk management and non-performing loan resolution, highlighting the substantive effectiveness of implemented debt control and recovery measures.

(7) Operating expenses in 2025 **increased by VND 53.213 million** compared to 2024 (VND 683.600 million in 2025 vs. VND 630.387 million in 2024). During 2025, the Bank implemented significant cost optimization measures; however, it also increased investments in upgrading information technology systems and provided additional compensation. Notably, employee expenses **increased by VND 56.763 million** (VND 431.858 million in 2025 vs. VND 375.095 million in 2024).

(8) Corporate income tax expenses in 2025 **increased by VND 8.960 million** compared to 2024 (VND 29.136 million in 2025 vs. VND 20.176 million in 2024).

Accordingly, profit after corporate income tax in 2025 reached VND 121.536 million, an increase of VND 42.368 million compared to the same period in 2024. This increase was driven by the combined effects of higher net interest income, other income, income from capital contributions and equity investments, service income, and foreign exchange trading income, together with a reduction in credit risk provisioning expenses; offset by increases in operating expenses and corporate income tax expenses, corresponding to (1) + (2) + (3) + (4) + (5) + (6) - (7) - (8).

The above constitutes SAIGONBANK's explanation for information disclosure in accordance with Circular No. 96/2020/TT-BTC. We respectfully submit this report to the State Securities Commission of Vietnam and Hanoi Stock Exchange.

Sincerely./.



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