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## **Chongqing Hongjiu Fruit Co., Limited**

**重慶洪九果品股份有限公司**

*(A joint stock company incorporated in the People's Republic of China with limited liability)*

**(Stock Code: 6689)**

### **RESIGNATION OF INDEPENDENT NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND PROPOSED APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

#### **RESIGNATION OF INDEPENDENT NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

The board (the “**Board**”) of directors (the “**Director(s)**”) of Chongqing Hongjiu Fruit Co., Limited (the “**Company**”) received a letter of resignation from Ms. Fan Weihong (“**Ms. Fan**”), an independent non-executive Director. After careful and thorough consideration, Ms. Fan resigned as an independent non-executive Director and the chairwoman of the audit committee of the Board as she intended to devote more time to her other personal commitments.

In order to ensure that the compositions of the Board and the relevant special committee of the Board are in compliance with the relevant laws and regulations and the regulatory requirements, the resignation of Ms. Fan will take effect from the date when a new independent non-executive Director elected at the general meeting of shareholders of the Company (the “**Shareholder(s)**”) officially takes office. During this period, Ms. Fan will continue to perform her duties as an independent non-executive Director and the chairwoman of the audit committee of the Board .

Ms. Fan has confirmed that she has no disagreement with the Board in any respects and there is no matter in relation to her resignation that needs to be brought to the attention of the Shareholders or The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited.

The Company and the Board would like to take this opportunity to express their sincere gratitude to Ms. Fan for her positive contribution to the development of the Company during her term of office.

## PROPOSED APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

The Board is pleased to announce that Ms. Xu Kemei (“**Ms. Xu**”) has been nominated as an independent non-executive Director after the consideration and approval of the Board, subject to the approval of the Shareholders at the general meeting.

The biographical details of Ms. Xu as required to be disclosed by Rule 13.51(2) of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the “**Listing Rules**”) are as follows:

Ms. Xu Kemei (徐克美), aged 54, served as an accountant of Chongqing Iron and Steel (Group) Co., Ltd. (重慶鋼鐵(集團)有限公司) from September 1988 to January 1995; served as a certified public accountant and the department manager of Chongqing Tianjian Certified Public Accountants (重慶天健會計師事務所, formerly known as Chongqing Certified Public Accountants (重慶市會計師事務所)) from February 1995 to August 2001; served as the project manager of Zhongjingfu Certified Public Accountants (中京富會計師事務所) from September 2001 to April 2002; and has been the head of Chongqing Branch of Yongtuo Certified Public Accountants (Special General Partnership) (永拓會計師事務所(特殊普通合夥)重慶分所) since May 2002. She served as an independent director of Guangdong HEC Technology Holding Co., Ltd. (a company listed on the Shanghai Stock Exchange, stock code: 600673) from June 2002 to May 2008; served as an independent director of CPI Yuanda Environmental-Protection (Group) Co., Ltd. (a company listed on the Shanghai Stock Exchange, stock code: 600292) from May 2015 to October 2019; served as an independent director of Zhubajie Co., Ltd. (豬八戒股份有限公司) from January 2019 to May 2022; has been an independent director of Guangdong Halo Microelectronics Co., Ltd (廣東希荻微電子股份有限公司) (a company listed on the Shanghai Stock Exchange, stock code: 688173) since December 2020; and has been an independent director of Chongqing Runji Far East New Material Technology Co., Ltd. (重慶潤際遠東新材料科技股份有限公司) since September 2021.

Ms. Xu graduated from Chongqing Technology and Business University with a bachelor’s degree in accounting in 1997 and obtained a postgraduate degree from the Graduate School of the Research Institute of the Ministry of Finance (財政部研究所研究生班) in 1999. Ms. Xu is currently a certified public accountant, a certified public valuer and a certified tax agent with extensive experience in accounting and auditing.

If Ms. Xu is appointed as an independent non-executive Director, the Company will enter into a service contract with Ms. Xu. Her term of office shall commence from the date of consideration and approval at the general meeting until the expiry of the term of the fourth session of the Board of the Company, and she is eligible for re-election upon the expiry of her term of office. Remuneration of Ms. Xu shall be determined in accordance with the Remuneration Plan for Directors and Supervisors of the Company, which will be disclosed in the annual report of the Company. Ms. Xu has confirmed that she has fulfilled the independent factors as stipulated in Rule 3.13 of the Listing Rules. The Company considers that Ms. Xu is independent according to the guidelines on independence under the Listing Rules.

Save as disclosed in this announcement, Ms. Xu confirms that she did not hold directorship in any listed company, the securities of which are listed on any securities market either in Hong Kong or overseas in the past three years; does not have any relationship with any director, supervisor, senior management, substantial shareholder or controlling shareholder of the Company, nor does she hold any position in the Company or any of its subsidiaries. She does not own any interest in the shares of the Company or its associated corporations (as defined in Part XV of the SFO); has no information that shall be disclosed pursuant to the requirements under Rules 13.51(2)(h) to (v) of the Listing Rules, and does not participate and has never participated in matters that shall be disclosed pursuant to the requirements under Rules 13.51(2)(h) to (v) of the Listing Rules; nor has she participated in other matters that need to be brought to the attention of the Shareholders.

The proposed appointment of Ms. Xu as an independent non-executive Director will be submitted to the general meeting of the Company for consideration and approval. A circular containing, among other matters, details of the proposed appointment of an independent non-executive Director, together with the notice of general meeting, will be dispatched to the Shareholders as soon as practicable.

By order of the Board  
**Chongqing Hongjiu Fruit Co., Limited**  
**Deng Hongjiu**  
*Chairman of the Board and Executive Director*

Chongqing, the PRC  
January 10, 2023

*As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises Mr. Deng Hongjiu as the chairman of the Board and an executive Director, Ms. Jiang Zongying, Mr. Peng He, Mr. Yang Junwen and Ms. Tan Bo as executive Directors, Mr. Xia Bei, Mr. Dong Jiaxun and Mr. Chen Tongtong as non-executive Directors, and Ms. Fan Weihong, Ms. Liu Xiuqin, Mr. An Rui and Mr. Liu Anzhou as independent non-executive Directors.*