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GUANGKEN RUBBER (SINGAPORE) PTE. LTD.

廣墾橡膠(新加坡)有限公司

(Incorporated in Singapore limited by shares)

ANNOUNCEMENT

**DESPATCH OF OFFER DOCUMENT RELATING TO
MANDATORY UNCONDITIONAL CASH OFFER BY
GF SECURITIES (HONG KONG) BROKERAGE LIMITED FOR AND ON
BEHALF OF GUANGKEN RUBBER (SINGAPORE) PTE. LTD.
廣墾橡膠(新加坡)有限公司 TO ACQUIRE ALL THE ISSUED SHARES IN
HUA LIEN INTERNATIONAL (HOLDING) COMPANY LIMITED
(OTHER THAN THOSE ALREADY OWNED OR AGREED TO BE
ACQUIRED BY GUANGKEN RUBBER (SINGAPORE) PTE. LTD.
廣墾橡膠(新加坡)有限公司 AND PARTIES ACTING IN CONCERT WITH IT)**

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GF Capital (Hong Kong) Limited

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References are made to (i) the joint announcement jointly issued by Guangken Rubber (Singapore) Pte. Ltd. (“**Guangken Singapore**”) and Hua Lien International (Holding) Company Limited (the “**Company**”) dated 20 June 2024 relating to, among others, the mandatory unconditional cash offer by GF Securities (Hong Kong) Brokerage Limited for and on behalf of Guangken Singapore to acquire all the issued Shares of the Company (other than those already owned or agreed to be acquired by Guangken Singapore and parties acting in concert with it) (the “**General Offer**”); (ii) the announcement issued by Guangken Singapore dated 11 July 2024 in relation to the delay in despatch of the Offer Document; and (iii) the offer document issued by Guangken Singapore dated 26 July 2024 relating to the General Offer (the “**Offer Document**”). Unless otherwise specified, capitalised terms used herein shall have the same meanings as those defined in the Offer Document.

DESPATCH OF THE OFFER DOCUMENT

The Offer Document, setting out, among other things, (i) further details on the terms and procedures for acceptance of the General Offer; (ii) the expected timetable of the General Offer; and (iii) the letter from GF Securities in respect of the General Offer, together with the Form of Acceptance, have been despatched to the Offer Shareholders on 26 July 2024 in accordance with the Takeovers Code.

EXPECTED TIMETABLE

The timetable set out below, as reproduced from the Offer Document, is indicative only and may be subject to change. Any changes to the timetable will be announced by Guangken Singapore as and when appropriate. All references to dates and times contained in this announcement, the Offer Document and the Form of Acceptance refer to Hong Kong dates and times:

**Hong Kong
Time unless
indicated otherwise**

Date of despatch of the Offer Document and the accompanying Form of Acceptance and the General Offer open for acceptance (<i>Note 1</i>)	Friday, 26 July 2024
Latest date for the posting of the Response Document (<i>Note 2</i>)	by Friday, 9 August 2024
Closing Date	Friday, 23 August 2024
Latest time and date for acceptance of the General Offer on the Closing Date (<i>Notes 3, 4 and 5</i>)	by 4:00 p.m. on Friday, 23 August 2024

Announcement of the results of the General Offer
as at the Closing Date, to be posted on the
website of the Stock Exchange (*Note 3*) by 7:00 p.m. on
Friday, 23 August 2024

Latest date for posting of remittances in respect
of valid acceptances received under the
General Offer on the
Closing Date (*Notes 4 and 6*) by Tuesday, 3 September 2024

Notes:

1. The General Offer, which is unconditional, is made on Friday, 26 July 2024, being the date of despatch of the Offer Document, and is capable of acceptance on and from that date until 4:00 p.m. on the Closing Date, unless the Offeror revises or extends the General Offer in accordance with the Takeovers Code.
2. In accordance with the Takeovers Code, the Company is required to post the Response Document within 14 days from the posting of the Offer Document, unless the Executive consents to a later date. Such consent will only be given if the Offeror agrees to extend the Closing Date by the number of days in respect of which the delay in the posting of the Response Document is agreed.
3. In accordance with the Takeovers Code, where the Response Document is posted after the date on which the Offer Document is posted, the General Offer must initially be opened for acceptance for at least 28 days following the date on which the Offer Document is posted. The General Offer will be closed at 4:00 p.m. on the Closing Date unless the Offeror revises or extends the General Offer in accordance with the Takeovers Code. The Offeror has the right under the Takeovers Code to extend the General Offer until such date as he may determine subject to compliance with the Takeovers Code (or as permitted by the Executive in accordance with the Takeovers Code). An announcement will be issued by the Offeror through the website of the Stock Exchange by 7:00 p.m. on the Closing Date, stating the results of the General Offer and whether the General Offer has been revised or extended to another closing date or until further notice. Such announcement will comply with the disclosure requirements under Rule 19.1 of the Takeovers Code.
4. If there is a tropical cyclone warning signal number 8 or above or a black rainstorm warning signal in force or “extreme conditions” announced by the government of Hong Kong (i) in force in Hong Kong at any local time before 12:00 noon but no longer in force after 12:00 noon on the latest date for acceptance of the General Offer and the latest date for posting of remittances for the amounts due under the General Offer in respect of valid acceptances, the latest time for acceptance of the General Offer will remain at 4:00 p.m. on the same Business Day and the date of posting of remittances will remain on the same Business Day; or (ii) in force in Hong Kong at any local time at 12:00 noon and/or thereafter on the latest date for acceptance of the General Offer and the latest date for posting of remittances for the amounts due under the General Offer in respect of valid acceptances, the latest time for acceptance of the General Offer will be rescheduled to the following Business Day and the date of posting of remittances will be rescheduled to the following Business Day which does not have either of those warnings in force in Hong Kong at 12:00 noon and/or thereafter.
5. Beneficial owners of the Offer Shares who hold their Offer Shares in CCASS directly as an investor participant or indirectly via a broker or custodian participant should note the timing requirements (as set out in Appendix I to the Offer Document) for causing instructions to be made to CCASS in accordance with the General Rules of CCASS and CCASS Operational Procedures. Acceptances of the General Offer are irrevocable and not capable of being withdrawn, except as permitted under the Takeovers Code. Please refer to the section headed “RIGHT OF WITHDRAWAL” in Appendix I to the Offer Document for further information on the circumstances where acceptances may be withdrawn.
6. Remittances in respect of the Offer Shares (after deducting the sellers’ ad valorem stamp duty, as applicable) tendered for acceptance under the General Offer will be despatched to the Offer Shareholders accepting the General Offer by ordinary post at their own risk as soon as possible, but in any event no later than seven (7) Business Days after the date on which the duly completed Form of Acceptance and the relevant documents of title of the Offer Shares are received by the Registrar to render each of such acceptance of the General Offer complete and valid in accordance with the Takeovers Code. Please refer to the sections headed “PROCEDURES FOR ACCEPTANCE OF THE GENERAL OFFER” and “SETTLEMENT OF THE GENERAL OFFER” in Appendix I to the Offer Document and the accompanying Form of Acceptance for further information.

Save as mentioned above, if the latest time for acceptance of the General Offer does not take effect on the date and time as stated above, the other dates mentioned above may be affected. Guangken Singapore will notify the Offer Shareholders by way of announcement(s) on any change to the expected timetable as soon as practicable.

WARNINGS

Following the despatch of the Offer Document, the Company will be required under the Takeovers Code to send to all Shareholders the Response Document within 14 days. The Response Document will include, among others, the views of the Board and the independent board committee of the Company on the General Offer, and the letter of advice from the independent financial adviser appointed by the Company in relation to the General Offer. Offer Shareholders are advised to read the Offer Document and the Response Document before taking any action in respect of the General Offer.

The Shareholders and potential investors of the Company are advised to exercise caution when dealing in the Shares, and if they are in any doubt about their position, they should consult their professional advisers.

Guangken Singapore remind its respective associates of the dealing restrictions under the Takeovers Code and to disclose their permitted dealings, if any, in any securities of the Company.

By order of the Board of
**GUANGKEN RUBBER
(SINGAPORE) PTE. LTD.**
廣墾橡膠(新加坡)有限公司
Mr. ZHU Gongmin
Sole director

Hong Kong, 26 July 2024

As at the date of this announcement, the sole director of Guangken Singapore is Mr. ZHU Gongmin.

The sole director of Guangken Singapore accepts full responsibility for the accuracy of the information contained in this announcement, and confirms, having made all reasonable enquiries, that to the best of his knowledge, opinions expressed in this announcement have been arrived at after due and careful consideration and there are no other facts not contained in this announcement, the omission of which would make any statement contained in this announcement misleading.