

Evaluation of the External Auditor's Independence and Suitability

The Audit Committee annually evaluates the independence and suitability of external auditor by conducting the following evaluation standards and reports the same to the Board of Directors:

1. Requiring the auditor to provide "declarations of impartiality and independence"
2. The Audit Committee pre-approves all Audit and Non-Audit Services conducted by the auditor to ensure that the Non-Audit Services do not influence the results of the audit.
3. The evaluation is conducted based on the independence assessment criteria specified in Note 1 and the Audit Quality Indicators (AQIs) in Note 2.

Evaluation results:

The company has confirmed that apart from the certification and finance and tax related handling charges between the external auditors and the company, there exist no financial interests, commercial relations or employment relations, between any of the external auditor and the company, and none of the external auditor's family members is in violation of the independence requirement.

The company also considers the AQIs make sure that the external auditor and their audit team firm has sufficient audit experience.

The recent year's evaluation result of the CPAs independence was approved by the Board on MAY 2, 2024.

Note1: Items for assessment of the CPA's independence are show below.

Evaluation Items	Evaluation Result	Compliant with Independence?
1. Does the CPA have direct or significant/ indirect relations with the Company in financial interests?	NO	YES
2. Does the CPA have financing or guarantee with the Company or its directors?	NO	YES
3. Does the CPA have a close business relationship and potential employer-employee relationship with the Company?	NO	YES
4. Does the CPA or members of the audit team hold the posts in the Company, such as the director, supervisor and officer or occupied a key position with significant influence on the auditing process?	NO	YES
5. Does the CPA offer non-audit service which could impact the auditing process for the Company?	NO	YES
6. Does the CPA act as a broker for the shares or other securities issued by the Company?	NO	YES
7. Does the CPA act as the Company's defense attorney or represent the Company to negotiate with any third party over any dispute?	NO	YES
8. Does the CPA have kinship with the Company's director, supervisors, or officers or any post with significantly on the auditing work?	NO	YES

Note2: The Audit Quality Indicators evaluation items(AQIs)

Dimension	AQI	Relevance	Evaluation result
Profession	Audit Experience	Whether senior auditors possess enough audit experience.	Auditors have sufficient audit experience.
	Training Hours	Whether auditors (CPA and managers or above titles) receive enough training.	The auditors have received enough training
	Attrition Rate	Whether the firm maintains sufficient human resources.	Low attrition rate of senior auditors
Quality Control	Involvement	Whether the involvement of audit team in each audit phase is appropriate	Audit team devotes appropriate audit hours to each audit-phase.
Independence	Non Audit Service	Whether the proportion of Non Audit Service affects the firm's independence.	Compliant with Independence.
	Familiarity	Whether audit firm tenure affects the firm's independence.	Compliant with Independence.
Monitoring	External Inspection Results & Enforcement	Whether the firm's compliance with quality control system and engagement is satisfactory.	Compliant with laws and regulations.
Innovation	Innovative Planning or Initiatives	Whether the firm has undertaken appropriate planning or initiatives to improve audit quality.	In line with innovation ability.