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## **ORIENTAL EXPLORER HOLDINGS LIMITED**

**東方興業控股有限公司**

*(Incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability)*

**(Stock Code: 430)**

### **CHANGE OF AUDITOR**

This announcement is made by Oriental Explorer Holdings Limited (the “**Company**”, together with its subsidiaries, the “**Group**”) pursuant to Rule 13.51(4) of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited.

The board of directors of the Company (the “**Board**”) announces that Elite Partners CPA Limited (“**Elite Partners**”) has resigned as the auditor of the Company with effect from 31 October 2024 after considering factors including its available internal resources. Elite Partners has provided a confirmation in writing that there are no matters in connection with its resignation that need to be brought to the attention of the shareholders of the Company (the “**Shareholders**”). The Board is not aware of any disagreements between the Company and Elite Partners, or other matters save as disclosed above in relation to the change of auditor that need to be brought to the attention of the Shareholders.

The Board further announces that, with the recommendation of the audit committee of the Company (the “**Audit Committee**”), Beijing Xinghua Caplegend CPA Limited (“**Beijing Xinghua**”) has been appointed as the auditor of the Company with effect from 31 October 2024 to fill the casual vacancy following the resignation of Elite Partners and to hold office until the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company.

The Audit Committee has considered a number of factors in assessing the appointment of Beijing Xinghua as the auditor, including but not limited to (i) the audit proposal of Beijing Xinghua; (ii) its experience and technical competence in handling audit works for companies listed on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited; (iii) its independence and objectivity; (iv) its resources and capabilities; and (v) the relevant guidelines issued by the Accounting and Financial Reporting Council. Based on the above, the Audit Committee has assessed and considered that Beijing Xinghua is eligible and suitable to act as the auditor of the Company.

As at the date of this announcement, Elite Partners has not commenced any audit work on the consolidated financial statements of the Group for the financial year ending 31 December 2024 (“**2024 Annual Audit**”). It is therefore expected that the change of auditor will not have any material impact on the 2024 Annual Audit.

The Board would like to take this opportunity to express its sincere gratitude to Elite Partners for its professional services rendered to the Company during its tenure as the auditor and extend its warm welcome to Beijing Xinghua on its appointment as the auditor of the Company.

By Order of the Board  
**Oriental Explorer Holdings Limited**  
**Lau Chi Yung, Kenneth**  
*Chairman*

Hong Kong, 31 October 2024

*As at the date of this announcement, the executive directors of the Company are Mr. Lau Chi Yung, Kenneth and Mr. Lau Michael Kei Chi and the independent non-executive directors of the Company are Mr. Lo Mun Lam, Raymond, Mr. Lo Kam Cheung, Patrick and Mr. Tsui Ka Wah.*