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## **ESSEX BIO-TECHNOLOGY LIMITED**

**億勝生物科技有限公司**

*(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)*

**(Stock code: 8151)**

### **CHANGE OF AUDITORS**

The Board announces that SLPH resigned as the auditors of the Company with effect from 1 May 2009 as a result of its merger with BDO McCabe Lo Limited which will take effect on 1 May 2009. The Board has proposed that the merged firm, which has been renamed BDO Limited, be appointed as auditors of the Company subject to approval by the shareholders of the Company in the forthcoming annual general meeting to be held on 8 May 2009.

The board of directors (the “**Board**”) of Essex Bio-Technology Limited (the “**Company**”) announces that Shu Lun Pan Horwath Hong Kong CPA Limited (“**SLPH**”) resigned as auditors of the Company with effect from 1 May 2009. The Company was informed by SLPH that the reason for its resignation was due to the merger of its practice with BDO McCabe Lo Limited which will take effect on 1 May 2009 whereupon the merged firm has been renamed BDO Limited.

The Board has proposed that BDO Limited be appointed as auditors of the Company with effect from 8 May 2009 and such appointment is subject to approval by the shareholders of the Company in the forthcoming annual general meeting to be held on 8 May 2009.

SLPH confirmed in its notice of resignation that there were no circumstances in respect of its resignation that it considered should be brought to the attention of the shareholders or creditors of the Company.

By order of the Board  
**Essex Bio-Technology Limited**  
**Ngiam Mia Je Patrick**  
*Chairman*

Hong Kong, 30 April 2009

*Executive directors of the Company as at the date of this announcement are Mr Ngiam Mia Je Patrick, Mr Fang Haizhou and Mr Zhong Sheng. Independent non-executive directors of the Company as at the date of this announcement are Mr Fung Chi Ying, Mr Mauffrey Benoit Jean Marie and Ms Yeow Mee Mooi.*

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