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**GUANGDONG SYNTRUST GK TESTING AND CERTIFICATION  
TECH SERVICE CENTER CO., LTD.**

**廣東集信國控檢測認證技術服務中心股份有限公司**

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

**(Stock code: 8629)**

**PROPOSED CHANGE OF AUDITOR**

The Board hereby announces that: (i) PwC has resigned as auditor of the Company with effect from 29 November 2024; and (ii) on the recommendation of the Audit Committee, the Board resolved to propose the appointment of EY as the auditor of the Company for the financial year 2024, subject to the approval by the Shareholders at the EGM. It is proposed that EY shall, if appointment, hold office until the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company.

**RESIGNATION OF AUDITOR**

The board (the “**Board**”) of directors (the “**Director(s)**”) of Guangdong Syntrust GK Testing and Certification Tech Service Center Co., Ltd. (the “**Company**”) hereby announces that, PricewaterhouseCoopers (“**PwC**”) has resigned as the auditor of the Company with effect from 29 November 2024. In the resignation letter of PwC dated 29 November 2024, PwC resigned as auditor of the Company as PwC was informed by the Board that they have decided to propose the appointment of another auditor due to the fact that PwC could not reach a consensus with the Company on the proposed auditor’s remuneration for the financial year ending 31 December 2024.

The Board, after taking into account the Company’s cost control measures, comparing the audit fee proposals from other professional accounting firms, and considering the recommendation of the audit committee of the Board (the “**Audit Committee**”), confirmed that the change of auditor is in the interest of the Company and the shareholders of the Company (the “**Shareholders**”) as a whole.

PwC has confirmed in writing that there are no matters in relation to its resignation as the auditor of the Company which are needed to be brought to the attention of the Shareholders.

The Board and the Audit Committee have confirmed that the Company has no disagreement with PwC and there are no other matters in connection with the resignation of PwC as the auditor of the Company that should be brought to the attention of the Shareholders.

The Board and the Audit Committee have further confirmed that PwC has not commenced any audit work on the consolidated financial statements of the Group for the financial year 2024. It is expected that the change of auditor will not have any material impact on the annual audit of the Group for the financial year 2024.

The Board would like to take this opportunity to express its sincere gratitude to PwC for its professional services rendered to the Company in the past years.

## **PROPOSED APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR**

Upon recommendation of the Audit Committee which has taken into consideration (i) the Company's current business situation and the demand for audit services in the future; and (ii) the requirements under the Guidelines for Effective Audit Committees – Selection, Appointment and Reappointment of Auditors (the “**Guide**”), including but not limited to section 2 of the Guide for evaluating audit quality, issued by the Accounting and Financial Reporting Council, and in accordance with domestic and overseas laws and regulations and the relevant provisions of the articles of association of the Company, the Board, having fulfilled the relevant appointment procedures, has resolved to propose the appointment of Ernst & Young (“**EY**”) as the auditor of the Company for the financial year 2024 (the “**Proposed Appointment of Auditor**”), subject to the approval by the Shareholders at an extraordinary general meeting (the “**EGM**”) to be held by the Company. It is proposed that EY shall, if appointed, hold office until the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company.

The Audit Committee has assessed EY's eligibility and suitability to act as the auditor of the Company and is of the view that EY is qualified and competent to provide audit services to the Company. The Board is of the view that the Proposed Appointment of Auditor would be in the best interest of the Company and the Shareholders as a whole.

## THE EGM

The EGM will be convened and held by the Company for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, approving the Proposed Appointment of Auditor. A circular of the Company containing details of the Proposed Appointment of Auditor and notice of the EGM will be published in due course.

By order of the Board  
**Guangdong Syntrust GK Testing and Certification  
Tech Service Center Co., Ltd.**  
**廣東集信國控檢測認證技術服務中心股份有限公司**  
**Mr. Lai Feng**  
*Chairman and executive Director*

Hong Kong, 29 November 2024

*As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises of four executive Directors, namely Mr. Lai Feng, Mr. Huang Fei, Ms. Mai Jiayu and Mr. Zhang Xihua, two non-executive Directors, namely Ms. Zou Chan and Mr. Chen Guangfu and three independent non-executive Directors, namely Ms. Liu Hongge, Ms. Deng Dian and Mr. Luo Qiling.*

*This announcement, for which the Directors collectively and individually accept full responsibility, includes particulars given in compliance with the GEM Listing Rules for the purpose of giving information with regard to the Company. The Directors, having made all reasonable enquiries, confirm that to the best of their knowledge and belief the information contained in this announcement is accurate and complete in all material respects and not misleading or deceptive, and there are no other matters the omission of which would make any statement herein or this announcement misleading.*

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