

Lianhe Global Milestone: Reaching 100 Issuer and Issuance Ratings 5 Years since Opening

Lianhe Ratings Global Limited ("Lianhe Global") published its 100th solicited international issuer rating on June 16, 2023. Meanwhile, Lianhe Global also published its 100th solicited international issuance rating on April 18, 2023, making Lianhe Global the first Chinese international rating agency to reach 100 ratings for both issuers and issuances. This is an important milestone for a rating agency which only received its license from the Securities and Futures Commission of Hong Kong ("HKSFC") in July 2018.

"Chinese international rating agencies have been struggling to thrive in the highly competitive but niche international credit rating industry. These first 100 ratings symbolize that Lianhe Global has grown successfully into a sizeable international rating agency. We would like to express our deepest gratitude on all your support throughout this journey. We will not stop, and will continue to achieve the second 100, third 100......until we have become one of the top international rating agencies," said Dr. Jenny Ai, Vice-Chairman at Lianhe Global.

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Lianhe Global has always been adhering to the motto of open-mindedness, diligence, and professionalism, and is committed to serving the capital market needs of Chinese corporates, and providing objective and valuable rating services for international investors. It is our mission and responsibility to improve the competitiveness of indigenous-Chinese rating agencies above and beyond China in the international capital market.

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