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We are subject to a variety of PRC laws, rules and regulations affecting many aspects of our business. This section summarizes the principal PRC laws, regulations and rules that we believe are relevant to our business and operations.

REGULATIONS ON COMPANY ESTABLISHMENT AND FOREIGN INVESTMENT

The PRC Company Law (《中華人民共和國公司法》), which was promulgated by the Standing Committee of the National People’s Congress (the “**SCNPC**”), further amended in December 1999, August 2004, October 2005, December 2013, October 2018 and latest amended in December 2023 and came into effect on July 1, 2024, provides that companies established in the PRC may take the form of limited liability company or joint stock company with limited liability and the Company Law shall apply to all companies established in the PRC. Each company has independent legal person property and enjoys legal person property rights. The legitimate rights and interests of the company are protected by law and are inviolable.

The Foreign Investment Law of the PRC (《中華人民共和國外商投資法》) (the “**FIL**”), which was promulgated by the National People’s Congress (the “**NPC**”) on March 15, 2019, and came into effect on January 1, 2020, provides that the “foreign investment” refers to the investment activities in China carried out directly or indirectly by foreign individuals, enterprises or other organizations (the “**Foreign Investors**”), including the following: (1) Foreign Investors establishing foreign-invested enterprises in China alone or collectively with other investors; (2) Foreign Investors acquiring shares, equities, properties or other similar rights of Chinese domestic enterprises; (3) Foreign Investors investing in new projects in China alone or collectively with other investors; and (4) Foreign Investors investing through other ways prescribed by laws and regulations or the State Council. The FIL further adopts the management system of pre-establishment national treatment and negative list for foreign investment. The “pre-establishment national treatment” refers to granting to foreign investors and their investments, in the stage of investment access, the treatment no less favorable than that granted to domestic investors and their investments; the “negative list” refers to special administrative measures for access of foreign investment in specific fields as stipulated by the State. The FIL granted national treatment to foreign investments outside the negative list. The negative list will be released by or upon approval of the State Council.

In December 2019, the State Council promulgated 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》) (the “**Implementation Rules**”) which came into effect in January 2020. The Implementation Rules further clarified that the State shall encourage and promote foreign investment, protect the lawful rights and interests in foreign investments, regulate foreign investment administration, continue to optimize foreign investment environment, and advances a higher-level opening.

Investment activities in the PRC by foreign investors were principally governed by the Special Administrative Measures (Negative List) for Access of Foreign Investment (2024 Edition) (《外商投資准入特別管理措施(負面清單)(2024年版)》) (the “**Negative List**”), and the Catalog of Encouraged Industries for Foreign Investment (2022 Edition) (《鼓勵外商投資產業目錄(2022年版)》) (the “**Encouraging List**”). The Negative List, which has come into effect on November 1, 2024, sets out special administrative measures (restricted or prohibited) in respect of the access of foreign investments in a centralized manner, and it covers 11 industries, and any field not falling in the Negative List shall be administered under the principle of equal treatment for domestic and foreign investment. The Encouraging List, which came into effect on January 1, 2023, sets out the encouraged industries for foreign investment. The Encouraging List consists of two parts, i.e. the Catalogue of Encouraged Industries for Foreign Investment in China, and the Catalogue of Priority Industries for Foreign Investment in the Central and Western Regions, in order to encourage and guide foreign investors to invest in specific industries, fields and regions.

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The Measures on Reporting of Foreign Investment Information (《外商投資信息報告辦法》) was released by the Ministry of Commerce (the “MOFCOM”) and the State Administration for Market Regulation (the “SAMR”) on December 30, 2019, and became effective on January 1, 2020. Foreign investors directly or indirectly conducting investment activities within the territory of China shall submit the investment information through submission of initial reports, change reports, deregistration reports, annual reports etc. to the competent commerce authorities in accordance with The Measures on Reporting of Foreign Investment Information. When submitting an annual report, a foreign-invested enterprise shall submit the basic information on the enterprise, the information on the investors and their actual controlling party, the enterprise’s operation and asset and liabilities information etc., and where the foreign investment admission special administrative measures are involved, the foreign investment enterprise shall also submit the relevant industry licensing information.

REGULATIONS AND POLICIES ON ELECTRIC VEHICLES CHARGING INFRASTRUCTURE

According to the Guiding Opinions of the General Office of the State Council on Further Establishing a High-Quality Charging Infrastructure System (《國務院辦公廳關於進一步構建高質量充電基礎設施體系的指導意見》), which was promulgated and became effective on June 08, 2023, local governments at all levels are expected to provide financial support such as the implementation of time-of-use power price policies and operational subsidies to ensure the further development of charging infrastructure, and build a higher-quality charging infrastructure system.

The Development Plan for the New-energy Vehicle Industry (2021-2035) (《新能源汽車產業發展規劃(2021-2035年)》) was promulgated by the General Office of the State Council and became effective on November 02, 2020. According to the Development Plan, the government encourages wide social participation, through technological innovation, such as the construction of an efficient recycling system for power batteries and the operation and service platform for charging facilities, improve the charging and battery-swapping network, and improve the charging and battery-swapping service guarantee level.

The Implementation Opinions on Further Enhancing the Service Guarantee Capacity of Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure (《關於進一步提升電動汽車充電基礎設施服務保障能力的實施意見》) was promulgated by the NDRC, the National Energy Administration, the Ministry of Industry and Information Technology of the PRC, the Ministry of finance of the PRC, the Ministry of Natural Resources of the PRC, the Ministry of Housing and Urban-Rural Development of the PRC, the Ministry of Transport of the PRC, the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Affairs of the PRC, the Ministry of Emergency Management of the PRC, and the SAMR on January 10, 2022. According to the Implementation Opinions, relevant departments suggest to strengthen quality and safety supervision, through a system of national-provincial-municipal and a industry internal supervision system, explore the integration between the NEVs and Charging Infrastructure, in order to further improve the charging service guarantee capacity.

REGULATIONS ON ELECTRIC VEHICLE FAVORABLE MARKET POLICIES

Notice of the State Council on Issuing the Catalog of Investment Projects Subject to Government Confirmation (2016) (《國務院關於發佈政府核准的投資項目目錄(2016年本)的通知》) was promulgated by the State Council and came into effect on December 12, 2016, provides that the healthy and orderly development of NEVs is expected to be actively guided, and newly built NEV production enterprises must have key technologies such as power systems and vehicle research and development capabilities.

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The Ministry of Transport of the PRC promulgated the Green transportation “14th Five-Year Plan” development plan (《綠色交通“十四五”發展規劃》) on October 29, 2021 and the Development Plan of the “14th Five-Year Plan” Modern Comprehensive Transportation System (《“十四五”現代綜合交通運輸體系發展規劃》) was promulgated by the State Council on December 09, 2021.

The Green transportation “14th Five-Year Plan” development plan provides that the promotion and application of new energy vehicles in urban public transportation, rental, logistics distribution and other fields should be accelerated. The proportion of new or updated buses, rental, logistics distribution and other vehicles in the national ecological civilization pilot zone and key areas for the prevention and control of air pollution shall not be less than 80%. And the Development Plan planned to build a convenient, efficient, moderately advanced charging and battery-swapping network, focusing on promoting the construction of regional charging facilities and equipment such as transportation hub stations, parking facilities, and highway service areas.

The Implementation Plan to Boost the Operation of the Industrial Economy and Promote the High-quality Development of Industry (《關於振作工業經濟運行推動工業高質量發展的實施方案的通知》) was promulgated by the NDRC and the Ministry of Industry and Information Technology in order to accelerate the promotion and application of new energy vehicles, as well as the construction of supporting facilities such as charging piles and battery swapping stations.

Notice by the Ministry of Finance, the Ministry of Industry and Information Technology, the Ministry of Science and Technology, and the National Development and Reform Commission of Further Improving the Fiscal Subsidy Policies for the Promotion and Application of New Energy Vehicles (《財政部、工業和信息化部、科技部、發展改革委關於進一步完善新能源汽車推廣應用財政補貼政策的通知》) was issued on December 31, 2020 and came into effect on January 01, 2021. This Subsidy Policies support the development of new business models such as “separation of vehicles and electricity”. The price of new energy passenger vehicles must be less than 300,000 yuan (including 300,000 yuan) before the subsidy. In order to encourage the development of a new business model of “Battery Swap” and accelerate the promotion of new energy vehicles, “Battery-Swapping mode” vehicles are not subject to this provision.

REGULATIONS ON VALUE-ADDED TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES

The PRC Telecommunications Regulations (《中華人民共和國電信條例》), promulgated by the State Council on September 25, 2000 and last revised on February 6, 2016, provides the regulatory framework for telecommunications service providers in China. The PRC Telecommunications Regulations classify telecommunications services into basic telecommunications services and value-added telecommunications services. Providers of value-added telecommunications services are required to obtain a license for value-added telecommunications services, and violators of this rule may be ordered to make rectifications, have their illegal gains confiscated and be imposed upon a fine, or, under severe circumstances, be ordered to suspend the business operations. According to the Catalog of Telecommunications Services (《電信業務分類目錄》), attached to the PRC Telecommunications Regulations and recently amended by the MIIT on June 6, 2019, information services provided via public communication networks or the internet are value-added telecommunications services.

As a subcategory of the value-added telecommunications services, internet information services are regulated by the Administrative Measures on Internet Information Services, or the ICP Measures (《互聯網信息服務管理辦法》), which was promulgated by the State Council on September 25, 2000 and last revised on December 6, 2024. Internet information services are defined as “services that provide information to online users through the internet”. The ICP Measures classify internet information services into non-commercial internet information services and commercial internet information services. Commercial internet information service providers must obtain an ICP License, or VAT License, from appropriate telecommunications authorities. A ICP License has a term of five years and can be renewed within 90 days prior to its expiration, according

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to the Administrative Measures for Telecommunications Businesses Operating Licensing (《電信業務經營許可管理辦法》), which was promulgated by the MIIT on March 1, 2009, recently amended on July 3, 2017, and became effective on September 1, 2017. Furthermore, the MIIT Circular on Regulating the Use of Domain Names in Internet Information Services (《工業和信息化部關於規範互聯網信息服務使用域名的通知》), issued on November 27, 2017 and came into effect on January 1, 2018, requires internet information service providers to register and own the domain names they use in providing internet information services.

The Regulations for the Administration of Foreign-Invested Telecommunications Enterprises, promulgated by the State Council on December 11, 2001 and most recently amended on March 29, 2022, requires foreign-invested value-added telecommunications enterprises in China to be established as Sino-foreign joint ventures, and foreign investors shall not acquire more than 50% of the equity interest of such an enterprise. Moreover, the joint ventures must obtain approvals from the MIIT and the MOFCOM, or their authorized local counterparts, before launching the value-added telecommunications business in China.

Pursuant to the Ministry of Information Industry's Notice on Strengthening the Administration of Foreign Investment in and Operation of Value-added Telecommunications Services (《信息產業部關於加強外商投資經營增值電信業務管理的通知》), issued by the Ministry of Information Industry, the predecessor of the MIIT, on July 13, 2006, domestic value-added telecommunications enterprises were prohibited to rent, transfer, or sell licenses for value-added telecommunications services to foreign investors in any form, or provide any resources, premises, facilities, or other assistance in any form to foreign investors for their illegal operation of any value-added telecommunications business in China.

REGULATIONS ON LAND GRANTS

Under the Land Administration Law of the PRC (《中華人民共和國土地管理法》), promulgated by the SCNPC on June 25, 1986, last amended on August 26, 2019 and came into effect on January 1, 2020, the land can be classified by use into agricultural land, construction land, and unused land. The construction land can be further classified into state-owned and collectively managed construction land, and land users may obtain the land use right of the construction land according to the Land Administration Law.

Under the Regulations on the Implementation of the Land Administration Law of the PRC (《中華人民共和國土地管理法實施條例》), promulgated by the State Council on January 4, 1991, last amended on July 2, 2021 and came into effect on September 1, 2021, in order to use state-owned land, the user should acquire the land in the form of paid use, except when it may be obtained by allocation as prescribed by the laws and administrative regulations.

Under the Interim Regulations on Assignment and Transfer of the Rights to the Use of the State-owned Urban Land of PRC (《中華人民共和國城鎮國有土地使用權出讓和轉讓暫行條例》), promulgated by the State Council on May 19, 1990 and latest amended on November 29, 2020, a system of assignment and transfer of the right to use state-owned land was adopted. A land user must pay land premiums to the state as consideration for the assignment of the right to use a land site within a certain term, and the land user who obtained the right to use the land may transfer, lease out, mortgage or otherwise commercially exploit the land within the term of use. Under the Interim Regulations on Assignment and Transfer of the Rights to the Use of the State-owned Urban Land of PRC (《中華人民共和國城鎮國有土地使用權出讓和轉讓暫行條例》) and the Law of the PRC on Urban Real Estate Administration (《中華人民共和國城市房地產管理法》), the local land administration authority may enter into an assignment contract with the land user for the assignment of land use rights. The land user is required to pay the land premium as provided in the assignment contract. After the full payment of the land premium, the land user must register with the land administration authority and obtain a land use rights certificate which evidences the acquisition of land use rights.

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REGULATIONS ON PLANNING OF A CONSTRUCTION PROJECT

Pursuant to the Regulations on Planning Administration regarding Assignment and Transfer of the Rights to Use of the State-Owned Land in Urban Area (《城市國有土地使用權出讓轉讓規劃管理辦法》) promulgated by the Ministry of Construction in December 1992 and amended in January 2011, a construction land planning permit shall be obtained from the municipal planning authority with respect to the planning and use of land. According to the Urban and Rural Planning Law of the PRC (《中華人民共和國城鄉規劃法》) promulgated by the SCNPC on October 28, 2007 and latest amended on April 23, 2019, a construction work planning permit must be obtained from the competent urban and rural planning government authority for the construction of any structure, fixture, road, pipeline or other engineering project within an urban or rural planning area.

After obtaining a construction work planning permit, subject to certain exceptions, a construction enterprise must apply for a construction work commencement permit from the construction authority under the local people’s government at the county level or above in accordance with the Administrative Provisions on Construction Permit of Construction Projects (《建築工程施工許可管理辦法》) promulgated by the Ministry of Housing and Urban-Rural Development (the “**MOHURD**”), on June 25, 2014 and implemented on October 25, 2014 and latest amended on March 30, 2021.

REGULATIONS ON ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

The Environmental Protection Law of the PRC (《中華人民共和國環境保護法》), or the Environmental Protection Law, was promulgated by the “SCNPC” and effective on December 26, 1989, and most recently amended on April 24, 2014. This Environmental Protection Law has been formulated for the purpose of protecting and improving both the living environment and the ecological environment, preventing and controlling pollution, other public hazards and safeguarding people’s health.

According to the provisions of the Environmental Protection Law, in addition to other relevant laws and regulations of the PRC, the Ministry of Environmental Protection and its local counterparts take charge of administering and supervising said environmental protection matters. Pursuant to the Administrative Regulations on the Environmental Protection of Construction Project (《建設項目環境保護管理條例》) (the “**Construction Environmental Protection Rules**”), promulgated by the State Council on November 29, 1998 and amended on July 16, 2017, and other relevant environmental laws and regulations, enterprises which plan to construct projects shall submit or fill in assessment report, assessment form, or registration form on the environmental impact of such projects to relevant environmental protection administrative authority for approval or recording. Construction entities may entrust a technical institution to conduct an environmental impact assessment of its construction projects and prepare the assessment reports and assessment forms on the environmental impact of construction projects. If the construction entities have the technical capability of environmental impact assessment, it may carry out the above activities by itself.

Pursuant to the Environmental Impact Assessment Law of the PRC (《中華人民共和國環境影響評價法》) promulgated by the SCNPC on October 28, 2002 and amended on July 2, 2016 and December 29, 2018 respectively, for any construction projects have an impact on the environment, the construction entity is required to produce either a report, or a form, or a registration form on such environmental impact depending on the seriousness of the impact that may be exerted on the environment.

Pursuant to the Environmental Protection Law, the environmental impact statement on any construction project must assess the pollution that the project is likely to produce and its impact on the environment, and stipulate preventive and curative measures; the statement shall be submitted to the competent administrative department of environmental protection for approval. Installations for the prevention and control of pollution in construction projects must be designed, built and commissioned together with the principal part of the project.

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Permission to commence production at or utilize any construction project shall not be granted until its installations for the prevention and control of pollution have been examined and confirmed to meet applicable standards by the appropriate administrative department of environmental protection that examined and approved the environmental impact statement. Installations for the prevention and control of pollution shall not be dismantled or left idle without authorization. Where it is absolutely necessary to dismantle any such installation or leave it idle, prior approval shall be obtained from the competent local administrative department of environmental protection.

The Environmental Protection Law makes it clear that the legal liabilities of any violation of said law include warning, fine, rectification within a time limit, compulsory cease operation, compulsory reinstallation of dismantled installations of the prevention and control of pollution or compulsory reinstallation of those left idle, compulsory shutout or closedown, or even criminal punishment.

REGULATIONS ON WORK SAFETY

Our business is subject to a variety of work safety laws, including the Regulation on the Quality Management of Construction Projects (《建設工程品質管理條例》) which was promulgated by State Council, further amended in January 2000, October 2017 and latest amended and came into effect on April 23, 2019 and the Safety requirements of battery swap for electric vehicles (《電動汽車換電安全要求》) which was promulgated by the Ministry of Industry and Information Technology on April 2021, and came into effect on November 11, 2021.

The Regulation on the Quality Management of Construction Projects is formulated for the purposes of strengthening the management of construction project quality, ensuring the quality of construction projects and protecting the safety of people's lives and property. All those engaging in activities of the new construction, expansion, change of construction projects as well as supervision and management of the quality of construction projects shall abide by this Regulation. Meanwhile, the Safety requirements of battery swap for electric vehicles provides the unique safety requirements, test methods and inspection rules for M1 pure electric vehicles that can be recharged.

According to the Work Safety Law of the PRC (《中華人民共和國安全生產法》) promulgated on June 29, 2002, last amended on June 10, 2021 with effect on September 1, 2021, business entities shall strengthen their work safety management, enhance work safety conditions, promote work safety standardization and improve work safety levels. Entities which cannot meet the safety conditions prescribed by laws, regulations and national or industry standards shall not engage in production or other business activities. To ensure work safety rules are observed in the production process, business entities shall establish and improve their work safety responsibility systems and work safety policies which specify responsible person(s) at each position, the scope of duties and evaluation criteria. Business entities shall provide their employees with labor protection equipment and work safety training. Where the primary person-in-charge of a business entity fails to perform his or her duties in respect of work safety, he or she would be subject to legal liabilities, depending on the seriousness of the relevant work safety accidents.

REGULATIONS ON FIRE CONTROL

Pursuant to the Fire Safety Law of the PRC (《中華人民共和國消防法》) promulgated by the SCNPC on April 29, 1998 and latest amended on April 29, 2021, for special construction projects stipulated by the housing and urban-rural development authority 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 stipulated as 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 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.

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REGULATIONS ON CONSUMER RIGHTS PROTECTION

Our business is subject to a variety of consumer protection laws, including the PRC Consumer Rights and Interests Protection Law (《中華人民共和國消費者權益保護法》), as amended in 2013 and became effective on March 15, 2014, which imposes stringent requirements and obligations on business operators. Failure to comply with these consumer protection laws could subject us to administrative sanctions, such as the issuance of a warning, confiscation of illegal income, imposition of fines, an order to cease business operations, revocation of business licenses, as well as potential civil or criminal liabilities.

REGULATIONS ON PRODUCT LIABILITY

Pursuant to the Product Quality Law of the PRC (《中華人民共和國產品質量法》), promulgated on February 22, 1993 and latest amended on December 29, 2018, a manufacturer is prohibited from producing or selling products that do not meet applicable standards and requirements for safeguarding human health and ensuring human and property safety. Products must be free from unreasonable dangers threatening human and property safety. Where a defective product causes physical injury to a person or property damage, the aggrieved party may make a claim for compensation from the producer or the seller of the product. Producers and sellers of non-compliant products may be ordered to cease the production or sale of the products and could be subject to confiscation of the products and/or fines. Earnings from sales in contravention of such standards or requirements may also be confiscated, and in severe cases, an offender's business license may be revoked.

REGULATIONS ON DATA SECURITY, CYBER SECURITY AND DATA PRIVACY PROTECTION

Pursuant to the PRC Civil Code (《中華人民共和國民法典》) promulgated by the NPC on May 28, 2020 and effective from January 1, 2021, the personal information of a natural person shall be protected by the law. An information processor shall not illegally disclose or tamper with any personal information collected or stored thereby; and without the consent of the natural person, no personal information shall be illegally provided to any other person.

The Data Security Law of the PRC (《中華人民共和國數據安全法》), which was promulgated by the SCNPC on June 10, 2021 and took effect on September 1, 2021, provides that entities carrying out data activities shall establish a data classification and grading protection system and important data catalogs to enhance the protection of important data. Processors of important data shall specify the person and the management agencies responsible for data security to implement data security protection responsibilities. Relevant authorities will establish the measures for the cross-border transfer of important data. If any company violates the Data Security Law of the PRC to provide important data outside China, such company may be punished by administration sanctions, including orders to rectify, warnings, fines, and/or suspension of relevant business or revocation of the business license. In addition, the Data Security Law of the PRC provides a national security review procedure for those data activities which affect or may affect national security and imposes export restrictions on certain data and information.

The PRC Cybersecurity Law (《中華人民共和國網絡安全法》), which was promulgated on November 7, 2016 by the SCNPC and came into effect on June 1, 2017, provides that network operators shall meet their cyber security obligations and shall take technical measures and other necessary measures to protect the safety and stability of their networks. Under the PRC Cybersecurity Law, network operators are subject to various security protection-related obligations, including: (i) network operators shall comply with certain obligations regarding maintenance of the security of internet systems; (ii) network operators shall verify users' identities before signing agreements or providing certain services such as information publishing or real-time communication services; (iii) when collecting or using personal information, network operators shall clearly indicate the purposes, methods and scope of the information collection, and obtain the consent of those from whom the information is collected; (iv) network operators shall strictly keep the user information they collect confidential, and establish and maintain systems to protect user

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information; (v) network operators shall strengthen management of information published by users, and when they discover information prohibited by laws and regulations from publication or dissemination, they shall immediately stop dissemination of that information, including taking measures such as deleting the information, preventing the information from spreading, saving relevant records, and reporting to the relevant governmental agencies. In addition, the PRC Cybersecurity Law requires that critical information infrastructure operators (the “CIIO”) store the personal information and important data, which is collected and produced during their operations in the PRC, within the territory of the PRC. Furthermore, purchase of network products and service by such operators that affects or may affect national security shall be subject to national cybersecurity review.

On August 20, 2021, the SCNPC promulgated the Personal Information Protection Law of the PRC (《中華人民共和國個人信息保護法》), effective from November 1, 2021. The Personal Information Protection Law of the PRC requires, among others, that (i) the processing of personal information should have a clear and reasonable purpose which should be directly related to the processing purpose, in a method that has the least impact on personal rights and interests, and (ii) the collection of personal information should be limited to the minimum scope necessary to achieve the processing purpose to avoid the excessive collection of personal information. Different types of personal information and personal information processing will be subject to various rules on consent, transfer, and security. Entities handling personal information shall bear responsibilities for their personal information handling activities, and adopt necessary measures to safeguard the security of the personal information they handle. Otherwise, the entities handling personal information could be ordered to correct, or suspend or terminate the provision of services, and face confiscation of illegal income, fines or other penalties.

On June 22, 2007, the Ministry of Public Security of PRC, National Administration of State Secrets Protection and other governmental authorities issued the Administrative Measures for the Hierarchical Protection of Information Security (《信息安全等級保護管理辦法》), which regulates that the security protection of an information system may be graded into five. As for an information system of Grade II or above which has been put into operation, its operator or user shall, within 30 days since the date when its security protection grade is determined, complete the record-filing procedures at the local public security organ at the prefecture-level city or higher. For an information system of Grade II or above newly built, its operator or user shall, within 30 days after it is put into operation, complete the record-filing procedures at the local public security organ at the prefecture-level city or higher.

On May 8, 2017, the Supreme People’s Court and the Supreme People’s Procuratorate jointly released the Interpretations of the Supreme People’s Court and the Supreme People’s Procuratorate on Several Issues Concerning the Application of Law in the Handling of Criminal Cases Involving Infringement of Citizens’ Personal Information (《最高人民法院、最高人民檢察院關於辦理侵犯公民個人信息刑事案件適用法律若干問題的解釋》) (the “**Interpretations**”), which came into effect on June 1, 2017, clarifies several concepts regarding the crime of “infringement of citizens’ personal information” stipulated by Article 253A of the Criminal Law of the PRC (《中華人民共和國刑法》), including the “provision of citizens’ personal information” and “illegally obtaining any citizen’s personal information by other methods”. In addition, the Interpretations specify the standards for determining “serious circumstances” and “particularly serious circumstances” of this crime.

On December 8, 2022, the MIIT promulgated the Measures for Data Security Management in the Industrial and Information Technology Sector (Trial) (《工業和信息化領域數據安全管理辦法(試行)》), which came into effect on January 1, 2023. The Measures for Data Security Management in the Industrial and Information Technology Sector (Trial) makes detailed provisions on classified and tiered data management, data life cycle security management, data security monitoring and early warning and contingency management. It clearly stipulates that the data in the industrial and information fields can be divided into three levels: general data, important data and core data, and stipulates that the data processors in the industrial and information fields have the obligation to file with the relevant authorities their catalogs of important data and core data recognized in accordance with the identification criteria for important data and core data in industrial and information technology sector published by the MIIT.

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On December 28, 2021, the CAC and other twelve PRC regulatory authorities jointly revised and promulgated the Measures for Cybersecurity Review (2021) (《網絡安全審查辦法(2021)》) (the “**Cybersecurity Review Measures**”), which came into effect on February 15, 2022, 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 cybersecurity review under the CAC, (ii) a network platform operator handling personal information of more than one million users which seeks listing in a foreign country is obliged to apply for a cybersecurity review by the Cybersecurity Review Office, and (iii) when numbers of the cybersecurity review mechanism identify network products, services, or data processing activities that affect or may affect national security, the Cybersecurity Review Office shall submit them to the Central Cyberspace Affairs Commission for approval, and then conduct the review in accordance with the provisions of these measures.

On September 24, 2024, the Regulation on the Administration of Cyber Data Security (《網絡數據安全管理條例》) (the “**Cyber Data Security Regulation**”) was promulgated by the State Council and came into effect on January 1, 2025. The Cyber Data Security Regulation reiterate the general regulations for data processing activities and rules of personal information protection, important data security protection, network data cross-border transfer management, and internet platform service providers’ obligations.

Furthermore, on July 7, 2022, the CAC promulgated the Measures on Security Assessment of Cross-border Data Transfer (《數據出境安全評估辦法》) which became effective on September 1, 2022. Such measures requires that any data processor which transfer data overseas exceeding certain volume threshold under such measures shall apply for security assessment by the CAC before transferring any data abroad, including the following circumstances: (i) important data will be provided overseas by any data processor; (ii) personal information will be provided overseas by any CIIO or any data processor who processes the personal information of more than 1,000,000 individuals; (iii) personal information will be provided overseas by any data processor who has provided the personal information of more than 100,000 individuals in aggregate or has provided the sensitive personal information of more than 10,000 individuals in aggregate since January 1 of last year; and (iv) other circumstances where the security assessment is required as prescribed by the CAC.

On January 08, 2011, the State Council re-promulgated the Administration Measures on the Security Protection of Computer Information Network with International Connections (《計算機信息網絡國際聯網安全保護管理辦法》) which was promulgated on December 16, 1997 and was then amended and became effective on January 8, 2011. The Measures stipulate that entities and individuals engaging in the international networking businesses should accept security supervision, inspection and guidance from public security administrations. They are required to provide accurate information, materials, and documents on data to public security administrations and assist in investigating and handling illegal activities conducted via international computer information networks. Internet service providers, recipients, legal entities, and other organizations utilizing international networking must complete the filing process at the receiving authority designated by the public security organ within 30 days from the formal establishment of network connections.

On March 22, 2024, the CAC promulgated the Regulation on Promoting and Regulating Cross-border Data Flow (《促進和規範數據跨境流動規定》) which became effective on March 22, 2024, further clarify the implementation and coordination of existing data cross-border transfer systems, such as data security assessments for cross-border data transfers, standard contracts for personal information transfer, and personal information protection certifications. Those who provide data overseas should identify and declare important data in accordance with relevant regulations, fulfill data security protection obligations, take technical measures and other necessary measures to ensure the security of cross-border outbound data transfer.

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On February 12, 2025, the CAC published the Administrative Measures for the Compliance Audit of Personal Information Protection (《個人信息保護合規審計管理辦法》), which took effect on May 1, 2025. According to the Administrative Measures for the Compliance Audit of Personal Information Protection, the term “compliance audit of personal information protection” refers to the supervision activities that review and evaluate whether the personal information processing activities by personal information processors comply with laws and administrative regulations. And personal information processors that process the personal information of more than 10 million individuals shall carry out the compliance audit of personal information protection at least once every two years. Personal information processors, in any of the following circumstances, may be required by Cyberspace Administration and other departments performing personal information protection duties (hereinafter collectively referred to as the “Protection Departments”) to entrust a professional agency to conduct a compliance audit of their personal information processing activities: (i) where significant risks are identified in the personal information processing activities that severely impact individual rights or lack adequate security measures; (ii) where the personal information processing activities may infringe upon the rights and interests of a large number of individuals; and (iii) in the event of a personal information security incident resulting in the leakage, tampering, loss, or destruction of personal information of more than 1 million individuals or sensitive personal information of more than 100,000 individuals.

REGULATIONS ON INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS

Patents

According to the Patent Law of the PRC (《中華人民共和國專利法》) promulgated by the SCNPC on March 12, 1984, and most recently amended on October 17, 2020, 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 June 15, 2001, last amended on December 11, 2023 and became effective from January 20, 2024 and the Transitional Measures for the Implementation of the Revised Patent Law and its Implementation Rules and Relevant Examination Business Processing (《關於施行修改後的專利法及其實施細則相關審查業務處理的過渡辦法》) issued by the China National Intellectual Property Administration on December 21, 2023 and implemented on January 20, 2024, invention patents are valid for 20 years, utility model patents are valid for 10 years and design patents filed no later than May 31, 2021 are valid for 10 years while design patents filed on or after June 1, 2021 are valid for 15 years, from the date of application. The Chinese patent system adopts a “first come, first file” principle, which means that where more than one person files a patent application for the same invention, utility model or design, a patent will be granted to the person who files the application first. An invention or a utility model must possess novelty, inventiveness and practical applicability to be patentable. Third Parties must obtain consent or a proper license from the patent owner to use the patent. Otherwise, the unauthorized use constitutes an infringement on the patent rights.

Trademarks

According to the Trademark Law of the PRC (《中華人民共和國商標法》), promulgated by the SCNPC on August 23, 1982, amended on February 22, 1993, October 27, 2001, August 30, 2013 and April 23, 2019 and effective from November 1, 2019, the Implementation Regulations of the Trademark Law of the PRC (《中華人民共和國商標法實施條例》) which were issued on August 3, 2002 and last amended on April 29, 2014, the period of validity for a registered trademark is 10 years, commencing from the date of registration. Upon expiry of the period of validity, the registrant shall go through the formalities for renewal within twelve months prior to the date of expiry, if intending to continue to use the trademark. Where the registrant fails to do so, a grace period of six months may be granted. The period of validity for each renewal of registration is 10 years, commencing from the day immediately after the expiry of the preceding period of validity for the trademark. In the absence of a renewal upon expiry, the registered trademark shall be canceled. Industrial and commercial administrative authorities have the authority to investigate any behavior in infringement of the exclusive right under a registered trademark in accordance with the law. In the case of a suspected criminal offense, the case shall be timely referred to a judicial authority and decided according to law.

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Domain Names

In accordance with the provisions of the Administrative Measures for Internet Domain Names (《互聯網域名管理辦法》) promulgated by the MIIT on August 24, 2017 and taking effect on November 1, 2017, to establish domain name root servers and domain name root server operating organizations, domain name registration management organizations and domain registration service organizations within the territory of China, licenses from the MIIT or the telecommunications administration authority of the province, autonomous region or municipality directly under the central government shall be obtained in accordance with the relevant regulations. The domain name registration service shall be conducted following the principle of “apply first, register first”. A domain name applicant will become the domain name holder upon completion of the application procedure. The Notice of the Ministry of Industry and Information Technology on Regulating the Use of Domain Names in Internet Information Services (《工業和信息化部關於規範互聯網信息服務使用域名的通知》) promulgated by the MIIT on November 27, 2017 and effective on January 1, 2018 provides for the obligations of internet information service providers and other entities to fight terrorism and maintain network security.

Copyright Registration

According to the Copyright Law of the PRC (《中華人民共和國著作權法》) which was promulgated by the SCNPC on September 7, 1990 and implemented on June 1, 1991, and finally revised on November 11, 2020 and came into effect on June 1, 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 August 2, 2002 and implemented on September 15, 2002, and finally revised on January 30, 2013 and came into effect on March 1, 2013. Copyright holders enjoy a variety of personal and property rights, including the right of publication, the right of authorship, the right of reproduction, and the right of communication of information on networks.

According to 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 on February 20, 2002, the Computer Software Protection Regulations (《計算機軟件保護條例》) revised by the State Council on January 30, 2013 taking force on March 1, 2013, the National Copyright Administration is mainly responsible for the registration and management of national software copyright, and the China Copyright Protection Center is recognized as the software registration agency. The China Copyright Protection Center will grant registration certificates to computer software copyright applicants who conform to the Measures for Registration of Computer Software Copyright and the Regulations on Computer Software Protection.

Trade Secrets

According to the PRC Anti-Unfair Competition Law (《中華人民共和國反不正當競爭法》), promulgated by the SCNPC in September 1993, as amended on November 4, 2017 and April 23, 2019 and June 27, 2025 respectively, the term “trade secrets” refers to technical and business information that is unknown to the public, has utility, may create business interests or profits for its legal owners or holders, and is maintained as a secret by its legal owners or holders. Under the PRC Anti-Unfair Competition Law, business persons are prohibited from infringing others’ trade secrets by: (1) obtaining the trade secrets from the legal owners or holders by any unfair methods such as theft, bribery, fraud, coercion, electronic intrusion, or any other illicit means; (2) disclosing, using or permitting others to use the trade secrets obtained illegally under item above; or (3) disclosing, using or permitting others to use the trade secrets, in violation of any contractual agreements or any requirements of the legal owners or holders to keep such trade secrets in confidence; (4) instigate, induce or assist others to violate confidentiality obligation or to violate a rights holder’s requirements on keeping confidentiality of commercial secrets, so as to disclose, use or allow others to use the commercial secrets of the rights holder. If a third party knows or should have known of the above-mentioned illegal conduct but nevertheless obtains, uses or discloses trade secrets of others, the third party may be deemed to have committed a misappropriation of the others’ trade secrets. The parties whose trade secrets are being misappropriated may petition for administrative corrections, and regulatory authorities may stop any illegal activities and fine infringing parties.

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REGULATIONS ON FOREIGN EXCHANGE

On January 29, 1996, the State Council promulgated the Administrative Regulations on Foreign Exchange of the PRC (《中華人民共和國外匯管理條例》) which became effective on April 1, 1996 and was amended on January 14, 1997 and August 5, 2008. Foreign exchange payments under current account items shall, pursuant to the administrative provisions of the foreign exchange control department of the State Council on payments of foreign currencies and purchase of foreign currencies, be made using self-owned foreign currency or foreign currency purchased from financial institutions engaging in conversion and sale of foreign currencies by presenting the valid document. Domestic entities and domestic individuals making overseas direct investments or engaging in issuance and trading of overseas securities and derivatives shall process registration formalities pursuant to the provisions of the foreign exchange control department of the State Council.

On November 19, 2012, the SAFE issued the Circular of Further Improving and Adjusting Foreign Exchange Administration Policies on Foreign Direct Investment (《國家外匯管理局關於進一步改進和調整直接投資外匯管理政策的通知》) (the “**SAFE Circular 59**”), which came into effect on December 17, 2012 and was revised on May 4, 2015, October 10, 2018 and partially abolished on December 30, 2019. The SAFE Circular 59 aims to simplify the foreign exchange procedure and promote the facilitation of investment and trade. According to the SAFE Circular 59, the opening of various special purpose foreign exchange accounts, such as pre-establishment expenses accounts, foreign exchange capital accounts and guarantee accounts, the reinvestment of RMB proceeds derived by foreign investors in the PRC, and remittance of foreign exchange profits and dividends by a foreign-invested enterprise to its foreign shareholders no longer require the approval or verification of SAFE, as well multiple capital accounts for the same entity may be opened in different provinces. Later, the SAFE promulgated the Circular on Further Simplifying and Improving Foreign Exchange Administration Policies in Respect of Direct Investment (《關於進一步簡化和改進直接投資外匯管理政策的通知》) in February 2015, which was partially abolished in December 2019 and prescribed that the bank instead of SAFE can directly handle the foreign exchange registration and approval under foreign direct investment while SAFE and its branches indirectly supervise the foreign exchange registration and approval under foreign direct investment through the bank.

On May 10, 2013, the SAFE issued the Administrative Provisions on Foreign Exchange in Domestic Direct Investment by Foreign Investors (《外國投資者境內直接投資外匯管理規定》) (the “**SAFE Circular 21**”), which became effective on May 13, 2013, amended on October 10, 2018 and partially abolished on December 30, 2019. The SAFE Circular 21 specifies that the administration by SAFE or its local branches over direct investment by foreign investors in the PRC must be conducted by way of registration and banks must process foreign exchange business relating to the direct investment in the PRC based on the registration information provided by SAFE and its branches.

According to the Notice on Relevant Issue Concerning the Administration of Foreign Exchange for Overseas Listing (《關於境外上市外匯管理有關問題的通知》) issued by the SAFE on December 26, 2014, the domestic companies shall register the overseas listed with the foreign exchange control bureau located at its registered address in 15 working days after completion of the overseas listing and issuance. The funds raised by the domestic companies through overseas listing may be repatriated to China or deposited overseas, provided that the intended use of the fund shall be consistent with the contents of the document and other public disclosure documents.

According to the Notice of the State Administration of Foreign Exchange on Reforming the Management Mode of Foreign Exchange Capital Settlement of Foreign Investment Enterprises (《國家外匯管理局關於改革外商投資企業外匯資本金結匯管理方式的通知》) (the “**SAFE Circular 19**”) promulgated on March 30, 2015, coming effective on June 1, 2015 partially abolished on December 30, 2019 and revised on March 23, 2023, foreign-invested enterprises could settle their foreign exchange capital on a discretionary basis according to the actual needs of their

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business operations. Whilst, foreign-invested enterprises are prohibited to use the foreign exchange capital settled in RMB (a) for any expenditures beyond the business scope of the foreign-invested enterprises or forbidden by laws and regulations; (b) for direct or indirect securities investment; (c) to provide entrusted loans (unless permitted in the business scope), repay loans between enterprises (including advances by third parties) or repay RMB bank loans that have been on-lent to a third party; and (d) to purchase real estates not for self-use purposes (save for real estate enterprises).

On October 23, 2019, SAFE promulgated the Notice on Further Facilitating Cross-Board Trade and Investment (《國家外匯管理局關於進一步促進跨境貿易投資便利化的通知》), and latest amended on December 4, 2023, which, among other things, allows all Foreign Investment Enterprises to use Renminbi converted from foreign currency-denominated capital for equity investments in China, as long as the equity investment is genuine, does not violate applicable laws, and complies with the Negative List on foreign investment. In addition, restrictions on the use of funds for foreign exchange settlement of domestic accounts for the realization of assets have been removed and restrictions on the use and foreign exchange settlement of foreign investors' security deposits have been relaxed. Eligible enterprises in the pilot area are also allowed to use revenues under capital accounts, such as capital funds, foreign debts and overseas listing revenues for domestic payments without providing materials to the bank in advance for authenticity verification on an item by item basis, while the use of funds should be true, in compliance with applicable rules and conforming to the current capital revenue management regulations.

Labor Protection, Social Security and Housing Provident Funds

According to the PRC Labor Law (《中華人民共和國勞動法》), which was promulgated by the SCNPC on July 5, 1994 and effective from January 1, 1995, and amended on August 27, 2009 and December 29, 2018 respectively, the PRC Labor Contract Law (《中華人民共和國勞動合同法》), which was promulgated by the SCNPC on June 29, 2007 and effective from January 1, 2008, and amended on December 28, 2012 and effective from July 1, 2013, and the Implementing Regulations of the Employment Contracts Law of the PRC (《中華人民共和國勞動合同法實施條例》), which was promulgated by the State Council on September 18, 2008, labor contracts in written form shall be executed to establish labor relationships between employers and employees. In addition, wages cannot be lower than the local minimum wage. The employers must establish a system for labor safety and sanitation, strictly abide by State rules and standards, provide education regarding labor safety and sanitation to its employees, provide employees with labor safety and sanitation conditions and necessary protection materials in compliance with State rules, and carry out regular health examinations for employees engaged in work involving occupational hazards.

According to the Social Insurance Law of PRC (《中華人民共和國社會保險法》), which was promulgated by the SCNPC on October 28, 2010 and effective from July 1, 2011, and amended on December 29, 2018, the Interim Regulations on the Collection and Payment of Social Security Funds (《社會保險費徵繳暫行條例》), which was promulgated by the State Council on January 22, 1999 and amended on March 24, 2019, and the Regulations on the Administration of Housing Provident Funds (《住房公積金管理條例》), which was promulgated by the State Council on April 3, 1999 and amended on March 24, 2002 and March 24, 2019, employers are required to open social insurance account and housing provident fund account within 30 days from the date of establishment, and employers are also required to contribute, on behalf of their employees, to a number of social security funds, including funds for basic pension insurance, unemployment insurance, basic medical insurance, occupational injury insurance, maternity insurance and to housing provident funds. Any employer who fails to contribute may be fined and ordered to make good the deficit within a stipulated time limit.

According to the Interpretation II by the Supreme People's Court of the PRC on Legal Issues 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

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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(3) of the Labor Contract Law of the PRC, 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.

The national medical insurance program was first adopted according to the Decision of the State Council on the Establishment of the Urban Employee Basic Medical Insurance Program (《國務院關於建立城鎮職工基本醫療保險制度的決定》) issued by the State Council on December 14, 1998, under which all employers in urban cities are required to enroll their employees in the basic medical insurance program and the insurance premium is jointly contributed by the employers and employees. On July 10, 2007, the State Council issued the Guiding Opinions of the State Council about the Pilot Urban Resident Basic Medical Insurance (《國務院關於開展城鎮居民基本醫療保險試點的指導意見》), further enlarging the coverage of the basic medical insurance program, under which urban residents of the pilot district, rather than urban employees, may voluntarily join Urban Resident Basic Medical Insurance. In addition, on January 3, 2016, the Opinions on Integrating the Basic Medical Insurance Systems for Urban and Rural Residents (《國務院關於整合城鄉居民基本醫療保險制度的意見》) issued by the State Council required the integration of the urban resident basic medical insurance and the new rural cooperative medical care system and the establishment of a unified basic medical insurance system, which will cover all urban and rural residents other than rural migrant workers and persons in flexible employment arrangements who participate in the basic medical insurance for urban employees. Program participants are eligible for full or partial reimbursement of the cost of medicines included in the medical insurance catalog.

The Notice Regarding the Tentative Measures for the Administration of the Scope of Basic Medical Insurance Coverage for Pharmaceutical Products for Urban Employee (《關於印發城鎮職工基本醫療保險用藥範圍管理暫行辦法的通知》) (the “**Medical Insurance Coverage Notice**”) jointly issued on May 12, 1999 by several authorities including, among others, the Ministry of Labour and Social Security and the Ministry of Finance, provides that a pharmaceutical product listed in the medical insurance catalog must be clinically necessary, safe, effective, reasonably priced, easy to use, available in sufficient quantity, and must meet the following requirements: (1) be set forth in the pharmacopeia of the PRC, (2) satisfy the standards promulgated by the NMPA, and (3) be approved by the NMPA for imported pharmaceutical products.

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Enterprise Income Tax (“EIT”)

According to the Enterprise Income Tax Law of the PRC (《中華人民共和國企業所得稅法》) (the “**EIT Law**”), promulgated by the NPC on March 16, 2007, which became effective on January 1, 2008 and was amended on February 24, 2017 and December 29, 2018, and the Implementation Rules of the EIT Law (《中華人民共和國企業所得稅法實施條例》), promulgated by the State Council on December 6, 2007, which became effective on January 1, 2008, and amended on April 23, 2019, a domestic enterprise which is established within the PRC in accordance with the laws or established in accordance with any laws of foreign country (region) but with an actual management entity within the PRC shall be regarded as a resident enterprise. A resident enterprise shall be subject to an EIT of 25% of any income generated within or outside the PRC. A preferential EIT rate shall be applicable to any key industry or project which is supported or encouraged by the State. High and new technology enterprises which are supported by the State may enjoy a reduced EIT rate of 15%.

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Value-Added Tax (“VAT”)

Pursuant to the Provisional Regulations of the PRC on Value-added Tax (《中華人民共和國增值稅暫行條例》), promulgated by the State Council on December 13, 1993 and newly amended on November 19, 2017, and the Detailed Rules for the Implementation of the Provisional Regulations of the PRC on Value-added Tax (《中華人民共和國增值稅暫行條例實施細則》), promulgated by the Ministry of Finance (the “MOF”) and the SAT on December 25, 1993 and latest amended on October 28, 2011 and came into effect on November 1, 2011 (collectively, the “**VAT Law**”), all enterprises and individuals engaged in the sale of goods, the provision of processing, repairing and replacement of services, and the importation of goods within the territory of the PRC must pay value-added tax. On November 19, 2017, the State Council promulgated the Decisions on Abolition of the Provisional Regulations of the PRC on Business Tax and Revision of the Provisional Regulations of the PRC on Value-added Tax (《關於廢止〈中華人民共和國營業稅暫行條例〉和修改〈中華人民共和國增值稅暫行條例〉的決定》) (the “**Order 691**”). According to the VAT Law and Order 691, all enterprises and individuals engaged in the sale of goods, the provision of processing, repairing and replacement of services, sales of services, intangible assets, real property, and the importation of goods within the territory of the PRC are taxpayers of VAT and shall pay the VAT in accordance with the law and regulation. The VAT tax rates generally applicable are simplified as 17%, 11%, 6% and 0%, and the VAT tax rate applicable to the small-scale taxpayers is 3%. The Notice of the Ministry of Finance and the State Administration of Taxation on Adjusting Value-added Tax Rates (《財政部、稅務總局關於調整增值稅稅率的通知》), was promulgated on April 4, 2018 and came into effect on May 1, 2018. The VAT tax rates of 17% and 11% are changed to 16% and 10%, respectively. On March 20, 2019, the MOF, SAT and General Administration of Customs jointly promulgated the Announcement on Policies for Deeping the VAT Reform (《關於深化增值稅改革有關政策的公告》) (the “**Notice 39**”), which came into effect on April 1, 2019. Pursuant to Notice 39, the tax rate of 16% applicable to the VAT taxable sale or import of goods shall be adjusted to 13%, and the tax rate of 10% applicable thereto shall be adjusted to 9%.

Regulations on the H Share Full Circulation

“Full circulation” means listing and circulating on the stock exchange of the domestic unlisted shares of an H-share listed company, including unlisted domestic shares held by domestic shareholders prior to overseas listing, additional unlisted domestic shares issued domestically after overseas listing and unlisted shares held by foreign shareholders. On August 10, 2023, the China Securities Regulatory Commission (the “**CSRC**”) issued the Guidelines for the “Full Circulation” Program for Domestic Unlisted Shares of H-share Listed Companies (2023 Revision) (《H股公司境內未上市股份申請“全流通”業務指引(2023修正)》) (the “**Guidelines for the Full Circulation**”).

According to the Guidelines for the Full Circulation, 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, and the corresponding H-share company may be entrusted to file with the CSRC. Domestic companies limited by shares that have not been listed may file with the CSRC for the “Full circulation” at the time of their initial public offering and listing overseas.

On December 31, 2019, China Securities Depository and Clearing Corporation Limited (the “**CSDC**”) and the Shenzhen Stock Exchange (the “**SZSE**”) jointly announced the Measures for Implementation of H-share Full Circulation Business (《H股“全流通”業務實施細則》) (the “**Measures for Implementation**”). The businesses in relation to the H-share full circulation business, such as cross-border transfer registration, maintenance of deposit and holding details, transaction entrustment and instruction transmission, settlement, management of settlement participants, services of nominal holders, etc. are subject to the Measures for Implementation.

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In order to implement the Several Opinions of the State Council on Strengthening Regulation, Preventing Risks and Promoting the High-Quality Development of the Capital Market, insist on the integration of the high level of systematic liberalization and security of the capital market, and at the same time to tie in with the operational arrangements for maintaining trading in the Hong Kong securities market during inclement weather, CSDC Shenzhen Branch promulgated the Business Guide of the Shenzhen Branch of China Securities Depository and Clearing Corporation Limited to the “Full Circulation” of H-shares (《中國證券登記結算有限責任公司深圳分公司H股“全流通”業務指南》) on September 20, 2024 and came into effect on September 23, 2024, which specifies the business preparation, account arrangement, cross-border share transfer registration and overseas centralized custody, and other relevant matters. In February 2020, China Securities Depository and Clearing (Hong Kong) Limited (the “**CSDC (Hong Kong)**”) also promulgated the Guide of China Securities Depository and Clearing (Hong Kong) Limited to the Program for Full Circulation of H-shares, which was amended on September 20, 2024 and came into effect on September 23, 2024, to specify the relevant escrow, custody, agent service, arrangement for settlement and delivery, risk management measures and other relevant matters.

According to the Measures for Implementation and the Guide to the Program for Full Circulation of H-shares, shareholders who apply for H Share Full Circulation (the “**Participating Shareholders**”) shall complete the cross-border transfer registration for conversion of relevant domestic unlisted shares into H Shares before dealing in the shares, i.e., CSDC as the nominal shareholder, deposits the relevant securities held by Participating Shareholders at CSDC (Hong Kong), and CSDC (Hong Kong) will then deposit the securities at HKSCC in its own name, and exercise the rights to the securities issuer through HKSCC, while HKSCC Nominees as the ultimate nominal shareholder is listed on the register of shareholders of H-share listed companies.

According to the Guide to the Program for Full Circulation of H-shares, H-share listed companies shall be authorized by Participating Shareholders to designate the only domestic securities company (the “**Domestic Securities Company**”) to participate in the transaction of converted H shares. The specific procedure is as follows:

Participating Shareholders submit trading orders of the converted H Shares through the Domestic Securities Company, which transmits the orders to the Hong Kong Securities Company designated by the Domestic Securities Company through Shenzhen Securities Communications Co., Ltd.; and Hong Kong Securities Company conducts corresponding securities transactions in the Hong Kong market in accordance with the aforementioned trading orders and the rules of the Hong Kong Stock Exchange.

According to the Guide to the Program for Full Circulation of H-shares, upon the completion of the transaction, settlements between each of the Hong Kong Securities Company and CSDC (Hong Kong), CSDC (Hong Kong) and CSDC, CSDC and the Domestic Securities Company, and the Domestic Securities Company and the Participating Shareholders, will all be conducted separately.

REGULATIONS RELATING TO OVERSEAS SECURITIES OFFERING AND LISTING

The CSRC promulgated the Trial Administrative Measures on the Overseas Securities Offering and Listing of 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**”) and six relevant guidelines on February 17, 2023, which took effect on March 31, 2023. On May 26, 2023, the CSRC further promulgated the sixth guideline, which come into effect on the same date. The Overseas Listing Trial Measures comprehensively reformed the regulatory regime for overseas offering and listing of PRC domestic companies’ securities, either directly or indirectly, into a filing-based system.

REGULATORY OVERVIEW

According to the Overseas Listing Trial Measures, the PRC domestic companies that seek to offer and list securities in overseas markets, either in direct or indirect means, are required to fulfill the filing procedure with the CSRC and report relevant information. The Overseas Listing Trial Measures provide that an overseas listing or offering is explicitly prohibited, if any of the following applies: (i) such securities offering or listing is explicitly prohibited by provisions in PRC laws, administrative regulations or relevant state rules; (ii) the proposed securities offering or listing may endanger national security as reviewed and determined by competent authorities under the State Council in accordance with laws; (iii) the domestic company intending to be listed or offer securities in overseas markets, or its controlling shareholder(s) and the actual controller, have committed crimes such as corruption, bribery, embezzlement, misappropriation of property or undermining the order of the socialist market economy during the latest three years; (iv) the domestic company intending to be listed or offer securities in overseas markets is currently under investigations for suspicion of criminal offenses or major violations of laws and regulations, and no conclusion has yet been made thereof; or (v) there are material ownership disputes over equity held by the domestic company’s controlling shareholder(s) or by other shareholder(s) that are controlled by the controlling shareholder(s) and/or actual controller.

Where an issuer submits an application for initial public offering to competent overseas regulators, filing application with the CSRC shall be submitted within three business days thereafter. Subsequent securities offering of an issuer in the same overseas market where it has previously offered and listed securities shall be filed with the CSRC within three business days after the offering is completed. Subsequent securities offering and listing of an issuer in other overseas markets shall be filed as initial public offering.

Moreover, upon the occurrence of any of the material events specified below after an issuer has offered and listed securities in an overseas market, the issuer shall submit a report thereof to CSRC within three working days after the occurrence and public disclosure of the event: (i) change of control; (ii) investigations or sanctions imposed by overseas securities regulatory agencies or other relevant competent authorities; (iii) change of listing status or transfer of listing segment; and (iv) voluntary or mandatory delisting. Where an issuer’s main business undergoes material changes after overseas offering and listing, and is therefore beyond the scope of business stated in the filing documents, such issuer shall submit to the CSRC an ad hoc report and a relevant legal opinion issued by a domestic law firm within three working days after occurrence of the changes.

On February 24, 2023, the CSRC and other relevant government authorities promulgated the Provisions on Strengthening the Confidentiality and Archives Administration of Overseas Securities Issuance 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》) (the “**Provision on Confidentiality**”), which became effective on March 31, 2023. Pursuant to the Provision on Confidentiality, where a domestic enterprise provides or publicly discloses to the relevant securities companies, securities service institutions, overseas regulatory authorities and other entities and individuals, or provides or publicly discloses through its overseas listing subjects, documents and materials involving state secrets and working secrets of state organs, it shall report the same to the competent department with the examination and approval authority for approval in accordance with the law, and submit the same to the secrecy administration department of the same level for filing. Domestic enterprises providing accounting archives or copies thereof to entities and individuals concerned such as securities companies, securities service institutions and overseas regulatory authorities shall perform the corresponding procedures pursuant to the relevant provisions of the State. The working papers formed within the territory of the PRC by the securities companies and securities service institutions that provide corresponding services for the overseas issuance and listing of domestic enterprises shall be kept within the territory of the PRC, and those that need to leave the PRC shall go through the examination and approval formalities in accordance with the relevant provisions of the State.