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#### JOINT ANNOUNCEMENT

# (1) POLL RESULTS OF THE EGM AND THE H SHAREHOLDERS' CLASS MEETING HELD ON 28 JULY 2021 RELATING TO THE PROPOSED MERGER BY ABSORPTION OF THE COMPANY BY THE OFFEROR (2) PROPOSED WITHDRAWAL OF LISTING AND LAST DAY OF TRADING AND (3) INFORMATION REGARDING EXERCISE OF RIGHT OF DISSENTING SHAREHOLDERS



# **INTRODUCTION**

We refer to (i) the announcement jointly issued by China SUMEC Automotive Industry Consulting Development Co., Ltd.\* (the "**Offeror**") and China Machinery Engineering Corporation\* (the "**Company**") dated 13 January 2021, (ii) the announcement jointly issued by the Offeror and the Company dated 3 February 2021 in relation to the extension of time for despatch of the composite document; (iii) the announcements jointly issued by the Offeror and the Company dated 2 March 2021, 1 April 2021 and 30 April 2021 in relation to the monthly updates on the Merger; (iv) the announcement jointly issued by the Offeror and the Company dated 3 June 2021 in relation to the fulfilment of the Pre-Condition and further extension of the time for despatch of the composite document; and (v) the composite document jointly issued by the Offeror and the Company (the "**Composite Document**"), the notice of EGM, the notice of H Shareholders' Class Meeting, and the announcement jointly issued by the Offeror and the Company in relation to the despatch of the Composite Document, each dated 6 July 2021. Unless otherwise defined, capitalised terms used in this joint announcement shall have the same meanings as those defined in the Composite Document.

# **RESULTS OF THE EGM AND THE H SHAREHOLDERS' CLASS MEETING**

The Board and the sole director of the Offeror are pleased to announce that the proposed resolutions set out in the notice of EGM and the notice of H Shareholders' Class Meeting were voted by way of poll and all of them were duly passed on 28 July 2021.

The EGM and the H Shareholders' Class Meeting were held at Meeting Room, CMEC Building, No. 165 Jinze Road, Fengtai District, Beijing, the PRC at 9:00 a.m. and immediately following the conclusion of the EGM, respectively, on 28 July 2021.

In compliance with the requirements of the Listing Rules and Rule 2.9 of the Takeovers Code, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited, the H Share registrar of the Company, acted as the scrutineer for the vote-taking at the EGM and the H Shareholders' Class Meeting.

The poll results in respect of the EGM and the H Shareholders' Class Meeting are as follows:

SPECIAL RESOLUTION			NUMBER OF VALID VOTES (%)			
			For	Against	Abstain	
1.	(a) (b)	To consider and, if thought fit, to approve, confirm and ratify the Merger Agreement dated 13 January 2021 entered into between the Company and the Offeror and the Merger and the transactions contemplated under the Merger Agreement. To consider and, if thought fit, to approve that Mr. Fang Yanshui, an executive Director be authorised to do all such acts and things, to sign and execute all such other documents, deeds and instruments, to make applications to the relevant regulatory authorities and to take such steps as he may consider necessary, appropriate, expedient	3,785,358,573 99.883423% (note 1)	4,398,000 0.116049% (note 1)	20,000 0.000528% (note 1)	
		and in the interest of the Company to give effect to and in connection with any transactions				
		contemplated under the Merger Agreement.				

Notes:

- 1. Based on the total number of the votes attaching to all the Shares held by the Shareholders cast in person or by proxy at the EGM.
- 2. The percentage figures included in the poll results in respect of the EGM above have been subject to rounding adjustments.

As at the date of the EGM, the total number of issued Shares is 4,125,700,000, comprising 908,270,000 H Shares and 3,217,430,000 Domestic Shares, which was the total number of Shares entitling the holders to attend and vote for or against the resolution at the EGM.

There were no restrictions imposed on any Shareholder to cast votes on the aforesaid resolution passed at the EGM. There was no Share entitling the Shareholder to attend and vote only against the resolution at the EGM or to abstain from voting. No Shareholder had previously stated his/her/ its intention in the Composite Document to vote against the resolution proposed at the EGM or to abstain from voting.

The EGM was convened by the Board and chaired by Mr. Liu Li, an independent non-executive Director. The Shareholders and authorised proxies holding an aggregate of 3,789,776,573 Shares, representing approximately 91.86% of the total issued share capital of the Company were present at the EGM.

With respect to the special resolution at the EGM, since more than two-thirds of the votes attaching to the Shares held by the Shareholders present in person or by proxy at the EGM were cast in favour of the resolution, the special resolution was passed by way of poll at the EGM in accordance with the requirements of the PRC Laws and the Articles.

	OPECIAL DEGOLUTION		NUMBER OF VALID VOTES (%)		
		SPECIAL RESOLUTION	For 566,229,073 98.903938% (note 1) 62.341492% (note 2)	Against 6,255,000 1.092569% (note 1) 0.688672% (note 2)	Abstain 20,000 0.003493% (note 1) 0.002202% (note 2)
1.	(a)	To consider and, if thought fit, to approve, confirm and ratify the Merger Agreement dated 13 January 2021 entered into between the Company and the Offeror and the Merger and the transactions contemplated under the Merger Agreement.			
	(b)	To consider and, if thought fit, to approve that Mr. Fang Yanshui, an executive Director be authorised to do all such acts and things, to sign and execute all such other documents, deeds and instruments, to make applications to the relevant regulatory authorities and to take such steps as he may consider necessary, appropriate, expedient and in the interest of the Company to give effect			

# (ii) The poll results in respect of the H Shareholders' Class Meeting

to and in connection with any transactions contemplated under the Merger Agreement.

Notes:

- 1. Based on the total number of the votes attaching to all the H Shares held by the Independent H Shareholders cast in person or by proxy at the H Shareholders' Class Meeting.
- 2. Based on the total number of the votes attaching to all the H Shares held by the Independent H Shareholders.
- 3. The percentage figures included in the poll results in respect of the H Shareholders' Class Meeting above have been subject to rounding adjustments.

The total number of H Shares entitling the Independent H Shareholders to attend and vote for or against the resolution at the H Shareholders' Class Meeting was 908,270,000 H Shares, representing all of the H Shares in issue.

The Offeror and its concert parties were required to abstain from voting at the H Shareholders' Class Meeting in accordance with the Takeovers Code. However, the Offeror and its concert parties held no H Shares to attend and vote for or against the resolution at the H Shareholders' Class Meeting. There were no other restrictions imposed on any Independent H Shareholders to cast votes on the aforesaid resolution passed at the H Shareholders' Class Meeting. There was no H Share entitling the Independent H Shareholders to attend and vote only against the special resolution at the H Shareholders' Class Meeting. No Independent H Shareholder has stated its intention in the Composite Document to vote against the resolution proposed at the H Shareholders' Class Meeting or to abstain from voting.

The H Shareholders' Class Meeting was convened by the Board and chaired by Mr. Liu Li, an independent non-executive Director. The Independent H Shareholders and authorised proxies holding an aggregate of 572,504,073 H Shares, representing approximately 63.03% of the total number of votes attaching to all the H Shares held by the Independent H Shareholders were present at the H Shareholders' Class Meeting.

With respect to the special resolution at the H Shareholders' Class Meeting, since more than 75% of the votes attaching to the H Shares held by the Independent H Shareholders present in person or by proxy at the H Shareholders' Class Meeting were cast in favour of the resolution and the number of votes cast against the resolution amounted to not more than 10% of the votes attaching to all the H Shareholders' Class Meeting in accordance with the requirements of Rule 6.15(2) of the Listing Rules and Rule 2.10 of the Takeovers Code.

# FULFILLMENT OF THE CONDITIONS TO EFFECT THE MERGER AGREEMENT

As at the date of this joint announcement, the Conditions to effectiveness have been fulfilled. Accordingly, the Merger Agreement has become effective.

The Shareholders and investors are reminded that the implementation of the Merger shall be subject to the fulfilment of the Conditions to implementation (unless waived, as applicable). As at the date of this joint announcement, none of the Conditions to implementation has been fulfilled (or waived, as applicable).

The Offeror and the Company will jointly issue an announcement stating whether the Conditions to implementation have been fulfilled or waived (as applicable) on or before Friday, 6 August 2021.

# PROPOSED VOLUNTARY WITHDRAWAL OF LISTING OF THE H SHARES OF THE COMPANY AND LAST DAY OF TRADING

The Company has obtained approval from the Stock Exchange for the withdrawal of the listing of the H Shares on the Stock Exchange, which is subject to the Merger becoming effective, in accordance with Rule 6.15(2) of the Listing Rules.

It is currently expected that (i) the last day of dealings in the H Shares on the Stock Exchange will be Thursday, 29 July 2021; and (ii) the voluntary withdrawal of listing of the H Shares on the Stock Exchange would occur at 9:00 a.m. on Friday, 6 August 2021.

On the assumption that the Conditions to implementation have been fulfilled (or waived, as applicable) on Friday, 6 August 2021, the cheques for payment of the Cancellation Price will be despatched to the Shareholders on or before Tuesday, 17 August 2021.

The H Shareholders will be notified by way of an announcement if there are any additional developments.

### EXERCISE OF RIGHT OF DISSENTING SHAREHOLDERS

We refer to the paragraph headed "Right of a Dissenting Shareholder" in the section headed "3. PRINCIPAL TERMS OF THE MERGER AGREEMENT" of the "LETTER FROM THE BOARD" in the Composite Document.

As no vote was cast against the special resolution in respect of the Merger at the EGM by the Domestic Shareholders, the Domestic Shareholders will not be entitled to exercise the Right and only H Shareholders which satisfy the relevant criteria and entitlement conditions will be entitled to exercise the Right.

Any Dissenting Shareholder wishing to exercise the Right should on or before the expiry date of the Declaration Period (which is currently expected to be 12 August 2021), collect the documents containing information on the procedures for exercising the Right and the Required Document (as defined below, together as the "**Procedure Documents**") at the Company's H Share registrar, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited, at 17M Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wan Chai, Hong Kong.

The multiple documents requested for in the Procedure Documents (the "**Required Documents**") include, but are not limited to (i) exercise notice(s) with information filled in; and (ii) declaration and proof in respect of satisfaction of criteria and entitlement conditions to exercise the Right. For a Dissenting Shareholder whose H Shares are deposited in CCASS, additional documents and proof will be required in respect of beneficial ownership and nominee relationship (if any). The Required Documents must be submitted during the Declaration Period (which is currently expected to be from 6 August 2021 to 12 August 2021) by hand to the Company's H Share registrar as stated above.

For the Dissenting Shareholders which have validly exercised their Right, Hong Kong stamp duty is payable at the rate of 0.1% (or at the rate then in effect) of the amount of the consideration or the value of the Dissenting Shares at the date on which the contract note for the transfer of the Dissenting Shares falls to be executed. The stamp duty payable will be deducted from the cash received by the Dissenting Shareholders. A Dissenting Shareholder should consult its own professional adviser to understand the possible tax implications of exercising the Right. Dissenting Shareholders will also need to bear any other applicable tax, fees, levies, costs and expenses arising out of or in relation to the exercise of their Right, which may be deducted from the cash received by the Dissenting Shareholders.

In the event of there being multiple declaration(s) and exercise notice(s) of the Right and/or notice(s) of withdrawal of previously submitted declaration(s) and exercise notice(s) of the Right by the same Dissenting Shareholder, the number of H Shares effectively declared for the exercise of the Right by such Dissenting Shareholder will be determined by the last declaration and exercise notice and/or withdrawal of declaration and exercise notice (as applicable) in time submitted on or before the expiry date of the Declaration Period.

Pursuant to the Merger Agreement, if any Dissenting Shareholder is to exercise its Right, the Dissenting Shareholder must refund the Cancellation Price (if received) to the Offeror in order to be entitled to exercise the Right, failing which the Dissenting Shareholder will be deemed to have waived, and will no longer be able to exercise, the Right. The Offeror (if so elected by the Company and/or the Consenting Shareholders) will make the payment separately upon agreement on matters regarding the Right. For the avoidance of doubt, regardless of when the Dissenting Shareholder exercises the Right, the Dissenting Shareholder will be deemed to have ceased to have any right in respect of the Shares (other than the right to request for consideration pursuant to exercise of the Right) on the date for payment of the Cancellation Price.

In case of any question on the satisfaction of criteria and entitlement conditions to exercise the Right, the valid exercise of the Right or submission of the Required Documents, the Offeror has the absolute discretion to determine the answer to such question.

The requirements regarding the Right are pursuant to the PRC Company Law. There is no administrative guidance on the substantive as well as the procedural rules as to how the "fair price" will be determined under the PRC Laws. Thus no assurance can be given as to any favourable results to the Dissenting Shareholders who have validly exercised the Right and the cost which may be incurred by the Dissenting Shareholders in the process of exercising the Right and determining the "fair price".

The PRC legal adviser to the Offeror advised that pursuant to Article 188 of the Articles, such disputes or claims arising from the determination of the "fair price" should be resolved through arbitration at either the China International Economic and Trade Arbitration Commission or the Hong Kong International Arbitration Centre. Except otherwise required by applicable laws or regulations, the applicable laws to such disputes or claims should be the laws of the PRC. The "fair price" will then be determined and the related dispute and procedures will be conducted according to the award of the arbitration to be granted upon the settlement of such disputes or claims.

# For the avoidance of doubt, if the Merger does not proceed, the Dissenting Shareholders will not be entitled to exercise the Right as described above.

# GENERAL

Immediately before the commencement of the Offer Period (being 13 January 2021), save that the Offeror and its concert parties held, controlled or directed 3,217,430,000 Shares, representing approximately 77.99% of the total issued Shares, none of the Offeror and its concert parties held, controlled or directed any Shares or rights over Shares. None of the Offeror and its concert parties had acquired or agreed to acquire any Shares or any convertible securities, warrants, options or derivatives in respect of the Shares during the Offer Period.

As at the date of this joint announcement, neither the Offeror nor its concert parties had borrowed or lent any relevant securities (as defined in Note 4 to Rule 22 of the Takeovers Code) of the Company.

#### WARNING

Completion of the Merger is conditional upon the satisfaction (or waiver, as applicable) of the Conditions to implementation. Accordingly, the issue of this joint announcement does not imply in any way that the Merger will be completed. Shareholders and potential investors should therefore exercise caution when dealing in the securities of the Company. Persons who are in doubt as to the action they should take should consult their stockbroker, bank manager, solicitor or other professional advisers.

By order of the sole director of China SUMEC Automotive Industry Consulting Development Co., Ltd.\* WANG Huifang Sole Director By order of the board of China Machinery Engineering Corporation\* BAI Shaotong Chairman

Beijing, China 28 July 2021

As at the date of this joint announcement, the Offeror's sole director is Ms. Wang Huifang. The sole director of the Offeror accepts full responsibility for the accuracy of the information contained in this joint announcement (other than in relation to the Company) and confirm, having made all reasonable enquiries, that to the best of her knowledge, opinions expressed in this joint announcement (other than those expressed by the Directors) have been arrived at after due and careful consideration and there are no other facts not contained in this joint announcement the omission of which would make any of the statements in this joint announcement misleading.

As at the date of this joint announcement, the board of directors of SINOMACH comprises Mr. Zhang Xiaolun, Mr. Wu Yongjie, Mr. Song Xin, Mr. Shang Bing, Mr. Jiang Xin, Mr. Dong Xuebo, Mr. Sha Xianhua, Mr. Zhang Xi and Mr. Liu Zuqing. The directors of SINOMACH jointly and severally accept full responsibility for the accuracy of the information contained in this joint announcement (other than in relation to the Company) and confirm, having made all reasonable enquiries, that to the best of their knowledge, opinions expressed in this joint announcement (other than those expressed by the Directors) have been arrived at after due and careful consideration and there are no other facts not contained in this joint announcement the omission of which would make any of the statements in this joint announcement misleading.

As at the date of this joint announcement, the Board comprises Mr. FANG Yanshui and Ms. AI Wei as executive Directors, Mr. BAI Shaotong, Mr. MA Jian and Mr. ZHANG Zhiyu as non-executive Directors, and Mr. LIU Li, Ms. LIU Hongyu, Mr. FANG Yongzhong and Mr. WU Tak Lung as independent non-executive Directors. The Directors jointly and severally accept full responsibility for the accuracy of the information contained in this joint announcement (other than in relation to the Offeror and SINOMACH) and confirm, having made all reasonable enquiries, that to the best of their knowledge, opinions expressed in this joint announcement (other than those expressed by the sole director of the Offeror and there are no other facts not contained in this joint announcement (other than those expressed by the sole director of the Offeror and there are no other facts not contained in this joint announcement misleading.

<sup>\*</sup> For identification purposes only