

# **Independent Limited Assurance Report**

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To Advantech Co., Ltd.

We have been engaged by Advantech Co., Ltd. ("the Company") to perform assurance procedures on the Company's compliance with its Code of Conduct during 2023, and have issued a limited assurance report based on the result of our work performed.

# **Subject Matter Information and Applicable Criteria**

The Company's compliance with its Code of Conduct (the "**Subject Matter Information**") and the respective applicable criteria, are stated on the Company's website. The scope of the aforementioned information includes the Company and its subsidiaries.

# Management's Responsibility

The Management of the Company is responsible for the preparation, implementation and report of Subject Matter Information. This responsibility includes the design, implementation and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation of the Subject Matter Information that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

## **Inherent Limitations**

The Subject Matter Information involves non-financial data which is subject to more inherent limitations than financial data. Qualitative interpretations of the relevance, materiality and the accuracy of data are more dependent on individual assumptions and judgments.

### Compliance of Independence and Quality Management Requirement

We are independent of the Company in accordance with the Norm of Professional Ethics for Certified Public Accountant of the Republic of China, which is founded on fundamental principles of integrity, objectivity, professional competence and due care, confidentiality and professional behavior.

Our firm applies the Standard on Quality Management 1, "Quality Management for Public Accounting Firms" of the Republic of China, which requires the firm to design, implement and operate a system of quality management including policies or procedures regarding compliance



with ethical requirements, professional standards and applicable legal and regulatory requirements.

## **Our Responsibility**

Our responsibility is to express a limited assurance conclusion on the Subject Matter Information based on the procedures we have performed and the evidence we have obtained. We conducted our limited assurance engagement in accordance with the Standard on Assurance Engagements 3000, "Assurance Engagements other than Audits or Reviews of Historical Financial Information" of the Republic of China. This standard requires that we plan and perform this engagement to obtain limited assurance about whether the Subject Matter Information are free from material misstatement.

Under the requirements of the aforementioned standards, our limited assurance engagement involves assessing the suitability in the circumstances of the Company's use of the criteria as the basis for the preparation of Subject Matter Information, assessing the risks of material misstatement of the Subject Matter Information whether due to fraud or error, responding to the assessed risks as necessary in the circumstances and evaluating the overall presentation of the Subject Matter Information. A limited assurance engagement is substantially less in scope than a reasonable assurance engagement in relation to both the risk assessment procedures, including an understanding of internal control, and the procedures performed in response to the assessed risks.

The procedures we performed were based on our professional judgment and included inquiries, observation of processes performed, inspection of documents, and agreeing or reconciling with underlying records.

Given the circumstances of the engagement, in performing the procedures listed above, we:

- Made inquiries of the persons responsible for Subject Matter Information to obtain an
  understanding of the processes, and the relevant internal controls relating to the preparation
  of the aforementioned information to identify the areas where there may be risks of material
  misstatement; and
- Based on the above understanding and the areas identified, performed substantive testing including inquiry, observation, inspection, to obtain evidence for limited assurance.

The procedures performed in a limited assurance engagement vary in nature and timing from,



and are less in extent than for, a reasonable assurance engagement. Consequently, the level of assurance obtained in a limited assurance engagement is substantially lower than the assurance that would have been obtained had we performed a reasonable assurance engagement. Accordingly, we do not express a reasonable assurance opinion about whether Subject Matter Information have been prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with the respective applicable criteria.

### **Limited Assurance Conclusion**

Based on the procedures we have performed and the evidence we have obtained, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that Subject Matter Information is not prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with the applicable criteria.

### **Other Matter**

The Management of the Company is responsible for maintaining the Company's website. We have no responsibility to re-perform any procedures regarding Subject Matter Information after the date of our assurance report, even if Subject Matter Information or the applicable criteria have been subsequently modified.

CHAO, YUNG-CHIEH

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For and on behalf of PricewaterhouseCoopers, Taiwan June 25, 2024