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The PRC Legal System

The PRC legal system is based on the Constitution of the PRC (the “**Constitution**”) and is made up of written laws, administrative regulations, local regulations, autonomous regulations, separate regulations, rules and regulations of State Council departments, rules and regulations of local governments, laws of special administrative regions and international treaties of which the PRC government is a signatory and other regulatory documents. Court judgments do not constitute legally binding precedents, although they are used for the purposes of judicial reference and guidance.

Pursuant to the *Constitution and the Legislation Law of the PRC* (《中華人民共和國立法法》) (the “**Legislation Law**”), the NPC and SCNPC are empowered to exercise the legislative power of the State. The NPC has the power to formulate and amend the basic laws governing criminal and civil matters, State institutions and other matters. The SCNPC formulates and amends laws other than those required to be enacted by the NPC and to supplement and amend parts of the laws enacted by the NPC during the adjournment of the NPC, provided that such supplements and amendments are not in conflict with the basic principles of such laws.

The State Council is the highest organ of state administration and has the power to formulate administrative regulations based on the Constitution and laws. The people’s congresses of the provinces, autonomous regions and municipalities and their standing committees may formulate local regulations based on the specific circumstances and actual needs of their respective administrative areas, provided that such local regulations do not contravene any provision of the Constitution, laws or administrative regulations. The people’s congresses of cities with districts and their respective standing committees may formulate local regulations with respect to urban and rural construction and administration, ecological civilization construction, historical and cultural protection, grassroots governance and other aspects according to the specific circumstances and actual needs of such cities, provided that such local regulations do not contravene any provision of the Constitution, laws, administrative regulations and local regulations of their respective provinces or autonomous regions. If the law provides otherwise on the formulation of local regulations by cities divided into districts, those provisions shall prevail. Such local regulations of cities with districts will become enforceable after being reported to and approved by the standing committees of the people’s congresses of the relevant provinces or autonomous regions. The standing committees of the people’s congresses of the provinces or autonomous regions examine the legality of local regulations submitted for approval, and such approval should be granted within four months if they are not in conflict with the Constitution, laws, administrative regulations and local regulations of such provinces or autonomous regions. Where, during the examination for approval of local regulations of cities divided into districts by the standing committees of the people’s congresses of the provinces or autonomous regions, conflicts are identified with the rules and regulations of the people’s governments of the provinces or autonomous regions concerned, a decision should be made by the standing committees of the people’s congresses of provinces or autonomous regions to resolve the issue. People’s congresses of national autonomous areas have the power to enact autonomous regulations and separate regulations in light of the political, economic and cultural characteristics of the ethnic groups in the areas concerned.

The ministries, commissions of the State Council, the PBOC, the National Audit Office, institutions with administrative functions directly under the State Council, and other institutions stipulated by law may formulate rules and regulations within the power of their respective departments based on the laws and the administrative regulations, decisions and rulings of the State Council. Matters governed by the departmental rules and regulations should be those for the enforcement of the laws and administrative regulations, decisions and rulings of the State Council. The people’s governments of provinces, autonomous regions and municipalities directly under the

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central government and cities divided into districts and autonomous regions may formulate rules, in accordance with laws, administrative regulations and relevant local regulations of provinces, autonomous regions and municipalities directly under the central government.

Pursuant to the *Resolution of the SCNPC Providing an Improved Interpretation of the Law* (《全國人民代表大會常務委員會關於加強法律解釋工作的決議》) passed on June 10, 1981, issues related to the further clarification or supplement of laws or decrees should be interpreted by the SCNPC or provided by with decrees, issues related to the application of laws in a court trial should be interpreted by the Supreme People’s Court, issues related to the application of laws in a prosecution process should be interpreted by the Supreme People’s Procuratorate, and the application of other laws and decrees in matters other than those involved in trial or prosecution process should be interpreted by the State Council and the competent authorities. The State Council and its ministries and commissions are also vested with the power to give interpretations of the administrative regulations and departmental rules which they have promulgated. At the regional level, the power to interpret regional laws and regulations is vested in the regional legislative and administrative authorities which promulgate such laws and regulations.

The PRC Judicial System

Under the Constitution, the *Law of Organization of the People’s Courts of the PRC (2018 revision)* (《中華人民共和國人民法院組織法(2018修訂)》) and the *Law of Organization of the People’s Procuratorate of the PRC (2018 revision)* (《中華人民共和國人民檢察院組織法(2018修訂)》), the people’s courts of the PRC are classified into the Supreme People’s Court, the local people’s courts at various levels, and other special people’s courts. The local people’s courts at various levels are divided into three levels, namely, the primary people’s courts, the intermediate people’s courts and the higher people’s courts. The primary people’s courts may set up a number of people’s tribunals based on the facts of the region, population and cases. The Supreme People’s Court is the highest judicial authority. The Supreme People’s Court shall supervise the judicial work of the local people’s courts at all levels and special people’s courts, and people’s courts at higher levels shall supervise the judicial work of people’s courts at lower levels. The Chinese People’s Procuratorates are divided into the Supreme People’s Procuratorate, local people’s procuratorates at various levels, and specialized people’s procuratorates such as the Military Procuratorate. The Supreme People’s Procuratorate is the highest procuratorial organ. The Supreme People’s Procuratorate directs the work of the local people’s procuratorates and specialized people’s procuratorates at all levels, and the people’s procuratorates at higher levels direct the work of the people’s procuratorates at lower levels.

The people’s court takes the rule of the second instance as the final rule, that is, the judgments or rulings of the second instance of the people’s court are final. The parties may appeal against the judgment or ruling of the first instance of a local people’s court. The people’s procuratorate may present a protest to the people’s court at the next higher level in accordance with the procedures stipulated by the laws. In the absence of any appeal by the parties and any protest by the people’s procuratorate within the stipulated period, the judgments or rulings of the people’s court are final. Judgments or rulings of the second instance of the intermediate people’s courts, the higher people’s courts and the Supreme People’s Court are final. The first judgments or rulings of the Supreme People’s Court are also final. However, if the Supreme People’s Court or a people’s court at the next higher level discovers an error in the final and binding judgment or ruling which has taken effect in any people’s court at a lower level, or the presiding judge of a people’s court discovers an error in a final and binding judgment which has taken effect in the court over which he presides, a retrial of the case may be initiated according to the judicial supervision procedures.

The *Civil Procedure Law of the PRC* (《中華人民共和國民事訴訟法》) (the “**PRC Civil Procedure Law**”) adopted on April 9, 1991 and amended four times on October 28, 2007, August 31, 2012, June 27, 2017, December 24, 2021 and September 1, 2023 prescribes the conditions for instituting a civil action, the jurisdiction of the people’s courts, the procedures for conducting a civil

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action, and the procedures for enforcement of a civil judgment or ruling. Each party to a civil action conducted within the PRC must comply with the relevant provisions of the PRC Civil Procedure Law. A civil case is generally heard by the court located in the defendant’s place of domicile. The court of jurisdiction in respect of a civil action may also be chosen by explicit agreement among the parties to a contract, provided that the people’s court having jurisdiction should be located at places directly connected with the disputes, such as the plaintiff’s or the defendant’s place of domicile, the places where the contract is executed or signed or the place where the object of the action is located. Meanwhile, such selection cannot violate the stipulations of hierarchical jurisdiction and exclusive jurisdiction in any case.

A foreign individual, a person without nationality, a foreign enterprise and organization is given the same litigation rights and obligations as a citizen, a legal person and other organization of the PRC when initiating actions or defending against litigation at the people’s court. Should a foreign court limit the litigation rights of citizens, a legal person, and other organizations of the PRC, the PRC court may apply the same limitations to the civil litigation rights to citizens, enterprises and organizations of such foreign country. A foreign individual, a person without nationality, a foreign enterprise and organization must engage a PRC lawyer in case he or it needs to engage a lawyer for the purpose of initiating actions or defending against litigations at the people’s court. In accordance with the international treaties to which the PRC is a signatory or participant or according to the principle of reciprocity, a people’s court and a foreign court may request each other to serve documents, conduct investigation and collect evidence and conduct other actions on its behalf. A people’s court shall not accommodate any request made by a foreign court which will result in the violation of sovereignty, security or public interests of the PRC.

All parties to a civil action shall perform the legally effective judgments and rulings. If any party to a civil action refuses to abide by a judgment or ruling made by a people’s court or an award made by an arbitration tribunal in the PRC, the other party may apply to the people’s court for the enforcement of the same within two years subject to application for postponed enforcement or revocation. If a party fails to satisfy within the stipulated period a judgment which the court has granted an enforcement approval, the court may, upon the application of the other party, mandatorily enforce the judgment on the party.

Where a party applies for enforcement of a legally effective judgment or ruling made by a people’s court, and the opposite party or his property is not within the territory of the PRC, the applicant may directly apply to a foreign court with jurisdiction for recognition and enforcement of the judgment or ruling, or the people’s court may, in accordance with the provisions of international treaties to which the PRC is a signatory or in which the PRC is a participant or the principle of reciprocity, request recognition and enforcement by a foreign court. Similarly, where an effective judgment or ruling made by a foreign court needs to be recognized and enforced by the people’s court of the PRC, unless the people’s court considers that the recognition or enforcement of the judgment or ruling would violate the basic legal principles of the PRC, national sovereignty, national security or social and public interest, the parties involved may directly apply to an intermediate people’s court of the PRC with jurisdiction for recognition and enforcement, or the foreign court may, in accordance with the provisions of international treaties entered into or acceded to by that country and the PRC or according to the principle of reciprocity, request the people’s court to recognize and enforce it.

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The Company Law of the PRC, the Trial Administrative Measures of Overseas Securities Offering and Listing by Domestic Companies and the Guidelines for the Articles of Association of Listed Companies

The PRC Company Law was adopted by the Standing Committee of the Eighth NPC at its Fifth Session on December 29, 1993 and came into effect on July 1, 1994, and was successively amended on December 25, 1999, August 28, 2004, October 27, 2005, December 28, 2013, October 26, 2018 and December 29, 2023. The latest revised PRC Company Law was implemented on July 1, 2024.

On February 17, 2023, CSRC promulgated the Trial Administrative Measures of Overseas Securities Offering and Listing by Domestic Companies (the “**Overseas Listing Trial Measures**”), which came into effect on March 31, 2023 and is applicable to direct and indirect overseas share subscription and listing of domestic companies, which also stipulates the filing administrative measures and regulatory requirements for the overseas securities offering and listing by domestic companies.

On March 28, 2025, the CSRC promulgated the latest amended Guidelines for the Articles of Association of Listed Companies (the “**Guidelines for the Articles of Association**”), pursuant to the Overseas Listing Trial Measures and its supporting guidelines, Guidelines for Application of Regulatory Rules – Overseas Listing Category No. 1, domestic enterprises that are directly listed overseas shall formulate its articles of association with reference to the Guidelines for the Articles of Association and other relevant provisions of the CSRC on corporate governance to regulate corporate governance. Set out below is a summary of the main provisions of the PRC Company Law, the Overseas Listing Trial Measures and the Guidelines for the Articles of Association.

General Provisions

A “joint stock limited company” (hereinafter referred to as the “**company**”) refers to a corporate legal person incorporated in China under the PRC Company Law with independent legal person properties and entitlements to such legal person properties. The liability of the company for its own debts is limited to all the properties it owns and the liability of its shareholders for the company is limited to the extent of the shares they subscribe for.

Companies engaged in business activities shall obey the relevant laws and administrative regulations, observe social and business ethics, and act in good faith, accept the supervision of the government and the public, and shoulder social responsibility. A company may invest in other limited liability companies and joint stock limited companies. The liabilities of the company to such invested companies are limited to the amount invested. Unless otherwise provided by laws, a company cannot be the capital contributor who has the joint and several liabilities associated with the debts of the invested enterprises.

Incorporation

A company may be incorporated by promotion or raising. A company shall be incorporated by one to 200 promoters, provided that at least more than half of the promoters must reside in the PRC. Companies established by promotion are companies of which the registered capital is the total share capital subscribed for by all the promoters registered with the company’s registration authorities. No shares shall be raised from others before the shares subscribed for by the promoters are fully paid up. For companies established by subscription, the registered capital is the total paid-up share capital as registered with the company’s registration authorities. If laws, administrative regulations and decisions of the State Council have separate provisions on paid-in registered capital and the minimum registered capital, the company should follow such provisions.

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The promoters shall convene an inaugural meeting of the company within 30 days after the share capital has been paid-up and shall notify all subscribers of the date of the meeting or make an announcement in this regard 15 days before the meeting. The inaugural meeting may be held only in the presence of promoters and subscribers holding more than 50% of the total number of shares. Powers to be exercised at the inaugural meeting include but not limited to the adoption of articles of association and the election of members of the board of directors and the supervisory committee of a company. The aforesaid matters shall be resolved by more than 50% of the votes to be cast by subscribers presented at the meeting.

Within 30 days after the conclusion of the inaugural meeting, the board of directors shall apply to the registration authority for registration of the incorporation of the joint stock limited company. A company is formally established and has the status of a legal person after the business license has been issued by the relevant registration authority.

Share Capital

Under the PRC Company Law, shareholders may make capital contributions in cash, or with non-monetary property that may be valued in money and legally transferred, such as contribution in kind or with intellectual property rights, land use rights, shareholding or claims.

The Trial Measures provide that domestic enterprises that are listed overseas may raise funds and distribute dividends in foreign currencies or Renminbi.

Under the Trial Measures, for a domestic company directly offering and listing overseas, shareholders of its domestic unlisted shares applying to convert such shares into shares listed and traded on an overseas trading venue shall conform to relevant regulations promulgated by the CSRC, and authorize the domestic company to file with the CSRC on their behalf. The domestic unlisted shares mentioned in the preceding paragraph refer to the shares that have been issued by domestic enterprises but have not been listed or listed for trading on domestic exchanges. Domestic unlisted shares shall be centrally registered and deposited with domestic securities registration and settlement institutions. The registration and settlement arrangements of overseas listed shares shall be subject to the provisions of overseas listing places.

According to the provisions of the PRC Company Law, a company that issues registered shares shall establish a register of shareholders to record the following items: (i) the names or titles and domiciles of the shareholders; (ii) the number of shares held by each shareholder; (iii) the serial number of the shares held by each shareholder; and (iv) the date on which each shareholder acquired the shares.

Allotment and Issue of Shares

All issue of shares of a joint stock limited company shall be based on the principles of equality and fairness. The same class of shares must carry equal rights. Shares issued at the same time and within the same class must be issued on the same conditions and at the same price. It may issue shares at par value or at a premium, but it may not issue shares below the par value. Domestic enterprises issued and listed overseas shall file with the CSRC in accordance with Trial Measures, submit filing reports, legal opinions and other relevant materials, and truthfully, accurately and completely explain shareholder information and other information. Where a domestic enterprise directly issues and is listed overseas, the issuer shall file with the CSRC. If a domestic enterprise is indirectly listed overseas, the issuer shall designate a major domestic operating entity as the domestic responsible person and file with the CSRC.

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Increase in Share Capital

Pursuant to the PRC Company Law, an increase in the capital of a company by means of an issue of new shares must be approved by shareholders in a general meeting. In addition, the *Securities Law of the PRC* (the “**PRC Securities Law**”) also stipulates the following conditions for the company’s public offering of new shares: (i) have a sound organizational structure with satisfactory operating; (ii) have the capability of sustainable operation; (iii) have been issued with an unqualified opinion audit report by the auditor for the company’s financial accounting documents in the latest three years; (iv) the issuer and its controlling shareholder(s) and actual controlling party do not have criminal record during the past three years for corruption, bribery, encroachment of assets, misappropriation of assets or disruption of socialist market economy order; and (v) other conditions required by the securities administration department of the State Council as approved by the State Council. After the new shares issued by the company have been fully paid up, the change must be registered with the company registration authority and a public announcement shall be made.

Reduction of Share Capital

The Company shall reduce the registered capital in accordance with the following procedures as stipulated in the PRC Company Law: (i) the company shall prepare a balance sheet and an inventory of properties; (ii) make a resolution at a shareholders’ general meeting to reduce the registered capital; (iii) the company shall notify its creditors within 10 days after making the resolution to reduce the registered capital and publish the relevant announcement in newspapers within 30 days; (iv) a creditor may, within 30 days after receipt of the notification, or within 45 days after the date of announcement if he/she has not received the notification, have the right to request the company to repay its debts or provide relevant guarantees; and (v) the company must apply to the companies registration authority for a change in registration.

When a company reduces its registered capital, it must reduce the amount of capital contribution or shares in proportion to the capital contribution or shares held by the shareholders, unless otherwise prescribed by any law, or agreed upon by all the shareholders of a limited liability company, or as specified in the articles of association of a joint stock limited company.

Repurchase of Shares

Under the provisions of the PRC Company Law, a company shall not repurchase its own shares except in the following circumstances: (i) reduction of the registered capital of the company; (ii) merger with another company that holds its shares; (iii) use of its shares for carrying out an employee stock ownership plan or equity incentive plan; (iv) request from shareholders who object to a resolution of a shareholders’ general meeting on merger or division of the company to acquire their shares by the company; (v) use of shares for conversion of convertible corporate bonds issued by the listed company; and (vi) it is necessary for a listed company to maintain its company value and protect its shareholders’ equity. A resolution of a shareholders’ general meeting is required for the repurchase of shares by a company under either of the circumstances stipulated in item (i) or item (ii) above; for a company’s repurchase of shares under any of the circumstances stipulated in item (iii), item (v) or item (vi) above, a resolution of a meeting of the Board of Directors shall be made by more than two-thirds of directors attending the meeting according to the provisions of the Company’s Articles of Association or as authorized by the shareholders’ general meeting.

The shares acquired by the company according to the above provisions under the circumstance stipulated in item (i) hereof a company shall be deregistered within 10 days from the date of acquisition of shares; the shares shall be transferred or deregistered within six months if the repurchase of shares is made under the circumstances stipulated in either item (ii) or item (iv); and the shares in the company held in total by the company after the repurchase of shares under any of the circumstances stipulated in item (iii), item (v) or item (vi) shall not exceed 10% of the Company’s total issued shares, and shall be transferred or deregistered within three years.

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A listed company acquires its own shares shall perform their obligation of information disclosure according to the provisions of the PRC Securities Law. A listed company acquires its own shares under any of the circumstances stipulated in item (iii), item (v) and item (vi) hereof, shall be carried out trading in public and centralized manner.

A company shall not accept its own shares as the subject matter of a mortgage.

Transfer of Shares

Shares held by shareholders may be transferred legally. Under the PRC Company Law, a shareholder should effect a transfer of his shares on the Stock Exchange established in accordance with laws or by any other means as required by the State Council. The transfer of registered shares by a shareholder must be conducted by means of an endorsement or by other means stipulated by laws or by administrative regulations. Following the transfer of registered shares, the company shall enter the names and domiciles of the transferee into its share register. Change of the register of members described in the preceding paragraph shall not be registered within 20 days before the convening of a shareholders’ general meeting or five days prior to the base date on which the company decides to distribute dividends. However, where there are separate provisions by law on the alternation of registration in the register of members of listed companies, those provisions shall prevail. The transfer of bearer share certificates shall become effective upon the delivery of the certificates to the transferee by the shareholder.

Pursuant to the PRC Company Law, shares held by promoters may not be transferred within one year of the establishment of the company. Shares of the company issued prior to the public issue of shares may not be transferred within one year of the date of the company’s listing on the Stock Exchange. Directors, supervisors and the senior management of a company shall declare to the company their shareholdings in it and any changes in such shareholdings. During their terms of office, they may transfer no more than 25% of the total number of shares they hold in the company every year. They shall not transfer the shares they hold within one year of the date of the company’s listing on the Stock Exchange, nor within six months after they leave their positions in the company. The Articles of Association may set out other restrictive provisions in respect of the transfer of shares in the company held by its directors, supervisors and the senior management.

Pursuant to the Overseas Listing Trial Measures, for a domestic company directly offering and listing overseas, the shareholders of its domestic unlisted shares applying to convert its domestic unlisted shares into overseas listed shares and listed and traded on an overseas trading venue shall conform to relevant regulations promulgated by the CSRC, and appoint the domestic company to file with the CSRC.

Shareholders

Pursuant to the PRC Company Law and the Guidelines for Articles of Association, the rights of shareholders include the rights:

- (i) to receive dividends and other forms of distributions in proportion to their shareholdings;
- (ii) to attend or appoint a proxy to attend shareholders’ meetings and to exercise voting rights;
- (iii) to supervise and manage a company’s business operations, and to present proposals or to raise inquiries;
- (iv) to transfer shares in accordance with laws, administrative regulations and the provisions of the articles of association;

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- (v) to inspect and copy the company’s articles of association, share register, minutes of shareholders’ meetings, resolutions of meetings of the board of directors, and financial and accounting reports; eligible shareholders may inspect the company’s accounting books and accounting vouchers;
- (vi) in the event of the winding-up or liquidation of a company, to participate in the distribution of remaining property of a company in proportion to the number of shares held;
- (vii) other rights conferred by laws, administrative regulations and the articles of association.

The obligations of shareholders include the obligation to abide by the articles of association of the company, to pay the subscription monies in respect of the shares subscribed for, to be liable for the company’s responsibilities in respect of the shares taken up by them and any other shareholder obligation specified in the articles of association of the company.

Pursuant to the Overseas Listing Trial Measures, a domestic company offering and listing overseas shall file with the CSRC as per requirement of this Measures, submit relevant materials that contain a filing report and a legal opinion, and provide truthful, accurate and complete information on the shareholders, etc.

Shareholders’ General Meetings

The shareholders’ general meeting is the organ of authority of the company, which exercises its powers in accordance with the PRC Company Law. The shareholders’ general meeting may exercise its powers:

- (i) to elect and replace directors and supervisors and to decide on matters relating to the remuneration of directors and supervisors;
- (ii) to examine and approve reports of the board of directors;
- (iii) to examine and approve reports of the supervisory committee;
- (iv) to examine and approve a company’s profit distribution plans and loss recovery plans;
- (v) to resolve on the increase or reduction of a company’s registered capital;
- (vi) to resolve on the issuance of corporate bonds;
- (vii) to resolve on the merger, division, dissolution, liquidation or change of corporate form of a company;
- (viii) to amend the company’s articles of association;
- (ix) other functions and powers specified in provision of the articles of association.

Pursuant to the PRC Company Law and the Guidelines for Articles of Association, a shareholders’ general meeting is required to be held once a year within six months after the end of the previous accounting year. An extraordinary general meeting is required to be held within two months upon the occurrence of any of the following: (i) the number of directors is less than the number required by the law or less than two-thirds of the number specified in the articles of association of the company; (ii) the total outstanding losses of the company amounted to one-third of the company’s total paid-in share capital; (iii) shareholders individually or in aggregate holding

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10% or more of the company’s shares request to convene an extraordinary general meeting; (iv) the board of directors deems necessary; (v) the supervisory committee so proposes; or (vi) any other circumstances as provided for in the articles of associations of the company.

A shareholders’ general meeting is convened by the board of directors and presided over by the chairman of the board of directors. In the event that the chairman is incapable of performing or is not performing his or her duties, the meeting shall be presided over by the vice chairman. If the vice chairman is incapable of performing or is not performing his or her duties, a director jointly recommended by more than half of directors shall preside over the meeting. If the board of directors is unable to or fails to perform its duty of convening the shareholders’ general meeting, the Supervisory Committee shall convene and preside over such meeting in a timely manner; if the Supervisory Committee fails to convene and preside over such meeting, shareholders who individually or jointly hold more than 10% of the company’s shares for more than 90 consecutive days may independently convene and preside over such meeting.

If the shareholders who separately or aggregately hold more than 10% of the shares of the company request to convene an interim shareholders’ meeting, the board of directors and the board of supervisors should, within 10 days after the receipt of such request, decide whether to hold an interim shareholders’ meeting and reply to the shareholders in writing.

Notice of shareholders’ meeting shall state the time and venue of and matters to be considered at the meeting and shall be given to all shareholders 20 days before the meeting. A notice of extraordinary shareholders’ meeting shall be given to all shareholders 15 days prior to the meeting.

Shareholders who individually or jointly hold more than 1% of the company’s shares may put forward interim proposals and submit them to the convener in writing 10 days before the shareholders’ meeting. The convener shall issue a supplementary notice of the shareholders’ meeting within two days after receiving the proposal and announce the contents of the interim proposal.

Under the PRC Company Law, a shareholder may entrust a proxy to attend a shareholders’ meeting, and it should clarify the matters, power and time limit of the proxy. The proxy shall present a written power of attorney issued by the shareholder to a company and shall exercise his voting rights within the scope of authorization. There is no specific provision in the PRC Company Law regarding the number of shareholders constituting a quorum in a shareholders’ meeting.

Under the PRC Company Law, shareholders present at a shareholders’ meeting have one vote for each share they hold, except the shareholders of classified shares. However, shares held by the company itself are not entitled to any voting rights.

The cumulative voting system may be adopted for the election of directors and supervisors at the shareholders’ meeting in accordance with the provisions of the articles of association or the resolutions of the shareholders’ meeting. Under the accumulative voting system, each share shall have the same number of voting rights as the number of directors or supervisors to be elected at the shareholders’ meeting, and shareholders may consolidate their voting rights when casting a vote.

Under the PRC Company Law and the Guidelines for Articles of Association, the passing of any resolution requires affirmative votes of shareholders representing more than half of the voting rights represented by the shareholders who attend the shareholders’ meeting.

Matters relating to merger, division or dissolution of a company, increase or reduction of registered capital, change of corporate form or amendments to the articles of association must be approved by more than two-thirds of the voting rights held by the shareholders present at the meeting.

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Board of Directors

Under the PRC Company Law, a joint stock limited company should have a board of directors, which consists of more than three members. The term of office of a director shall be stipulated in the articles of association. but each term of office shall not exceed three years. Directors may serve consecutive terms if re-elected.

Under the PRC Company Law, the Board of Directors may exercise the following powers:

- (i) to convene shareholders’ general meetings and report on its work to the shareholders’ general meetings;
- (ii) to implement the resolutions passed by the shareholders at the shareholders’ general meetings;
- (iii) to decide on the Company’s operational plans and investment proposals;
- (iv) to formulate the Company’s proposals for profit distribution and for recovery of losses;
- (v) to formulate proposals for the increase or reduction of the Company’s registered capital and the issue of corporate bonds;
- (vi) to formulate proposals for the merger, division, dissolution of the Company or change in the form of the Company;
- (vii) to decide on the setup of the Company’s internal management organs;
- (viii) to decide on appointment or dismissal the manager of the Company and his/her remuneration matters, and as nominated by the manager, to decide on appointment or dismissal the Company’s deputy general manager and financial officer and his/her remuneration matters;
- (ix) to formulate the Company’s basic management system; and
- (x) other functions and powers specified in the articles of association or granted by the shareholders’ meeting.

Meetings of the Board of Directors shall be convened at least twice a year. Notice of meeting shall be given to all Directors and Supervisors 10 days before the meeting. Interim board meetings may be proposed to be convened by shareholders representing more than one-tenth of the voting rights, more than one-third of the Directors or the Supervisory Committee. The chairman shall convene the meeting within 10 days of receiving such proposal, and preside over the board meeting. The Board of Directors may otherwise determine the method of giving notice and notice period for convening an interim meeting of the board of directors.

Meeting of the Board of Directors shall be held only if more than one half of the Directors are present. Resolutions of the Board of Directors shall be passed by more than one half of all Directors. Resolutions of the Board shall be passed on a one person one vote basis. The Directors shall attend a board meeting in person. If a director is unable to attend for any reason, he/she may appoint another director by a written power of attorney specifying the scope of the authorization to attend the meeting on his/her behalf. The Board of Directors shall make minutes of the meeting’s decisions on the matters discussed at the meeting, and the directors attending the meeting shall sign the minutes.

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If a resolution of the Board of Directors violates any laws, administrative regulations or the Articles of Association or resolutions of the general meeting, and as a result of which the Company sustains serious losses, the directors participating in the resolution are liable to compensate the Company. However, if it can be proved that a director expressly objected to the resolution when the resolution was voted on, and that such objection was recorded in the minutes of the meeting, such director shall be relieved from that liability.

Under the PRC Company Law, the following person may not serve as a Director of the Company: (i) devoid of or with restricted civil conduct ability; (ii) within five years after serving sentence for embezzlement, bribery, infringement or misappropriation of property, or for jeopardizing socialist market economic order, or being deprived of political rights for crime, or within two years after be sentenced to probation; (iii) within three years after insolvency and liquidation of such Company or enterprise where the person acted as a directors, factory manager or business manager and has been held accountable for the insolvency; (iv) within three years after company or enterprise the person acted as legal representative is revoked business license and ordered to shut down for violating law on which the person is held accountable; and (v) liable to large amount of unliquidated mature debts and be listed as a dishonest person subject to enforcement by the court.

Where a company elects or appoints a director to which any of the above circumstances applies, such election, appointment or designation shall be invalid. A director to which any of the above circumstances applies during his/her term of office shall be released of his/her duties by the Company.

Under the PRC Company Law, the Board shall appoint a chairman and may appoint a vice chairman. The chairman and the vice chairman shall be elected with approval of more than half of all the directors. The chairman shall convene and preside over board meetings and review the implementation of board resolutions. The vice chairman shall assist the chairman to perform his/her duties. Where the chairman is incapable of performing or is not performing his/her duties, the duties shall be performed by the vice chairman. Where the vice chairman is incapable of performing or is not performing his/her duties, a director nominated by more than half of the directors shall perform his/her duties.

Supervisory Committee

The company shall have a Supervisory Committee composed of not less than three members. The Supervisory Committee shall consist of representatives of the shareholders and an appropriate proportion of representatives of the Company's staff, of which the proportion of representatives of the company's staff shall not be less than one-third, and the actual proportion shall be determined in the Articles of Association. Representatives of the Company's staff at the Supervisory Committee shall be democratically elected by the Company's staff at the staff representative assembly, general staff meeting or otherwise. The Supervisory Committee shall appoint a chairman and may appoint a vice chairman. The chairman and the vice chairman of the Supervisory Committee shall be elected by more than half of all the supervisors. Directors and senior management shall not act concurrently as supervisors.

The chairman of the Supervisory Committee shall convene and preside over supervisory committee meetings. Where the chairman of the Supervisory Committee is incapable of performing or is not performing his/her duties, the vice chairman of the Supervisory Committee shall convene and preside over supervisory committee meetings. Where the vice chairman of the Supervisory Committee is incapable of performing or is not performing his/her duties, a supervisor elected by more than half of the supervisors shall convene and preside over supervisory committee meetings.

The supervisors serve three-year terms. A supervisor may serve consecutive terms if re-elected upon the expiration of his/her term. A supervisor shall continue to perform his/her duties as a supervisor in accordance with the laws, administrative regulations and the Articles of

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Association until a duly re-elected supervisor takes office, if re-election is not conducted in a timely manner upon the expiry of his/her term of office or if the resignation of supervisors results in the number of supervisors being less than the quorum.

The board of supervisors may exercise its powers:

- (i) to review the company’s financial position;
- (ii) to supervise the directors and senior management in their performance of their duties and to propose the removal of directors and senior management who have violated laws, regulations, the Articles of Association or resolutions of the shareholders’ general meetings;
- (iii) when the acts of a director or senior management are detrimental to the company’s interests, to require the director and senior management to correct these relevant acts;
- (iv) to propose the convening of extraordinary shareholders’ general meetings and to convene and preside over shareholders’ general meetings when the board fails to perform the duty of convening and presiding over shareholders’ general meetings under the PRC Company Law;
- (v) to submit proposals to the shareholders’ general meetings;
- (vi) to bring actions against directors and senior management pursuant to the relevant provisions of the PRC Company Law; and
- (vii) to exercise any other authority stipulated in the Articles of Association.

Supervisors may be present at board meetings and make inquiries or proposals in respect of the resolutions of the board of directors. The board of supervisors may investigate any irregularities identified in the operation of the company and, when necessary, may engage an accounting firm to assist its work at the cost of the company.

Manager and Senior Management

Pursuant to the relevant provisions of the PRC Company Law, a company shall have a manager who shall be appointed or removed by the board of directors. The manager, who is responsible to the board of directors, may exercise his/her functions and powers:

- (i) to preside over the production and operation and administration of the company and arrange for the implementation of the resolutions of the board of directors;
- (ii) to arrange for the implementation of the company’s annual operation plans and investment proposals;
- (iii) to formulate proposals for the establishment of the company’s internal management organs;
- (iv) to formulate the fundamental management system of the company;
- (v) to formulate the company’s specific rules and regulations;
- (vi) to recommend the appointment or dismissal of any deputy manager and any financial officer of the company;
- (vii) to appoint or dismiss management personnel (other than those required to be appointed or dismissed by the board of directors); and

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(viii) to exercise any other authority granted by the board of directors.

Other provisions in the Articles of Association on the manager’s functions and powers shall also be complied with. The manager shall be present at meetings of the board of directors.

According to the relevant provisions of the PRC Company Law, senior management refers to the manager, deputy manager, financial officer, secretary to the board of directors of a listed company and other personnel as stipulated in the Articles of Association.

Duties of Directors, Supervisors, General Managers and Other Senior Management

Directors, supervisors and senior management are required under the PRC Company Law to comply with the relevant laws, administrative regulations and the articles of association, and carry out their duties of loyalty and diligence. Directors, supervisors and senior management are prohibited from abusing their authority in accepting bribes or other unlawful income and from misappropriating the company’s property.

In the meantime, directors, supervisors and senior management are prohibited from:

- (i) misappropriating company funds;
- (ii) depositing company funds into accounts under their own names or the names of other individuals;
- (iii) loaning company funds to others or providing guarantees in favor of others supported by company’s property in violation of the articles of association or without approval of the general meeting or the board of directors;
- (iv) entering into contracts or transactions with the company in violation of the articles of association or without approval of the general meeting;
- (v) using their position to procure business opportunities for themselves or others that should have otherwise been available to the company or operating businesses similar to that of the company for their own benefits or on behalf of others without approval of the general meeting;
- (vi) accept commissions from transactions between others and the company for their own benefits;
- (vii) unauthorized divulgence of confidential information of the company; and
- (viii) other acts in violation of their duty of loyalty to the company.

Income generated by directors or senior management in violation of aforementioned shall be returned to the company.

A director, supervisor or senior management who contravenes law, administrative regulation or articles of association in the performance of his/her duties resulting in any loss to the company shall be liable to the company for compensation.

Where a director, supervisor or senior management is required to attend a shareholders’ general meeting, such director, supervisor or senior management shall attend the meeting and answer the inquiries from shareholders. Directors and senior management shall furnish with relevant facts and information to the board of supervisors without obstructing the exercise of functions and powers by the board of supervisors or supervisors.

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Where the directors and senior management violate laws, administrative regulations or the articles of association in performance of duties to the company, thereby causing damages to the company, the shareholders individually or jointly holding more than 1% of the shares in the company for more than 180 consecutive days may request in writing the board of supervisors to initiate proceedings in the people’s court. Where the supervisors violate the laws, administrative regulations or the articles of association in performance of duties resulting in any loss to the company, the aforementioned shareholder(s) may request in writing that the board of directors institute litigation at a people’s court. Upon receipt of shareholders’ written request stipulated in the preceding paragraph, if the board of supervisors or the board of directors refuses to file a lawsuit or does not file a lawsuit within 30 days from receipt of such request, or in the event of emergency where the interest of the company will suffer irreparable damages if lawsuit is not filed immediately, the shareholders stipulated in the preceding paragraph shall have the right to file a lawsuit directly with the people’s court in their own name for the interest of the company. For other parties who infringe the lawful interests of the company resulting in loss to the company, the aforementioned shareholder(s) may institute litigation at a people’s court in accordance with the procedure described above. Where any director or senior management violates the provisions of laws, administrative regulations or the Articles of Association, damaging interests of shareholders, the shareholders may file a lawsuit with the people’s court.

The Overseas Listing Trial Measures stipulates that the filling materials for overseas listing of domestic enterprises shall be true, accurate and complete, and shall not contain false records, misleading statements or material omissions. Domestic enterprises and their controlling shareholders, de facto controllers, directors, supervisors and senior management shall fulfill their obligations of information disclosure in accordance with the law, be honest, trustworthy, diligent and responsible and ensure that the filling materials are true, accurate and complete.

Finance and Accounting

According to the PRC Company Law, a company shall establish its own financial and accounting systems according to the laws, administrative regulations and the regulations of the financial departments of the State Council. A company shall prepare its financial reports at the end of each accounting year which shall be audited by accounting firm according to law. The financial and accounting reports shall be prepared in accordance with the laws, administrative regulations and the regulations of the financial departments of the State Council. The company’s financial and accounting reports shall be made available for shareholders’ inspection at the company within 20 days before the convening of an annual general meeting. A joint stock limited company that makes public stock offerings shall announce its financial and accounting reports.

When distributing each year’s after-tax profits, the company shall set aside 10% of its after-tax profits for the company’s statutory common reserve fund. However, when the cumulative amount of the reserve fund has reached more than 50% of the PRC company’s registered capital, it may no longer be allocated. When the company’s statutory common reserve fund is not sufficient to make up for the company’s losses for the previous years, the current year’s profits shall first be used to make up the losses before any allocation is set aside for the statutory common reserve fund. After the company has made allocations to the statutory common reserve fund from its after-tax profits, it may, upon passing a resolution at a shareholders’ general meeting, make further allocations from its after-tax profits to the discretionary common reserve fund. After the company has made up its losses and made allocations to its discretionary common reserve fund, the remaining after-tax profits shall be distributed to shareholders in proportion to the number of shares held by the shareholders, except for those which are not distributed in a proportionate manner as provided by the articles of association.

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Profits distributed to shareholders by a resolution of a shareholder’s general meeting or the board of directors before losses have been made up and allocations have been made to the statutory common reserve fund in violation of the requirements described above must be returned to the company. The company shall not be entitled to any distribution of profits in respect of its own shares held by it.

Proceeds from shares issued by a company at a price above their nominal value and other revenues required by the financial departments of the State Council to be stated as capital reserve shall be accounted for as the capital reserve fund of the company. The common reserve fund of a company shall be applied to make up the company’s losses, expand its production and operations or convert it into an increase in its capital. The capital reserve fund, however, shall not be used to make up the company’s losses. Upon the transfer of the statutory common reserve fund into capital, the balance of the fund shall not be less than 25% of the registered capital of the company before such transfer.

The company shall have no accounting books other than the statutory books. The company’s assets shall not be deposited in any account opened under the name of an individual.

Appointment and Dismissal of Auditors

Pursuant to the PRC Company Law, the appointment or dismissal of an accounting firm responsible for the auditing of the company shall be determined by shareholders at a shareholders’ general meeting or the board of directors in accordance with the articles of association. The accounting firm should be allowed to make representations when the shareholders’ general meeting or the board of directors conducts a vote on the dismissal of the accounting firm. The company should provide true and complete accounting evidence, accounting books, financial and accounting reports and other accounting information to the engaged accounting firm without any refusal or withholding or misrepresentation of information.

The Overseas Listing Trial Measures require that securities companies and law firms should conduct adequate verification of the filing materials of overseas listed enterprises.

Profit Distribution

According to PRC Company Law, a company shall not distribute profits before losses are covered and the statutory reserve fund is provided. At the same time, the Overseas Listing Trial Measures stipulate that domestic enterprises may raise funds and pay dividends in foreign currencies or RMB for overseas listings.

Amendment to Articles of Association

Pursuant to PRC Company Law, the resolution of a shareholders’ general meeting regarding any amendment to a company’s articles of association requires affirmative votes by at least two-thirds of the votes held by shareholders attending the meeting.

Dissolution and Liquidation

Pursuant to PRC Company Law, a company shall be dissolved for any of the following reasons:

- (i) upon expiry of term of business stipulated in the Articles of Association or occurrence of other circumstances of dissolution stipulated in the Articles of Association;
- (ii) the shareholders’ general meeting has resolved to dissolve the company;
- (iii) the company is dissolved by reason of its merger or division;

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- (iv) the business license of the company is revoked or the company is ordered to close down or to be dissolved in accordance with the laws; or
- (v) where the company encounters serious difficulties in its operations or management that will lead to significant losses to the benefits of the shareholders if the company continues its existence and the situation cannot be resolved by other means, the company is dissolved by a people’s court in response to the request of shareholders representing 10% or more of the voting rights of all shareholders of the company.

In the event of paragraph (i) and did not distribute any property to its shareholders above, the company may carry on its existence by amending its articles of association or upon a resolution of the shareholders’ meeting. The amendments to the articles of association in accordance with the provisions described above shall require the approval of more than two-thirds of voting rights of shareholders attending a shareholders’ general meeting.

Where the company is dissolved under the circumstances set forth in paragraph (i), (ii), (iv) or (v) above, it should establish a liquidation committee within 15 days of the date on which the dissolution matter occurs and commence the liquidation. The liquidation committee shall be composed of Directors or persons determined by a general meeting. If a liquidation committee is not established within the prescribed period, the company’s creditors may file an application with a people’s court to appoint relevant personnel to form a liquidation committee to conduct the liquidation. The people’s court should accept such application and form a liquidation committee to conduct liquidation in a timely manner.

The liquidation committee may exercise following powers during the liquidation:

- (i) to verify the Company’s assets and to prepare a balance sheet and an inventory of assets;
- (ii) to inform creditors by notice or announcement;
- (iii) to deal with and settle any outstanding business of relevant company;
- (iv) to pay all outstanding taxes and the taxes arising during the liquidation process;
- (v) to settle claims and debts;
- (vi) to handle the company’s remaining assets after its debts have been paid off; and
- (vii) to represent the company in civil lawsuits.

The liquidation committee shall notify the company’s creditors within 10 days of its establishment, and publish an announcement in newspapers on the National Enterprise Credit Information Publicity System within 60 days.

A creditor shall lodge his claim with the liquidation committee within 30 days of receipt of the notification or within 45 days of the date of the announcement if he has not received any notification.

The creditors shall explain matters relating to their claims and provide evidential documents. The liquidation committee shall register the creditor’s claims. In the claims declaration period, the liquidation committee shall not make repayment to the creditors.

Upon disposal of the company’s property and preparation of the required balance sheet and inventory of assets, the liquidation committee shall draw up a liquidation plan and submit this plan to a shareholders’ general meeting or a people’s court for endorsement. The remaining part of the company’s assets, after payment of liquidation expenses, employee wages, social insurance fees and

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statutory compensation, outstanding taxes and the company’s debts, shall be distributed to shareholders in proportion to shares held by them. The company shall continue its existence during the liquidation period, although it cannot conduct operating activities that are not related to the liquidation. The company’s property shall not be distributed to shareholders before repayments are made in accordance with the requirements described above.

Overseas Listing

According to the Overseas Listing Trial Measures, the securities refer to stocks, depositary receipts, and corporate bonds that can be converted into stocks or other securities of an equity nature that are directly or indirectly offered and listed overseas by domestic companies. The direct overseas offering and listing of domestic companies refer to such overseas offering and listing of a joint stock limited company incorporated in the territory of PRC. The indirect overseas offering and listing of domestic companies refer to such overseas offering and listing made in the name of an offshore entity but based on the equity, assets, earnings, or other similar rights of a domestic company that operates its main business domestically.

The Overseas Listing Trial Measures also provide the conditions for overseas offering and listing. An overseas offering and listing are prohibited under any of the following circumstances:

- (i) the listing and financing fall under specific prohibiting in the laws, administrative regulations, and relevant national provisions;
- (ii) the overseas offering and listing may constitute endangers to national security as reviewed and determined by competent authorities under the State Council in accordance with law;
- (iii) the domestic company and its controlling shareholder(s), actual controllers, have a criminal record in recent three years for corruption, bribery, encroachment of assets, misappropriation of assets, or disruption of socialist market economy order;
- (iv) the domestic company is under investigation according to law for suspected crimes or major violations of laws and regulations, but no clear conclusions have been reached;
- (v) there are material ownership disputes over the equities held by the controlling shareholders or the shareholders whose actions are controlled by the controlling shareholders or actual controllers.

In addition, under the Overseas Listing Trial Measures, where a PRC domestic company submits an application for initial public offering to competent overseas regulators or overseas stock exchanges, such issuer must file with the CSRC within three business days after such application is submitted.

In the event of the occurrence of any of the following material events after the overseas offering and listing, the PRC domestic companies shall make a detailed report to the CSRC within three working days after the occurrence and public announcement of the relevant event:

- (i) change in controlling rights;
- (ii) being subject to investigation, punishment, or other measures by overseas securities regulatory authorities or the relevant competent authorities;
- (iii) changing the listing status or transferring the listing board;
- (iv) voluntary or compulsory termination of a listing.

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Loss of Share Certificates

A shareholder may, in accordance with the public notice procedures set out in the PRC Civil Procedure Law, apply to a people’s court if his share certificate(s) in registered form is either stolen, lost or destroyed, for a declaration that such certificate(s) will no longer be valid.

After the people’s court declares that such certificate(s) will no longer be valid, the shareholder may apply to the company for the issue of a replacement certificate(s).

Merger and Division

Pursuant to the PRC Company Law, a merger agreement shall be signed by merging companies and the involved companies shall prepare respective balance sheets and inventory of assets. The companies shall within 10 days of the date of passing the resolution approving the merger notify their respective creditors and publicly announce the merger in newspapers within 30 days. A creditor may, within 30 days of receipt of the notification, or within 45 days of the date of the announcement if he has not received the notification, request the company to settle any outstanding debts or provide relevant guarantees.

In case of a merger, the credits and debts of the merging parties shall be assumed by the surviving or the new company. In case of a division, the company’s assets shall be divided and a balance sheet and an inventory of assets shall be prepared. When a resolution regarding the company’s division is approved, the company should notify all its creditors within 10 days of the date of passing such resolution and publicly announce the division in newspapers within 30 days. The liabilities of the company which have accrued prior to the division shall be jointly borne by the separated companies other than in the agreement in writing entered into by the company with creditors in respect of the settlement of debts prior to division, unless otherwise stipulated in the agreement in writing entered into by the company with creditors in respect of the settlement of debts prior to division.

Changes in the business registration of the companies as a result of the merger or division shall be registered with the relevant administration authority for industry and commerce.

The PRC Laws and Regulations Relating to Foreign Investment and Outbound Investment

On March 15, 2019, the PRC National People’s Congress, or the NPC, adopted the PRC Foreign Investment Law (《中華人民共和國外商投資法》) (the “Foreign Investment Law”), which became effective on January 1, 2020. The Foreign Investment Law is applicable to the foreign investments within the territory of the PRC, including the investment activities directly or indirectly conducted by a foreign enterprise. Moreover, investments to be made by foreign investors and foreign-owned enterprises in the PRC shall comply with the Special Administrative Measures (Negative List) for Access of Foreign Investments (2024 Edition) (《外商投資准入特別管理措施

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(負面清單)(2024年版)》) (the “Negative List”), which was promulgated on September 6, 2024 by the NDRC, and the MOFCOM, and became effective on November 1, 2024. Industries not listed in the Negative List are generally deemed “permitted” for foreign investments.

Overseas investment activities of companies and other enterprises established in the PRC are subject to the administration by the MOFCOM, pursuant to the Administrative Measures for Outbound Investment (《境外投資管理辦法》), promulgated by the MOFCOM on March 16, 2009, and amended on September 6, 2014 and effective as of October 6, 2014 and by the NDRC, pursuant to the Measures for the Administration of Overseas Investment by Enterprises (《企業境外投資管理辦法》), promulgated by the NDRC and effective as of March 1, 2018. According to these Measures, where the outbound investment to be carried out by a PRC enterprise involves sensitive countries and regions and sensitive industries, project verification management of the NDRC and investment verification management of the MOFCOM shall be implemented; for outbound investment other than those requiring verification management, filings of the investee project and the investment are required to be made with the NDRC and the MOFCOM respectively. Both NDRC and MOFCOM have online systems for outbound investors to submit verification/filing application documents and materials and if the verification or filing is granted, the outbound investors will receive the Verification Document or Filing Notice from the NDRC and the Enterprise Outbound Investment Certificate from the MOFCOM.

The PRC Securities Laws, Regulations and Regulatory Regimes

The PRC has promulgated a series of regulations that relate to the issue and trading of shares and disclosure of information. In October 1992, the State Council established the Securities Committee and CSRC. The Securities Committee is responsible for coordinating the drafting of securities regulations, formulating securities-related policies, planning the development of securities markets, directing, coordinating, and supervising all securities-related institutions in the PRC, and administering CSRC. The CSRC is the regulatory executive body of the Securities Committee and is responsible for the drafting of regulatory provisions governing securities markets, supervising securities companies, regulating public offerings of securities by PRC companies in the PRC or overseas, regulating the trading of securities, compiling securities-related statistics and undertaking relevant research and analysis. In April 1998, the State Council consolidated the two departments and reformed the CSRC.

On April 22, 1993, the State Council promulgated the *Provisional Regulations Concerning the Issue and Trading of Shares* (《股票發行與交易管理暫行條例》) governing the application and approval procedures for public offerings of shares, issuance of and trading in shares, the acquisition of listed companies, deposit, clearing, and transfer of shares, the disclosure of information, investigation, penalties and dispute resolutions with respect to a listed company.

The PRC Securities Law took effect on July 1, 1999, and was revised as of August 28, 2004, October 27, 2005, June 29, 2013, August 31, 2014, and December 28, 2019, respectively. The latest revised PRC Securities Law took effect on March 1, 2020. The PRC Securities Law is the first national securities law in the PRC, comprehensively regulating activities in the PRC securities market. It is divided into 14 chapters and 226 articles, including the issue and trading of securities, takeovers by listed companies, securities exchanges, securities companies, and the responsibilities of the securities registration and settlement institutions and securities regulatory authorities. Article 224 of the PRC Securities Law provides that domestic enterprises issuing shares overseas directly or indirectly or listing their shares overseas shall comply with the relevant provisions of the State Council. Currently, the issue and trading of foreign-issued securities (including shares) are principally governed by the regulations and rules promulgated by the State Council and CSRC.

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Arbitration and Enforcement of Arbitral Awards

The *Arbitration Law of the PRC* (《中華人民共和國仲裁法》) (the “**PRC Arbitration Law**”) was enacted by the SCNPC on August 31, 1994, which became effective on September 1, 1995, and was amended on August 27, 2009, and September 1, 2017. The PRC Arbitration Law is applicable to, among other matters, economic disputes involving foreign parties where all parties had entered into a written agreement to resolve disputes by arbitration before an arbitration committee constituted in accordance with the PRC Arbitration Law. The PRC Arbitration Law provides that an arbitration committee may, before the promulgation of arbitration regulations by the PRC Arbitration Association, formulate interim arbitration rules in accordance with the PRC Arbitration Law and the PRC Civil Procedure Law. Where the parties have agreed to settle disputes by means of arbitration, a people’s court will refuse to handle a legal proceeding initiated by one of the parties at such people’s court unless the arbitration agreement is invalid.

Under the PRC Arbitration Law and PRC Civil Procedure Law, an arbitral award shall be final and binding on the parties involved in the arbitration. If any party fails to comply with the arbitral award, the other party to the award may apply to a people’s court for its enforcement. A people’s court may refuse to enforce an arbitral award made by an arbitration commission if there is any procedural irregularity (including irregularity in the composition of the arbitration committee, the making of an award on matters beyond the scope of the arbitration agreement, or the jurisdiction of the arbitration commission).

Any party seeking to enforce an award of a foreign affairs arbitral body of the PRC against a party or whose property is not located within the PRC may apply to a foreign court with jurisdiction over the case for recognition and enforcement of the award. Likewise, an arbitral award made by a foreign arbitral body may be recognized and enforced by a PRC court in accordance with the principle of reciprocity or any international treaties concluded or acceded to by the PRC.

The PRC acceded to the *Convention on the Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Arbitral Awards* (the “**New York Convention**”) adopted on June 10, 1958, pursuant to a resolution passed by the SCNPC on December 2, 1986. The New York Convention provides that all arbitral awards made in a state which is a party to the New York Convention shall be recognized and enforced by other parties thereto subject to their rights to refuse recognition and enforcement under certain circumstances, including where the enforcement of the arbitral award is against the public policy of that state. At the time of the PRC’s accession to the Convention, the SCNPC declared that (i) the PRC would only apply the Convention to the recognition and enforcement of arbitral awards made in the territories of other parties based on the principle of reciprocity; and (ii) the New York Convention will only be applied to disputes deemed under PRC laws to be arising from contractual or non-contractual mercantile legal relations.

An agreement has been reached between Hong Kong and the Supreme People’s Court of the PRC for the mutual enforcement of arbitral awards. On June 18, 1999, the Supreme People’s Court of the PRC adopted the *Arrangement on Mutual Enforcement of Arbitral Awards between Mainland and Hong Kong Special Administrative Region* (《關於內地與香港特別行政區相互執行仲裁裁決的安排》), which became effective on February 1, 2000. The Supreme People’s Court of China issued the *Supplementary Arrangements on the Mutual Enforcement of Arbitral Awards between the Mainland and the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region* (《關於內地與香港特別行政區相互執行仲裁裁決的補充安排》) on November 26, 2020, (Articles 1 and 4 became effective on November 27, 2020, and Articles 2 and 3 became effective on May 19, 2021). The arrangements reflect the spirit of the New York Convention. Pursuant to the arrangements, awards made by PRC arbitral authorities acknowledged by Hong Kong arbitration rules can be enforced in Hong Kong, and Hong Kong arbitration awards are also enforceable in mainland China. Where a court of the mainland China finds that enforcement in the mainland China of the ruling made by the Hong Kong arbitral authority will violate public interests of the mainland China, execution of the ruling may be ignored.

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JUDICIAL JUDGMENT AND ENFORCEMENT

Pursuant to the Arrangement on Reciprocal Recognition and Enforcement of judgments in Civil and Commercial Matters by the Courts of the Mainland and of the HKSAR Pursuant to Choice of Court Agreements between Parties Concerned (《關於內地與香港特別行政區法院相互認可和執行當事人協議管轄的民商事案件判決的安排》) between the Courts of the Mainland and of the HKSAR signed by the Supreme People’s Court and the Government of the HKSAR on July 14, 2006, promulgated on July 3, 2008 and effective from August 1, 2008 (the “2006 Arrangement”), parties may apply to a Mainland People’s Court or to a court in the HKSAR for recognition and enforcement of final and enforceable judgments for the payment of money rendered in civil and commercial cases where there is a written exclusive jurisdiction agreement. A “written exclusive jurisdiction agreement” means an agreement concluded in writing by the parties designating either a Mainland People’s Court or a Hong Kong court as having sole jurisdiction for disputes arising from a specific legal relationship, whether such disputes have already arisen or may arise in the future. Accordingly, final judgments rendered in the Mainland or in Hong Kong that meet the specified conditions may, upon application by a party, be recognized and enforced by a Mainland People’s Court or by a court in the HKSAR.

On January 18, 2019, the Supreme People’s Court and Hong Kong entered into the Arrangement on Reciprocal Recognition and Enforcement of Judgments in Civil and Commercial Matters by the Courts of the Mainland and of the HKSAR (關於內地與香港特別行政區法院相互認可和執行民商事案件判決的安排) (the “2019 Arrangement”). The 2019 Arrangement establishes a more transparent and comprehensive mechanism, expanding the scope of reciprocal recognition and enforcement of civil and commercial judgments between Hong Kong and the Mainland. It removes the previous requirement for a written exclusive jurisdiction agreement. After the Supreme People’s Court issued an implementing judicial interpretation and the HKSAR completed the necessary legislative process, the 2019 Arrangement came into effect on January 29, 2024, superseding the 2006 Arrangement. It should be noted that the 2006 Arrangement remains applicable to judgments based on exclusive jurisdiction agreements made before the effective date of the 2019 Arrangement.

Shanghai-Hong Kong Stock Connect

On April 10, 2014, CSRC and Hong Kong Securities and Futures Commission (hereinafter referred to as “HKSFC”) issued the Joint Announcement of CSRC and HKSFC – *Principles that Should be Followed when the Pilot Program that Links the Stock Markets in Shanghai and Hong Kong is Expected to be Implemented* and approved in principle the launch of the pilot program that links the stock markets in Shanghai and Hong Kong (hereinafter referred to as “**Shanghai-Hong Kong Stock Connect**”) by the Shanghai Stock Exchange (hereinafter referred to as “SSE”), the Stock Exchange, China Securities Depository and Clearing Corporation Limited (hereinafter referred to as “CSDCC”) and HKSCC. Shanghai-Hong Kong Stock Connect comprises the two portions of Northbound Trading Link and Southbound Trading Link. Southbound Trading Link refers to the entrustment of China securities houses by China investors to trade stocks listed on the Stock Exchange within a stipulated range via filing by the securities trading service company established by the SSE with the Stock Exchange. During the initial period of the pilot program, the stocks of Southbound Trading Link consist of constituent stocks of the Stock Exchange Hang Seng Composite Large Cap Index and the Hang Seng Composite MidCap Index as well as stocks of A+H stock companies concurrently listed on the Stock Exchange and the SSE. The total limit of Southbound Trading Link is RMB250 billion and the daily limit is RMB10.5 billion. During the initial period of the pilot program, it is required by HKSFC that China investors participating in Southbound Trading Link are only limited to institutional investors and individual investors with a securities account and capital account balance of not less than RMB500,000 in total. On November 10, 2014, CSRC and HKSFC issued a Joint Announcement, approving the official launch of Shanghai-Hong Kong Stock Connect by SSE, the Stock Exchange, CSDCC and HKSCC. Pursuant to the Joint Announcement, trading of stocks under Shanghai-Hong Kong Stock Connect will commence on November 17, 2014. On September 30, 2016, CSRC issued the *Filing Provision on*

APPENDIX IV

**SUMMARY OF PRINCIPAL LAWS AND
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the Placement of Shares by Hong Kong Listed Companies with Domestic Original Shareholders under Southbound Trading Link which came into effect on the same day. The act of the placement of shares by Hong Kong listed companies with domestic original shareholders under Southbound Trading Link shall be filed with CSRC. Hong Kong listed companies shall file the application materials and approved documents with CSRC after obtaining approval from the Stock Exchange for their share placement applications. CSRC will carry out supervision based on the approved opinion and conclusion of the Hong Kong side.