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As of the Latest Practicable Date, Mr. Chen held an aggregated of approximately 46.31% of the total issued share capital of our Company, comprising (i) approximately 21.83% of the total issued share capital of our Company directly held by him and (ii) approximately 24.48% of the total issued share capital of our Company held by Guangzhou Changfeng, which was a limited partnership established under the laws of the PRC and was managed by Mr. Chen as its sole general partner. Immediately following the completion of the [REDACTED] (assuming the [REDACTED] is not exercised), Mr. Chen and Guangzhou Changfeng will hold approximately [REDACTED] of the total issued share capital of our Company. Hence, Mr. Chen and Guangzhou Changfeng will be deemed as our Controlling Shareholders upon [REDACTED].

Information about our Controlling Shareholders

Mr. Chen is also our chairman and executive Director. For further information of Mr. Chen, see the section headed “Directors and Senior Management”. Guangzhou Changfeng is an employee shareholding platform for individual Shareholders. For further information of Guangzhou Changfeng, see the section headed “History, Development and Corporate Structure”.

Each of our Controlling Shareholders confirms that, as of the Latest Practicable Date, he or it did not have any interest in a business, apart from the business of our Group, which competes or is likely to compete, directly or indirectly, with our business that would require disclosure under Rule 8.10 of the Listing Rules.

INDEPENDENCE FROM OUR CONTROLLING SHAREHOLDERS

Having considered the following factors, our Directors are satisfied that we are capable of carrying out our business independently of our Controlling Shareholders and their respective close associates after the [REDACTED].

Management Independence

Our business is managed and conducted by our Board and senior management. Upon the [REDACTED], our Board will consist of four executive Directors, two non-executive Director and three independent non-executive Directors. See “Directors and Senior Management” for more details of our Directors.

Save for Mr. Chen, who is the sole general partner of Guangzhou Changfeng, none of our Directors or senior management of our Company had any roles or responsibilities in managing Guangzhou Changfeng during the Track Record Period and up to the Latest Practicable Date.

We believe that our Directors and senior management are able to perform their roles in our Company independently and our Company is capable of managing its business independently from our Controlling Shareholders and their respective close associates for the following reasons:

- our executive Directors devote substantially all their time to discharge their duties of their positions at our Group. Other than their positions held in our Group, they are not involved in the day-to-day operations of the entity as mentioned above;

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- Ms. Chen Qiao is our non-executive Director and does not participate in the day-to-day management and operations of our business. Although she is not involved in the daily operation and business decision making process of our Group, she would keep up to date with our business affairs and assist in supervising and scrutinizing our business performance to fulfill her obligation as a Director through providing professional advice and attending business update meetings;
- each of our Directors is aware of his or her fiduciary duties as a Director which require, among other things, that he or she must act for the benefit of and in the best interests of our Company and not allow his or her personal interests to interfere with our Company’s best interests. In the event that there is a potential conflict of interest arising out of any transaction to be entered into between our Company and a Director or his or her respective close associates, he or she shall abstain from voting on any Board resolutions approving any contract, arrangement or any other proposal in which he or she or any of his or her close associates has a material interest and shall not be counted in the quorum present at the relevant Board meeting;
- we have appointed three independent non-executive Directors, comprising one-third of our Board of Directors, to provide a balance of the number of our Board of Directors and with a view to ensuring the decisions of our Board of Directors are made only after due consideration of independent and impartial opinions and promoting the interests of our Company and our Shareholders as a whole. We believe our independent non-executive Directors individually and collectively possess the requisite knowledge and experience to provide professional and experienced advice to our Company. Our Directors are of the view that our independent non-executive Directors are able to bring impartial and sound judgment to the decision-making process of our Board and protect the interests of our Company and our Shareholders as a whole; and
- we have established corporate governance measures and adopted sufficient and effective control mechanisms to manage conflicts of interest, if any, between our Group and our Controlling Shareholders, which would support our independent management. See “—Corporate Governance Measures” for further details.

Based on the above, our Directors are of the view that our Board of Directors, together with our senior management team, are able to perform their managerial roles in our Group independently from our Controlling Shareholders and their respective close associates.

Operational Independence

Our Group is operationally independent of our Controlling Shareholders and their respective close associates. We can make decisions and carry out our own business operations independently. We have sufficient capital, facilities, technology and employees to operate our business independently. We hold or enjoy the benefits of all relevant licenses and intellectual properties necessary to operate our business. We own or have the right to use all the operational facilities relating to our business. We have our own organizational structure made up of individual functional departments, each with specific areas of responsibilities. We have not shared any operational resources such as sales and marketing, risk

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management and general administration resources with our Controlling Shareholders or their respective close associates. We have also established a set of internal control procedures to facilitate the effective operation of our business. We independently manage and have independent access to our customers and suppliers.

Based on the above, our Directors are of the view that we are able to operate independently of our Controlling Shareholders.

Financial Independence

We have established our own finance department with a team of financial staff, who are responsible for financial control, accounting, reporting, group credit and internal control of our Company. Our finance department is able to function without any undue influence from our Controlling Shareholders. We have also established an internal control system, an independent audit system, and a standardized financial and accounting system and have set our own accounting policy based on the applicable PRC accounting principle and standards. In addition, we have been and are capable of obtaining financing from independent third parties without relying on any guarantee or security provided by our Controlling Shareholders or their respective close associates (excluding our Group).

As of December 31, 2025, we had a number of outstanding loans amounting to RMB394.1 million in total guaranteed by our Controlling Shareholders and their respective close associates. See “Financial Information—Material Related Party Transactions” and Note 34 of the Accountants’ Report as set out in Appendix I to this document for more details. All such guarantees provided for our benefit by our Controlling Shareholders and their respective close associates will be fully discharged prior to the [REDACTED].

Save as disclosed herein, as of the Latest Practicable Date, there were no other outstanding loans, advances or balances due to our Controlling Shareholders or their respective close associates, and there were no outstanding pledges or guarantees provided for our benefit by our Controlling Shareholders or their respective close associates.

Based on the above, our Directors are satisfied that we are able to maintain financial independence from our Controlling Shareholders and their respective close associates (excluding our Group).

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE MEASURES

In order to further safeguard the interests of our minority Shareholders, we will adopt the following corporate governance measures to manage potential conflicts of interest between our Group and our Controlling Shareholders:

- our Controlling Shareholders will confirm the status of their non-competing interest on an annual basis and to provide all information necessary, including all relevant financial, operation and market information and any other necessary information as required by our Company;
- our independent non-executive Directors will review, on an annual basis, whether there are any conflicts of interests between our Group and our Controlling Shareholders and provide impartial and professional advice to protect the interests of our minority Shareholders;

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- our Company will disclose decisions on matters reviewed by the independent non-executive Directors either in our annual reports or by way of announcement to the public in compliance with the requirements of the Listing Rules;
- our Directors (including the independent non-executive Directors) will seek independent and professional opinions from external advisors at our Company’s cost as and when appropriate in accordance with the Corporate Governance Code as set out in Appendix C1 to the Listing Rules;
- any transactions between our Company and its connected persons shall be in compliance with the relevant requirements of Chapter 14A of the Listing Rules, including the announcement, annual reporting and independent shareholders’ approval requirements (if applicable) under the Listing Rules;
- in the event of any potential conflict of interests, our Director(s) with an interest in the relevant transaction(s) shall abstain from voting at the relevant Board meeting and shall not be counted towards the quorum in respect of the relevant resolution(s) at such Board meeting;
- in the event of any potential conflict of interests at the shareholders’ level, our Controlling Shareholders shall abstain from voting at the Shareholders’ meeting of our Company with respect to the relevant resolutions; and
- we have appointed Altus Capital Limited as our Compliance Advisor to provide advice and guidance to us in respect of compliance with the Listing Rules, including various requirements relating to corporate governance.

Based on the above, our Directors are satisfied that sufficient corporate governance measures have been put in place to manage conflicts of interest between our Group and our Controlling Shareholders, and to protect minority Shareholders’ interests after the [REDACTED].