
**RULES RELATING TO
THE 2021 AKESO RSU SCHEME**

1 DEFINITIONS AND INTERPRETATION

(A) In these rules of the Scheme, unless the context otherwise requires, the following words and expressions shall have the meaning shown opposite to them below:-

“Adoption Date”	being the date on which the Scheme is adopted by the Company, i.e. December 6, 2021;
“Amendment Date”	June 30, 2024, being the date on which the amendment of the Scheme is approved by a resolution of the Company in its general meeting;
“Award”	RSUs granted by the Board pursuant to Paragraph 5.2(A) to a Selected Participant;
“Awarded Share(s)”	Share(s) (including Treasury Shares) underlying the RSU(s) granted to the Selected Participants under the rules of the Scheme;
“Board”	the board of directors of the Company and if the context so permits, it shall include such committee or sub-committee or person(s) as from time to time delegated with the power and authority by the board of directors of the Company to administer the Scheme;
“Business Day”	a day (other than Saturday, Sunday or public holiday) on which the Stock Exchange is open for trading and on which banks are open for business in Hong Kong;
“Company”	AKESO, INC., a company incorporated in the Cayman Islands;
“Contributed Amount”	cash paid or made available to the Trust by way of settlement or otherwise contributed by the Company, any of its Subsidiaries, and/or any party designated by the Company as permitted under the Scheme to the Trust as determined by the Board from time to time;
“CRS”	the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development Common Reporting Standard;
“Director(s)”	director(s) of the Company;
“Employee”	any employee (including employee-to-be who are granted Awards under the Scheme as an inducement to enter into employment contracts with the Company or any Subsidiary), director or officer of any member of the Group;
“Excluded Participant”	any Participant who is resident in a place where the award of the Awarded Shares and/or the vesting and transfer of the Awarded Shares pursuant to the terms of the Scheme is not

permitted under the laws or regulations of such place or where in the view of the Board or the Trustee (as the case may be), compliance with applicable laws or regulations in such place makes it necessary or expedient to exclude such Participant;

“FATCA”	(a) sections 1471 to 1474 of the US Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or any associated regulations; (b) any treaty, law or regulation of any other jurisdiction, or relating to an intergovernmental agreement between the US and any other jurisdiction, which (in either case) facilitates the implementation of any law or regulation referred to in paragraph (a) above; or (c) any agreement pursuant to the implementation of any treaty, law or regulation referred to in paragraphs (a) or (b) above with the US Internal Revenue Service, the US government or any governmental or taxation authority in any other jurisdiction;
“Grant Consideration”	has the meaning ascribed to it in Paragraph 5.2(A);
“Grant Notice”	has the meaning ascribed to it in Paragraph 5.2(H);
“Group”	the Company and its Subsidiaries from time to time, and “member of the Group” means any or a specific one of them;
“HK\$”	Hong Kong dollar, the lawful currency of Hong Kong;
“Hong Kong”	the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People’s Republic of China;
“IRO”	the Inland Revenue Ordinance (Cap. 112 of the Laws of Hong Kong);
“Listing Rules”	The Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange;
“Participant”	includes the following: (a) any Employee; or (b) any Service Provider;
“Residual Cash”	cash in the Trust Fund (including without limitation (i) any Contributed Amount or any remaining amount thereof; (ii) any cash income or dividends derived from Shares held under the Trust; (iii) other cash income or net proceeds of sale of non-cash and non-scrip distribution derived from or in respect of

the Shares held under the Trust; and (iv) all interest or income derived from deposits maintained with licensed banks in Hong Kong) which has not been applied in the acquisition of any Shares;

“RSU(s)”	Restricted share unit(s) to be granted under the Scheme, each of which represents a conditional right for the Selected Participant to obtain Awarded Shares or an equivalent value in cash with reference to the market value of such Awarded Shares on or about the date of vesting, less any tax, stamp duty and other charges applicable, as determined by the Board in its absolute discretion. Each RSU represents one underlying Share;
“Scheme”	the “2021 Akeso RSU Scheme” constituted by the rules hereof, in its present form or as amended from time to time in accordance with the provisions hereof;
“Selected Participant(s)”	Participant(s) selected by the Board pursuant to Paragraph 5.2(A) for participation in the Scheme;
“Service Provider(s)”	subject to the rules of the Scheme, any advisor, consultant or any service provider (including a natural person or corporate entity) provides research, development or other technical support to the Group on a continuing or recurring basis in the ordinary and usual course of business which are in the interests of the long term growth of the Group as determined by the Board. For the avoidance of doubt, Service Providers exclude placing agents or financial advisers providing advisory services for fundraising, mergers or acquisitions, professional service providers such as auditors or valuers who provide assurance, or are required to perform their services with impartiality and objectivity;
“SFO”	the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Cap. 571 of the Laws of Hong Kong);
“Shareholder(s)”	the shareholder(s) of the Company;
“Shares”	ordinary shares of par value each in the capital of the Company (or of such other nominal amount as shall result from a sub-division, consolidation, reclassification or reconstruction of the share capital of the Company from time to time);
“Stock Exchange”	The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited;
“Subsidiary”	a company which is for the time being and from time to time a subsidiary (within the meaning given under section 15 of the Companies Ordinance (Chapter 622 of the Laws of Hong

	Kong)) of the Company, whether incorporated in Hong Kong or elsewhere;
“Treasury Shares”	has the meaning ascribed to it under the Listing Rules;
“Trust”	the trust constituted by the Trust Deed;
“Trust Deed”	a trust deed to be entered into between the Company and the Trustee (as restated, supplemented and amended from time to time);
“Trust Fund”	the funds and properties held under the Trust and managed by the Trustee for the benefit of the Selected Participants (other than the Excluded Participants), including without limitation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) HK\$100 as initial sum; (b) all Shares acquired by the Trustee for the purpose of the Trust and such other scrip income (including but not limited to bonus Shares and scrip dividends declared by the Company) derived from the Shares held upon the Trust; (c) any Residual Cash; (d) any Awarded Shares or other property to be vested or not vested with the Selected Participant under the terms of the Scheme; (e) any Treasury Shares subject to the Listing Rules; and (f) all other properties from time to time representing (a), (b), (c),(d) and (e) above;
“Trust Period”	shall have the meaning as set out in Clause 1.1 of the Trust Deed;
“Trustee”	FUTU TRUSTEE LIMITED, and any additional or replacement trustees, being the trustee or trustees for the time being of the trusts declared in the Trust Deed;
“US”	the United States of America;
“Vesting Date”	in respect of a Selected Participant, the date on which his entitlement to the RSU(s) is vested in such Selected Participant in accordance with Paragraph 5.3(A) and other terms of the Scheme;
“Vesting Notice”	has the meaning ascribed to it in Paragraph 5.3(B); and

“%” per cent.

- (B) In these rules of the Scheme, save where the context otherwise requires:-
- (i) the headings are inserted for convenience only and shall not limit, vary, extend or otherwise affect the construction of any provision of these rules of the Scheme;
 - (ii) references to Paragraphs and Schedules are references to paragraphs and schedules of these rules of the Scheme;
 - (iii) references to any statute or statutory provision shall be construed as references to such statute or statutory provision as respectively amended, consolidated or re-enacted, or as its operation is modified by any other statute or statutory provision (whether with or without modification), and shall include any subsidiary legislation enacted under the relevant statute;
 - (iv) expressions in the singular shall include the plural and vice versa;
 - (v) expressions in any gender shall include other genders; and
 - (vi) references to persons shall include bodies corporate, corporations, partnerships, sole proprietorships, organisations, associations, enterprises, branches and entities of any other kind.

2 PURPOSES AND OBJECTIVES

- (A) The specific objectives of the Scheme are:-
- (i) to recognise the contributions by certain Participants and to provide them with incentives in order to retain them for the continual operation and development of the Group; and
 - (ii) to attract suitable personnel for further development of the Group.
- (B) These rules serve to set out the terms and conditions upon which the incentive arrangement for the Participants shall operate.

3 DURATION

Subject to any early termination as may be determined by the Board pursuant to Paragraph 10, the Scheme shall be valid and effective for a term of (10) years commencing on the Adoption Date, after which period no further Awards will be granted, but the provisions of this Scheme will in all other respects remain in full force and effect and Awards that are granted from the Adoption Date until the tenth (10th) anniversary of the Adoption Date may continue to be exercisable in accordance with their terms of issue.

4 ADMINISTRATION

- (A) The Scheme shall be subject to the administration of the Board and the Trustee in accordance with the rules of the Scheme and the Trust Deed. The Board shall, subject to the Listing Rules, have the sole and absolute right to:
- (i) interpret and construe the provisions of the Scheme;
 - (ii) determine the persons who will be granted Awards under the Scheme;
 - (iii) the terms and conditions on which Awards are granted and when the RSUs granted pursuant to the Scheme may vest;
 - (iv) make such appropriate and equitable adjustments to the terms of the Awards granted under the Scheme as it deems necessary; and
 - (v) make such other decisions or determinations as it shall deem appropriate in the administration of the Scheme.
- (B) The Board may by resolution delegate any or all of its powers in the administration of the Scheme to any person(s) as from time to time authorized by the Board for such purpose. The decision of the Board with respect to any matter arising under the Scheme (including the interpretation of any provision) shall be final and binding.
- (C) The Trustee shall hold the Trust Fund in accordance with the terms of the Trust Deed.
- (D) Without prejudice to the Board's general power of administration, to the extent not prohibited by applicable laws and regulations, the Board may also from time to time appoint one or more Trustee(s) with prior notice to current Trustee in respect of granting, administration or vesting of any RSUs. For the avoidance of doubt, notwithstanding any provision herein, the Board shall be the sole body which has the authority to give any direction, instruction or recommendation to the Trustee or from which the Trustee seeks direction, instruction or recommendation with respect to the Scheme and the Trust.

5 OPERATION OF SCHEME

5.1 Contribution to the Trust

- (A) Any Awarded Shares shall be (i) existing Shares transferred, gifted, assigned, or conveyed to the Trust or as may be purchased by the Trustee on the Stock Exchange or off the market; or (ii) new Shares to be allotted and issued to the Trustee by the Company under the Scheme Limit; or (iii) Treasury Shares transferred, gifted, assigned, or conveyed to the Trust subject to the Listing Rules. The Board may from time to time cause to be paid a Contributed Amount to the Trust by way of settlement or otherwise contributed by the Company, any Subsidiary or any party designated by the Company as directed by the Board which shall constitute part of the Trust Fund, for the purchase or subscription (as the case may be) of Shares and other purposes set out in these rules and the Trust Deed. Subject to prior written direction and/or consent of the Board, the Trustee may accept Shares transferred, gifted, assigned, or conveyed to the Trust from the Company or any party designated by the Company from time to time in such number as such party designated by the Company may at their sole discretion determine, which shall constitute part of the Trust Fund. The Trustee shall

administer the Shares in the same manner in accordance with the Trust Deed and the rules of the Scheme regardless whether they are purchased, subscribed or otherwise acquired by the Trust or transferred, gifted, assigned, or conveyed to the Trust.

- (B) Subject to Paragraphs 5.5(B) and 7(A), in the event that the Awarded Shares are to be allotted and issued as new Shares for the purpose of the Trust, the Board shall cause an amount equal to the total subscription price of such new Shares to be allotted and issued be transferred from the Company's resources to the Trustee as soon as practicable prior to the allotment and issuance of such Shares as subscription monies for the new Shares and cause to issue and allot to the Trustee such number of new Shares corresponding to the aforesaid total subscription price at such issue price per Share as shall be determined by the Board, which shall be held upon trust for the relevant Selected Participant subject to the terms and conditions set out herein and in the Trust Deed. The Company shall issue and allot such new Shares at not less than nominal value to the Trustee. The Company shall comply with the relevant Listing Rules and the Articles of Association of the Company when allotting and issuing any new Shares and application shall be made to the Stock Exchange for the granting of the listing of, and permission to deal in the new Shares to be issued to the Trustee pursuant to this Paragraph 5.5(B). Such allotment and issue should only be made upon fulfilment of the following conditions: (i) the total number of Shares to be allotted and issued to the Trustee under the Scheme shall not exceed the scheme limit according to the rules of the Scheme; and (ii) the Listing Committee of the Stock Exchange having granted the listing of and permission to deal in the Shares which may be allotted and issued by the Company to the Trustee pursuant to the Scheme. The Company should seek specific mandate from the Shareholders for the issue and allotment of Awarded Shares where (i) the satisfaction of any Awards granted would cause the Company to issue and allot Awarded Shares in excess of the permitted amount in the general mandate available at the time of granting the Awarded Shares or (ii) any grant of the Awards is made to connected persons of the Company or (iii) any grant of Awards is otherwise required under the Listing Rules to be made under the specific mandate from the shareholders.
- (C) Subject to Paragraphs 5.5(B) and 7(A), the Board may from time to time instruct the Trustee in writing to purchase Shares on the Stock Exchange or accept and receive a specified number of Shares from any party designated by the Company. Once purchased or received, the Shares are to be held by the Trustee for the benefit of the Selected Participants under the Trust on and subject to the terms and conditions of the Scheme and the Trust Deed. On each occasion when the Board instructs the Trustee to purchase Shares on the Stock Exchange, it shall specify the maximum amount of funds to be used and the range of prices or the specified price at which such Shares are to be purchased, and such range of prices or specified price shall be within the price range agreed by the Board from time to time. The Trustee may not incur more than the maximum amount of funds or purchase any Shares at a price falling outside the range of prices so specified unless with the prior written consent of the Board.
- (D) As soon as practicable after receiving the notice setting out the instructions from the Company under Paragraph 5.1(C) with respect to the purchase of the Shares on the Stock Exchange and during such period until being notified by the Board to suspend or cease the purchase, the Trustee shall apply such amount of Residual Cash towards the purchase of such maximum board lot of Shares at the prevailing market price

according to the instructions set out in the notice. The Trustee shall also pay the related purchase expenses (including for the time being, the brokerage fee, stamp duty, the Securities and Futures Commission transaction levy and Stock Exchange trading fee) and such other necessary expenses required for the completion of the purchase of the Shares out of the Residual Cash. For the avoidance of doubt, the Shares so purchased and the remaining balance of any Residual Cash shall form part of the Trust Fund. The Trustee is not obliged to purchase any Shares unless the prevailing market price of the Shares falls within the range of prices in accordance with Clause 5.1(C) and that the Trustee has sufficient funds in the Trust to undertake the purchase of such Shares.

- (E) The Trustee shall keep the Board from time to time of the number of Shares purchased and the price at which those Shares have been purchased. If, for any reason, the Trustee shall not be able to purchase any or all of the Shares with the maximum amount of funds (where the range of prices or any price at which such Shares are to be purchased has been specified by the Board) so specified in the notice within ten (10) Business Days on which the trading of the Shares has not been suspended on the Stock Exchange after being instructed by the Board to do so, the Trustee shall notify the Board in writing. The Board shall then decide on whether to instruct the Trustee to continue with such purchase and the conditions thereof. The Board shall instruct the Trustee whether or not to apply any of the Awarded Shares to satisfy any grant of Awards made, and if the number of such Awarded Shares constituting part of the Trust Fund, as specified by the Company, are not sufficient to satisfy the Awards granted, the Board shall, as soon as reasonably practicable, for purposes of satisfying the Awards granted, transfer to the Trust the necessary funds and instruct the Trustee to acquire further Shares through on-market transactions at the prevailing market price.

5.2 Award of RSUs to Selected Participants

- (A) Subject to the provisions of the Scheme, including but not limited to the restrictions set out in Paragraphs 5.5(B), 7(A) and 7(B), the Board may, from time to time, at its absolute discretion select any Participant (other than any Excluded Participant) for participation in the Scheme as a Selected Participant, and grant such number of RSUs to any Selected Participant at such consideration (the “**Grant Consideration**”) and in such number and on and subject to such terms and conditions as it may in its absolute discretion determine. In the event that a Selected Participant or his/her/its associate(s) is a member of the Board, such person will abstain from voting on any approval by the Board of the Award to such Selected Participant. The Grant Consideration, if required, shall be, as directed by the Board in the Grant Notice, paid in full to the Company pursuant to Paragraph 5.2(K). The Grant Consideration, if any, shall be determined by the Board at its absolute discretion, based on considerations such as the prevailing closing price of the Shares, the purpose of the Awards and the contribution of the Selected Participant. Except for such grant consideration which shall be paid in such manner and on or before such deadline(s) as prescribed in the relevant grant notice, no other purchase price shall be paid for the Awards, and thus there is no period within which payments or calls must or may be made or loans for such purposes must be repaid.
- (B) In determining the eligibility of and the number of Awards to be granted to any Selected Participant who is an Employee Participant, the Board will assess their potential and/or actual contribution to the Group. For the basis of determining the

eligibility of Directors as the Selected Participant, the Board will consider period of employment, responsibilities, time commitment, knowledge in the industry and prevailing market practice. For the basis of determining the eligibility of senior management and other employee as the Selected Participant, the Board will consider individual performance, time commitment, responsibilities, work experience, professional qualifications and knowledge in the industry.

- (C) In determining the eligibility of and the number of RSUs to be granted to any Selected Participant who is a Service Provider (excluding any Excluded Participant), the Board shall take into consideration matters including, but without limitation to,
- (a) the scale of their business dealings with the Group, the length of business relationships between them and the Group, the positive impacts (in terms of, including without limitation, proactively promoting/catalysing the continuing development and growth of the Group, and bringing innovation, new talents and expertise to the Group), potential and/or actual contribution on the Group's business development, the future plans in relation to further business collaboration and generally the significance to the Group of building long-term business relationships with them;
 - (b) whether such Service Provider has a proven track record of timely delivery of services, the quality of services delivered, the scale of their business dealings with the Group, the ease of replacing such service provider(s) with another Service Provider which could offer similar quality and consistency in the provision of services;
 - (c) the potential and/or actual degree of involvement in and/or cooperation with the Group with regard to the number, scale and nature of projects, and the period of engagement/cooperation/business relationship with the Group;
 - (d) whether the Service Provider is regarded as a valuable human resource of the Group based on the person's work experience, professional qualifications, knowledge in the industry or other relevant factors (including without limitation technical knowhow, market competitiveness, synergy between him/ her and the Group, external business connections, strategic value, and repute and credibility); and/or
 - (e) the usual fees chargeable by other Service Provider in the market and the contribution of the advisors and consultants in considering whether to grant Awards to them.
- (D) The Board is entitled to impose any conditions (including a period of continued service within the Group after the Award), as it deems appropriate in its absolute discretion with respect to the vesting of the RSUs on the Selected Participant, and shall inform the Trustee and such Selected Participant the relevant conditions of the Award and the RSUs. Such conditions may include, among others, performance targets (if any as determined by the Board in its absolute discretion), which may comprise a mixture of key performance indicators components (such as the business performance of the Group, which may relate to the Group's strategic objectives, operational targets and plans for future development, and financial performance of the Group, which may

include financial targets of the Group on a targeted or comparative basis, and individual annual performance assessment results). The Board will conduct assessment from time to time by comparing the performance with the pre-set targets to determine whether such targets and the extents to which have been met. If, after the assessment, the Board determines that any prescribed performance targets have not been met, the Award(s) shall lapse automatically. Notwithstanding any other provisions of the Scheme, subject to applicable laws and regulations, the Board shall be at liberty to waive any vesting conditions referred to in this Paragraph 5.2(D). Shares underlying any RSUs granted under the Scheme that lapse for any reason without having been vested and Shares underlying the unvested portion of any RSUs in case of partial vesting will, to the extent not prohibited by applicable laws and regulations, be available for subsequent Award grants under the Scheme.

- (E) Where any grant of Award is proposed to be made to any Selected Participant who is a Director (including an independent non-executive Director), chief executive, or substantial Shareholder of the Company or any of their respective associates, such grant must first be approved by the independent non-executive Directors of the Company (excluding any independent non-executive director of the Company who is intended to be the Selected Participant).
- (F) Where any grant of Award to a director (other than an independent non-executive Director) or chief executive of the Company, or any of their associates would result in the shares issued and to be issued in respect of all awards granted (excluding any awards lapsed in accordance with the terms of the relevant scheme) to such person in the 12-month period up to and including the date of such grant, representing in aggregate over 0.1% of the Shares in issue (excluding Treasury Shares), such further grant of awards must be approved by the Shareholders in general meeting in accordance with Chapter 17 of the Listing Rules.
- (G) Where any grant of Awards to an independent non-executive director or a substantial Shareholder of the Company, or any of their respective associates, would result in the shares issued and to be issued in respect of all options and awards granted (excluding any options and awards lapsed in accordance with the terms of the relevant scheme) to such person in the 12-month period up to and including the date of such grant representing in aggregate over 0.1% of the Shares in issue (excluding Treasury Shares), such further grant of Awards must be approved by the Shareholders in general meeting in the manner set out in Rule 17.04(4) of the Listing Rules.
- (H) After the Board has decided to make a grant of Award to any Selected Participant, the Board shall send a notice (the “**Grant Notice**”) to such Selected Participant with a copy thereof to the Trustee within a reasonable period of time as the Board may determine after the grant was made, setting out the number of RSUs so granted and the conditions and other requirements (including the payment of any Grant Consideration) upon which such RSUs were granted. The number of RSUs specified in the Grant Notice shall, subject to acceptance by the relevant Selected Participant in accordance with Paragraph 5.2(I), constitute the definitive number of Awarded Shares underlying the RSUs granted.
- (I) Upon receipt of the Grant Notice, the Selected Participant shall confirm acceptance of the Award being granted to him by signing and returning to the Board the acceptance

form attached to the Grant Notice within a reasonable period of time as the Board may determine after the date of the Grant Notice (the “**Acceptance Period**”). As soon as practicable after the receipt of the acceptance form duly signed by the relevant Selected Participant, the Board shall forward a copy thereof to the Trustee.

- (J) If the Selected Participant fails to sign and return the acceptance form attached to the Grant Notice before the expiry of the Acceptance Period, the grant of the Award to such Selected Participant shall lapse forthwith and the Shares underlying the relevant RSUs shall remain as part of the Trust Fund. Such Selected Participant shall have no right or claim against the Company, any other member of the Group, the Board, the Trust or the Trustee or with respect to those or any other Shares or any right thereto or interest therein in any way. In such instance, the Board shall notify the Trustee of the lapse of the grant of such Award as soon as practicable after the expiration of the Acceptance Period.
- (K) If the payment of Grant Consideration is required in the Grant Notice, the Selected Participant shall pay the full amount of the required Grant Consideration in cleared funds in such manner as prescribed in the Grant Notice to the Company, failing which, unless otherwise waived by the Board, the grant of Award to such Selected Participant shall lapse forthwith, the relevant RSUs shall not vest in the Selected Participant and the underlying Shares will remain as part of the Trust Fund. The Company may but is under no obligation to pay the Grant Consideration received or any part thereof to the Trustee. For the avoidance of doubt, only Grant Consideration paid to and accepted by the Trustee as Contributed Amount(s) as directed by the Board in its discretion in accordance with the provisions of the Trust Deed shall constitute part of the Trust Fund, and the paid Grant Consideration retained by the Company shall not constitute any part of the Trust Fund.
- (L) The Board may at any time cancel any unvested Awards previously granted to a Selected Participant. Where the Company cancels Awards and offers Awards to the same Selected Participant, the offer of such new Awards may only be made with available Awards to the extent not yet granted (excluding the cancelled Awards) within the limit as mentioned in Paragraphs 7(A) and 7(B) of the Scheme pursuant to Rule 17.03B or Rule 17.03C of the Listing Rules. The Awards cancelled will be regarded as utilized for the purpose of calculating the limit as mentioned in Paragraphs 7(A) and 7(B) of the Scheme.
- (M) Upon the occurrence of any of the following in relation to a Selected Participant, the Company shall propose that no further Awards shall be granted to him and shall claw back the Awards granted to such Selected Participant and such Awards shall lapse automatically: (a) the results of the economic responsibility audit and other reports proved that the Selected Participant has failed to perform duties effectively or is involved in serious misconduct or malfeasance; (b) the Selected Participant has contravened the relevant laws and regulations of PRC and/or Hong Kong or the provisions of the Articles of Association of the Company; (c) the Selected Participant has, during his tenure of office, been involved in acceptance or solicitation of bribery, corruption, theft, leakage of trade and technical secrets, conducted connected transactions and other unlawful acts and misconducts, which prejudiced the interest and reputation of and caused significant negative impact to the image of the Company; (d) the Selected Participant has failed to discharge, or failed to discharge properly, his

duties and thereby resulting in serious loss in assets to the Company and other serious and adverse consequences; (e) the Selected Participant is dismissed due to the breach of the relevant laws and regulations of PRC and/or Hong Kong or the provisions of the Articles of Association of the Company; or (f) the Selected Participant joins a competitor or forming a competing business after leaving the Company.

5.3 Vesting of RSUs

- (A) Subject to the terms and condition of the Scheme and the fulfillment of all vesting conditions to the vesting of the RSUs on such Selected Participant and all requirements applicable to such Selected Participant as specified in the Scheme and the Grant Notice (unless waived by the Board), the respective RSUs granted to the Selected Participant pursuant to the provision hereof shall vest in such Selected Participant in accordance with the vesting schedule (if any) as set out in the Grant Notice, and the Trustee shall cause the Awarded Shares to be transferred to such Selected Participant on the Vesting Date. For the avoidance of doubt, (i) any long leave of absence, as the Board may determine, shall be deducted from period of service for the purpose of counting vesting period, and (ii) the minimum vesting period must be 12 months commencing from the date upon which the Award is accepted or deemed to be accepted in accordance with the Scheme, save and except that with respect to a Selected Participant who is an Employee Participant, a shorter vesting period may be permitted in circumstances set out below:
- (a) Grants of “make-whole” share awards to new joiners to replace the share awards they forfeited when leaving the previous employers;
 - (b) Grants to a participant whose employment is terminated due to death or disability or occurrence of any out of control event;
 - (c) Grants of Awards with performance-based vesting conditions in lieu of time-based vesting criteria;
 - (d) Grants that are made in batches during a year for administrative and compliance reasons, such as Awards that should have been granted earlier but had to wait for a subsequent batch. In such cases, the vesting periods may be shorter to reflect the time from which an award would have been granted;
 - (e) Grants of Awards with a mixed or accelerated vesting schedule such as where the Awards may vest evenly over a period of 12 months; and
 - (f) Grants of Awards with a total vesting period of more than 12 months, such as where the Awards may vest by several batches with the first batch to vest within 12 months of the date of grant and the last batch to vest 12 months after.
- (B) Upon the vesting of the RSUs,
- (i) barring any unforeseen circumstances, the Board shall send to the relevant Selected Participant (with a copy to the Trustee) a vesting notice (the “**Vesting Notice**”) together with such prescribed transfer documents which

require the Selected Participant to execute to effect the vesting and transfer of the Awarded Shares;

- (ii) upon receipt of the Vesting Notice, the Selected Participant (or his legal representative or lawful successor as the case may be) is required to return to the Board the reply slip attached to the Vesting Notice to confirm the securities account details, together with the relevant duly signed transfer documents; and
 - (iii) subject to the receipt by the Trustee of (a) the reply slip to the Vesting Notice and transfer documents prescribed by the Trustee and duly signed by the Selected Participant within the period stipulated in the Vesting Notice referred to in Paragraph 5.3(B)(ii), (b) a confirmation from the Company that all vesting conditions with respect to the RSUs having been fulfilled and all requirements applicable to such Selected Participant as specified in the Scheme and/or the Grant Notice have been met (and if any waiver has been given the Board, a confirmation from that Board that such waiver has been given), and (c) certified copies of the identification documents of the Selected Participant, the Trustee shall transfer the relevant Awarded Shares to the relevant Selected Participant as soon as practicable on or after the Vesting Date. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the rules of the Scheme, for the purposes of the vesting of the RSUs, if directed by the Board in writing and such direction shall be received by the Trustee with the confirmation to be given by the Board under Paragraph 5.3(B)(iii)(b), the Trustee shall as soon as practicable on or after the Vesting Date transfer the relevant Awarded Shares to an account in the name of the Trustee (or its associated party) acting as a nominee or agent for the relevant Selected Participant.
- (C) Prior to the Vesting Date, any Award made hereunder shall be personal to the Selected Participant to whom it is made and shall not be assignable or transferrable and no Selected Participant shall in any way sell, transfer, charge, mortgage, encumber or create any interest in favour of any other person over or in relation to the RSUs referable to him pursuant to such Award, except for when a waiver is obtained from the Stock Exchange for the transfer to a vehicle such as a trust or a private company) for the benefit of the Selected Participant and any family members of such participant that would continue to meet the purpose of the Scheme and comply with other requirements of Chapter 17 of the Listing Rules and express written consent is obtained from the Board or its delegates, subject to the compliance with the Listing Rules. The Awarded Shares will be subject to all the provisions of the Articles of Association of the Company and will rank *pari passu* with the fully paid Shares then in issue.
- (D) Unless otherwise specified by the Board in its entire discretion, the Selected Participants do not have any rights to any cash or non-cash income, dividends or distributions and/or the sale proceeds of non-cash and non-scrip distributions from any Award Shares (including those arising on a liquidation of the Company) before such Shares are transferred to such Selected Participants. If the Board at its discretion so determine that any cash or non-cash income, dividends or distributions and/or the sale proceeds of non-cash and non-scrip distributions in relation to the Award Shares be paid to the Selected Participants even though the RSUs have not yet vested, the Board

may at its discretion, subject to the Scheme and Listing Rules, with or without further conditions, transfer additional Shares (which should be existing Shares as may be purchased by the Trustee on the Stock Exchange or off the market) or cash award out of the Trust fund representing all or part of the income or distributions (including but not limited to cash income or dividends, cash income or net proceeds of sale of non-cash and non-scrip distribution, bonus Shares and scrip dividends) declared by the Company or derived from such Award Shares during the period from the date of Award to the vesting date to a Selected Participant upon the vesting of any RSUs. In the event that an Award of RSUs becomes lapsed, the Awarded Shares underlying the RSUs and/or the relevant income or distributions shall remain as part of the Trust Fund.

5.4 Disqualification of Selected Participant

- (A) In the event that prior to or on the Vesting Date, a Selected Participant is found to be an Excluded Participant or is deemed to cease to be a Participant pursuant to Paragraph 5.4(B) unless agreed specifically between the Selected Participant and the Company to the extent permitted under the laws or regulations of such place or where in the view of the Board or the Trustee (as the case may be), compliance with applicable laws or regulations in such place makes it necessary or expedient to exclude such Participant, the relevant Award made to such Selected Participant shall automatically lapse forthwith and the relevant Awarded Shares shall not vest on the relevant Vesting Date but shall remain part of the Trust Fund, and such returned RSUs shall be applied by the Trustee towards future Awards in accordance with the rules of the Scheme. The Company shall bear the sole responsibility to refund the full amount of the paid Grant Consideration (regardless of whether such paid Grant Consideration or any part thereof was paid by the Company to and accepted by the Trustee as Contributed Amount(s)) to such Selected Participant as soon as practicable. Other than the right to demand the Company to refund the full amount of the paid Grant Consideration, such Selected Participant shall have no right or claim against the Company, any other member of the Group, the Board, the Trust or the Trustee or with respect to the paid Grant Consideration or those or any other Shares or any right thereto or interest therein in any way.
- (B) Unless the Board determines otherwise, the circumstances under which a person shall be treated as having ceased to be a Participant shall include, without limitation, the following:
- (i) where such person has committed any act of fraud or dishonesty or serious misconduct, whether or not in connection with his employment or engagement by any member of the Group and whether or not it has resulted in his employment or engagement being terminated by the relevant member of the Group;
 - (ii) where such person has been declared or adjudged to be bankrupt by a competent court or governmental body or has failed to pay his debts as they fall due (after the expiry of any applicable grace period) or has entered into any arrangement or composition with his creditors generally or an administrator has taken possession of any of his assets;

- (iii) where such person has been convicted of any criminal offence; or
 - (iv) where such person has been convicted of or is being held liable for any offence under or any breach of the SFO or other securities laws or regulations in Hong Kong or any other applicable laws or regulations in force from time to time.
- (C) In respect of a Selected Participant who died or retired by agreement with a member of the Group at any time prior to or on the Vesting Date, all the RSUs of the relevant Selected Participant shall be deemed to be vested on the day immediately prior to his death or the day immediately prior to his retirement with the relevant member of the Group.
- (D) (i) In the event of the death of a Selected Participant, the Trustee shall hold the vested RSUs and the underlying Shares (hereinafter referred to as “**Benefits**”) upon trust to transfer the same to the legal personal representatives of the Selected Participant and subject as aforesaid the Trustee shall hold the Benefits or so much thereof as shall not be transferred or applied under the foregoing powers within (a) two (2) years of the death of the Selected Participant (or such longer period as the Trustee and the Board shall agree from time to time) or (b) the Trust Period (whichever is shorter) upon trust to transfer the same to the legal personal representatives of the Selected Participant; or
- (ii) If the Benefits would otherwise become bona vacantia, the Benefits shall lapse and cease to be transferable and such Benefits shall remain part of the Trust Fund.

5.5 Other terms and conditions

- (A) For the avoidance of doubt,
- (i) subject to Paragraph 5.3(D), a Selected Participant shall not have any interest or rights (including the right to receive dividends) in the RSUs (and the underlying Shares) prior to the Vesting Date;
 - (ii) a Selected Participant shall have no rights in the Residual Cash or Shares or such other Trust Fund or property held by the Trust;
 - (iii) the RSUs, whether vested or not, do not carry any right to vote at general meetings of the Company. No instructions shall be given by a Selected Participant (including, without limitation, voting rights) to the Trustee in respect of the RSUs and/or the underlying Shares that have not been vested, and such other properties of the Trust Fund managed by the Trustee. Save as otherwise provided in the rules of the Scheme or the Trust Deed, no Selected Participants shall enjoy any of the rights of a Shareholder (including but not limited to the exercising of voting rights attached to the Shares) by virtue of the grant of an Award pursuant to the Scheme. Unless otherwise specified by the Board in its entire discretion in the Grant Notice, the Selected Participants do not have any rights to any cash or non-cash income, dividends or distributions and/or the sale proceeds of non-cash and non-scrip distributions

from any Awarded Shares (including those arising on a liquidation of the Company) before such Shares are transferred to such Selected Participants;

- (iv) the Trustee shall not exercise the voting rights in respect of any Shares held by it under the Trust (if any) (including but not limited to the Awarded Shares, any bonus Shares and scrip Shares derived therefrom). For the avoidance of doubt, the Trustee holding unvested Shares of the Scheme, whether directly or indirectly, shall abstain from voting on matters that require Shareholders' approval under the Listing Rules, unless otherwise required by law to vote in accordance with the beneficial owner's direction and such a direction is given;
 - (v) subject to Paragraph 5.3(D), all cash income and the sale proceeds of non-scrip distribution declared in respect of a Share held upon the Trust will be applied towards (a) the payment of the fees, costs and expenses of the Trust and (ii) the remainder, if any, remain as part of the Trust Fund;
 - (vi) unless otherwise waived by the Board, in the event that the vesting conditions and the requirements specified in the Grant Notice are not fully satisfied prior to or on the relevant Vesting Date or the relevant specified deadline (as applicable), the award of the RSUs in respect of the relevant Vesting Date shall lapse, such RSUs shall not vest on the relevant Vesting Date and, other than the right to demand the Company to refund the full amount of paid Grant Consideration (regardless of whether such paid Grant Consideration or any part thereof was paid by the Company to and accepted by the Trustee as Contributed Amount(s)), the Selected Participant shall have no claims against the Company, the Board, the Trust or the Trustee; and
 - (vii) in the case of the death of a Selected Participant, the benefits shall lapse if no transfer of the benefits to the legal personal representatives of the Selected Participant is made within the period prescribed in Paragraph 5.4(D), and the legal personal representatives of the Selected Participant shall have no claims against the Company or the Trustee.
- (B) No Award shall be made by the Board pursuant to Paragraph 5.2(A) and no instructions to acquire any Shares shall be given to the Trustee under the Scheme pursuant to Paragraphs 5.1(B) and (C) where dealings in the Shares are prohibited under any code or requirement of the Listing Rules and all applicable laws from time to time. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, no such instruction is to be given and no such grant is to be made:
- (i) after an event involving inside information in relation to affairs or securities of the Company has occurred or a matter involving inside information in relation to the securities of the Company has been the subject of a decision, until such inside information has been publicly announced in accordance with the applicable laws and the Listing Rules;
 - (ii) to any Selected Participant during the period commencing 30 days immediately before the earlier of (a) the date of the Board meeting (as such date is first notified to the Stock Exchange under the Listing Rules) for approving the results of the Company for any year, half-year, quarterly or any

other interim period (whether or not required under the Listing Rules); and (b) the deadline for the Company to announce its results for any year or half-year under the Listing Rules, or quarterly or any other interim period (whether or not required under the Listing Rules), and ending on the date of the results announcement. The period during which no Award may be granted will cover any period of delay in the publication of results announcement;

- (iii) to any Director (a) during the period of 60 days immediately preceding the publication date of the annual results for any financial period of the Company or, if shorter, the period from the end of the relevant financial period up to the publication date of the results; and (b) during the period of 30 days immediately preceding the publication date of the interim results for any financial period of the Company or, if shorter, the period from the end of the relevant half-year period of the financial period up to the publication date of the results; or
- (iv) during the period of 60 days immediately preceding the publication date of the annual results for any financial period of the Company or, if shorter, the period from the end of the relevant financial period up to the publication date of the results;
- (v) during the period of 30 days immediately preceding the publication date of the interim results for any financial period of the Company or, if shorter, the period from the end of the relevant half-year period of the financial period up to the publication date of the results; or
- (vi) in any circumstance which is prohibited under the Listing Rules, the SFO or any other law or regulation or where any requisite approval from any governmental or regulatory authority has not been granted.

The Board may, at any time after it has instructed the Trustee to purchase or acquire any Shares in accordance with Paragraphs 5.1(B) and (C), instruct the Trustee in writing to cease purchasing Shares or to suspend purchasing Shares until further notice (without specifying any reasons therefor). The Board may also instruct the Trustee in writing to cease receiving any transfer, gift, assignment or conveyance of Shares or to suspend receiving any transfer, gift, assignment or conveyance of Shares until further notice (without specifying any reasons therefor).

- (C) In respect of the administration of the Scheme, the Company shall comply with all applicable disclosure regulations including without limitation those imposed by the Listing Rules from time to time.

6 TAKEOVER, RIGHT ISSUE, OPEN OFFER, SCRIP DIVIDEND SCHEME

- (A) Notwithstanding any other provision provided herein, if there occurs an event of change in control of the Company (whether by way of offer, merger, scheme of arrangement or otherwise) or the Company's withdrawal of its listing from the Stock Exchange pursuant to the Listing Rules prior to the Vesting Date, the Board shall determine at its discretion whether such RSUs not yet vested shall vest in the Selected Participant and, if so, the time at which such RSUs shall vest and whether Awarded

Shares shall be transferred to the relevant Selected Participants and, if so, the time at which such Awarded Shares shall be transferred. Subject to the receipt by the Trustee of duly executed prescribed transfer documents within fifteen (15) Business Days from the deemed Vesting Date, the Trustee shall transfer the Awarded Shares to the Selected Participant in accordance with Paragraph 5.3(B)(iii). For the purpose of this Paragraph 6(A), “control” shall have the meaning as specified in the Hong Kong Codes on Takeovers and Mergers and Share Repurchases from time to time.

- (B) In the event the Company undertakes a subdivision or consolidation of the Shares, such Selected Participant shall be entitled to those Awarded Shares as so subdivided or consolidated and the Board shall as soon as reasonably practicable after such subdivision or consolidation has been effected, notify each such Selected Participant of the number of Awarded Shares that he has become entitled to on vesting after such subdivision or consolidation (as the case may be).
- (C) In the event the Company undertakes an open offer of new securities in respect of any Shares which are held by the Trustee under the Scheme, the Trustee shall not subscribe for any new Shares. In the event of a rights issue, the Trustee shall seek instructions from the Board to decide whether to sell such amount of the nil-paid rights allotted to it on the market as is appropriate and, subject to Paragraph 5.3(D), the net proceeds of sale of such rights shall be held as part of the Trust Fund.
- (D) In the event the Company issues bonus warrants in respect of any Shares which are held by the Trustee, the Trustee shall not subscribe for any new Shares by exercising any of the subscription rights attached to the bonus warrants and shall seek instructions from the Board to decide whether to sell the bonus warrants created and granted to it on the market, subject to Paragraph 5.3(D), the net proceeds of sale of such bonus warrants shall be held as part of the Trust Fund.
- (E) In the event that the Company undertakes an issue of bonus Shares, subject to Paragraph 5.3(D), the bonus Shares allotted with respect to any Shares which are held by the Trustee shall be held as part of the Trust Fund.
- (F) In the event the Company undertakes a scrip dividend scheme, the Trustee shall elect to receive scrip Shares and, subject to Paragraph 5.3(D), scrip Shares allotted with respect to any Shares which are held by the Trustee shall be held as part of the Trust Fund.
- (G) In the event of other non-cash and non-scrip distribution made by the Company in respect of Shares held upon the Trust, the Trustee shall seek instructions from the Board to decide whether to dispose of such distribution and, subject to Paragraph 5.3(D), the net sale proceeds thereof shall be deemed as cash income of a Share held as part of the Trust Fund.
- (H) If notice is duly given by the Company to its Shareholders to convene a Shareholders’ meeting for the purpose of considering a resolution for the voluntary winding-up of the Company (other than for the purposes of, and followed by, an amalgamation or reconstruction in such circumstances that substantially the whole of the undertaking, assets and liabilities of the Company pass to a successor company) or an order of winding up of the Company is made, the Board shall determine at its discretion

whether such RSUs shall vest in the Selected Participant and, if so, the time at which such RSUs shall vest and whether Awarded Shares shall be transferred to the relevant Selected Participants and, if so, the time at which such Awarded Shares shall be transferred. If the Board determines that any Awarded Shares shall be transferred to a Selected Participant, it shall promptly notify the Selected Participant and shall use its reasonable endeavours to procure the Trustee to take such action as may be necessary to transfer the legal and beneficial ownership of the Awarded Shares to such Selected Participant.

7 **SCHEME LIMIT**

- (A) The total number of Shares which may be issued in respect of all options and awards involving issue of new Shares that may be granted under the Scheme and any other share scheme(s) adopted by the Company must not exceed 10% of the issued share capital of the Company (excluding Treasury Shares) as of the Amendment Date, being 86,581,717 Shares (the “**Scheme Limit**”), unless otherwise permitted by the Listing Rules or the Company obtains the approval of its Shareholders in accordance with Paragraph 7(C). Awards lapsed in accordance with the terms of the Scheme shall not be counted for the purpose of calculating the Scheme Limit. No Award may be granted under the Scheme if this will result in the limit being exceeded.
- (B) Subject to Paragraph 7(A), within the Scheme Limit, the total number of Shares which may be issued in respect of all options and awards involving issue of new Shares that may be granted under the Scheme and any other share scheme(s) of the Company to the Service Providers must not in aggregate exceed 8,658,171 Shares, representing 1% of the total number of Shares in issue (excluding Treasury Shares) as of the Amendment Date (the “**Service Provider Sublimit**”).
- (C) The Company may seek the approval of its Shareholders in general meeting to refresh the Scheme Limit or the Service Provider Sublimit in Paragraphs 7(A) and 7(B), subject to compliance with the requirements of Listing Rules.
- (D) Except with the approval of Shareholders in general meeting with the prospective Selected Participant and his/her close associates (as defined under the Listing Rules) (or associates if the Selected Participant is a connected person as defined under the Listing Rules) abstaining from voting, no Award may be granted to any participant such that the total number of Shares issued and to be issued upon vesting of all Awards and any other awards granted and to be granted (excluding any options and awards lapsed in accordance with the terms of the relevant scheme) to such person in any 12-month period up to and including the date of the latest grant in aggregate exceeds 1% of the Shares in issue from time to time (excluding Treasury Shares). The Company shall send a circular to its Shareholders containing the information required under the Listing Rules. The number and terms of the Awards to be granted to such prospective Selected Participant shall be fixed before the Shareholders’ approval of the grant of such Awards.

8 **DISPUTES**

Any dispute arising in connection with the Scheme shall be referred to the decision of the Board whose decision shall be final and binding.

9 ALTERATION OF THE SCHEME

- (A) Subject to Paragraph 9(C), the Scheme may be altered in any respect by an ordinary resolution of the Board except that any alterations to the provisions of the Scheme as to (i) the terms and conditions of the Scheme which are of a material nature; (ii) the provisions relating to the matters set out in Rule 17.03 to the advantage of the Participants; and (b) any change to the authority to alter the terms of the Scheme of the Board, the administration committee or any other committee or sub-committee or any person(s) as from time to time authorized by the Board for the purpose of administering the Scheme or the Trustee, must be approved by Shareholders in general meeting.
- (B) Subject to Paragraph 9(C), any change to the terms of Awards granted to a participant must be approved by the Board, the remuneration committee of the Board, the independent non-executive Directors and/or the Shareholders (as the case may be) if the initial grant of the options or awards was approved by the Board, the independent non-executive Directors and/or the Shareholders (as the case may be). This requirement does not apply where the alterations take effect automatically under the existing terms of the Scheme.
- (C) The amended terms of the Scheme or the Awards must still comply with the relevant requirements of the Chapter 17 of the Listing Rules.
- (D) Written notice of any amendment to the Scheme shall be given to all Selected Participants and the Trustee.

10 TERMINATION

- (A) The Scheme shall terminate on the earlier of:
 - (i) the tenth (10) anniversary date of the Adoption Date; and
 - (ii) such date of early termination as determined by the Board by a resolution of the Board,

PROVIDED THAT such termination shall not affect any subsisting rights of any Selected Participant hereunder.

- (B) Upon termination of the Scheme,
 - (i) no further grant of RSUs may be made under the Scheme;
 - (ii) all the RSUs referable to the date of expiry of the Trust Period which are not vested shall be vested in the relevant Selected Participants and all the Awarded Shares (including the Shares underlying the RSUs vested pursuant to this Paragraph) shall continue to be held by the Trustee and be transferred to the Selected Participants, subject to the receipt by the Trustee within fifteen (15)

Business Days from the expiry of the Trust Period of the transfer documents prescribed by the Trustee and duly executed by the Selected Participant;

- (iii) upon the expiration of the period set out in Paragraph 10(B)(ii)(or such longer period as the Trustee and the Board may otherwise determine), all Shares remaining in the Trust Fund shall be sold (or as otherwise determined by the Board) by the Trustee within twenty-eight (28) Business Days (on which the trading of the Shares has not been suspended);
 - (iv) upon the expiration of the Trust Period all net proceeds of sale referred to in Paragraph 10(B)(iii) (if so sold) and such other funds and properties remaining in the Trust Fund managed by the Trustee (after making appropriate deductions in respect of all disposal costs, liabilities and expenses) shall be remitted to the Company forthwith (except as otherwise determined by the Board). For the avoidance of doubt, the Trustee may not transfer any Shares to the Company nor may the Company otherwise hold any Shares whatsoever (other than its interest in the proceeds of sale of such Shares pursuant to Paragraph 10(B)(iii)), except as otherwise determined by the Board.
- (C) For the avoidance of doubt, the temporary suspension of the granting of any Award shall not be construed as a decision to terminate the operation of the Scheme.

11 WITHHOLDING

- (A) The Company or any Subsidiary shall be entitled to withhold, and any Selected Participant shall be obliged to pay, the amount of any tax and/or social security contributions attributable to or payable in connection with the grant of the Award.
- (B) The Board may establish appropriate procedures to provide for any such payment so as to ensure that the Company or any Subsidiary receive advice concerning the occurrence of any event which may create, or affect the timing or amount of, any obligation to pay or withhold any such taxes or social security contributions or which may make available to the Company or such Subsidiary any tax deduction resulting from the occurrence of such event.
- (C) The Company or any Subsidiary may, by notice to the Selected Participant and subject to any rules as the Board may adopt, require that the Selected Participant pay at the time of the Award an amount estimated by the Company or any Subsidiary to cover all or a portion of the tax and/or social security contributions attributable to or payable in connection with the Award.

12 REORGANISATION OF CAPITAL STRUCTURE

- (A) In the event of any alteration in the capital structure of the Company whilst any Award remains exercisable, whether by way of capitalisation of profits or reserves, rights issue, consolidation, subdivision or reduction of the share capital of the Company in accordance with applicable laws and regulatory requirements, such corresponding adjustments (if any) shall be made to the number of Shares subject to the Scheme or any Awards granted (insofar as it is/they are unvested); and/or the Grant Consideration

(if any), which should give a Selected Participant the same proportion of the equity capital, rounded to the nearest whole share, as that to which that Selected Participant was previously entitled, and an independent financial adviser or the Auditors shall certify in writing to the Board that the adjustments satisfy the requirements set out under the note to Rule 17.03(13) of the Listing Rules, provided that no such adjustment shall be made the effect of which would be to enable any Share to be issued at less than its nominal value. The issue of Shares or other securities of the Group as consideration in a transaction shall not be regarded as a circumstance requiring any such adjustment. Any such adjustment shall be in compliance with the Listing Rules and such applicable rules, codes, guidance notes and/or interpretation of the Listing Rules from time to time promulgated by the Stock Exchange.

13 MISCELLANEOUS

- (B) The Scheme shall not form part of any contract of employment between the Company or any Subsidiary and any Participant, and the rights and obligations of any Participant under the terms of his office and/or employment shall not be affected by his participation in the Scheme or any right which he may have to participate in it and the Scheme shall afford such Participant no additional rights to compensation or damages in consequence of the termination of such office and/or employment for any reason. The Company shall bear the costs of establishing and administering the Scheme, including, for the avoidance of doubt, costs arising from communication as referred to in Paragraph 13(D), expenses, stamp duty, transaction levies and normal registration fees incurred in the purchase of Shares by the Trustee and the transfer of Awarded Shares to Selected Participants on the relevant Vesting Date; PROVIDED THAT, in respect of any gift, assignment, conveyance or transfer of Shares to the Trust, any tax or expenses of such other nature (including without limitation the stamp duty) payable shall be borne by the relevant party gifting, assigning, conveying or transferring such Shares to the Trust. For the avoidance of doubt, the Company shall not be liable for any tax or expenses of such other nature payable on the part of any Participant in respect of any sale, purchase, vesting or transfer of Shares.
- (C) In the event that any tax, duty, levy or social security contribution in any jurisdiction is payable by any Selected Participant in connection with the grant of any Award or the vesting (or otherwise the transfer) of any RSUs, such Selected Participant shall be responsible for the prompt payment of such tax, duty, levy or social security contribution (as the case may be) and shall indemnify the Company and the Trustee against any loss, damage, liability, costs and expenses arising from or in connection with any default or delay in the payment thereof.
- (D) Any notice or other communication between the Company and any Participant may be given by sending the same by prepaid post or by personal delivery to, in the case of the Company, its head office and principal place of business in Hong Kong or such other address as notified to the Participant from time to time, and in the case of a Participant, his address as notified to the Company from time to time. Any notice or other communication served by post shall be deemed to have been served 24 hours after the same was put in the post.
- (E) The Company, the Board, the Trust and the Trustee shall not be responsible for any failure by any Participant to obtain any consent or approval required for such

Participant to participate in the Scheme as a Selected Participant or for any tax, duty, expenses, fees or any other liability to which he may become subject as a result of his participation in the Scheme.

- (F) Each and every provision hereof shall be treated as a separate provision and shall be severally enforceable as such. To the extent that any provision or provisions are unenforceable they shall be deemed to be deleted from these rules of the Scheme, and any such deletion shall not affect the enforceability of the rules of the Scheme as remain not so deleted.
- (G) For the avoidance of doubt, a contribution of Shares by way of gift, assignment, conveyance or transfer by any party to the Trust does not confer on such party any power, right or interest in respect of the Trust or any part of the Trust Fund; PROVIDED THAT should any such party be a Selected Participant, any power, right or interest conferred on such party in the capacity of a Selected Participant shall be unaffected.

14 GOVERNING LAW

- (A) The Scheme shall operate subject to the Articles of Association of the Company and any applicable law and regulations to which the Company is subject.
- (B) The Scheme is governed by and shall be construed in accordance with the laws of Hong Kong.
- (C) Hong Kong courts shall be the exclusive venue for resolving dispute relating to or arising from the Scheme.

15 DISCLOSURE RIGHTS

- (A) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in the Scheme, the Trustee shall, in furtherance of the Trustee's obligation under or pursuant to FATCA, IRO or CRS or any analogous law, regulation, rule, ordinance or treaty (collectively "**Compliance Laws**") and such other obligations and duties as required by any taxation or government authorities anywhere in the world howsoever and wheresoever arising and whether legally enforceable or not (collectively "**Compliance Obligations**") as the Trustee may in its absolute discretion deem necessary, have the power to:
 - (i) keep information relating to the identity, citizenship and tax residence and status and such other necessary information (as required under the Compliance Laws or by any taxation or government authorities) of the Company, the Participants or other Controlling Person (as such term is defined under the relevant Compliance Laws, the "**Controlling Person**") for the purpose of compliance with such Compliance Obligations; and
 - (ii) disclose or report such information referred to in paragraph (a) above to any relevant government or tax authority or third party financial institution in any jurisdiction for any purpose as such government or tax authority or third party

financial institution may deem appropriate in the circumstances at their discretion.

- (B) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in the Scheme, in the absence of willful misconduct, gross negligence or fraud, the Trustee shall not be liable for any penalty or withholding imposed under the Compliance Laws and all local or foreign statute, law, regulation, ordinance, rule, judgment, decree, voluntary code, directive, sanctions regime, court order, treaty, agreement with or demands or request by such authorities resulting from the reporting of incomplete or incorrect information, or the failure to report such information and the Company shall indemnify the Trustee on a full indemnity basis against any such penalty or withholding.