## **Qualifications Criteria for the Company's Independent Directors**

The Company has laid down stricter qualification requirements for independent director than the minimum requirements of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the Stock Exchange of Thailand, as follows:

- 1. Holding not more than 1.00% of the total shares with voting rights of the Company, its parent Company, its subsidiary, its affiliate, major shareholder or controlling person, inclusive of the shares held by related persons;
- 2. Not being or having previously been a director who takes part in the management, an employee, a staff member or advisor who receives a regular salary, or a controlling person of the Company, its parent company, its subsidiary, its affiliate, its subsidiary at the same level, major shareholder or controlling persons unless the termination of being in such position had occurred at least two years before the appointment as the Company's independent director. Such prohibited characteristic shall not include the case where the independent director used to be a government official or advisor of a government unit which is a major shareholder or controlling person of the Company;
- 3. Not being a person related by blood or registration under laws in the form of fatherhood, motherhood, spouse, brothers, sisters and children, including spouse of children, of its executives, its major shareholder, its controlling person or such other person who will be nominated to take up the position of executives or controlling persons of the Company or its subsidiary;
- 4. Having no current or previous business relationship with the Company, its parent company, its subsidiary, its affiliate, major shareholder or controlling person in the manner which may interfere with his or her independent discretion, not being or having previously been a significant shareholder or controlling person of any person having a business relationship with the Company, its parent company, its subsidiary, its affiliate, major shareholder or controlling person unless the termination of being in such position had occurred at least two years before the appointment as the Company's independent director;
  - Such business relationships include normal business transactions, rental or lease of immovable property transactions, asset or service transactions, or giving or taking financial assistance by borrowing or lending money, surety ship, providing assets as collateral and any other similar actions, which result in the Company or his counterparty being subject to indebtedness payable to the other party in the amount of 3% or more of the net tangible assets of the company or Baht 20.00 million or more, whichever is lower;
- 5. Not being or having previously been an auditor of the Company, its parent company, its subsidiary, its affiliate, major shareholder or controlling person, a significant shareholder, controlling person or partner of the audit office which is the auditor of the Company, its parent company, its subsidiary, its affiliate, major shareholder or controlling person unless the termination of being in such position had occurred at least two years before the appointment as the Company's independent director;
- 6. Not being or having previously been any professional service provider including legal advisor or financial advisor who receives more than Baht 2.00 million annually from the Company, its parent company, its subsidiary, its affiliate, major shareholder or controlling person and not being a significant shareholder, controlling person or partner of the professional service provider unless the termination of being in such position had occurred at least two years before the appointment as the Company's independent director;
- 7. Not being a director appointed as a representative of the Company's directors, a major shareholder or a shareholder who is related to the Company's major shareholder;
- 8. Not undertaking any business in the same nature and in competition with the business of the Company, its subsidiary or not being a significant partner in a partnership or being an executive director, employee, staff, advisor who receives salary or holding shares more than 1% of the total shares with voting rights of another company having its business in the same nature and in competition with the business of the Company or its subsidiaries:
- 9. Having no characteristics that may affect the giving of independent opinions on the Company's operations;

A person appointed as independent director, upon fulfilling the above (1) - (9) criteria, may be assigned by the Company's Board of Directors to make decisions on the operation of the Company, its parent company, its subsidiary, its affiliate, major shareholder or controlling person, by means of collective decision.