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# CHINA MENGNIU DAIRY COMPANY LIMITED 中國蒙牛乳業有限公司<sup>\*</sup>

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability) (Stock code: 02319)

## NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Annual General Meeting of the shareholders of China Mengniu Dairy Company Limited (the "**Company**") will be held at Ballroom, 3rd Floor, JW Marriott Hotel, Pacific Place, 88 Queensway, Hong Kong on 10 June 2009 at 10:30 a.m. for the following purposes:

- 1. To review and consider the audited financial statements and the reports of the directors and the independent auditors for the year ended 31 December 2008.
- 2. To re-elect the following directors and authorise the board of directors of the Company to fix their remuneration:
  - (a) Yang Wenjun;
  - (b) Yao Tongshan;
  - (c) Bai Ying;
  - (d) Julian Juul Wolhardt;
  - (e) Zhang Julin;
  - (f) Liu Fuchun; and
  - (g) Zhang Xiaoya.
- 3. To re-appoint Ernst and Young as auditors of the Company and authorise the board of directors of the Company to fix their remuneration.

As special business, to consider and, if thought fit, to pass with or without amendments the following ordinary resolutions:

#### **ORDINARY RESOLUTIONS**

### 4. **"THAT**:

- (a) subject to paragraph (b) below, the exercise by the directors of the Company (the "**Directors**") during the Relevant Period (as defined below) of all the powers of the Company to repurchase ordinary shares of HK\$0.10 each in the capital of the Company ("**Shares**") on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "**Stock Exchange**") or on any other stock exchange on which the securities of the Company may be listed and recognised by the Securities and Futures Commission of Hong Kong and the Stock Exchange for this purpose, subject to and in accordance with applicable laws and the requirements of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange or of any other stock exchange as amended from time to time, be and is hereby generally and unconditionally approved;
- (b) the aggregate nominal amount of the Shares which may be repurchased pursuant to the approval in paragraph (a) above shall not exceed ten per cent (10%) of the aggregate nominal amount of the share capital of the Company in issue at the date of passing this resolution number 4 set out in this notice of annual general meeting ("**Resolution 4**") and the said approval shall be limited accordingly; and
- (c) for the purpose of this Resolution 4:

"Relevant Period" means the period from the passing of this Resolution 4 until whichever is the earliest of:

- (i) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company; or
- (ii) the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by its articles of association or by any applicable law(s) to be held; or
- (iii) the revocation or variation of the authority given to the Directors under this Resolution 4 by the passing of an ordinary resolution by the shareholders in general meeting."

## 5. **"THAT**:

- (a) subject to paragraph (c) below, the exercise by the Directors during the Relevant Period (as defined in paragraph (d) below) of all the powers of the Company to allot, issue and deal with additional Shares and to make or grant offers, agreements, options and warrants which might require the exercise of such power be and is hereby generally and unconditionally approved;
- (b) the approval in paragraph (a) of this resolution set out in this notice of annual general meeting ("**Resolution 5**") shall authorise the Directors during the Relevant Period to make or grant offers, agreements, options and warrants which might require the exercise of such power after the end of the Relevant Period;
- (c) the aggregate nominal amount of share capital allotted or agreed conditionally or unconditionally to be allotted and issued (whether pursuant to an option or otherwise) by the Directors pursuant to the approval in paragraph (a) of this Resolution 5, otherwise than pursuant to, (i) a Rights Issue (as hereinafter defined), (ii) any option scheme or similar arrangement for the time being adopted for the grant or issue to officers and/or employees of the Company and/or any of its subsidiaries of Shares or rights to acquire Shares, (iii) any scrip dividend or similar arrangement providing for the allotment of Shares in lieu of the whole or part of a dividend on Shares in accordance with the articles of association of the Company or (iv) any issue of Shares upon the exercise of rights of subscription or conversion under the terms of any warrants of the Company or any securities which are convertible into Shares, shall not exceed of 20 per cent (20%) of the aggregate nominal amount of the share capital of the Company in issue at the date of passing this Resolution 5, and the said approval shall be limited accordingly;
- (d) for the purpose of this Resolution 5:

"Relevant Period" means the period from the passing of this Resolution 5 until whichever is the earliest of:

- (i) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company;
- (ii) the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by its articles of association or by any applicable law(s) to be held; or
- (iii) the revocation or variation of the authority given to the Directors under this Resolution 5 by the passing of an ordinary resolution by the shareholders in general meeting.

"Rights Issue" means an offer of shares or offer or issue of warrants, options or other securities giving rights to subscribe for Shares open for a period fixed by the Directors to the holders of the Shares or any class thereof on the register on a fixed record date in proportion to their then holdings of such Shares or class thereof (subject to such exclusion or other arrangements as the Directors may deem necessary or expedient in relation to fractional entitlements or legal or practical problems having regard to any restrictions or obligations under the laws of, or the requirements of any recognised regulatory body or any stock exchange in, any territory outside Hong Kong applicable to the Company)."

6. **"THAT** subject to the passing of Resolutions 4 and 5, the general mandate referred to in Resolution 5 above be and is hereby extended by the addition to the aggregate nominal amount of the share capital of the Company which may be allotted or agreed to be allotted by the Directors of the Company pursuant to such general mandate an amount representing the aggregate nominal amount of Shares repurchased by the Company pursuant to the general mandate referred to in Resolution 4 above provided that such amount shall not exceed ten per cent (10%) of the existing issued share capital of the Company at the date of passing this Resolution 6."

## 7. **"THAT**

- (a) subject to and conditional upon the Listing Committee of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited granting approval for the listing of, and permission to deal in, the shares in the share capital of the Company to be issued pursuant to the exercise of options which may be granted under the Share Option Mandate Limit (as defined below), the refreshment of the limit in respect of the granting of share options under the share option scheme of the Company adopted on 28 June 2005 (the "Share Option Scheme") and all other share option scheme(s) up to 10 per cent of the number of shares in issue at the date of the passing of this resolution (the "Share Option Mandate Limit") be and is hereby approved;
- (b) any director of the Company be and is hereby authorized to do all such acts and execute all such documents to effect the Share Option Mandate Limit; and
- (c) the directors of the Company be and are hereby authorized, subject to compliance with the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited, to grant options under the Share Option Scheme up to the Share Option Mandate Limit and to exercise all the powers of the Company to allot, issue and deal with shares of the Company pursuant to the exercise of such options."

By order of the Board **Kwok Wai Cheong, Chris** *Company Secretary* 

Hong Kong, 30 April 2009

#### Notes:

- (1) Any member entitled to attend and vote at the meeting convened by the above notice is entitled to appoint one or more proxies to attend and vote instead of him. A proxy need not be a member of the Company. All proxies, together with powers of attorney or other authorities, if any, under which they are signed or notarially certified copies thereof, must be deposited with the Company's branch Share Registrar, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited at Rooms 1806-1807, 18th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong, not later than 48 hours before the time of the Annual General Meeting. Completion and delivery of the proxy form will not preclude a member from attending and voting in person at the meeting if he so wishes.
- (2) The Register of Members will be closed from 5 June 2009 to 10 June 2009 (both days inclusive). In order to establish entitlements to attend and vote at the Annual General Meeting, all transfers accompanied by the relevant share certificates must be lodged with the Company's branch Share Registrar, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited, at Shops 1712-16, 17th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong not later than 4:30 p.m. on 4 June 2009.
- (3) Where there are joint registered holders of any Share, any one of such persons may vote at any meeting, either personally or by proxy, in respect of such Share as if he were solely entitled thereto; but if more than one of such joint holders are present at any meeting personally or by proxy, that the more senior shall alone be entitled to vote in respect of such Share and, for this purpose, seniority shall be determined by the order in which the names of the joint holders stand on the register of the relevant joint holding.
- (4) With reference to Resolution 2 above, Mr. Yang Wenjun, Mr. Julian Juul Wolhardt and Mr. Zhang Julin will retire by rotation and Mr. Yao Tongshan, Mr. Bai Ying, Mr. Liu Fuchun and Mr. Zhang Xiaoya will retire in accordance with the articles of association of the Company and, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election at the Annual General Meeting. Details of the above Directors are set out in Appendix II to the circular dated 30 April 2009.
- (5) With reference to Resolutions 4, 5 and 6 above, the Directors wish to state that they have no immediate plans to repurchase any existing Shares or to issue any new Shares or warrants pursuant to the relevant mandate.

As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises: Mr. Niu Gensheng, Mr. Yang Wenjun, Mr. Sun Yubin, Mr. Yao Tongshan and Mr. Bai Ying as executive directors, Mr. Jiao Shuge (alias Jiao Zhen) and Mr. Julian Juul Wolhardt as non-executive directors and Mr. Wang Huaibao and Mr. Zhang Julin as independent non-executive directors.

\* for identification purposes only