

# SMETA Corrective Action Plan Report (CAPR)

Version 6.1





	A	udit Details				
Sedex Company Reference: (only available on Sedex System)	ZC: 412733718		Refer	x Site ence: available on ( System)	ZS: 41	2737193
Business name (Company name):	Shenzhen Honggac	oda Industrial	Comp	any Limited		
Site name:	Shenzhen Honggac 深圳市弘高达实业有限		Co Ltd			
Site address: (Please include full address)	101, No.3 Factory, Tianlixin Innovation Park, Longxi Community, Longgang Street, Longgang District, Shenzhen 深圳市龙岗区龙岗街道龙西社区添 利鑫创业园 3 号厂 101				Chino	1
Site contact and job title:	Ms. Wen Yan/Facto	ry Manager	•			
Site phone:	86-755-84658988		Site e	-mail:	sales@	honggaoda.com
SMETA Audit Pillars:	<ul><li>☑ Labour</li><li>☑ Health &amp; Safety (plus Environment Pillar)</li></ul>		4-pillar		nent	Business Ethics
Date of Audit:	October 12, 2022	_		_		

# **Audit Company Name & Logo:**Bureau Veritas Consume<u>r Pr</u>oducts Services Division

BUREAU VERITAS

## Report Owner (payer):

(If paid for by the customer of the site please remove for Sedex upload)

Audit Conducted By									
Affiliate Audit Company	$\boxtimes$	Purchaser		Retailer					
Brand owner		NGO		Trade Union					
Multi– stakeholder			Combined Audit	(select all that app	ly)				



## **Audit Content:**

- (1) A SMETA audit was conducted which included some or all of Labour Standards, Health & Safety, Environment and Business Ethics. The SMETA Best Practice Version 6.1 (March 2019) was applied. The scope of workers included all types at the site e.g. direct employees, agency workers, workers employed by service providers and workers provided by other contractors. Any deviations from the SMETA Methodology are stated (with reasons for deviation) in the SMETA Declaration.
- (2) The audit scope was against the following reference documents

#### 2-Pillar SMETA Audit

- ETI Base Code
- SMETA Additions
  - Universal rights covering UNGP
  - · Management systems and code implementation,
  - Responsible Recruitment
  - · Entitlement to Work & Immigration,
  - Sub-Contracting and Home working,

## **4-Pillar SMETA**

- 2-Pillar requirements plus
- Additional Pillar assessment of Environment
- Additional Pillar assessment of Business Ethics
- The Customer's Supplier Code (Appendix 1)
- (3) Where appropriate non-compliances were raised against the ETI code / SMETA Additions & local law and recorded as non-compliances on both the audit report, CAPR and on Sedex.
- (4) Any Non-Compliance against customer code shall not be uploaded to Sedex. However, in the CAPR these 'Variances in compliance between ETI code / SMETA Additions/ local law and customer code' shall be noted in the observations section of the CAPR.



## **SMETA Declaration**

I declare that the audit underpinning the following report was conducted in accordance with SMETA Best Practice Guidance and SMETA Measurement Criteria.

- (1) Where appropriate non-compliances were raised against the ETI code / SMETA Additions & local law and recorded as non-compliances on both the audit report, CAPR and on Sedex.
- (2) Any Non-Compliance against customer code alone shall not be uploaded to Sedex. However, in the CAPR these 'Variances in compliance between ETI code / SMETA Additions/ local law and customer code' shall be noted in the observations section of the CAPR.

Any exceptions to this must be recorded here (e.g. different sample size): This audit includes elements beyond the scope of a Social Compliance Audit as defined by the APSCA Competency Framework. The association of the auditor's APSCA number with this report is limited to those elements outlined in the APSCA Competency Framework. APSCA makes no representations with respect to the auditor's competency to professionally evaluate compliance with any other audit elements.

Auditor Team (s) (please list all including all interviewers):

Lead auditor: Radon Zheng (CSCA 21701148)

Team auditor: Nil

Interviewers: Radon Zheng Report writer: Radon Zheng Report reviewer: Jason Wang

Date of declaration: October 12, 2022

Note: The focus of this ethical audit is on the ETI Base Code and local law. The additional elements will not be audited in such depth or scope, but the audit process will still highlight any specific issues.

This report provides a summary of the findings and other applicable information found/gathered during the social audit conducted on the above date only and does not officially confirm or certify compliance with any legal regulations or industry standards. The social audit process requires that information be gathered and considered from records review, worker interviews, management interviews and visual observation. More information is gathered during the social audit process than is provided here. The audit process is a sampling exercise only and does not guarantee that the audited site prior, during or post–audit, are in full compliance with the Code being audited against. The provisions of this Code constitute minimum and not maximum standards and this Code should not be used to prevent companies from exceeding these standards. Companies applying this Code are expected to comply with national and other applicable laws and where the provisions of law and this Code address the same subject, to apply that provision which affords the greater protection. The ownership of this report remains with the party who has paid for the audit. Release permission must be provided by the owner prior to release to any third parties.



# **Audit Parameters**

	Audit Parameters						
A: Time in and time out	Day 1 Time in: 08:50 Day 1 Time out: 17:00 Day 2 Time in: Day 3 Time in: Day 3 Time out:						
B: Number of auditor days used:	One auditor * 1 day						
C: Audit type:	Full Initial Periodic Full Follow-up Partial Follow-Up Partial Other If other, please define:						
D: Was the audit announced?	Announced Semi – announced: Wind Unannounced	dow detail: weeks					
E: Was the Sedex SAQ available for review?	<ul><li>Yes</li><li>No</li><li>If No, why not</li></ul>						
F: Any conflicting information SAQ/Pre-Audit Info to Audit findings?	☐ Yes ☑ No If <b>Yes</b> , please capture detai	l in appropriate audi	t by clause				
G: Who signed and agreed CAPR (Name and job title)	Ms. Wen Yan/Factory Manc	ıger					
H: Is further information available (if yes, please contact audit company for details)	☐ Yes ☑ No						
I: Previous audit date:	N/A						
J: Previous audit type:	N/A						
K: Were any previous audits reviewed for this audit							
	⊠ N/A						

Audit attendance	Management	Worker Representatives		
	Senior management	Worker Committee representatives	Union representatives	
A: Present at the opening meeting?	⊠ Yes □ No	⊠ Yes □ No	☐ Yes ⊠ No	
B: Present at the audit?	⊠ Yes □ No	⊠ Yes □ No	☐ Yes ⊠ No	



C: Present at the closing meeting?	⊠ Yes □ No	⊠ Yes □ No	☐ Yes ⊠ No	
D: If Worker Representatives were not present please explain reasons why (only complete if no worker reps present)	N/A (Worker Representative was present)			
E: If Union Representatives were not present please explain reasons why: (only complete if no union reps present)	N/A (No Union)			



## Guidance

The Corrective Action Plan Report summarises the site audit findings and a corrective, and preventative action plan that both the auditor and the site manager believe is reasonable to ensure conformity with the ETI Base Code, Local Laws and additional audited requirements. After the initial audit, the form is used to rerecord actions taken and to categorise the status of the non-compliances.

N.B. observations and good practice examples should be pointed out at the closing meeting as well as discussing non-compliances and corrective actions.

To ensure that good practice examples are highlighted to the supplier and to give a more 'balanced' audit a section to record these has been provided on the CAPR document (see following pages) which will remain with the supplier. They will be further confirmed on receipt of the audit report.

## Root cause (see column 4)

Root cause refers to the specific procedure or lack of procedure which caused the issue to arise. Before a corrective action can sustainably rectify the situation, it is important to find out the real cause of the non-compliance and whether a system change is necessary to ensure the issue will not arise again in the future.

See SMETA BPG Chapter 7 'Audit Execution' for more explanation of "root cause".

#### **Next Steps:**

- 1. The site shall request, via Sedex, that the audit body upload the audit report, non-compliances, observations and good examples. If you have not already received instructions on how to do this then please visit the web site <a href="www.sedexglobal.com">www.sedexglobal.com</a>.
- 2. Sites shall action its non-compliances and document its progress via Sedex.
- 3. Once the site has effectively progressed through its actions then it shall request via Sedex that the audit body verify its actions. Please visit <a href="www.sedexglobal.com">www.sedexglobal.com</a> web site for information on how to do this.
- 4. The audit body shall verify corrective actions taken by the site by either a "Desk-Top" review process via Sedex or by Follow-up Audit (see point 5).
- 5. Some non-compliances that cannot be closed off by "Desk-Top" review may need to be closed off via a "1 Day Follow Up Audit" charged at normal fee rates. If this is the case, then the site will be notified after its submission of documentary evidence relating to that non-compliance. Any follow-up audit must take place within twelve months of the initial audit and the information from the initial audit must be available for sign off of corrective action.
- 6. For changes to wages and hours to be correctly verified it will normally require a follow up site visit. Auditors will generally require to see a minimum of two months wages and hours records, showing new rates in order to confirm changes (note some clients may ask for a longer period, if in doubt please check with the client).



# **Corrective Action Plan**

			Correc	tive Action Plan – non-c	omplia	nces			
Non- Compliance Number The reference number of the non- compliance from the Audit Report, for example, Discrimination No.7	New or Carried Over Is this a new non- compliance identified at the follow-up or one carried over (C) that is still outstanding	<b>Details of Non-Compliance</b> Details of Non-Compliance	Root cause (completed by the site)	Preventative and Corrective Actions Details of actions to be taken to clear non-compliance, and the system change to prevent re-occurrence (agreed between site and auditor)	Times cale (Imme diate, 30, 60, 90,180, 365)	Verification Method Desktop / Follow-Up [D/F]	Agreed by Management and Name of Responsible Person: Note if management agree to the non- compliance, and document name of responsible person	Verification Evidence and Comments Details on corrective action evidence	Status Open/Closed or comment
Safety and Hygienic Conditions No.1	New	审核员发现工厂没有为存放在车间的 1/1 桶胶水(危险化学品)设置防渗漏设施/二次容器。  If was noted that there was no anti-leakage facility (e.g. secondary container) in the workshop for 1 out of 1 glue (Hazardous chemical).	☐ Training ☐ Systems ☐ Costs ☐ lack of workers ☐ Other – please give details:	建议工厂为存放在车间的所有危险化学品设置防渗漏设施/二次容器。  It is recommended that management adopt practices and controls to ensure that the antileakage facility (e.g. secondary container) is used for hazardous chemical.	30 Days	Desktop	Yes / Ms. Wen Yan/Factory Manager		
Safety and Hygienic Conditions No.2	New	审核员发现工厂车间 2/4 个正在使用的盛装危险化学品(如:胶水和天那水的容器没有张贴安全标签。 It was noted that 2 out of 4 hazardous chemical (i.e. glue and thinner) containers being	☐ Training☐ Systems☐ Costs☐ lack of workers☐ Other—please give details:	建议所有在工厂内储存和使用的危险化学品都有张贴安全标签,标签的内容要完整。 It is recommended that management adopt practices and controls to ensure that all hazardous	30 Days	Desktop	Yes / Ms. Wen Yan/Factory Manager		

		used in the workshop were not posted with a safety label.		chemicals stored or being used in the factory is posted with safety labels.				
Safety and Hygienic Conditions No.3	New	审核员发现工厂车间 1/1 名碎料员工佩戴的是一次性口罩而不是防尘口罩。  It was noted that 1 out of 1 material broken employee (handling dust) was wearing disposable mask rather than anti-dust mask in the workshop.	☐ Training ☐ Systems ☐ Costs ☐ lack of workers ☐ Other – please give details:	建议工厂为相关的员工 提供必要的个人防护用品,并确保他们正确佩戴。  It is recommended that management adopt practices and controls to ensure that necessary personal protective equipment are provided to relevant employees and measures are taken to ensure that employees use such personal protective equipment appropriately.	30 Days	Desktop	Yes / Ms. Wen Yan/Factory Manager	
Living Wages and Benefits No.1	New	审核员发现工厂的社会保险覆盖不足。根据厂方提供的2022年年9月社会保险缴费单据显示,工厂为32/60名员工提供养老、工伤、失业、医疗和生育保险。此外,工厂有为34名员工购买商业意外险,有效期为2022年1月27号至2023年1月26号。  It was noted that the factory's social insurance coverage was insufficient. According to the social insurance payment receipt provided by factory management, it was noted that	☐ Training ☐ Systems ☐ Costs ☐ lack of workers ☐ Other – please give details:	建议工厂为员工提供所有法定的社会保险福利。  It is recommended that factory management adopt practices and controls to ensure that employees receive all of their statutory welfare entitlements.	60 days	Desktop	Yes / Ms. Wen Yan/Factory Manager	

_			€	
S	м	Εī	Δ	
~		-		

		32 out of 60 employees were provided with pension, accident, unemployment, maternity and medical insurance in September 2022. Besides, the factory had purchased a commercial accident insurance covered 34 employees with the valid period from January 27, 2022 to January 26, 2023.						
Working Hours No.1	New	根据厂方提供的工时记录,审核员发现员工加班时间超出了法定标准。审核员从厂方提供的工资记录中工抽取30个样本(其中从最近工资支付月2022年9月抽取10个,从2022年5月抽取10个和2022年2月抽取10个),发现共有20名员工加班时间超出了法定标准,具体为: 10/10名员工在2022年5月的加班时间为44到59小时,超过每月加班时间不能超过36小时的法律规定; 10/10名员工在2022年9月的加班时间为42到57小时,超过每月加班时间不能超过36小时的法律规定; 10/10名员工在2022年9月的加班时间为42到57小时,超过每月加班时间不能超过36小时的法律规定。  It was noted that 20 out of 30 sample population employees worked in excess of the statutory overtime hour limits.	☐ Training ☐ Systems ☐ Costs ☐ lack of workers ☐ Other – please give details:	建议工厂确保员工的加班时间符合法律要求。 It is recommended that factory management adopt practices and controls to ensure that employee overtime hours do not exceed the statutory limits.	60 days	Follow up	Yes / Ms. Wen Yan/Factory Manager	

		A review of 30 sample population employees' time records (10 samples from the most recent paid month September 2022, 10 samples from May 2022 and 10 samples from February 2022) yielded the following:  • 10 out of 10 sample population employees worked in excess of 36 overtime hours per month (i.e. 44 to 59 hours) in May 2022, which was not in compliance with the legal requirement;  • 10 out of 10 sample population employees worked in excess of 36 overtime hours per month (i.e. 42 to 57 hours) in September 2022, which was not in compliance with the legal requirement.						
Environment 2-Pillar No.1	New	审核员发现工厂不能提供环境保护竣工验收报告文件供审核。  It was noted that factory management was unable to provide the inspection and acceptance report of completed environmental protection facilities for review.	☐ Training ☐ Systems ☐ Costs ☐ lack of workers ☐ Other – please give details:	建议工厂确保其环境保护设施经过验收流程并取得有效的验收文件或报告。  It is recommended that factory management adopt practices and controls to ensure that the completed environmental protection facilities are subjected to inspection and acceptance process and obtain valid acceptance approval or report.	60 days	Desktop	Yes / Ms. Wen Yan/Factory Manager	



	Corrective Action Plan – Observations									
Observation Number The reference number of the observation from the Audit Report, for example, Discrimination No.7	New or Carried Over Is this a new observation identified at the follow-up or one carried over (C) that is still outstanding	<b>Details of Observation</b> Details of Observation	Root cause (completed by the site)	Any improvement actions discussed (Not uploaded on to SEDEX)						
Nil										

	Good examples							
Good example Number The reference number of the good example from the Audit Report, for example, Discrimination No.7	Details of good example noted	Any relevant Evidence and Comments						
Nil								



# Confirmation

Please sign this document confirming that the above findings have been discussed with and understood by you: (site management)  If actual signatures are not possible in electronic versions, please state the name of the signatory in applicable boxes, as indicating the signature.		
A: Site Representative Signature:	Ms. Wen Yan	Title: Factory Manager
		Date: October 12, 2022
B: Auditor Signature:	Radon Zheng	Title: Auditor
		Date: October 12, 2022
C: Please indicate below if you, the site management, dispute any of the findings. No need to complete D-E, if no disputes.		
D: I dispute the following numbered non-compliances:		
Nil		
E: Signed:		Title
(If <u>any</u> entry in box D, please complete a signature on this line)		Date
F: Any other site Comments:		
Nil		



## **Guidance on Root Cause**

## **Explanation of the Root Cause Column**

If a non-compliance is to be rectified by a corrective action which will also prevent the non-compliance re-occurring, it is necessary to consider whether a system change is required.

Understanding the root cause of the non-compliance is essential if a site is to prevent the issue reoccurring.

The root cause refers to the specific activity/ procedure or lack of activity/procedure which caused the non-compliance to arise. Before a corrective action can rectify the situation, it is important to find out the real cause of the non-compliance and whether a system change is necessary to ensure the issue will not arise again in the future.

Since this is a new addition, it is not a mandatory requirement to complete this column at this time. We hope to encourage auditors and sites to think about Root Causes and where they are able to agree, this column may be used to describe their discussion.

## Some examples of finding a "root cause"

#### Example 1

Where excessive hours have been noted the real reason for these needs to be understood, whether due to production planning, bottle necks in the operation, insufficient training of operators, delays in receiving trims, etc.

## Example 2

A non-compliance may be found where workers are not using PPE that has been provided to them. This could be the result of insufficient training for workers to understand the need for its use; a lack of follow-up by supervisors aligned to a proper set of factory rules or the fact that workers feel their productivity (and thus potential earnings) is affected by use of items such as metal gloves.

#### Example 3

A site uses fines to control unacceptable behaviour of workers.

International standards (and often local laws) may require that workers should not be fined for disciplinary reasons.

It may be difficult to stop fines immediately as the site rules may have been in place for some time, but to prevent the non-compliance re-occurring it will be necessary to make a system change.

The symptom is fines, but the root cause is a management system which may break the law. To prevent the problem re-occurring it will be necessary to make a system change for example the site could consider a system which rewards for good behaviour

Only by understanding the underlying cause can effective corrective actions be taken to ensure continuous compliance.

The site is encouraged to complete this section so as to indicate their understanding of the issues raised and the actions to be taken.





For more information visit: <a>Sedexglobal.com</a>

Your feedback on your experience of the SMETA audit you have observed is extremely valuable. It will help to make improvements to future versions.

You can leave feedback by following the appropriate link to our questionnaire:

## Click here for Buyer (A) & Buyer/Supplier (A/B) members:

http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx?sm=riPsbE0PQ52ehCo3lnq5lw\_3d\_3d

## Click here for Supplier (B) members:

http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx?sm=d3vYsCe48fre69DRgIY\_2brg\_3d\_3d

## **Click here for Auditors:**

https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/BRTVCKP