## TSE Urgent Notice



May 29, 2020 Listing Department Tokyo Stock Exchange, Inc.

## Request for Improvement Report and Public Announcement Measure

TSE has requested an Improvement Report and taken the Public Announcement Measure as follows.

\*This decision is based on the results of the examination by Japan Exchange Regulation.

1. Company Name Alphax Food System Co.,LTD

(Code: 3814, Market Division: JASDAQ Growth)

2. Improvement Jun. 26, 2020 (Fri.)

Report Submission Deadline

Provision Securities Listing Regulations, Rule 502, Paragraph 1, Item (1)

(Due to disclosed information containing false statements and improvements being

deemed highly necessary)

3. Date of Public May 29, 2020 (Fri.)

Announcement Measure

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Provision

Securities Listing Regulations, Rule 508, Paragraph 1, Item (1)

(Due to disclosed information containing false statements and public announcement

being deemed necessary)

4. Reason Alphax Food System Co.,LTD (hereinafter "the Company") disclosed an

investigation report of the special investigation committee concerning inappropriate accounting processing by the Company and corrections to past earnings reports, etc.

on Mar. 16, 2020.

These disclosures revealed numerous instances of inappropriate accounting processing at the Company with regard to multiple sales transactions, etc. in past fiscal years in addition to the early recording of sales pertaining to a boiler construction project and failing to record impairment loss related to real estate

holdings during the fiscal year ended Sep. 2018.

As a result, it was deemed that the Company had violated the listing rules by disclosing earnings reports, etc. that contained falsehoods from the fiscal year ended Sep. 2017 through to the fiscal year ended Sep. 2019, and that the Company's net income was falsified as being positive instead of negative for the fiscal year ended Sep. 2018.

It was deemed that the following points contributed to the occurrence of these disclosures:

- The internal rules and other matters related to accounting processing (hereinafter referred as "internal rules, etc.") at the Company had not been updated for a long time, resulting in the internal rules, etc. not matching the actual situation, or where the internal rules, etc. had been developed, the Company did not operate them appropriately. As a result, with regard to conducting specific accounting processing, the environment at the Company allowed for accounting processing based on the incorrect judgement of its management, including the representative director and president.
- The administrative divisions of the Company lacked sufficient personnel with expert knowledge for conducting appropriate accounting processing.
- The board of directors' oversight of the execution of duties by the representative director and president was inadequate, as evidenced by the inside directors not raising objections against the representative director and president who was a founder of the Company due to, among others, insufficient understanding of their responsibilities, and the outside directors not being provided with sufficient information.

Based on the above, this case involves inappropriate disclosure that has considerable impact on investment decisions caused by inadequacies in the system of the Company for appropriately conducting timely disclosure, and improvements in the Company's system for timely disclosure are deemed highly necessary. Therefore, TSE requires the Company to submit a report containing the events leading to the issue and improvement measures.

In addition, this case is deemed to require public announcement. Thus, TSE implements the public announcement measure.

\* After submission of the Improvement Report, etc. by the Company, they will be made available on the JPX website and through the TDnet database service.

Improvement Report, etc. that are currently available for public inspection can be found on the following page of the JPX website (https://www.jpx.co.jp/listing/market-alerts/improvement-reports/index.html) (available only in Japanese).

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