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# 山東晨鳴紙業集團股份有限公司 SHANDONG CHENMING PAPER HOLDINGS LIMITED\*

(a joint stock company incorporated in the People's Republic of China with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 1812)

#### OVERSEAS REGULATORY ANNOUNCEMENT

This announcement is made pursuant to Rule 13.10B of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited.

Shandong Chenming Paper Holdings Limited (the "Company") published the "Announcement of Shandong Chenming Paper Holdings Limited in relation to the Provision of Financial Assistance to an Invested Company and a Related Party Transaction" dated 30 October 2024 on the website of Shenzhen Stock Exchange. The following is a translation of the official announcement solely for the purpose of providing information.

By order of the Board

Shandong Chenming Paper Holdings Limited

Chen Hongguo

Chairman

Shandong, the PRC 30 October 2024

As at the date of this announcement, the executive directors are Mr. Chen Hongguo, Mr. Hu Changqing, Mr. Li Xingchun, Mr. Li Feng and Mr. Li Weixian; the non-executive directors are Mr. Han Tingde and Mr. Li Chuanxuan; and the independent non-executive directors are Ms. Yin Meiqun, Mr. Sun Jianfei, Mr. Yang Biao and Mr. Li Zhihui.

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# ANNOUNCEMENT OF SHANDONG CHENMING PAPER HOLDINGS LIMITED IN RELATION TO THE PROVISION OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO AN INVESTED COMPANY AND A RELATED PARTY TRANSACTION

The Company and all members of the Board of Directors warrant that the information disclosed is true, accurate and complete, and does not contain any false statements, misleading representations or material omissions.

#### I. Overview of the Financial Assistance

#### 1. Basic information of the Financial Assistance

In order to meet the capital needs of the daily operation of Weifang Port Wood Chip Wharf Co., Ltd. (hereinafter referred to as "Weifang Wood Chip Wharf"), an invested company of Shandong Chenming Paper Holdings Limited (the "Company"), the Company proposed to utilise its own funds to provide financial assistance to Weifang Wood Chip Wharf in proportion to its shareholding. The amount of the assistance shall not exceed RMB150 million (inclusive). The validity period of the loan shall not exceed 5 years (inclusive), and interest shall be paid to shareholders at an annual interest rate of not less than 6%. Shandong Port. Bohaiwan Port Group Co., Ltd. (hereinafter referred to as "Shandong Bohaiwan Group"), another shareholder of Weifang Wood Chip Wharf, will provide financial assistance in proportion to its capital contribution and with equal conditions. The financial assistance will not affect the normal operation of the Company's business and the use of funds. It does not fall within the scope of the Rules Governing the Listing of Shares of Shenzhen Stock Exchange or the Guidelines for the Selfregulation of Listed Companies No. 1 of the Shenzhen Stock Exchange -Standardized Operation of Main Board Listed Companies. Circumstances in which financial assistance is provided.

### 2. Description of the Connected Relationship

Ms. Li Kang, the Supervisor of the Company, serves as the Director of Weifang Wood Chip Wharf and Mr. Chen Gang, the general manager of Chenming Holdings Company Limited, the controlling shareholder of the Company serves as the chairman of Weifang Wood Chip Wharf. According to the requirements of 6.3.3 of the Listing Rules of Shenzhen Stock Exchange, Weifang Port Wharf is a related party legal person of the Company, and the financial assistance constitutes a related transaction.

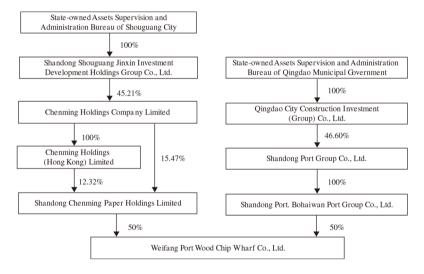
#### 3. Approval Procedures

On 30 October 2024, the 11<sup>th</sup> meeting of the 10<sup>th</sup> session of the Board of Directors of the Company approved the Proposal of "Announcement of Shandong Chenming Paper Holdings Limited in relation to the Provision of Financial Assistance to an Invested Company and a Related Party Transaction" with 11 votes in favour, 0 against and 0 abstentions. On the same date, the Company convened the 2<sup>nd</sup> Extraordinary Meeting of the 10<sup>th</sup> Session of the Independent Directors Meeting of

the Board of the Directors of the Company, at which all the independent directors agreed to provide financial assistance and related transactions for Weifang Wood Chip Wharf. The Proposal still needs to be submitted to the third Extraordinary General Meeting in 2024 for deliberation. Related parties with a vested interest in the Related Transaction will abstain from voting. The Transaction does not constitute a material asset restructuring as stipulated in the Administrative Measures for the Material Asset Restructurings of Listed Companies, which does not require the approval of relevant authorities.

#### II. Basic Information of the Recipient

- 1. Company name: Weifang Port Wood Chip Wharf Co., Ltd.
- 2. Registered address: 25 kilometers north of Yangzi Sub-district Office, Binhai District, Weifang City, Shandong Province
- 3. Legal representative: Chen Gang
- 4. Registered capital: RMB200 million
- 5. Date of Establishment: 28 June 2013
- 6. Business scope: construction, management and operation of ports.
- 7. Shareholding structure: the Company holds 50% of the shares, and Shandong Bohaiwan Group holds 50% of the shares. The property rights and control relationship are as follows:



#### 8. Major Financial Data

Unit: RMB00,000

Item	30 September 2024	31 December 2023
Total assets	49,350.96	50,267.97
Total liabilities	32,733.03	35,949.11
Total shareholder equity	16,617.93	14,318.86
Item	January to September	2023
	2024	
Operating revenue	7,736.72	7,697.19
Operating profit	2,263.00	826.84
Net profit	2,278.71	858.70

Note: The financial data of 2023 has been audited and the financial data from January to September 2024 has not been audited yet.

- 9. Connected relationship: Weifang Wood Chip Wharf is an invested company of the Company. Ms. Li Kang, the Supervisor of the Company, serves as the Director of Weifang Wood Chip Wharf and Mr. Chen Gang, the general manager of Chenming Holdings Company Limited, the controlling shareholder of the Company serves as the chairman of Weifang Wood Chip Wharf.
- 10. The Company provided financial assistance to Weifang Wood Chip Wharf in the amount of RMB75,511,800 in the previous financial year, as of the disclosure date of the Announcement, the remaining amount of financial assistance provided by the Company to Weifang Wood Chip Wharf was RMB78,757,200, and there was no failure to settle the financial assistance in a timely manner after the expiration of the financial assistance.
- 11. Weifang Wood Chip Wharf is a non-untrustworthy person subject to enforcement with good credit standing and no obstacle to its ability to perform.

#### III. Basic Information of Other Shareholder of the Recipient

- 1. Company name: Shandong Port. Bohaiwan Port Group Co., Ltd.
- 2. Registered address: Building B4, Blue Wisdom Valley, No. 6888, Jiankang East Street, Huayuan Community, Qingchi Sub-district, Weifang High-tech Zone, Shandong Province
- 3. Legal representative: Zhang Haijun
- 4. Registered capital: RMB13,500 million
- 5. Date of establishment: 28 March 2018
- 6. Business scope: Development, construction, operation and management of wharf and port infrastructure; park construction and land development; port and waterway engineering; port operation; water passenger transportation; shipping agency; freight forwarding; environmental protection monitoring; shipping information consulting; manufacturing, installation, maintenance of port machinery and equipment (not applicable to special equipment) and leasing business.
- 7. Shareholding structure: Shandong Port Group Co., Ltd. holds its 100% of the shares.
- 8. Shandong Bohaiwan Group has no connected relationship with the Company.

#### IV. Main Content of the Assistance Agreement

Weifang Wood Chip Wharf proposed to borrow not more than RMB150 million (inclusive) from the Company for the purpose of daily operation. The validity period of the loan shall not exceed 5 years (inclusive), and interest shall be paid to shareholders at an annual interest rate of not less than 6%. The amount of the loan is the cumulative amount calculated based on the remaining amount and duration of the original financial assistance as of the disclosure date of this Announcement. Shandong Bohaiwan Group, another shareholder of Weifang Wood Chip Wharf will provide financial assistance in proportion to its capital contribution and with equal conditions.

Weifang Wood Chip Wharf will sign a funding agreement with the Company based on actual business needs, and agree on the funding period, liability for breach of contract, among others. The final actual total funding amount will not exceed the amount granted.

#### V. Risk Analysis and Control Procedures of the Financial Assistance

- 1. The Company has dispatched the chairman, directors and supervisors to Weifang Wood Chip Wharf. The Company will closely monitor the business operation and risk management of Weifang Wood Chip Wharf.
- 2. In order to reduce the risk of such financial assistance, Shandong Bohaiwan Group, another shareholder of Weifang Wood Chip Wharf, will provide financial assistance in proportion to its capital contribution and with equal conditions.

#### VI. Opinion of the Board

Weifang Wood Chip Wharf is an invested company of the Company. Another shareholder will provide financial assistance in proportion to its capital contribution and with equal conditions. No guarantee was provided by Weifang Wood Chip Wharf and the assistance is mainly used to meet the capital requirement for the project operation of Weifang Wood Chip Wharf. During the period of providing financial assistance, the Company can effectively control the operation and management risks of Weifang Wood Chip Wharf. Moreover, Weifang Wood Chip Wharf has a good credit status. The risks of this external financial assistance provided are controllable, and there is no risk of harm to the interests of the Company and its shareholders, especially the minority shareholders.

## VII. Agreement of More Than Half of The Independent Directors

On 30 October 2024, the independent Directors of the Company convened the 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting of the 10<sup>th</sup> session of the Independent Directors meeting of the Board of the Directors and approved the Proposal of "Announcement of Shandong Chenming Paper Holdings Limited in relation to the Provision of Financial Assistance to an Invested Company and a Related Party Transaction" with 4 votes in favour, 0 against and 0 abstentions. All independent Directors unanimously agreed that the provision of financial assistance by the Company to Weifang Wood Chip Wharf, an invested company, could meet its daily operating capital needs and be conducive to the operation and development of Weifang Wood Chip Wharf. The Company appoints personnel to serve as its directors and supervisors, who can effectively manage and control its operation and management risks, which is in the overall interest of the Company and does not prejudice to the interests of the Company and its shareholders. It is agreed to submit this financial assistance and related party transactions to the 11<sup>th</sup> Extraordinary Meeting of the 10<sup>th</sup> Session of the Board of Directors of the Company for deliberation.

# VIII. Cumulative Amount of Financial Assistance Provided And Total Amount of Various Related Party Transactions With The Related Parties

As of the disclosure date of the Announcement, the remaining amount of financial assistance provided by the Company was RMB324,543,600, representing 1.94% of the audited net assets of the Company for the latest quarter. The total balance of financial assistance provided by the Company and its holding subsidiaries to entities outside the consolidated financial statements was RMB324,543,600, representing 1.94% of the audited net assets of the Company for the latest quarter. There was no overdue external financial assistance.

From 1 January 2024 to 30 September 2024, the total amount of various connected transactions incurred by the Company and its holding subsidiaries with Weifang Wood Chip Wharf was RMB79,486,300.

#### IX. Documents Available for Inspection

- 1. Resolutions passed at the 11<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the 10<sup>th</sup> Session of the Board of the Directors of the Company;
- 2. Resolutions passed at the 2<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of Independent Directors of the 10<sup>th</sup> Session of the Board of Directors.

  Notice is hereby given.

The Board of Directors of Shandong Chenming Paper Holdings Limited 30 October 2024