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We are subject to a variety of laws, and regulations across a number of aspects of our business. This section sets forth a summary of the most significant laws and regulations that are applicable to our current business activities around the world.

LAWS AND REGULATIONS RELATED TO OUR BUSINESS IN THE PRC

Policies Related to the Integrated Circuit Industry

On January 25, 2017, the National Development and Reform Commission (“**NDRC**”) issued the Guiding Catalogue of Key Products and Services in Strategic Emerging Industries (2016 Edition) (《戰略性新興產業重點產品和服務指導目錄(2016版)》), which clarifies eight industries in five major areas, which are further subdivided into 174 sub-directions under 40 key directions and nearly 4,000 subdivided products and services. Among them are: integrated circuit chip products, integrated circuit materials, electric and electronic power devices and semiconductor materials.

In December 2020, the Ministry of Finance (“**MOF**”), the General Administration of Taxation, NDRC, and the Ministry of Industry and Information Technology (“**MIIT**”) jointly released the “Announcement on Enterprise Income Tax Policy for Promoting High Quality Development of Integrated Circuit Industry and Software Industry (《關於促進集成電路產業和軟件產業高質量發展企業所得稅政策的公告》)”. Pursuant to the aforesaid regulations, integrated circuit design, equipment, materials, packaging and testing enterprises and software enterprises encouraged by the State are exempted from corporate income tax for the first to second years from the profit-making year, and are subject to corporate income tax at a halved half statutory tax rate of 25% for the third to fifth years.

REGULATIONS ON CORPORATION AND FOREIGN INVESTMENT

On December 29, 1993, the National People’s Congress (the “**NPC**”) Standing Committee issued the PRC Company Law, which was last amended on December 29, 2023, and came into effect on July 1, 2024. The Company Law of the PRC regulates the establishment, operation and management of corporate entities in China and classifies companies into limited liability companies and limited companies by shares. The revisions mainly focus on refining the systems for the establishment and withdrawal of companies, optimizing the organizational structure of companies, modifying the capital system of companies, strengthening the responsibilities of controlling shareholders and the management level, strengthening the social responsibilities of companies and etc.

The Foreign Investment Law of the PRC (《中華人民共和國外商投資法》), which was promulgated by the NPC on 15 March 2019 and came into effect on 1 January 2020, specifies that the state shall implement the management system of pre-entry national treatment and the Negative List for foreign investment. Pre-entry national treatment refers to the treatment accorded to foreign investors and their investments at the stage of investment entry which is no less favorable than the treatment accorded to domestic investors and their investments; Negative List refers to a special administrative measure for the entry of foreign investment in specific sectors as imposed by the state. The state provides national treatment to foreign investments outside the Negative List. In addition, the Regulations on Implementing the Foreign Investment Law of the PRC (《中華人民共和國外商投資法實施條例》) (“**Implementation Regulations**”), which were promulgated by the State Council on 26 December 2019 and came into effect on 1 January 2020, further stipulate that the state shall, in accordance with the needs of the national economy and social development, formulate a catalog of industries for encouraging foreign investment, setting out the specific industries, fields and regions in which foreign investors will be encouraged and induced to invest.

The National Development and Reform Commission and the Ministry of Commerce jointly revised and promulgated the “the Special Administrative Measures for the Access of Foreign Investment (Negative List) (2024 Version) (《外商投資准入特別管理措施(負面清單)(2024年版)》)” (the “**Negative List**”) on 6 September 2024, which came into effect on 1 November 2024, replacing the previous Negative List, pursuant to which, domestic enterprises engaged in business sectors prohibited under the Negative List that seek to issue shares and list overseas shall be subject to review and approval by the relevant national competent authorities, and foreign investors are not allowed to participate in the operation and management of the enterprise and their shareholding ratios shall be implemented with reference to the relevant regulations on the management of domestic securities investment by foreign investors.

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REGULATIONS ON OVERSEAS INVESTMENT

Pursuant to the Administrative Measures for Outbound Investment (《境外投資管理辦法》) promulgated by the MOFCOM on 6 September 2014 and effective from 6 October 2014, the MOFCOM and provincial competent commerce departments shall carry out administration either by record-filing or by verification and approval depending on different circumstances of outbound investment by enterprises. Outbound investment by enterprises that involves sensitive countries and regions or sensitive industries shall be subject to administration by verification and approval. Outbound investment that falls under any other circumstances shall be subject to administration by record-filing.

Pursuant to the Administrative Measures for Outbound Investment by Enterprises (《企業境外投資管理辦法》) promulgated by NDRC on 26 December 2017 and effective from 1 March 2018, domestic enterprises (the “investors”) in the PRC making an outbound investment shall go through verification and approval or record-filing or other procedures applicable to outbound investment projects (the “Projects”), report relevant information, and cooperate with the supervision and inspection. Sensitive Projects carried out by the investors directly or through overseas enterprises controlled by them shall be subject to the management of verification and approval; non-sensitive Projects directly carried out by the investors, namely, non-sensitive projects involving the investors’ direct contribution of assets or rights and interests or provision of financing or security, shall be subject to the management of record-filing. The aforementioned sensitive project means a project involving sensitive countries and regions or a sensitive industry. The NDRC promulgated the Catalogue of Sensitive Sectors for Outbound Investment (2018 Edition) (《境外投資敏感行業目錄(2018年版)》), effective on 1 March 2018 to list the sensitive industries for foreign investment in detail.

According to the “Notice of the State Administration of Foreign Exchange on Further Simplifying and Improving Policies for the Foreign Exchange Administration of Direct Investment (《國家外匯管理局關於進一步簡化和改進直接投資外匯管理政策的通知》)” issued by the SAFE on 13 February 2015 and effective from 1 June 2015, the approval of foreign exchange registration for direct investment is canceled. Banks directly review and handle the foreign exchange registration for overseas direct investment. The SAFE and its branches indirectly supervise the registration of foreign exchange for overseas direct investment through banks.

REGULATIONS ON WORK SAFETY, ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND FIRE SAFETY

Work Safety

According to the Work Safety Law of the PRC (《中華人民共和國安全生產法》), which was promulgated by the SCNPC on June 29, 2002 and was latest amended in June 10, 2021, entities that engage in production and business operation activities in PRC shall set up and perfect the responsibility system for work safety, improve the conditions for work safety, strengthen the education and training on work safety for employees, provide articles of labor protection that meet the national standards or industrial standards for their employees, and perform the obligations related to work safety as stipulated by the Work Safety Law of the PRC and other laws and regulations.

Environment Impact Assessment

On 28 October 2002, the SCNPC promulgated the Environmental Impact Assessment Law of PRC (《中華人民共和國環境影響評價法》), which was latest amended on 29 December 2018. According to the Environmental Impact Assessment Law, the State implemented the environmental impact assessment to classify construction projects according to the impact of the construction projects on the environment.

Pursuant to the Interim Measures for Environmental Protection Acceptance of Completed Construction Projects (《建設項目竣工環境保護驗收暫行辦法》) effective as of 20 November, 2017 and the Regulations on the Administration Construction Project Environmental Protection (《建設項目環境保護管理條例》), which was revised on 16 July

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2017 and implemented on October 1, 2017, after the completion of a construction project for which an environmental impact report or an environmental impact report form is required, the construction entity shall, according to standards and procedures prescribed by the environmental protection administrative authorities, conduct environmental protection completion acceptance check and compile an acceptance check report. A construction project for which an environmental impact report or an environmental impact report form is required shall not be put into production or use until the environmental protection completion acceptance check has been passed.

According to the Environmental Impact Assessment Law, where a construction entity commenced construction prior to submission of the environmental impact report and environmental impact statement of the construction project or prior to resubmission of the environmental impact report and environmental impact statement, the ecological environment authorities at the county level or above shall order it to stop the construction, impose a fine of not less than 1% but not more than 5% of the overall investment amount for such construction project according to the seriousness and consequences of such violations, and order it to restore to the original status; and the person-in-charge and responsible personnel of the construction project shall be liable to administrative sanctions in accordance with laws.

Pollutant Discharge Permit

Pursuant to the Law on the Prevention and Control of Environmental Pollution Caused by Solid Waste of the PRC (《中華人民共和國固體廢物污染環境防治法》), which was promulgated by the SCNPC in 1995 and was latest amended on April 29, 2020, entities generating hazardous waste shall store, utilize and dispose hazardous waste according to the relevant requirements of the state and environmental protection standards, and shall not dump or pile up hazardous waste without authorization. Furthermore, it is forbidden to entrust hazardous waste to entities without a permit for disposal, or else the competent ecological and environmental authorities shall order it to make rectification, impose fines, confiscate illegal gains, and in serious circumstance, order it to suspend business or close down upon the approval of government authorities.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Regulation on the Administration of Permitting of Pollutant Discharges (《排污許可管理條例》) promulgated on January 24, 2021 and implemented on March 1, 2021, as well as the Measures for Pollutant Discharge Permitting Administration (《排污許可管理辦法》) promulgated on January 10, 2018, last amended and implemented on July 1, 2024, the administration on pollutant discharge units is divided into key management and simplified management pursuant to the amount of pollutant caused and discharged and the impact on the environment. Their review, decision and information disclosure of pollutant discharge licenses shall be handled through the national pollutant discharge license management information platform. The pollutant discharge license is valid for 5 years and the discharging units should apply for renewal 60 days before the expiry for continues pollutant discharge. In case of violations of the regulations regarding pollutant discharge permits, the environmental protection authorities have the right to order to make corrections, restrict production, suspend production for rectification, and suspend business and close down, and impose a fine. If a crime is constituted, it shall be investigated for criminal liabilities in accordance with the law.

According to the Catalog of Classified Administration of Pollutant Discharge License for Stationary Pollution Sources (2019 Version) (《固定污染源排污許可分類管理名錄(2019年版)》) issued by the Ministry of Ecology and Environment on December 20, 2019, key management, simplified management and registration management of pollutant discharge permits are implemented according to factors such as the amount of pollutants generated, the amount of emissions, the degree of impact on the environment, etc., and only pollutant discharge entities that implement registration management do not need to apply for a pollutant discharge permit.

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FIRE SAFETY

Pursuant to the Fire Protection Law of the PRC (《中華人民共和國消防法》) promulgated by the SCNPC on April 29, 1998, last amended and implemented on April 29, 2021, for special construction projects stipulated by the Ministry of Housing and Urban-Rural Development of the State Council, the developer shall submit the fire safety design documents to the housing and urban-rural development authority for examination, while for construction projects other than those special development projects, the developer shall, at the time of applying for the construction permit or approval for work commencement report, provide the fire safety design drawings and technical materials which satisfy the construction needs. According to the Interim Regulations on Administration of Examination and Acceptance of Fire Control Design of Construction Projects (《建設工程消防設計審查驗收管理暫行規定》) promulgated on April 1, 2020 and amended on August 21, 2023, an examination system for fire prevention design and acceptance only applies to special construction projects, and for other projects, a record-filing and spot check system would be applied.

REGULATIONS ON PRODUCT QUALITY

Pursuant to the Product Quality Law of the PRC (《中華人民共和國產品質量法》) promulgated by the SCNPC on 22 February 1993 and last revised on 29 December 2018, producers and sellers shall establish a sound internal product quality control system and strictly adhere to a job responsibility system in relation to quality standards and quality liabilities together with implementing corresponding examination and inspection measures. The counterfeiting or imitation of quality marks such as certification marks, falsifying the place of origin of products, and falsifying or imitating the name or address of another factory or adulteration of, or mixing of improper elements with products, passing off the sham as the genuine or passing off the inferior as the superior is prohibited.

REGULATIONS ON SALE OF PRODUCTS

Anti-Unfair Competition

The Countering Unfair Competition Law of the PRC (《中華人民共和國反不正當競爭法》), promulgated by the SCNPC on September 2, 1993, and effective from December 1, 1993, with its most recent amendment becoming operative on April 23, 2019, delineates essential measures aimed at curbing unfair competition and preserving market order. These measures encompass the prohibition of unjust practices such as misleading prize promotions and dumping, which are designed to eliminate market competitors. According to the aforementioned law, operators are strictly prohibited from offering bribes to employees of counterpart units, units or personnel entrusted by counterparts, or exerting undue influence on counterpart units or personnel to secure commercial opportunities or gain competitive advantages. However, operators are permitted to openly provide discounts to trading counterparts or commissions to intermediaries during their business transactions. It is imperative for operators to maintain accurate records of payments made to trading counterparts and intermediaries.

In the event of violations against the provisions outlined in Article 7 of the Law, wherein operators engage in bribery, regulatory authorities are empowered to confiscate the illicit gains obtained by the operators. Additionally, depending on the severity of the circumstances, fines ranging from RMB100,000 to RMB3,000,000 may be imposed. In cases of egregious violations, the revocation of business licenses is a potential consequence. The Countering Unfair Competition Law of the PRC underscores the commitment of the PRC to fostering a competitive market environment characterized by integrity, fairness, and adherence to ethical business practices.

Anti-Money Laundering

Pursuant to the Anti-money Laundering Law of the PRC (《中華人民共和國反洗錢法》) promulgated by SCNPC on 31 October 2006, last amended on 8 November 2024 and became effective on 1 January 2025, the Anti-money laundering refers to the adoption of relevant measures in accordance with the provisions of the Law, for preventing money laundering

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activities related to cover up and conceal of drugs dealing, organized crime, terrorism, smuggling, corruption and bribery, breaking the order of financial management and financial fraud. Where an act in violation of this law that constitutes a crime shall be subject to prosecution for criminal responsibility.

REGULATIONS ON IMPORT AND EXPORT TRADE

According to the Customs Law of the PRC (《中華人民共和國海關法》), which was promulgated by the SCNPC on 22 January 1987 and last revised on 29 April 2021, unless otherwise stipulated, the declaration of import and export goods and the payment of customs duties may be handled by the consignees or consignors of imported or exported goods or entrusted customs declaration enterprises. The consignee or the consignor of imported or exported goods and the customs declaration enterprise shall go through customs declaration and filing procedures at the relevant customs in accordance with the law.

According to the Foreign Trade Law of the PRC (《中華人民共和國對外貿易法》) promulgated by the SCNPC on 12 May 1994 and last revised on 30 December 2022, and the Regulation of the People's Republic of China on the Administration of the Import and Export of Goods (《中華人民共和國貨物進出口管理條例》) promulgated by the State Council on 10 December 2001, last revised on 10 March 2024 and became effective on 1 May 2024, unless it is clearly provided in laws or administrative regulations to forbid or restrict the import or export of goods, no entity or individual may establish or maintain prohibitive or restrictive measures over the import or export of goods.

Pursuant to the Administrative Provisions of the PRC on the Filing of Customs Declaration Entities (《中華人民共和國海關報關單位備案管理規定》) promulgated by the General Administration of Customs on 19 November 2021 and became effective on 1 January 2022, consignees, consignors or customs declaration enterprises of imported or exported goods only need to file with the Customs, and no longer need to register with the General Administration of Customs. The filing information will be publicized through the credit publicity platform of import and export business of Customs of the PRC.

On October 28, 2024, the U.S. Department of Treasury issued the Final Rule on Addressing U.S. Investments in Certain National Security Technologies and Products in Countries of Concern based on Executive Order 14105. The Final Rule, which came into effect on January 2, 2025, aims to restrict U.S. persons knowingly or knowingly directing their controlled foreign entities from investing in concerning activities related to the semiconductor, quantum computing, and artificial intelligence industries in the PRC (including Hong Kong SAR and Macau SAR) and other specified countries or regions, and to impose different investment restrictions depending on the nature, purpose and advanced level of the underlying activity.

Pursuant to Section 201 of the Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. 2101 et seq.), the President is authorized to provide temporary import relief by raising tariffs on goods entering the U.S. that injure domestic industries producing similar goods. Under Section 301 of the Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. §§2411–2420), the President is empowered to take all appropriate actions to eliminate foreign government acts that violate trade agreements or burden U.S. commerce. Several laws, including the International Emergency Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.), the National Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1601 et seq.), and Section 604 of the Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. 2483), grant the President regulatory powers over international commerce during a national emergency.

REGULATIONS ON CYBERSECURITY AND DATA PROTECTION

On July 1, 2015, the SCNPC issued the National Security Law of the PRC (《中華人民共和國國家安全法》), which came into effect on the same day, pursuant to which the State shall safeguard the sovereignty, security and cybersecurity development interests of the State, and that the State shall establish a national security review and supervision system to review, among other things, foreign investment, key technologies, internet and information technology products and services, and other important activities that are likely to impact the national security of the PRC.

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On November 7, 2016, the SCNPC promulgated the Cybersecurity Law of the PRC (《中華人民共和國網絡安全法》) (the “**Cybersecurity Law**”), which became effective on June 1, 2017, and applies to the construction, operation, maintenance and use of networks as well as the supervision and administration of cybersecurity in the PRC. According to the Cybersecurity Law, network operators are broadly defined as owners and administrators of networks and network service providers, and such network operators shall comply with laws and regulations and fulfill their obligations to safeguard security of the network when conducting business and providing services. Those who construct or operate networks or provide services through networks shall take technical measures and other necessary measures pursuant to the mandatory requirements of laws, regulations and national standards to safeguard the safe and stable operation of the networks, respond to network security incidents effectively, prevent illegal and criminal activities, and maintain the integrity, confidentiality and usability of network data, and a network operator shall not collect the personal information irrelevant to the services it provides or collect or use the personal information in violation of the provisions of laws or agreements between both parties. In addition, critical information infrastructure operators (“**CIIOs**”) shall, during their operations in the PRC, store within the PRC the personal information and important data collected and generated within the territory of the PRC, and where cross-border transfer of such data is necessary for business, a security assessment shall be conducted in accordance with the measures formulated by the national cyberspace authority in conjunction with the relevant departments under the State Council.

On June 10, 2021, the SCNPC promulgated the Data Security Law of PRC (《中華人民共和國數據安全法》) (the “**Data Security Law**”) which became effective on September 1, 2021. According to the Data Security Law, “data” is defined as any record of information in electronic or other forms, and the processing activities of data includes the collection, storage, use, processing, transmission, provision and disclosure of data. The Data Security Law is broadly applicable to such processing activities of data which are carried out in the PRC or, where carried out outside the PRC, damage the national security, public interests or the legitimate rights and interests of citizens and organizations of the PRC. The Data Security Law mainly sets forth specific provisions regarding establishing basic systems for data security management, including hierarchical data classification management system, risk assessment system, monitoring and early warning system, and emergency disposal system. In addition, it clarifies the data security protection obligations of organizations and individuals carrying out data activities and implementing data security protection responsibility, including without limitation, that any organization or individual collecting data shall adopt lawful and proper methods and shall not steal data or obtain the data by other illegal means, and risk monitoring shall be strengthened when data processing activities are carried out, and where risks such as data security flaws and vulnerabilities are discovered, remedial measures shall be immediately taken.

On September 30, 2024, the Administration Regulations on Network Data Security (《網絡數據安全管理條例》) (the “**Regulation on Cyber Data Security**”) is published, which came into effect on January 1, 2025. The Regulation on Cyber Data Security reiterate the general regulations for cyber data processing activities, rules of personal information protection, important data security protection, network data cross-border transfer management, and the responsibilities of internet platform service providers. The Regulation on Cyber Data Security generally provides that cyber data processors whose cyber data processing activities affect or may affect national security shall be subject to national security review in accordance with the relevant regulations. The Regulation on Cyber Data Security is relevantly new and there is no further explanation or interpretation on what kind of activities “affect or may affect national security” under the Regulation on Cyber Data Security yet.

On December 28, 2021, the CAC and other twelve PRC regulatory authorities jointly promulgated the Measures for Cybersecurity Review (《網絡安全審查辦法》) (the “**Cybersecurity Review Measures**”) which became effective on February 15, 2022. The Cybersecurity Review Measures provides that, among others, (i) a CIIO purchasing network products and services or a network platform operator that engages in data processing activities that affect or may affect national security shall be subject to the cybersecurity review by the Cybersecurity Review Office, the department which is responsible for the implementation of

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cybersecurity review under the CAC; (ii) a network platform operator with personal information of more than one million users which seek listing in a foreign country is obliged to apply for a cybersecurity review by the Cybersecurity Review Office; and (iii) the relevant regulatory authorities may initiate cybersecurity review if such regulatory authorities determine that the issuer’s network products or services, or data processing activities affect or may affect national security.

On December 13, 2022, the MIIT issued the Administrative Measures for Data Security in the Industrial and Information Technology Field (Trial Implementation) (《工業和信息化領域數據安全管理辦法(試行)》) (the “**MIIT Data Security Measures**”), which came into effect on January 1, 2023. The MIIT Data Security Measures is applicable to the processing activities carried out in the territory of the PRC of data in the field of industry and information technology, which include, among other things, the data collected and generated in the course of research, development and design, production and manufacturing, operation and management, operating and maintenance and platform operation in the field of industry. Our processing activities in the PRC of such data, for example, the data collected and generated during our research and development, design and manufacturing of our products therefore shall comply with the MIIT Data Security Measures. The MIIT Data Security Measures provides that industrial and telecommunication data processors shall implement data classification and grading, and further imposes data security obligations and responsibilities on data processors in the field of industry and information technology, which include, among others, taking protective measures based on the corresponding grading of data, establishing management system covering the whole data lifecycle, and staffing data security management personnel as needed to be in charge of the security supervision and management of data processing activities as a whole and assisting with the industrial administrative authorities in carrying out the relevant work.

REGULATIONS ON LAND AND REAL ESTATE

Land

The Civil Code of the PRC (《中華人民共和國民法典》) was promulgated by the NPC on May 28, 2020, and implemented on January 1, 2021. According to the Civil Code, the establishment, modification, assignment and extinguishment of real estate property rights are effective upon registration in accordance with the law; unless the law stipulates otherwise, such establishment, modification, assignment and extinguishment shall be ineffective without registration. Real estate registration shall be handled by the registration authority at the location of the property.

The Land Administration Law of the PRC (《中華人民共和國土地管理法》) was first issued by the Standing Committee of the National People’s Congress on June 25, 1986, with the latest revision published on August 26, 2019 and January 1, 2020, respectively. Pursuant to the Land Administration Law, construction entities that have obtained state-owned land use rights through paid leasing must pay the land use right leasing fees and other fees and expenses in accordance with the standards and methods prescribed by the State Council before they can use the land. Construction entities using state-owned land must use the land in accordance with the provisions of the contract for paid use of leased land use right or according to the provisions of the documents of approval concerning the allocation of land use right. For urban planned areas, changing land use requires prior consent from the relevant urban planning administrative department before seeking approval.

According to the Interim Regulations on Real Estate Registration (《不動產登記暫行條例》), promulgated on November 24, 2014 and last amended on March 10, 2024, the real estate registration shall be conducted by the real estate registration authorities of the people’s government at or above the county level. Each real estate unit has a unique code. The real estate register shall record the following: (i) natural conditions of the real estate such as location, boundaries, spatial limits, acreage and usage; (ii) property conditions of the real estate rights such as ownership, type, content, source, term, changes in rights; (iii) matters related to restrictions and warnings on real estate rights; and (iv) other relevant matters.

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The Interim Regulations on Real Estate Registration and the Implementing Rules of the Interim Regulations on Real Estate Registration (《不動產登記暫行條例實施細則》) promulgated on January 1, 2016 and last amended and brought into effect on May 21, 2024 provide that, among others, the State implements a uniform real estate registration system and the registration of real estate shall be strictly administered and carried out in a stable and continuous manner that provides convenience for people.

Regulations on the Approval and Filing Management of Enterprise Investment Projects

Pursuant to the provisions of the Regulation on the Administration of the Confirmation and Recordation of Enterprise Investment Projects (《企業投資項目核准和備案管理條例》) promulgated on 30 November 2016, the PRC government implements a pre-approval management on fixed asset investment projects that are invested and constructed by enterprises in the PRC and that have national security concern or relate to major productivity distribution, strategic resource development and major public interests. The specific project scope, the approval authority and the approval power shall be implemented in accordance with the catalogue of investment projects approved by the government, and other projects are subject to the filing registration.

The determination of specific projects and approval authority is governed by the investment project catalog approved by the government. This catalog is proposed by the investment authority under the State Council in conjunction with relevant departments of the State Council, implemented following the State Council's approval, and adjusted periodically. Except for special provisions, other projects are subject to filing management, typically following the principle of territoriality, with local governments stipulating the filing authorities and their powers.

For projects that are subject to the filing registration, if the enterprise fails to notify the filing authority of the project information or the changes in the information of the registered project in accordance with the Regulation on the Administration of the Confirmation and Recordation of Enterprise Investment Projects, the filing authority may order it to make corrections within a time limit and impose a fine for failure to make corrections within the specified time limit.

Construction Law of the PRC

Pursuant to the provisions of the Construction Law of the PRC (《中華人民共和國建築法》) promulgated on 1 November 1997, revised on 22 April 2011 and amended on 23 April 2019, and the Measures for the Administration of Construction Permits for Construction Projects (《建築工程施工許可管理辦法》) promulgated on 25 June 2014 and with the latest amendment on 30 March 2021, the construction entity shall apply for a construction permit after obtaining the construction project planning permit, and then start construction.

Construction entities should commence construction within three months from the date of receiving the construction permit. If the construction entity is unable to start construction as scheduled due to unforeseen circumstances, an application for an extension should be made to the issuing authority. If construction does not commence without applying for an extension or exceeds the extension limit, the construction permit shall become void.

REGULATIONS ON HOUSE LEASING

Pursuant to the Law on Administration of Urban Real Estate of the PRC (《中華人民共和國城市房地產管理法》), which was promulgated by the SCNPC on 5 July 1994, was last revised on 26 August 2019 and came into effect on 1 January 2020, in case of house leasing, the lessor and lessee are required to enter into a written lease contract, containing such provisions as the leasing term, usage, rental and repair liabilities, as well as other rights and obligations of both parties, and go through registration and filing procedures with the real estate administration department.

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In addition, according to the Administrative Measures for Commodity House Leasing (《商品房屋租賃管理辦法》), which was promulgated by the Ministry of Housing and Urban-Rural Development of the PRC on 1 December 2010 and came into effect on 1 February 2011, within 30 days after the conclusion of the house leasing contract, the parties involved in the house leasing shall carry out house leasing registration with the construction (real estate) administrative department of the people's government of a municipality directly under the central government of the PRC, city or county where the house leased is located. If individuals or entities are in violation of the above provisions, they may be ordered to make corrections within a specified time limit by the competent construction (real estate) department of the people's government of a municipality directly under the central government, city or county. If any individual fails to do so, a fine of less than RMB1,000 will be imposed, while if any entity fails to do so, a fine of more than RMB1,000 but less than RMB10,000 will be imposed.

REGULATIONS ON INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS

Patent

Pursuant to the Patent Law of the PRC (《中華人民共和國專利法》) (the "Patent Law") promulgated by the SCNPC on 12 March 1984, last revised on 17 October 2020 and effective from 1 June 2021, and the Implementation Rules of the Patent Law of the PRC (《中華人民共和國專利法實施細則》) promulgated by the State Council on 15 June 2001, last revised on 11 December 2023 and effective from 20 January 2024, there are three types of patents, namely invention, utility model and design. Invention patents are valid for 20 years, while utility model patents are valid for 10 years and design patents are valid for 15 years, all starting from the date of application. After the granting of a patent for an invention or utility model, unless otherwise provided for in the Patent Law, no entity or individual may exploit the patent without the permission of the patentee; after the granting of a design patent, no entity or individual shall, without permission of the patentee, exploit the patent, that is, they shall not make, promise to sell, sell, or import the product incorporating its or his patented design, for production and business purposes.

Trademark

Pursuant to the Trademark Law of the PRC (《中華人民共和國商標法》) promulgated by the SCNPC on 23 August 1982, last revised on 23 April 2019 and effective on 1 November 2019, and the Regulation on the Implementation of the Trademark Law of the PRC (《中華人民共和國商標法實施條例》) promulgated by the State Council on 3 August 2002, last revised on 29 April 2014 and effective on 1 May 2014, trademarks approved and registered by the Trademark Office are registered trademarks, and the trademark registrant shall have the exclusive right to use the trademark, which is protected by law. The validity period of a registered trademark is 10 years, counting from the date of approval of registration.

Copyright

According to the Copyright Law of the PRC (《中華人民共和國著作權法》) promulgated by the SCNPC on 7 September 1990, last revised on 11 November 2020 and effective on 1 June 2021, and the Implementation Regulations of the Copyright Law of the PRC (《中華人民共和國著作權法實施條例》) promulgated by the State Council on 2 August 2002, last revised on 30 January 2013 and effective on 1 March 2013, works of PRC citizens, legal persons or unincorporated organizations, whether published or not, shall enjoy copyright in accordance with law. Works refer to intellectual achievements in the field of literature, art and science that are original and can be expressed in a certain form. A copyright holder shall enjoy a number of personal and property rights, including the right of publication, the right of authorship and the right of amendment.

According to the Regulations on the Protection of Computer Software (《計算機軟件保護條例》) promulgated by the State Council on 20 December 2001, last revised on 30 January 2013 and effective on 1 March 2013, and the Measures for the Registration of Computer Software Copyright (《計算機軟件著作權登記辦法》) promulgated by the National Copyright Administration of the PRC on 20 February 2002, computer software refers to computer programs and their associated documentation. Chinese citizens, legal persons or other units shall enjoy the copyright for software they develop, regardless of whether it has been

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published. Software copyright arises from the date of completion of software development. The protection period of the software copyright of legal persons or other units shall be 50 years, ending on 31 December of the fiftieth year after the first publication of the software. Software which has not been published for 50 years since the date of completion of software development shall not be under protection.

Design of Integrated Circuit Layouts

Pursuant to the Regulations on the Protection of Layout-Designs of Integrated Circuits (《集成電路布圖設計保護條例》) (the “**Regulations on the Protection**”) issued by the State Council on 2 April 2001, and effective from 1 October 2001, natural persons, legal persons or other organizations in China who create layout-designs shall have exclusive rights to their designs in accordance with the Regulations on the Protection. The exclusive rights to the layout design arise upon registration with the intellectual property administration department of the State Council, and layout designs that have not been registered are not protected by the Regulations on the Protection. The protection period for the exclusive rights of a layout design is 10 years, starting from the date of application for registration of the design or from the date of putting it into commercial exploitation somewhere in the world for the first time, whichever is earlier. However, whether or not the design is registered or commercially used, it is no longer protected by the Regulations on the Protection 15 years after the date of completion of the design.

Domain Names

According to the Measures for the Administration of Internet Domain Names (《互聯網域名管理辦法》) promulgated by the MIIT on 24 August 2017, which came into effect on 1 November 2017, the MIIT is responsible for the supervision and management of China’s domain name services. No organization or individual shall impede the safe and stable operation of the Internet domain name system.

REGULATIONS ON LABOR, SOCIAL INSURANCE AND HOUSING PROVIDENT FUND

Labor

The major PRC laws and regulations that govern employment relationship are the Labor Law of the PRC (《中華人民共和國勞動法》), the Labor Contract Law of the PRC (《中華人民共和國勞動合同法》) (the “**Labor Contract Law**”) and its implementation, which impose stringent requirements on the employers in relation to entering into fixed-term employment contracts, hiring of temporary employees and dismissal of employees.

The Labor Contract Law, which became effective on January 1, 2008, primarily aims at regulating rights and obligations of employment relationships, including the establishment, performance, and termination of labor contracts. Pursuant to the Labor Contract Law, labor contracts must be executed in writing if labor relationships are to be or have been established between employers and employees. Employers are prohibited from forcing employees to work above certain time limits and employers must pay employees for overtime work in accordance with national regulations. In addition, employee wages must not be lower than local standards on minimum wages and must be paid to employees in a timely manner.

In December 2012, the Labor Contract Law was amended to impose more stringent requirements on the use of employees of temp agencies, who are known in China as “dispatched workers”. Dispatched workers are entitled to equal pay with full-time employees for equal work. Employers are only allowed to use dispatched workers for temporary, auxiliary or substitutive positions. According to the Interim Provisions on Labor Dispatch (《勞務派遣暫行規定》) promulgated by the Ministry of Human Resources and Social Security (人力資源和社會保障部) and came into effect on March 1, 2014, the number of dispatched workers hired by an employer may not exceed 10% of the total number of its employees. Where rectification is not made within the stipulated period, the employers may be subject to a penalty ranging from RMB5,000 to RMB10,000 per dispatched worker exceeding the 10% threshold.

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Social Insurance

According to the Social Insurance Law of the PRC (《中華人民共和國社會保險法》) as last amended by the NPCSC on December 29, 2018, each employer and individual in the PRC shall make social insurance contributions, including basic pension insurance, basic medical insurance, unemployment insurance, maternity insurance and work injury insurance. Each employer shall, within 30 days from the date of employment, apply to the social insurance agency for social insurance registration for the employees. Employers who fail to make social insurance contributions in full and on time shall be ordered by the social insurance premium collection agency to pay or supplement within a prescribed period, and an overdue payment fine at the rate of 5 per 10,000 shall be levied from the due date of payment. When the payment is not made at the expiry of the prescribed period, a fine above the overdue amount but less than its triple shall be imposed by the relevant administrative department.

Pursuant to the Interpretation II of the Supreme People's Court on Several Issues Concerning the Application of Law in the Trial of Labor Dispute Cases (《最高人民法院關於審理勞動爭議案件適用法律問題的解釋(二)》), which took effect on September 1, 2025, any agreement between an employer and an employee or any commitment made by an employee to the employer stating that social insurance premiums need not be paid shall be deemed invalid by the people's court. If an employer fails to pay social insurance premiums in accordance with the law, and the employee requests to terminate the labor contract and claims economic compensation pursuant to Article 38 Paragraph 3 of the Labor Contract Law, the people's court shall support such claims in accordance with the law. In the circumstances described in the preceding paragraph, if the employer subsequently pays the social insurance premiums in accordance with the law and requests the employee to return the compensation already paid for the social insurance premiums, the people's court shall support such requests in accordance with the law. As advised by our PRC Legal Adviser, based on (i) we have not signed any agreement with our employee or our employee have not commit to give up paying their social insurance, and (ii) employee have the right to terminate the labor contract and claim economic compensation in accordance with the Labor Contract Law, which has been effective since 2012, instead of the aforementioned regulation, the aforementioned regulation will not have material adverse impact on our operation.

Housing Provident Fund

According to the Administrative Regulations on the Housing Provident Fund (《住房公積金管理條例》), as last amended by the State Council on March 24, 2019, each employer and individual in the PRC shall make housing provident fund contributions in accordance with the law. The employer shall go through the housing provident fund contribution registration with the housing provident fund management center and apply for the establishment of housing provident fund account for employees. If the employer does not register the contribution of the housing provident fund or does not establish housing provident fund account for its employees, the housing provident fund management center shall order it to be handled within a prescribed period. The employer who fails to make up the procedures within the prescribed period shall be given a fine of RMB10,000 to RMB50,000. Where the employer is overdue in the payment and deposit of, or underpays, the housing provident fund, the housing provident fund management center shall order it to make the payment and deposit within a prescribed period; where the payment and deposit have not been made after the expiration of the prescribed period, an application may be made to a people's court for compulsory enforcement.

REGULATIONS ON SECURITIES AND OVERSEAS LISTING

The Securities Law of the People's Republic of China, which was promulgated by the SCNPC on December 29, 1998, and was latest amended on December 28, 2019 and took effect on March 1, 2020, comprehensively regulating activities in the PRC securities market including issuance and trading of securities, takeovers by listed companies, securities exchanges, securities companies and the duties and responsibilities of securities regulatory authorities, etc. The Securities Law further regulates that a domestic enterprise issuing securities overseas directly or indirectly or listing their securities overseas shall comply with the relevant provisions of the State Council and for subscription and trading of shares of

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domestic companies using foreign currencies, detailed measures shall be stipulated by the State Council separately. The CSRC is the securities regulatory body set up by the State Council to supervise and administer the securities market according to law, maintain order in the market, and ensure the market operates in a lawful manner. Currently, the issue and trading of H shares are principally governed by the regulations and rules promulgated by the State Council and the CSRC.

The PRC government has enhanced its regulatory oversight of Chinese companies listing overseas. The Opinions on Intensifying Crack Down on Illegal Securities Activities (《關於依法從嚴打擊證券違法活動的意見》) issued in July 2021 called for (i) tightening oversight of data security, cross-border data flow and administration of classified information, as well as amendments to relevant regulations to specify responsibilities of overseas listed Chinese companies with respect to data security and information security; (ii) enhanced oversight of overseas listed companies as well as overseas equity fundraising and listing by Chinese companies; and (iii) extraterritorial application of PRC securities laws.

On February 17, 2023, the CSRC released several regulations regarding the management of filings for overseas offerings and listings by domestic companies, including the Trial Measures for the Administration on Overseas Securities Offering and Listing by Domestic Companies (《境內企業境外發行證券和上市管理試行辦法》) (the “**Overseas Listing Trial Measures**”) together with 5 supporting guidelines (together with the Overseas Listing Trial Measures, collectively referred to as the “**Overseas Listing Regulations**”). Under Overseas Listing Regulations, PRC domestic companies that seek to offer and list securities in overseas markets, either in direct or indirect means, are required to file the required documents with the CSRC within three working days after its application for overseas listing is submitted.

On February 24, 2023, the CSRC and three other relevant government authorities jointly promulgated the Provisions on Strengthening the Confidentiality and Archives Administration Related to the Overseas Securities Offering and Listing by Domestic Enterprises (《關於加強境內企業境外發行證券和上市相關保密和檔案管理工作的規定》), or the Provision on Confidentiality. Pursuant to the Provision on Confidentiality, where a domestic enterprise provides or publicly discloses any document or material that involving state secrets and working secrets of state agencies to the relevant securities companies, securities service institutions, overseas regulatory authorities and other entities and individuals, it shall report to the competent department with the examination and approval authority for approval in accordance with the law, and submit to the secrecy administration department of the same level for filing. The working papers formed within the territory of the PRC by the securities companies and securities service agencies that provide corresponding services for the overseas issuance and listing of domestic enterprises shall be kept within the territory of the PRC, and cross-border transfer shall go through the examination and approval formalities in accordance with the relevant provisions of the State.

REGULATIONS ON FULL CIRCULATION OF H SHARES

The Company shall comply with regulations on the H share “full circulation” to converse its domestic shares into H shares and circulate on the Stock Exchange. Pursuant to the Guidelines on Application for “Full Circulation” of Domestic Unlisted Shares of H-share Companies (2023 Amendment) (《H股公司境內未上市股份申請“全流通”業務指引(2023修正)》), or the Guidelines for the “Full Circulation”, promulgated and implemented by the CSRC on November 14, 2019 and revised on August 10, 2023, shareholders of domestic unlisted shares may determine by themselves through consultation the amount and proportion of shares, for which an application will be filed for circulation, provided that the requirements laid down in the relevant laws and regulations and set out in the policies for state-owned asset administration, foreign investment and industry regulation are met. After domestic unlisted shares are listed and circulated on the Stock Exchange, they may not be transferred back to China.

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According to the Notes on the Trial Administrative Measures of Overseas Securities Offering and Listing by Domestic Companies (《關於<境內企業境外發行證券和上市管理試行辦法>的說明》), the New Regulations Filing aims to strengthening institutional inclusiveness and deepening opening-up, and lays out “full circulation” arrangements. For the overseas offering and listing by a domestic company, holders of its domestically-based domestic unlisted shares are allowed after filing to convert the shares into overseas listed shares to be circulated on overseas trading venues.

According to the Overseas Listing Trial Measures, “Full Circulation” represents the shareholders of domestic unlisted shares of domestic companies, which directly offer and list securities in overseas markets, converting its domestic unlisted shares into foreign listed shares circulating in overseas markets. The shareholders of domestic unlisted shares shall authorize the domestic company to file the “Full Circulation” application with CSRC by filing materials on key compliance issues, including whether the “Full Circulation” has fulfilled adequate internal decision-making procedures, necessary internal approvals and authorizations, and whether the “Full circulation” involves approval or filing procedures set out in the laws, regulations and policies for state-owned asset administration, industry supervision and foreign investment, and if so, whether such approval or filing procedures have been performed.