



Leader Environmental Technologies Limited

利德环保技术有限公司

(Incorporated in the Republic of Singapore on 15 August 2006)

(Company Registration Number: 200611799H)

APPLICATION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO COMPLY WITH LISTING RULE 707(1) TO CONVENE THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING FOR FY2019

The Board of Directors (“**Board**”) of Leader Environmental Technologies Limited (“**Company**”) wishes to inform shareholders of the Company that the Company had on 28 February 2020 submitted an application to the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited (“**SGX-ST**”), which was acknowledged receipt by SGX-ST on 2 March 2020, for an extension of time to comply with the requirement of Listing Rule 707(1) in relation to the requirement to hold its annual general meeting (“**AGM**”) for FY2019 within four (4) months from the financial year end, ie by 30 April 2020 (“**Waiver Application**”).

The Waiver Application

Pursuant to Listing Rule 707(1) and Section 175 (1)(a) of the Companies Act (Chapter 50) of Singapore (“**Companies Act**”), the Company is required to hold its AGM for FY2019 within four (4) months from the financial year end, ie., by 30 April 2020. The Company has requested from the SGX-ST an extension of time of two (2) months to hold its AGM for FY2019 by 30 June 2020.

Reasons for the Waiver Application

- i) The principal place of business of the Company and its subsidiaries (“**Group**”) is in China. The Group’s latest financial year ended 31 December 2019.
- ii) The COVID-19 outbreak in China has caused delays in obtaining and furnishing additional financial information as required by our auditors, Foo Kon Tan LLP, to ascertain and finalize the audited accounts. Unlike the previous year, such information is not readily available because more time is now given to Chinese companies to prepare and file their financial information with the relevant authorities. Accordingly, the audit work is disrupted and will need more time to complete.



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- iii) More time is also needed for the Company's subsidiaries in China to prepare management accounts subsequent to the year end for purposes of the audit as the finance staff have only recently resumed work on 10 February 2020. Notwithstanding that Changchun Province and Jilin City are not the epicentre of the virus, but as a precautionary measure, the employees were restricted from returning to their office building by the local government prior to 10 February 2020. As the accountant does not have remote access to the financial data, the work is delayed and will require additional time.
 - iv) Travel restrictions as imposed by the Singapore government since 31 January 2020, followed by travel advisory to minimise travelling to mainland China and cancellation of certain domestic flights to Changchun City due to the spread of COVID-19, have affected our plans for internal audit. In the circumstances, our internal auditors, MS Risk Management Pte Ltd, have to delay their travels to our subsidiary in China to perform the internal audit until the situation improves.
 - v) The Company also requires time thereafter to print, perform accuracy checks, distributes its annual report and comply with the 14 days' notice of AGM to its shareholders.
 - vi) Last, but not least, if the travel restrictions imposed by the Singapore government still persist, it will affect the ability of the Company's China-based directors and chief executive officer to attend the AGM. Their attendance at the AGM is important as it is an occasion for shareholders to meet and communicate directly with the management.

The Company has also submitted an application to the Accounting and Corporate Regulatory on 2 March 2020 for extensions of time to hold its AGM for FY2019 and file its annual return under Section 175 and Section 197 of the Companies Act.

The Company will provide update on the outcome of the Waiver Application in due course.

By Order of the Board

Lin Baiyin
Executive Chairman and Chief Executive Officer
2 March 2020