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## GRANT OF WAIVER FROM STRICT COMPLIANCE WITH RULES 3.10(1), 3.10A AND 3.21 OF THE LISTING RULES

Reference is made to the announcement of the Company dated 17 August 2020 (the "Announcement"). Unless otherwise defined herein, terms used in this announcement shall have the same meanings as those defined in the Announcement.

Following the passing away of Mr. Wang, the composition of the Board comprises five executive Directors and two independent non-executive Directors ("INED(s)") and hence the number of the INEDs and the members of the Audit Committee has fallen below the minimum number required under Rules 3.10(1), 3.10A and 3.21 of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities (the "Listing Rules") on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange"). Pursuant to Rules 3.11 and 3.23 of the Listing Rules, the Company should appoint an INED and a member of the Audit Committee within three months after failing to meet the requirements under Rules 3.10(1), 3.10A and 3.21 of the Listing Rules.

During the three-month period after the passing way of Mr. Wang, the Company had been endeavouring to identify a candidate who have appropriate expertise and who also satisfy the board diversity policy of the Company to serve as one of its INEDs. While the Company had identified a number of INED candidates since August 2020, additional time was required by the Company to secure suitable candidates who have appropriate expertise, to conduct the due diligence checks on and interviews with the INED candidates and to complete the selection, recruitment and nomination procedures pursuant to the terms of reference of the nomination committee of the Company.

The Company had applied to the Stock Exchange for, and the Stock Exchange had granted to the Company, a waiver from strict compliance with 3.10(1), 3.10A and 3.21 of the Listing Rules up to 16 February 2021.

The Company will use its best endeavours to identify and appoint a new INED within the extended period. Further announcement(s) will be made by the Company as and when appropriate.

By order of the board of
Sino Energy International Holdings Group Limited
Chen Jianbao

Chairman

Hong Kong, 24 November 2020

As at the date of this announcement, the executive Directors are Mr. Chen Jianbao, Ms. Cai Xiuman, Mr. Zhang Wenbin, Mr. Wang Qingshan and Mr. Zhu Tianxiang; and the independent non-executive Directors are Mr. Chen Jinzhong, Roy and Mr. Chai Chung Wai.