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CHINA SMARTER ENERGY GROUP HOLDINGS LIMITED

中國智慧能源集團控股有限公司*

(Incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 1004)

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This announcement is made by the board (the “**Board**”) of directors (the “**Directors**”) of China Smarter Energy Group Holdings Limited (the “**Company**”, together with its subsidiaries, the “**Group**”) pursuant to Rules 13.09(2)(a) and 13.49(3) of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the “**Listing Rules**”) and the Inside Information Provisions (as defined in the Listing Rules) under Part XIVA of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Chapter 571 of the Laws of Hong Kong).

Reference is made to the announcement of the Company dated 8 March 2024 (the “**Possible Delay Announcement**”) in relation to, amongst other things, the possible delay in publication of the 2023 Annual Results and the 2023 Annual Report. Unless otherwise defined, capitalized terms used in this announcement shall have the same meanings as those defined in the Possible Delay Announcement.

DELAY IN PUBLICATION OF THE 2023 ANNUAL RESULTS

The Board wishes to inform the Shareholders that there is a delay in publication of the 2023 Annual Results as the Company is still in the process of collecting and collating the necessary information and documents from its subsidiaries as required by the Auditor to complete the auditing process, and hence additional time is required for the Company to prepare the 2023 Annual Results. The Company is working closely with its subsidiaries and the Auditor to provide all requisite information and documents to complete the audit procedures as soon as possible. However, the expected date of the publication of the 2023 Annual Results will need to be further discussed and determined with the Auditor and will be announced as and when appropriate.

Pursuant to Rule 13.49(1) of the Listing Rules, the Company is required to publish the 2023 Annual Results not later than three months after the end of the financial year (i.e. on or before 31 March 2024). In light of the aforementioned circumstances, the Company is unable to publish the 2023 Annual Results on or before 31 March 2024, as required by the Listing Rules.

Pursuant to Rule 13.49(3) of the Listing Rules, if the Company is unable to publish the 2023 Annual Results within the prescribed timeframe, it must announce its results prepared based on the financial results which have yet to be agreed upon with the auditors (so far as such information is available). The Board, after due and careful consideration, is of the view that it would not be appropriate for the Company to publish the unaudited management accounts of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2023 at this stage as they may not accurately reflect the financial performance and/or position of the Group and the publication of the unaudited management accounts could cause confusion and may be misleading to the Shareholders and potential investors of the Company.

POSSIBLE DELAY IN DESPATCH OF 2023 ANNUAL REPORT

Pursuant to Rule 13.46(2) of the Listing Rules, the Company is required to despatch the 2023 Annual Report to the Shareholders no later than four months after the end of the financial year (i.e. on or before 30 April 2024). Due to the delay in the publication of the 2023 Annual Results, it is expected that there may be a possible delay in the despatch of the 2023 Annual Report.

The possible delay in despatch of the 2023 Annual Report, if materialised, will constitute a non-compliance with Rule 13.46(2) of the Listing Rules. The expected date of despatch of the 2023 Annual Report will be announced as and when appropriate.

POSTPONEMENT OF BOARD MEETING

The Board announces that due to the delay in publication of the 2023 Annual Results, the Board Meeting for the purpose of considering and approving, among others, the 2023 Annual Results will be postponed and the Company will publish further announcement to inform its shareholders on the date of the relevant Board Meeting as and when appropriate.

SUSPENSION OF TRADING

Pursuant to Rule 13.50 of the Listing Rules, if the issuer fails to publish periodic financial information in accordance with the Listing Rules, the Stock Exchange will normally request suspension of trading in the issuer's securities and the suspension will normally continue until the issuer publishes an announcement containing the requisite financial information. As a result of the delay in publication of the 2023 Annual Results and pursuant to the requirements of Rule 13.50 of the Listing Rules, the Company has applied for the suspension of trading in its shares on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited with effect from 9:00 a.m. on 2 April 2024, pending the publication of the 2023 Annual Results.

The Board will make further announcement(s) as and when appropriate to inform the Shareholders of any updates in respect of (i) the publication of the 2023 Annual Results; (ii) the despatch of the 2023 Annual Report; and (iii) the date of the Board Meeting.

The Shareholders and potential investors should exercise caution when dealing in the securities of the Company.

By Order of the Board
China Smarter Energy Group Holdings Limited
Chen Xiaxuan
Chairman and Executive Director

Hong Kong, 28 March 2024

As at the date of this announcement, Mr. Chen Xiaxuan, Mr. Bo Dateng and Ms. Yue Lu are the executive directors of the Company; and Mr. Pun Hau Man, Mr. Lo Ka Ki and Mr. Kwok Shun Sing are the independent non-executive directors of the Company.

* *For identification purpose only*