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Century Energy International Holdings Limited
百能國際能源控股有限公司
(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)
(Stock Code: 8132)

SUPPLEMENTAL ANNOUNCEMENT IN RELATION TO CHANGE OF AUDITOR

Reference is made to the announcement of Century Energy International Holdings Limited (the "**Company**") dated 17 March 2026 in relation to the change of auditor (the "**Announcement**"). Unless otherwise defined, capitalised terms used herein shall have the same meanings as those defined in the Announcement.

As disclosed in the Announcement, Confucius resigned as the auditor of the Company with effect from 13 March 2026, and Suya was appointed as the new auditor of the Company to fill the casual vacancy. The Company would like to provide the following supplementary information in relation to the change of auditor.

THE REASONS AND CHRONOLOGY OF EVENTS IN RELATION TO THE CHANGE OF AUDITOR

The Board would like to clarify that the primary reason for the change of auditor was the difference in the audit fee proposals for the financial year ending 31 March 2026 ("**FY2026**"), with the Company selecting a more cost-effective audit service provider after considering its current downsized operational scale and cost control objectives. Other factors, including historical audit timing and quality issues, were taken into account as well.

Following the delay in publication of the Company's 2025 annual results, the Audit Committee had been proactively considering, since June 2025, ways to address and remediate historical financial reporting challenges, including the possibility of a change in auditor as part of a broader review of audit effectiveness.

From June 2025 to August 2025, the Audit Committee and the Board were primarily focused on finalising the Company's delayed 2025 annual results. During this period, there were also leadership transitions, including but not limited to: the joining of a new Audit Committee chairman and a new company secretary, both of whom required time to research past issues and familiarize themselves with the Company's culture and the Board's expectations.

At an Audit Committee meeting in late August 2025, the Audit Committee formally expressed significant concerns about the historical delays in publication of the Company's annual results and raised the possibility of changing the Company's auditor. However, having considered the imminent annual general meeting scheduled for September 2025 and based on the Company's understanding at the time that the audit fee of Confucius for FY2026 would remain broadly in line with that of the previous financial year, the Audit Committee and the Board considered it appropriate to reappoint Confucius at the annual general meeting.

From September to November 2025, the Company's primary focus was on the timely preparation and publication of the interim results for the six months ended 30 September 2025. The interim results were prepared internally by the Company and the Company did not engage Confucius to perform an interim review during this period.

The Board would like to add that during the above period from June to November 2025, the Group's finance and company secretarial functions were under significant resource pressure, as resources were heavily devoted to clearing the backlog arising from the delayed publication of the 2025 annual results, preparation of the interim results and arrangements for the annual general meeting.

From January 2026 to February 2026, following the publication of the interim results, the Company commenced discussions with Confucius in relation to the audit work plan and fee proposal for FY2026, while at the same time inviting two other audit firms, including Suya, to submit fee quotations.

In early March 2026, the Company received three audit engagement quotations. Confucius proposed an audit fee of approximately HK$820,000, representing an approximately 5% increase over the preceding year, while Suya submitted a slightly lower fee proposal of approximately HK$780,000, and another audit firm proposed a higher fee level. The Board noted that the Group had undergone business downsizing, and had expected the audit fee for FY2026 to remain broadly in line with, or lower than, that of the previous year. The increase proposed by Confucius was therefore not in line with the Company's expectations. Despite further negotiations, Confucius maintained its original fee proposal, and the parties were unable to reach an agreement.

During this period, the Audit Committee also assessed the respective audit plans, timetables, resource allocation and relevant experience of the audit firms. Taking into account (i) the fee difference between Confucius and Suya, (ii) the Company's expectation of maintaining or reducing audit costs in light of its scaled-down operations, and (iii) the Audit Committee's earlier concerns regarding the timeliness of the audit process in prior years, the Company considered that Suya's proposal was more aligned with its current needs.

During the week of 9 March 2026 to 13 March 2026, Suya had by then been identified by management as its preferred candidate, and its appointment was close to being finalised. On 13 March 2026, as no agreement on the audit fee for FY2026 had been reached and Confucius had not commenced any audit work for that year, Confucius tendered its resignation as the Company's auditor.

On 17 March 2026, after considering the Audit Committee's recommendation and the outcome of the professional clearance process, the Board and the Audit Committee formally approved the appointment of Suya as the new auditor of the Company to fill the casual vacancy arising from Confucius' resignation. In reaching this decision, the Board and the Audit Committee took into account, *inter alia*, Suya's quoted fee, proposed audit plan and timetable, resource allocation, experience with Hong Kong listed issuers, and its capacity to address the existing qualified opinion for the year ended 31 March 2025 ("**FY2025**").

KEY CONSIDERATIONS OF THE AUDIT COMMITTEE

Major factors underlying differences between the audit fees proposed by Confucius and Suya respectively

The Audit Committee has carefully considered the difference between the audit fee proposed by Confucius and the fee of proposed by Suya for the audit of the consolidated financial statements of the Group for FY2026. Confucius' proposed fee was determined having regard to estimated hours, hourly rates at different staff levels, work allocations and locations, and in particular additional audit procedures required to follow up on the qualified opinion for FY2025. By contrast, Suya's proposed fee reflected optimised estimated hours and operational efficiencies, and an allocation model adjusted to the Group's reduced business scale.

In terms of firm profile, Confucius and Suya are both specialised local boutique firms with an estimated staff count of less than 100 and typically 5 to 15 clients listed on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "**Stock Exchange**"). The Audit Committee noted that while Confucius's higher proposed fee mainly reflects a more conservative assessment of the resources it considers necessary to address the qualified opinion for FY2025 in light of the tight reporting timetable, this assessment did not sufficiently factor in the Group's reduced scale. By contrast, Suya's more competitive fee is underpinned by optimised resource allocation and a streamlined deployment model, with a dedicated team structured to deliver comparable overall hours with higher efficiency, which the Audit Committee considers more aligned with the Group's current size, risk profile and need to balance audit quality with cost-effectiveness.

At the engagement-team level, the Audit Committee observed that, although Suya's proposed total working hours are lower, it proposed a higher percentage of total hours to be contributed by managerial level and above, indicating a higher proportion of senior involvement and oversight of key audit areas. Having regard to these factors, the Audit Committee considers that Suya's proposed fee and resource allocation are commensurate with the current audit scope and the Group's reduced scale, and that the difference in audit quotations between Confucius and Suya reflects their respective resource models and efficiencies rather than any compromise in audit scope or expected audit quality.

The Audit Committee's assessment on Suya

The Audit Committee has considered section 2, in particular paragraph 2.2.4, of the Guidelines for Effective Audit Committees (the "**Guide**") and is satisfied that Suya is independent, competent and capable of performing a high-quality audit upon the considerations set out in the Guide.

(a) Governance and leadership

The Audit Committee has reviewed Suya's organisational profile and the background of its senior personnel. Suya has seven partners and currently has seven listed annual audit clients, and its partners come from an international audit firm and possess over ten years of auditing and advisory experience in various industries. The Audit Committee has also reviewed the profile of Suya's responsible team and noted that the engagement partner has over 10 years of relevant experience in audits of issuers listed on the Main Board and GEM of the Stock Exchange, which the Audit Committee considers relevant to the Company's FY2026 audit.

(b) Compliance with relevant ethical requirements

The Audit Committee understands that Suya has adopted policies and procedures to ensure its employees' understanding of applicable ethical requirements, including annual internal training for staff at all levels and internal compliance checks. The Audit Committee further understands that Suya has implemented systematic procedures to deal with ethical issues, including measures to eliminate or manage any interest or relationship causing a breach, evaluate the significance of the breach on objectivity and determine whether corrective action can satisfactorily address the issue. Suya has no previous relationship with the Company other than the proposed FY2026 audit engagement, and the proposed audit engagement team has not identified any threat to independence.

(c) Industry knowledge and technical competence

The Audit Committee has verified Suya's licences, certificates and qualifications in relation to its provision of audit services to other companies listed on GEM of the Stock Exchange. The Audit Committee is satisfied that Suya has extensive experience with listed companies in Hong Kong and is familiar with the Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards ("**HKFRS**") and applicable regulatory requirements. The Audit Committee is also satisfied that Suya has relevant knowledge and experience in the Company's business and industry, and with sufficient manpower, is qualified for and capable of performing a high-quality audit.

(d) Engagement performance

The Audit Committee has obtained and reviewed Suya's overall audit strategy, which sets out a clear scope and direction of the audit. Having reviewed Suya's audit strategy and the profiles of the engagement partner and team members, the Audit Committee is satisfied that the proposed audit engagement team has sufficient resources, expertise and time to perform a high-quality audit. In particular, Suya presented a concrete audit work plan addressing the audit procedures required to remediate the qualified opinion for FY2025, which the Audit Committee considered particularly important having regard to the Directors' concern that there was a continuing risk of delay in the publication of the annual results for 2026 if the Company continued to engage Confucius while the qualified opinion remained unresolved.

(e) Communication and interaction with the Audit Committee

The Audit Committee is satisfied that the communication plan between Suya and the Audit Committee will facilitate effective discussion of auditing matters and help ensure that the Company's audit milestones and reporting timetable will be met in a timely manner.

(f) Monitoring process

The Audit Committee understands that Suya conducts internal engagement quality review of audit engagements completed in accordance with relevant standards. To the best knowledge of the Audit Committee, it is not aware of any conduct or activities on the part of Suya that would threaten its integrity, objectivity or independence or adversely affect its audit quality. In light of the above, the Audit Committee is satisfied that Suya's monitoring process is sound.

Suya's relevant experience and technical skills in handling the Group's industry-related audit work

In assessing Suya's suitability, the Audit Committee has also considered the nature of the Group's operations and Suya's relevant industry experience. While the Group has exposure to the energy sector, its principal operations primarily comprise manufacturing activities and the trading of energy-related products, which are operationally more aligned with trading and industrial businesses than with highly specialised upstream energy exploration, production or technically complex energy infrastructure projects. The Audit Committee also noted that the audit issues identified in the prior year did not involve complex energy valuation, engineering assessment or reserve estimation.

The Audit Committee noted that Suya has extensive experience in auditing Hong Kong-listed companies across a broad range of industries, including energy, natural resources, manufacturing and trading sectors. The Audit Committee considers that these engagements demonstrate Suya's experience in handling businesses involving manufacturing, trading transactions and industrial operations, as well as exposure to the energy and natural resources sectors.

The Audit Committee also considered the experience of Suya's key engagement personnel. The engagement partner is a Hong Kong Certified Public Accountant with over 11 years of audit and accounting experience and has substantial experience in listed company audits, IPO engagements, agreed-upon procedures and internal control reviews, including for companies engaged in solar energy, coal mining, manufacturing and trading businesses. The engagement quality reviewer has over 12 years of audit and accounting experience, with experience in auditing U.S.-listed companies and in engagements relating to energy, mining, manufacturing and property sectors. The audit manager assigned to the engagement has over 10 years of audit experience and has acted as audit manager for Hong Kong-listed companies, with experience in managing audit fieldwork and supervising audit teams for businesses involving trading, manufacturing, and the energy industry.

Having regard to the foregoing, the Audit Committee is satisfied that Suya possesses the relevant independence, competence, capability, industry knowledge and engagement resources to undertake the audit of the Company for FY2026, including the ability to address the outstanding qualified opinion and to perform the audit work in a timely and effective manner.

THE AUDIT PLANNING AND TIMETABLE OF SUYA

Suya will perform the audit of the consolidated financial statements of the Group for FY2026 in accordance with HKFRS and in compliance with the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on GEM. Suya adopts a risk-based audit approach. The Audit Committee has reviewed Suya's proposed audit plan and timetable and is satisfied that the same are reasonable and sufficient, having regard to Suya's extensive experience in auditing Hong Kong-listed companies, the qualifications and over 10 years of experience of the engagement partner in GEM and Main Board audits, and the resources committed by Suya for the engagement.

The timetable proposed by Suya includes planning and opening balances work from mid-March 2026, audit fieldwork during April to early May 2026, and draft reporting by mid-May 2026, with a view to ensuring timely completion in alignment with the results publication deadlines.

As part of its audit plan, Suya has also formulated specific procedures to address the basis of the qualified opinion for FY2025, which relates to the existence and valuation of the Company's medical supplies inventory. The principal stages of Suya's planned audit work are set out below:

Week	**Planned audit work**
Week 1	Planning and risk assessment. • Obtain and review all documents provided by the Group to the predecessor auditor; • Make enquiries of management regarding inventory valuation and obsolescence policies; and • Review prior qualified opinion disclosures.

Week	Planned audit work
Week 2	Obtain an understanding of the purchase and inventory cycle. • Perform walkthroughs of the purchase cycle, including procurement, receipt, recording and expiry monitoring; • Perform walkthroughs of the inventory cycle, including stock management, identification of obsolescence and disposal; • Evaluate controls over expiry tracking and provision making; and • Review the Group's internal review report on the purchase and inventory cycles.
Week 3	Stocktake and condition verification • Perform physical stocktake of the relevant medical supplies; • Verify expiry status by inspecting product labels and supporting documentation; and • Confirm that there was no such purchase during FY2026.
Week 4	Perform net realisable value testing. • Confirm that there were no subsequent sales since all relevant stocks had expired; and • Assess whether the net realisable value is nil or minimal.
Week 5	Audit Evidence and documentation • Consolidate audit evidence obtained from the above procedures; • Evaluate the sufficiency and appropriateness of audit evidence; • Hold an internal meeting with the engagement quality reviewer and technical partner to discuss findings, professional judgment and the resolution of the qualification; and • Prepare comprehensive documentation of procedures performed, evidence obtained, and conclusions reached.
By mid-May 2026	• Prepare draft reporting.

Additionally, Suya will perform the following audit procedures on the comparative figure of the Company's inventories:

(a) Comparing inventory carrying cost with subsequent selling prices, reviewing inventory ageing report to identify slow-moving or obsolete items, and examining unsold inventory movements after year-end to determine if provision to the net realizable value of the inventories is required;

(b) Evaluating the adequacy of management's overall inventory provision;

(c) Verifying the existence through reconciliation of inventory records to financial statements, and performing roll-forward test calculations;

(d) Reviewing supporting documents to verify quantities and costs, ensure completeness, and confirm ownership; and

(e) Verifying that purchases and sales are recognised in the correct accounting period by inspecting transactions around the year-end cut-off date.

The Audit Committee considers that Suya's proposed audit strategy, audit plan and timetable are reasonable and adequate for the completion of all necessary audit procedures without compromising audit quality, and that the change of auditor would not affect the progress of the audit of the Company for FY2026. The Audit Committee and the Board are also of the view that the appointment of Suya would enhance the cost-effectiveness of the Company's audit while maintaining audit quality and is in the interests of the Company and its shareholders as a whole.

Save as disclosed above, all other information contained in the Announcement remains unchanged. This announcement is supplemental to and should be read in conjunction with the Announcement.

By order of the Board
Century Energy International Holdings Limited
Sun Jiusheng
Chairman

Hong Kong, 25 June 2026

As at the date of this announcement, the executive Directors are Mr. Cheung Yip Sang, Mr. Sun Jiusheng, Mr. Li Dewen and Mr. Yeung Shing Wai; and the independent non-executive Directors are Mr. Liu Yongxin, Mr. Cheong Siu Fai and Ms. Chong Wing Lum Cherrie.

This announcement, for which the Directors collectively and individually accept full responsibility, includes particulars given in compliance with the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on GEM of the Stock Exchange for the purpose of giving information with regard to the Company. The Directors, having made all reasonable enquires, confirm that, to the best of their knowledge and belief, the information contained in this announcement is accurate and complete in all material respects and not misleading or deceptive, and there are no other matters the omission of which would make any statement herein or this announcement misleading.

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