



南方包装集团有限公司
Southern Packaging Group Limited

SOUTHERN PACKAGING GROUP LIMITED
(Company Registration No.: 200313312N)
(Incorporated in Singapore on 30 December 2003)

RESPONSE TO QUERY FROM SGX-ST

The Board of Directors (the “**Board**”) of Southern Packaging Group Limited (the “**Company**”) refers to the query from Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited (“**SGX-ST**”) on 24 April 2024 in relation to the Company’s Annual Report for the financial year ended 31 December 2023 released on 11 April 2024 as follows:

Query from SGX-ST

We note that the Company had engaged Daxin Guangzhou CPA as the internal auditors for the Group (“**IA**”).

(a) Please disclose (i) the size of the IA; (ii) the qualifications, experience and track record of the IA and the IA Partner; (iii) whether the IA Partner is a member of any professional body for internal auditors and if so, please provide the relevant details; and (iv) the experience and track record of the professionals involved in the IA function of the Group; and

(b) Please disclose whether the IA Partner has prior experience providing IA services to SGX listed entities and entities of similar industry and size of operations as the Company.

In your announcement, please disclose our questions and your corresponding answers to enable investors to understand the matters raised by the Exchange. If our queries have been addressed previously, please contact us to clarify this. Please also upload a copy of the Company’s announcement on the RegCo Portal once it is issued.

Company’s Response

(a)(i) The size of the IA

As of December 31, 2023, Daxin Certified Public Accountants (“WUYIGE Certified Public Accountants LLP”) has 4,001 employees, including 160 partners and 971 Chinese Certified Public Accountants. In 2022, the revenue of Daxin CPA was CNY 1.578 billion, providing services to more than 10,000 companies.

(a)(ii) The qualifications, experience and track record of the IA and the IA Partner

Daxin Certified Public Accountants was founded in 1945 and rebuilt in 1985. It is based in Beijing, and has branches throughout China. It provides professional services such as financial statements auditing, internal controls auditing, taxation, consulting, etc. It has 10,000 of clients (including Shanghai Stock Exchange listed entities, Shenzhen Stock Exchange listed entities, Hong Kong Exchange listed entities, etc.) year-round. The qualifications possessed include: securities and futures related business audit qualification, Hong Kong Exchange listed entities audit qualification, ISO9001 quality management system certification, environmental management system certification, military classified business audit qualification, and AAAAA level tax related audit qualification.

Mr. Cen Supeng, the IA Partner, holds the qualifications of Chinese Certified Public Accountant and Chinese Tax Agent. He became a Certified Public Accountant in 2012 and has practiced in Daxin CPA since 2013. Mr. Cen has started auditing listed companies since 2015 and the audit reports of listed companies signed in the recent past three years including Innovita [SH.688253] which is listed on the Stock Exchange of Shanghai.

(a)(iii) Whether the IA Partner is a member of any professional body for internal auditors and if so, please provide the relevant details

The IA Partner, Mr. Cen Supeng, is a member of The Chinese Institute of Certified Public Accountants (CICPA) and he is based in Daxin CPA Guangzhou office.

(a)(iv) The experience and track record of the professionals involved in the IA function of the Group

Mr. Cen Supeng is the IA partner-in-charge of Southern Packaging Group Limited. He is assisted by;-

- (1) Mr. Ding Haoen who has worked at Daxin CPA since 2016 and he is a qualified Chinese Certified Public Accountant since 2021; and
- (2) Ms. Wu Hongjiao who has worked at Daxin CPA since 2018 and is a qualified Chinese Certified Public Accountant since 2021.

(b) Please disclose whether the IA Partner has prior experience providing IA services to SGX listed entities and entities of similar industry and size of operations as the Company.

The IA Partner, Mr. Cen Supeng, has no prior experience in providing IA services to other SGX listed entities, but he has experience in providing IA services to the entities of similar industry and size of operations as the Company including Innovita [SH.688253] which is listed on the Stock Exchange of Shanghai.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

PAN SHUN MING
Executive Chairman and Chief Executive Officer
26 April 2024