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ZHONGYU GAS HOLDINGS LTD: AUSSIE HUMAN RESOURCE COMPANY SUES FOR UNPAID LICENCE FEES

An Australian-based, Information Technology (IT) company has issued Legal Proceedings in the Hongkong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) of the People's Republic of China (PRC), naming a subsidiary of a publicly listed company as the lone Defendant.

EmployeeConnect (Greater China) Ltd ([]), beneficially owned by EmployeeConnect Pty Ltd of Sydney Australia, is the Plaintiff in District Court Action Number 1069 in which Manpower Resource Computing Ltd () is the Defendant.

The Endorsement of Claim, attached to Writ of Summons, Number 1069, states only:

'ENDORSEMENT OF CLAIM

- '1. By a licence agreement (No. EC/SA/201/2005) entered between the Plaintiff and the Defendant dated 31st March 2005 ("the Agreement"), the Plaintiff rendered services and works done at the Defendant's requests and direction. In respect of those services rendered, the Plaintiff issued invoices (Nos. CB-06-105, CN-06-103 and CN-06-801) dated 23rd January 2006, 18th January 2006 and 9th August 2006 respectively. The total outstanding sums amount to HK\$123,907.00, which is overdue and payable to the Plaintiff immediately.
- ⁶2. In breach of contract, the Defendant fails and/or refuses to pay the said sum of HK\$123,907.00 or any part thereof.

The Plaintiff therefore claims against the Defendant for:-(a) TheThe said sum of HK\$129,907.00 as pleaded in paragraph 1 above; (b) Interests; and (c) Costs.'

According to **TARGET**'s very reliable sources, EmployeeConnect (Greater China) alleges that it came into an agreement with Manpower Resource Computing, agreeing to offer a licence to Manpower Resource Computing in respect of some its proprietary computer software, that computer software, being the intellectual property of EmployeeConnect (Greater China).

That was in March 2005, but Manpower Resource Computing, a wholly owned subsidiary of Zhongyu Gas Holdings Ltd () (Code: 8070, The Growth Enterprise Market of The Stock Exchange of Hongkong Ltd), allegedly failed to live up to its financial obligations to EmployeeConnect (Greater China).

The computer software of EmployeeConnect (Greater China), **TARGET** () was told, is fashioned to be used for human resources purposes.

The business of Manpower Resource Computing is, according to the records of Zhongyu Gas Holdings Ltd, principally engaged in the development and distribution of human resource management software and the provision for maintenance and consultancy services in the HKSAR.

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