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**Convertible Bonds** 

# Industrial Bank Co., Ltd. Announcement on the Reappointment of the Accounting Firm

Important Content Reminder:

The Company intends to continue engaging KPMG Huazhen LLP to provide annual audit services for the 2024 financial report, review services for the semi-annual financial report, and annual internal control audit services, with a one-year engagement period and a total audit fee of RMB 9.28 million.

- I. Basic Information on the Proposed Reappointment of the Accounting Firm
- (I) Institutional Information
- 1 Basic Information

KPMG Huazhen Accounting Firm was established in Beijing on August 18, 1992. On July 5, 2012, it was approved by the Ministry of Finance to be converted into a special general partnership enterprise and renamed KPMG Huazhen LLP (hereinafter referred to as KPMG Huazhen). It obtained its business license on July 10, 2012, and officially commenced operations on August 1, 2012.

KPMG Huazhen's headquarters are located in Beijing, with its registered address at 8th Floor, Tower E2, Oriental Plaza, 1 East Chang An Avenue, Dongcheng District, Beijing. The Chief Partner of KPMG Huazhen is Zou Jun, a Chinese national who

holds the qualification of Chinese Certified Public Accountant. As of December 31, 2023, KPMG Huazhen had 234 partners and 1,121 certified public accountants, among whom more than 260 had signed audit reports for securities service businesses.

KPMG Huazhen's audited total business revenue in 2022 exceeded RMB 4.1 billion, of which audit business revenue exceeded RMB 3.9 billion (including domestic statutory securities service business revenue exceeding RMB 0.9 billion, other securities service business revenue exceeding RMB 1.0 billion, and total securities service business revenue exceeding RMB 1.9 billion).

In 2022, KPMG Huazhen provided annual report audit services to 80 listed companies, with a total audit fee of RMB 490 million for their financial statements. These listed companies mainly operate in industries such as manufacturing, finance, information transmission, software and information technology services, electricity, heat, gas and water production and supply, transportation, warehousing and postal services, mining, real estate, scientific research and technical services, wholesale and retail, leasing and business services, water conservancy, environment and public facility management, as well as culture, sports, and entertainment. In 2022, KPMG Huazhen provided audit services to 17 listed companies in the same industry as the Company.

### 2. Investor Protection Capability

The sum of the cumulative compensation limit of professional insurance purchased by KPMG Huazhen and the professional risk fund accrued exceeds RMB 200 million, which complies with relevant legal and regulatory requirements. In the past three years, KPMG Huazhen's civil liabilities in civil litigation related to its practice activities are as follows: In 2023, a bond-related civil litigation case was concluded, with the final judgment requiring KPMG Huazhen to bear a compensation liability of 2%-3% (approximately RMB 2.7 million), and the case payment has been fully settled.

# 3. Integrity Record

In the past three years, KPMG Huazhen and its practitioners have not been subject to any criminal penalties, administrative penalties, or self-disciplinary measures or disciplinary actions from stock exchanges, industry associations, or other self-regulatory organizations due to their practice activities. They have received one administrative regulatory measure in the form of a warning letter, involving KPMG Huazhen and its four practitioners.

### (II) Project Information

### 1. Basic Information

The basic information of the project partner, signing certified public accountant, and project quality control reviewer of KPMG Huazhen for the Company's 2024 financial statement audit project is as follows:

Project partner and signing certified public accountant Wu Zhongming obtained the Chinese Certified Public Accountant qualification in 2012. He started practicing at KPMG Huazhen in 2003 and began engaging in listed company audits in 2012. He started providing audit services to the Company in 2021. In the past three years, he has signed or reviewed 4 audit reports of listed companies.

Signing certified public accountant Pan Sheng obtained the Chinese Certified Public Accountant qualification in 2012. He started practicing at KPMG Huazhen in 2007 and began engaging in listed company audits in 2011. He started providing audit services to the Company in 2024. In the past three years, he has signed or reviewed 2 audit reports of listed companies.

Project quality control reviewer Shi Jian obtained the Chinese Certified Public Accountant qualification in 2011. He started practicing at KPMG Huazhen in 1999

and began engaging in listed company audits in 2001. He started providing audit services to the Company in 2024. In the past three years, he has signed or reviewed 10 audit reports of listed companies.

# 2. Integrity Record

The project partner, signing certified public accountant, and project quality control reviewer have not been subject to any criminal penalties, administrative penalties, or administrative regulatory measures from the China Securities Regulatory Commission and its offices, or self-disciplinary measures or disciplinary actions from stock exchanges, industry associations, or other self-regulatory organizations due to their practice activities in the past three years.

# 3. Independence

KPMG Huazhen, the project partner, signing certified public accountant, and project quality control reviewer have maintained their independence in accordance with the provisions of the Code of Professional Ethics.

### 4. Audit Fees

The audit service fees of KPMG Huazhen are primarily determined based on factors such as the Company's business audit scope and the accounting firm's estimated workload. The total audit fee for this project in 2024 is RMB 9.28 million, representing an increase of 1.75% compared to the previous year's audit fee. The annual financial report audit fee is RMB 5.08 million, the semi-annual financial report review fee is RMB 2.4 million, and the annual internal control audit fee is RMB 1.8 million.

# II. Decision-Making Procedures Performed by the Company

(I) Opinion of the Audit and Related Party Transaction Control Committee of the Board of

Directors

On March 27, 2024, the Company held the 19th meeting of the 10th Audit and Related

Party Transaction Control Committee of the Board of Directors, which considered and

approved the "Proposal on Engaging the Accounting Firm for 2024." All committee

members believed that KPMG Huazhen meets the regulatory requirements in terms of

practicing qualifications, professional competence, investor protection capability,

independence, and integrity, and agreed to submit the proposal to the Board of Directors for

consideration.

(II) Consideration and Voting of the Board of Directors

On March 28, 2024, the Company held the 22nd meeting of the 10th Board of Directors,

which considered and approved the "Proposal on Engaging the Accounting Firm for 2024."

All directors unanimously agreed to continue engaging KPMG Huazhen as the Company's

accounting firm for 2024.

(III) Effective Date

The reappointment of the accounting firm is subject to approval at the 2023 Annual

General Meeting of Shareholders and shall become effective from the date of approval by the

General Meeting of Shareholders.

It is hereby announced.

Board of Directors of Industrial Bank Co., Ltd.

March 28, 2024