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TAXATION OF SECURITY HOLDERS

Income tax and capital gains tax of holders of the H shares is subject to the laws and practices of the PRC and of jurisdictions in which holders of the H shares are resident or otherwise subject to tax. The following summary of certain relevant taxation provisions is based on current laws and practices, and has not taken into account the expected change or amendment to the relevant laws or policies and does not constitute any opinion or advice. The discussion does not deal with all possible tax consequences relating to an investment in the H shares, nor does it take into account the specific circumstances of any particular investor, some of which may be subject to special regulation. Accordingly, you should consult your own tax adviser regarding the tax consequences of an investment in the H shares. The discussion is based upon laws and relevant interpretations in effect as of the Latest Practicable Date, all of which are subject to change or adjustment and may have retrospective effect.

This discussion does not address any aspects of PRC taxation other than income tax, value-added tax, and stamp duty. Prospective investors are urged to consult their financial advisers regarding the PRC and other tax consequences of owning and disposing of the H shares.

Taxation in mainland China

Tax on Dividends

For Individual Investors

According to the Individual Income Tax Law of the PRC (《中華人民共和國個人所得稅法》), or the Individual Income Tax Law, amended by the NPCSC on August 31, 2018 and effective on January 1, 2019, and the Implementation Rules of the Individual Income Tax Law of the People’s Republic of China (《中華人民共和國個人所得稅法實施條例》) amended by the State Council on December 18, 2018, and effective on January 1, 2019, dividends paid by PRC companies to individual investors are ordinarily subject to a withholding income tax levied at a flat rate of 20%.

Pursuant to the Arrangement between the Mainland China and the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region for the Avoidance of Double Taxation and the Prevention of Fiscal Evasion with respect to Taxes on Income (《內地和香港特別行政區關於對所得避免雙重徵稅和防止偷漏稅的安排》), or the Arrangement for the Avoidance of Double Taxation and the Prevention of Fiscal Evasion with respect to Taxes on Income, executed on August 21, 2006, the PRC government may impose tax on dividends paid by a PRC company to a Hong Kong resident (including natural person and legal entity), but such tax shall not exceed 10% of the total amount of dividends payable. If a Hong Kong resident directly holds 25% or more of the equity interests in a PRC company and the Hong Kong resident is the beneficial owner of the dividends and meets other conditions, such tax shall not exceed 5% of the total amount of dividends payable by the PRC company. The Fifth Protocol to the Arrangement between the Mainland China and the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region for the Avoidance of Double Taxation and the Prevention of Fiscal Evasion with Respect to Taxes on Income (《內地和香港特別行政區關於對所得避免雙重徵稅和防止偷稅漏稅的安排》第五議定書), or the Fifth Protocol, issued by the STA and effective on December 6, 2019 provides that such provisions shall not apply to arrangements or transactions made for one of the primary purposes of obtaining such tax benefits.

For Enterprise Investors

Pursuant to the Enterprise Income Tax Law of the PRC (《中華人民共和國企業所得稅法》), or the EIT Law, last amended by the NPCSC and effective on December 29, 2018, and the Implementation Rules of the Enterprise Income Tax Law of the PRC (《中華人民共和國企業所得稅法實施條例》), or the Implementation Rules of the EIT Law, last amended by the State Council and effective on January 20, 2025, a non-resident enterprise is subject to a reduced rate of 10% enterprise income tax on PRC-sourced income, including dividends paid by a PRC resident enterprise that issues and lists shares in Hong Kong, if such non-resident enterprise does not have an establishment or place of business in the PRC or has an establishment or place of business in the PRC but the PRC-sourced income is not actually connected with such establishment or place of business in the PRC. The aforesaid income tax payable by non-resident enterprises shall be withheld at source, and the payer shall be the withholding agent, and the tax shall be withheld by the withholding agent from the payment or due payment every time it is paid or due. Such tax may be reduced or exempted pursuant to an applicable treaty for the avoidance of double taxation.

Pursuant to the Notice from the SAT on the Issues Concerning Withholding the Enterprise Income Tax on the Dividends Paid by Chinese Resident Enterprises to H Share Holders Which Are Overseas Non-resident Enterprises (《國家稅務總局關於中國居民企業向境外H股非居民企業股東派發股息代扣代繳企業所得稅有關問題的通知》) which was issued by the STA and effective on November 6, 2008, a PRC resident enterprise is required to withhold enterprise income tax at a rate of 10% on dividends paid to non-PRC resident enterprise holders of H Shares which are derived out of profit generated since 2008.

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According to the Fifth Protocol, the PRC government may impose tax on dividends paid by a PRC company to a Hong Kong resident (including natural person and legal entity), but such tax shall not exceed 10% of the total dividends payable by the PRC company. If a Hong Kong resident directly holds 25% or more of equity interest in a PRC company and the Hong Kong resident is the beneficial owner of the dividends and meets other conditions, such tax shall not exceed 5% of the total dividends payable by the PRC company. The Fifth Protocol provides that such provisions shall not apply to arrangements or transactions made for one of the primary purposes of obtaining such tax benefits.

Pursuant to applicable regulations, we intend to withhold tax at a rate of 10% from dividends paid to non-PRC resident enterprise holders of our H Shares (including HKSCC Nominees). Non-PRC resident enterprises that are entitled to be taxed at a reduced rate under an applicable income tax treaty will be required to apply to the PRC tax authorities for a refund of any amount withheld in excess of the applicable treaty rate, and payment of such refund will be subject to the PRC tax authorities’ verification.

Tax related to equity transfer income

For Individual Investors

Under the Individual Income Tax Law and its implementation rules, individuals are subject to individual income tax at a rate of 20% on gains realized on the sale of equity interests in PRC resident enterprises. Pursuant to the Circular on Continuing the Temporary Exemption of Individual Income Tax on Gains from Share Transfers by Individuals (《關於個人轉讓股票所得繼續暫免徵收個人所得稅的通知》), which was promulgated by the MOF and the STA and became effective on March 30, 1998, from January 1, 1997, income of individuals from the transfer of shares in listed companies continues to be temporarily exempted from individual income tax. According to the Announcement of the MOF and the STA on the Catalogue of Continuing Effective Preferential Individual Income Tax Policies (《財政部國家稅務總局關於繼續有效的個人所得稅優惠政策目錄的公告》) issued by the MOF and the STA on December 29, 2018, the Circular on Continuing the Temporary Exemption of Individual Income Tax on Gains from Share Transfers by Individuals (《關於個人轉讓股票所得繼續暫免徵收個人所得稅的通知》) shall continue to be effective. As of the Latest Practicable Date, the foregoing provisions did not explicitly provide for the imposition of individual income tax on non-PRC resident individuals in respect of the equity transfer of PRC resident enterprises listed on overseas stock exchanges.

For Enterprise Investors

Under the EIT Law and its implementation rules, a non-PRC resident enterprise is subject to enterprise income tax at the rate of 10% with respect to PRC-sourced income, including gains derived from the disposal of shares in a PRC resident enterprise, if it does not have an establishment or premises in the PRC or has an establishment or premises in the PRC but the PRC-sourced income is not actually connected with such establishment or premises in the PRC. The aforementioned income tax payable by non-PRC resident enterprises is subject to source withholding, and the payer is the withholding agent. The tax shall be withheld by the withholding agent from the payment or due payment every time it is paid or due. Such tax may be reduced or exempted under applicable tax treaties or arrangements.

Shanghai-Hong Kong Stock Connect Taxation Policy

Pursuant to the Notice on the Tax Policies Related to the Pilot Program of the Shanghai-Hong Kong Stock Connect (《財政部、國家稅務總局、中國證券監督管理委員會關於滬港股票市場交易互聯互通機制試點有關稅收政策的通知》) promulgated by the MOF, the STA and the CSRC on October 31, 2014 and effective on November 17, 2014, transfer spread income derived by mainland enterprises from stock investment listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange through Shanghai-Hong Kong Stock Connect shall be included in their total income and subject to enterprise income tax according to law. For dividends and bonuses received by mainland individual investors from investing in H shares listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange through Shanghai-Hong Kong Stock Connect, the H-share companies shall apply to CSDCC for providing the register of mainland individual investors to the H-share companies and withhold individual income tax at the rate of 20% on behalf of the H-share companies. Pursuant to the Announcement on Extending the Implementation of the Individual Income Tax Policies Concerning the Shanghai-Hong Kong Stock Connect and the Shenzhen-Hong Kong Stock Connect and the Mainland-Hong Kong Mutual Recognition of Funds (《關於延續實施滬港、深港股票市場交易互聯互通機制和內地與香港基金互認有關個人所得稅政策的公告》) which was promulgated on August 21, 2023 and implemented on the same date, the transfer spread income derived by mainland individual investors from investing in shares listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange through Shanghai-Hong Kong Stock Connect shall be exempted from individual income tax from December 5, 2019 to December 31, 2027. Pursuant to the Notice on the Tax Policies Related to the Pilot Program of the Shanghai-Hong Kong Stock Connect (《財政部、國家稅務總局、中國證券監督管理委員會關於滬港股票市場交易互聯互通機制試點有關稅收政策的通知》), dividends derived by mainland enterprises

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from investing in shares listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange through Shanghai-Hong Kong Stock Connect are included in their total income and subject to Enterprise Income Tax according to law. Pursuant to the Notice, dividend income obtained by mainland resident enterprises from holding H shares for 12 consecutive months shall be exempted from enterprise income tax according to law. H-share companies shall not withhold income tax on dividends and bonus income for mainland enterprises investors. The tax payable shall be declared and paid by the enterprise itself.

Shenzhen-Hong Kong Stock Connect Taxation Policy

Pursuant to the Notice on the Tax Policies Related to the Pilot Program of the Shenzhen-Hong Kong Stock Connect (《關於深港股票市場交易互聯互通機制試點有關稅收政策的通知》) promulgated by the MOF, the STA and the CSRC on November 5, 2016 and effective on December 5, 2016, transfer spread income derived by mainland enterprises from stock investment listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange through Shenzhen-Hong Kong Stock Connect shall be included in their total income and subject to enterprise income tax according to law. For dividends and bonuses received by mainland individual investors from investing in H shares listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange through Shenzhen-Hong Kong Stock Connect, the H-share companies shall apply to CSDCC for providing the register of mainland individual investors to the H-share companies and the H-share companies shall withhold individual income tax at the rate of 20% on behalf of the investors.

Pursuant to the Announcement on Continuing the Implementation of the Individual Income Tax Policies Concerning the Shanghai-Hong Kong Stock Connect and the Shenzhen-Hong Kong Stock Connect and the Mainland-Hong Kong Mutual Recognition of Funds (《關於繼續執行滬港、深港股票市場交易互聯互通機制和內地與香港基金互認有關個人所得稅政策的公告》) promulgated by the MOF, the STA and the CSRC on December 4, 2019 and effective on December 5, 2019 and the Announcement on Extending the Implementation of the Individual Income Tax Policies Concerning the Shanghai-Hong Kong Stock Connect and the Shenzhen-Hong Kong Stock Connect and the Mainland-Hong Kong Mutual Recognition of Funds (《關於延續執行滬港、深港股票市場交易互聯互通機制和內地與香港基金互認有關個人所得稅政策的公告》) which promulgated on August 21, 2023 and implemented on the same date, the transfer spread income derived by mainland individual investors from investing in shares listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange through Shenzhen-Hong Kong Stock Connect shall be exempted from individual income tax from December 5, 2019 to December 31, 2027.

Pursuant to the Notice on the Tax Policies Related to the Pilot Program of the Shenzhen-Hong Kong Stock Connect (《關於深港股票市場交易互聯互通機制試點有關稅收政策的通知》), dividends derived by mainland enterprises investors from investing in shares listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange through Shenzhen-Hong Kong Stock Connect are included in their total income and subject to Enterprise Income Tax according to law. In particular, dividend and bonus income obtained by mainland resident enterprises from holding H shares for 12 consecutive months shall be exempted from enterprise income tax according to law. H-share companies shall not withhold income tax on dividends and bonus income for mainland enterprises. The tax payable shall be declared and paid by the enterprise itself.

Stamp Duty

According to the Stamp Duty Law of the People's Republic of China (《中華人民共和國印花稅法》), which was promulgated on June 10, 2021 and came into effect on July 1, 2022, the disposal of H Shares by non-mainland China investors outside of the mainland China is not subject to the requirements of the Stamp Duty Law of the People's Republic of China.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE ADMINISTRATION IN THE PRC

The lawful currency of the PRC is the Renminbi. The SAFE, authorized by the PBOC, is empowered with the functions of administering all matters relating to foreign exchange, including the enforcement of foreign exchange regulations.

Pursuant to the Foreign Exchange Administrative Regulations of the PRC (《中華人民共和國外匯管理條例》) promulgated by the State Council on January 29, 1996, effective on April 1, 1996 and last amended on August 5, 2008, and the Administrative Regulations on Foreign Exchange Settlement, Sales and Payment (《結匯、售匯及付匯管理規定》) promulgated by the PBOC on June 20, 1996 and effective on July 1, 1996, Renminbi is freely convertible for payments of current account items such as trade and service-related foreign exchange transactions and dividend payments after the relevant financial institutions have reasonably examined the authenticity of the transaction documents and their consistency with foreign exchange receipts and payments, but are not freely convertible for capital expenditure items such as direct investment, loans or investments in securities outside the PRC unless the approval of the SAFE or its local counterparts is obtained in advance.

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According to the Guidance on Foreign Exchange Business for Capital Account (2024 Edition) (《資本項目外匯業務指引(2024年版)》), proceeds raised by domestic companies through overseas listings shall, in principle, be repatriated to China in a timely manner, either in RMB or foreign currency. The use of proceeds must be consistent with the relevant content disclosed in public documents such as prospectuses, corporate bond offering circulars, shareholders’ circulars, board of directors or shareholders’ meeting resolutions. Where domestic companies use proceeds raised from overseas listings to engage in activities such as outbound direct investment, overseas securities investment, or overseas lending, they must comply with the relevant foreign exchange regulations.

According to (1) the Circular of the State Administration of Foreign Exchange on Reforming and Regulating Policies for the Administration over Foreign Exchange Settlement of Capital Accounts (《國家外匯管理局關於改革和規範資本項目結匯管理政策的通知》) announced by SAFE which became effective on June 9, 2016, and was last amended on December 4, 2023; (2) the Notice of the State Administration of Foreign Exchange on Further Deepening Reform to Promote Cross-border Trade and Investment Facilitation (《國家外匯管理局關於進一步深化改革促進跨境貿易投資便利化的通知》) announced by SAFE which became effective on December 4, 2023; and (3) the Circular of the State Administration of Foreign Exchange on Matters Concerning Deepening the Reform of Foreign Exchange Administration for Cross-Border Investment and Financing (《國家外匯管理局關於深化跨境投融資外匯管理改革有關事宜的通知》) announced by SAFE which became effective on September 12, 2025, the foreign exchange receipts under capital accounts of domestic institutions are subject to discretionary settlement policies. The foreign exchange receipts under capital accounts (including foreign exchange capital, foreign debts, and repatriated funds raised through overseas listing) subject to discretionary settlement as expressly prescribed in the relevant policies may be settled with banks according to the actual need of the domestic institutions for business operation. Domestic institutions may, at their discretion, settle up to 100% of foreign exchange receipts under capital accounts for the time being, SAFE may adjust the above proportion in due time according to the balance of payments. While eligible for the discretionary settlement of foreign exchange receipts under capital accounts, domestic institutions may also opt to use their foreign exchange receipts according to the payment-based settlement system. A bank shall, in handling each transaction of foreign exchange settlement for a domestic institution according to the principle of payment-based settlement, review the authenticity and compliance of the use of the funds settled in the previous foreign exchange settlement (including discretionary settlement and payment-based settlement) of such domestic institution. Domestic institutions’ foreign exchange receipts under the capital account and the RMB funds obtained from the settlement thereof shall not (i) directly or indirectly, be used for expenditure beyond the enterprise’s business scope or expenditure prohibited by laws and regulations of the state, (ii) unless otherwise expressly specified, directly or indirectly, be used for investments in securities or other investments or wealth management (excluding financial products with a risk rating no higher than level II and structured deposits), and (iii) be used for the granting of loans to non-affiliated enterprises (except where it is expressly permitted in the business scope).

According to the Circular on Optimizing Administration of Foreign Exchange to Support the Development of Foreign-related Business by the State Administration of Foreign Exchange (《國家外匯管理局關於優化外匯管理支持涉外業務發展的通知》) issued by the SAFE on April 10, 2020, eligible enterprises are allowed to make domestic payments by using receipts under capital accounts, such as their capital funds, foreign credits and the income from overseas listing, without need to provide the evidentiary materials concerning authenticity on a transaction-by-transaction basis to banks in advance, provided that their capital use shall be authentic and in line with provisions, and conform to the prevailing administrative regulations on the use of receipts under capital accounts. Local foreign exchange authorities shall strengthen monitoring analysis and interim and post regulation.

The Circular of the PBOC and the SAFE on Issues Concerning the Administration of Funds Raised through Overseas Listings by Domestic Enterprises (《中國人民銀行、國家外匯管理局關於境內企業境外上市募集資金管理有關事項的通知》) or the Circular, took effect on April 1, 2026, replacing the Notice on Issues concerning the Foreign Exchange Administration of Overseas Listing (《關於境外上市外匯管理有關問題的通知》), and materially revise the regulatory regime governing the administration of funds raised through overseas listings. According to the Circular, the overseas listing registration deadline will be extended to 30 working days from the first trading day or the completion of over-allotment and the registration authority will be changed from the SAFE to designated banks. Proceeds raised by domestic enterprises through overseas listings shall, in principle, be repatriated to China in a timely manner. Where such proceeds are to be retained offshore for purposes such as outbound direct investment, overseas securities investment, or overseas lending, the enterprise shall obtain the approval or filing documents from the competent authorities prior to the conclusion of the overseas listing issuance or the completion of over-allotment, and shall comply with the relevant regulations on cross-border capital management.