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### Chapter I : General Principles

#### **Article 1**

In order to fulfill corporate social responsibility initiatives and to promote economic, environmental, and social advancement for purposes of sustainable development, the Company promulgated the principles in accordance with the “Sustainable Development Best Practice Principles for TWSE/TPEX Listed Companies” to manage the economic, environmental, social risks and impacts of the Company and the group.

#### **Article 2**

The Principles apply to the Company and the group (hereinafter referred to as “the Company”), including the entire operations of each such company and its business group. The Company actively fulfills sustainable development in the course of business operations so as to follow international development trends and to contribute to the economic development of the country, to improve the quality of life of employees, the community and society by acting as responsible corporate citizens, and to enhance competitive edges built on sustainable development.

#### **Article 3**

In promoting sustainable development initiatives, the Company shall, in its corporate management guidelines and business operations, give due consideration to the rights and interests of stakeholders and, while pursuing sustainable operations and profits, also give due consideration to the environment, society, and corporate governance.

The Company shall, in accordance with the materiality principle, conduct risk assessments of environmental, social and corporate governance issues pertaining to company operations and establish the relevant risk management policy or strategy.

#### **Article 4**

To implement sustainable development initiatives, the Company is advised to follow the principles below:

1. Exercise corporate governance.
2. Foster a sustainable environment.
3. Preserve public welfare.
4. Enhance disclosure of sustainable development information.

#### **Article 5**

The Company shall take into consideration the correlation between the development of domestic and international sustainable issues and corporate core business operations, and the effect of the operation of individual company and of respective business groups as a whole on stakeholders, in establishing its policies, systems or relevant management guidelines, and concrete promotion plans for sustainable development programs, which shall be approved by the board of directors.



When a shareholder proposes a motion involving sustainable development, the Company's board of directors is advised to review and consider including it in the shareholders meeting agenda.

## **Chapter II : Exercising Corporate Governance**

### **Article 6**

The Company is advised to follow the Corporate Governance Best Practice Principles for TWSE/GTSM Listed Companies, the Ethical Corporate Management Best Practice Principles for TWSE/GTSM Listed Companies, and the Code of Ethical Conduct to establish effective corporate governance frameworks and relevant ethical standards so as to enhance corporate governance.

### **Article 7**

The directors of the Company shall exercise the due care of good administrators to urge the company to perform its sustainable development initiatives, examine the results of the implementation thereof from time to time and continually make adjustments so as to ensure the thorough implementation of its sustainable development policies.

The board of directors of the Company is advised to give full consideration to the interests of stakeholders, including the following matters, in the company's promotion of its sustainable development initiatives:

1. Identifying the Company's sustainable development mission or vision, and declaring its sustainable development policy, systems or relevant management guidelines;
2. Making sustainable development the guiding principle of the Company's operations and development, and ratifying concrete promotional plans for sustainable development initiatives; and
3. Enhancing the timeliness and accuracy of the disclosure of sustainable development information.

The board of directors shall appoint executive-level positions with responsibility for economic, environmental, and social issues resulting from the business operations of the Company, and to report the status of the handling to the board of directors. The handling procedures and the responsible person for each relevant issue shall be concrete and clear.

### **Article 8**

The Company is advised to, on a regular basis, organize education and training on the promotion of sustainable development initiatives, including promotion of the matters prescribed in paragraph 2 of the preceding article.

### **Article 9**

For the purpose of managing sustainable development initiatives, the Company is advised to establish a governance structure to promote sustainable development, and is advised to establish an exclusively (or concurrently) dedicated unit to be in charge of proposing and enforcing the sustainable development policies, systems, or relevant management guidelines, and concrete promotional plans and to report on the same to the board of directors on a periodic basis.

The Company is advised to adopt reasonable remuneration policies, to ensure that remuneration arrangements support the strategic aims of the organization, and align with the interests of



stakeholders. It is advised that the employee performance evaluation system be combined with sustainable development policies, and that a clear and effective incentive and discipline system be established.

#### **Article 10**

The Company shall, based on respect for the rights and interests of stakeholders, identify stakeholders of the Company, and establish a designated section for stakeholders on the Company website; understand the reasonable expectations and demands of stakeholders through proper communication with them, and adequately respond to the important sustainable development issues which they are concerned about.

### **Chapter 3 : Fostering a Sustainable Environment**

#### **Article 11**

The Company shall follow relevant environmental laws, regulations and international standards to properly protect the environment and shall endeavor to promote a sustainable environment when engaging in business operations and internal management.

#### **Article 12**

The Company is advised to endeavor to consume energy more efficiently and use renewable materials which have a low impact on the environment to improve sustainability of natural resources.

#### **Article 13**

The Company is advised to establish proper environment management systems based on the characteristics of its industry. Such systems shall include the following tasks:

1. Collecting sufficient and up-to-date information to evaluate the impact of the Company's business operations on the natural environment.
2. Establishing measurable goals for environmental sustainability, and examining whether the development of such goals shall be maintained and whether it is still relevant on a regular basis.
3. Adopting enforcement measures such as concrete plans or action plans, and examining the results of its operation on a regular basis.

#### **Article 14**

The Company is advised to establish a dedicated unit or assign dedicated personnel for drafting, promoting, and maintaining relevant environment management systems and concrete action plans, and shall hold environment education courses for its managerial officers and other employees on a periodic basis.

#### **Article 15**

The Company is advised to take into account the effect of business operations on ecological efficiency, promote and advocate the concept of sustainable consumption, and conduct research and development, procurement, production, operations, and services in accordance with the following principles to reduce



the impact on the natural environment and human beings from its business operations:

1. Reduce resource and energy consumption of its products and services.
2. Reduce emission of pollutants, toxins and waste, and dispose of waste properly.
3. Improve recyclability and reusability of raw materials or products.
4. Maximize the sustainability of renewable resources.
5. Enhance the durability of products.
6. Improve efficiency of products and services

#### **Article 16**

To improve water use efficiency, the Company shall properly and sustainably use water resources and establish relevant management measures.

The Company shall construct and improve environmental protection treatment facilities to avoid polluting water, air and land, and use its best efforts to reduce adverse impact on human health and the environment by adopting the best practical pollution prevention and control measures.

#### **Article 17**

The Company is advised to assess the current and future potential risks and opportunities that climate change may present to enterprises and to adopt relevant measures.

The Company is advised to adopt standards or guidelines generally used in Taiwan and abroad to enforce corporate greenhouse gas inventory and to make disclosures thereof, the scope of which shall include the following:

1. Direct greenhouse gas emissions: emissions from operations that are owned or controlled by the company.
2. Indirect greenhouse gas emissions: emissions resulting from the generation of externally imported electricity, heating, or steam.
3. Other indirect emissions: Emissions generated by corporate activities that are not indirect emissions from energy use, but come from emission sources owned or controlled by other companies.

The Company is advised to compile statistics on greenhouse gas emissions, volume of water consumption and total weight of waste and to establish policies for energy conservation, carbon and greenhouse gas reduction, reduction of water consumption or management of other wastes. The Company's carbon reduction strategies shall include obtaining carbon credits and be promoted accordingly to minimize the impact of its business operations on climate change.

### **Chapter 4 : Preserving Public Welfare**

#### **Article 18**

The Company shall comply with relevant laws and regulations, and the International Bill of Human Rights, with respect to rights such as gender equality, the right to work, and prohibition of discrimination.

The Company, to fulfill its responsibility to protect human rights, shall adopt relevant management policies and processes, including:



1. Presenting a corporate policy or statement on human rights.
2. Evaluating the impact of the company's business operations and internal management on human rights, and adopting corresponding handling processes.
3. Reviewing on a regular basis the effectiveness of the corporate policy or statement on human rights.
4. In the event of any infringement of human rights, the Company shall disclose the processes for handling of the matter with respect to the stakeholders involved.

The Company shall comply with the internationally recognized human rights of labor, including the freedom of association, the right of collective bargaining, caring for vulnerable groups, prohibiting the use of child labor, eliminating all forms of forced labor, eliminating recruitment and employment discrimination, and shall ensure that its human resource policies do not contain differential treatments based on gender, race, socioeconomic status, age, or marital and family status, so as to achieve equality and fairness in employment, hiring conditions, remuneration, benefits, training, evaluation, and promotion opportunities.

The Company shall provide an effective and appropriate grievance mechanism with respect to matters adversely impacting the rights and interests of the labor force, in order to ensure equality and transparency of the grievance process. Channels through which a grievance may be raised shall be clear, convenient, and unobstructed. The Company shall respond to any employee's grievance in an appropriate manner.

#### **Article 19**

The Company shall provide information for its employees so that the employees have knowledge of the labor laws and the rights they enjoy in the countries where the Company has business operations.

#### **Article 20**

The Company is advised to provide safe and healthful work environments for its employees, including necessary health and first-aid facilities and shall endeavor to curb dangers to employees' safety and health, and to prevent occupational accidents, and organize training on safety and health for its employees on a regular basis.

#### **Article 21**

The Company is advised to create an environment conducive to the development of its employees' careers and establish effective training programs to foster career skills.

The Company shall establish and implement reasonable employee welfare measures (including remuneration, leave and other welfare etc.) and appropriately reflect the business performance or achievements in the employee remuneration, to ensure the recruitment, retention, and motivation of human resources, and achieve the objective of sustainable operations.

#### **Article 22**

The Company shall establish a platform to facilitate two-way communication between the management and the employees for the employees to obtain relevant information and express their opinions on the company's operations, management and decisions.



The Company shall respect the employee representatives' rights to bargain for the working conditions, and shall provide the employees with necessary information and hardware equipment, in order to improve the negotiation and cooperation among employers, employees and employee representatives. The Company shall, by reasonable means, inform employees of operation changes that might have material impacts.

#### **Article 23**

The Company shall take responsibility for its products and services, and take marketing ethics seriously. In the process of research and development, procurement, production, operations, and services, the Company shall ensure the transparency and safety of its products and services. The Company further shall enforce itself in the course of business operations, in order to prevent the products or services from adversely impacting the rights or interests of customers.

#### **Article 24**

The Company shall ensure the quality of its products and services by following the laws and regulations of the government and relevant standards of its industries. The Company shall follow relevant laws, regulations and international guidelines in regard to marketing and labeling of, its products and services and shall not deceive, mislead, commit fraud or engage in any other acts which would betray customers' trust or damage their rights or interests.

#### **Article 25**

The Company is advised to evaluate and manage all types of risks that could cause interruptions in operations, so as to reduce the impact on society.

The Company is advised to provide a clear and effective procedure for accepting complaints to fairly and timely handle complaints, and shall comply with laws and regulations related to the Personal Information Protection Act for respecting litigants' rights of privacy and personal data.

#### **Article 26**

The Company is advised to assess the impact its procurement has on society as well as the environment of the community that it is procuring from, and shall cooperate with its suppliers to jointly implement the corporate social responsibility initiative.

The Company is advised to establish supplier management policies and request suppliers to comply with rules governing issues such as environmental protection, occupational safety and health or labor rights. Prior to engaging in commercial dealings, the Company is advised to assess whether there is any record of a supplier's impact on the environment and society, and avoid conducting transactions with those against corporate social responsibility policy.

When the Company enters into a contract with any of its major suppliers, the content shall include terms stipulating mutual compliance with corporate social responsibility policy, and that the contract may be terminated or rescinded any time if the supplier has violated such policy and has caused significant negative impact on the environment and society of the community of the supply source.

#### **Article 27**

The Company shall evaluate the impact of its business operations on the community, and adequately employ personnel from the location of the business operations, to enhance community acceptance.

The Company is advised to, through commercial activities, endowments, volunteering service or other



charitable professional services etc., participate in events held by citizen organizations, charities and local government agencies relating to community development and community education to promote community development.

## **Chapter 5 : Enhancing Disclosure of Sustainable Development information**

### **Article 28**

The Company discloses information according to relevant laws, regulations and the Corporate Governance Best Practice Principles for TWSE/GTSM listed Companies and fully discloses relevant and reliable information relating to its sustainable development initiatives to improve information transparency.

Relevant information relating to sustainable development which the Company discloses includes:

1. The policy, systems or relevant management guidelines, and concrete promotion plans for sustainable development initiatives, as resolved by the board of directors.
2. The risks and the impact on the corporate operations and financial condition arising from exercising corporate governance, fostering a sustainable environment and preserving social public welfare.
3. Goals and measures for realizing the sustainable development initiatives established by the Company, and performance in implementation.
4. Major stakeholders and their concerns.
5. Disclosure of information on major suppliers' management and performance with respect to major environmental and social issues.
6. Other information relating to sustainable development initiatives.

### **Article 29**

The Company shall adopt internationally widely recognized standards or guidelines when producing sustainable development reports, to disclose the status of its implementation of the sustainable development policy, and is advisable to obtain a third-party assurance or verification for reports to enhance the reliability of the information in the reports. The report is advised to include:

1. The policy, system, or relevant management guidelines and concrete promotion plans for implementing sustainable development initiatives.
2. Major stakeholders and their concerns.
3. Results and a review of the exercising of corporate governance, fostering of a sustainable environment, preservation of public welfare, executive performance and review for promoting economic development.
4. Future improvements and goals.

## **Chapter 6 : Supplementary Provisions**

### **Article 30**

The Company shall at all times monitor the development of domestic and foreign sustainable development standards and the change of business environment so as to examine and improve its established sustainable development framework and to obtain better results from the promotion of the



sustainable development policy.

**Article 31**

The principle shall be implemented after being approved by the Board of Directors, and shall be resolved by the Board of Directors when it is amended.

**Article 32**

The Procedures were enacted on March 19, 2015.

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