

Zixin Group secures first probiotic-infused fermented sweet potato feedstock order from a chicken poultry breeder farm

- ♣ The supply contract is for approximately 1,080 tonnes of probiotic-infused fermented sweet potato feedstock for an initial period of one year, starting on 1 January 2025, will be a new revenue stream for Zixin Group
- ♣ Zixin Group's solution to address the issue of sweet potato peel waste to benefit both fellow sweet potato farmers and food processing companies in Liancheng County and beyond

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SINGAPORE, 7 January 2025 – SGX Catalist-listed **Zixin Group Holdings Limited** 紫心集团控股 (“Zixin” or the “Company” and, together with its subsidiaries, “Zixin Group”), a leading biotech-focused sweet potato integrated industrial value chain operator, is pleased to inform its shareholders and potential investors that it has secured its first probiotic-infused fermented sweet potato feedstock order (“Order”) from a local chicken poultry breeder farm in Liancheng County on 31 December 2024. This order of approximately 1,080 tonnes of feedstock for RMB 3.24 million (equivalent to approximately SGD 0.61 million) will be valid for an initial period of one year, commencing on 1 January 2025.

Mr. Liang Chengwang (梁承旺), Executive Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Zixin Group, expressed his satisfaction with the achievement of the first feedstock order from a chicken poultry breeder farm, said, “**We are heartened to have achieved a new milestone for Zixin Group with this feedstock order, as the trial feedings yielded satisfactory results.**”

Zixin Group outsources the fermentation and production of the probiotic-infused fermented sweet potato feedstock to the third-party fermentation plant operator, who works in conjunction with the designated sweet potato peel waste collector in Liancheng County. Through this strategic collaboration, Zixin Group will focus on providing its proprietary probiotic solution and technical support to the fermentation plant to process the agricultural waste (sweet potato peels in this case) into feedstock for our supply to the chicken poultry farm owner.

It is estimated that the current feedstock order of 1,080 tonnes will require 5,400 tonnes of sweet potato peel waste. Zixin Group will supply 3,500 tonnes of this refuse, while the remaining 1,900 tonnes will be sourced from other farmers or food processing plants in Liancheng County. In FY2024, Zixin Group

generated 748.8 tonnes of sweet potato peels from its snack food processing factory and purchased peeled sweet potatoes from the Cooperatives managing the 8,268.6 mu (approximately 5,512,427.6m²) of contractual farmlands. With the ability to convert sweet potato peel waste into feedstock for animal feeds, Zixin Group will be able to source the sweet potato peel waste generated from the Cooperatives that also provide peeling services for sweet potato harvests from Zixin Group's contractual farmlands.



Sweet potato peeling service at Cooperative facility. The peeled sweet potatoes will be sent to the food processing factories and the sweet potato peels will be collected by the designated agricultural waste collector.

Mr. Liang adds, **“We are delighted to be able to make a positive contribution to the sweet potato industry, closing the loop of the circular economy of our biotech-focused sweet potato industrial value chain. Besides transforming a cost into income, we believe we are also enhancing the environment and extending the nutritional value found in sweet potatoes to other food sources, such as chicken poultry. We are confident that our solution to address the issue of sweet potato peel waste will benefit both our fellow sweet potato farmers and food processing companies in Liancheng County and beyond.”**

None of the Directors or controlling shareholders of the Company has any interest, direct or indirect (other than through their shareholdings in the Company), in the Order.

Zixin Group does not expect this probiotic-infused fermented sweet potato feedstock order to have a material impact on its financial results for the financial year ending 31 March 2025. The Company will update shareholders on material developments for the Group as and when they arise.

Cautionary Note:

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Zixin Group aims to be a leading biotech-focused sweet potato agritech operator globally that leverages smart ecological agriculture and utilises biotech capabilities throughout its integrated sweet potato industrial value chain. With the support of complementary industries such as smart warehousing and agricultural waste fermentation, Zixin Group intends to utilise its biotech capabilities to reinforce its circular economy business model to further enhance its effectiveness and cultivate economies of scale.

Please visit the Company’s website at www.zixingroup.com.sg for more information.

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