

# SMETA Corrective Action Plan Report (CAPR)

Version 6.1





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SMETA Audit Pillars:	Standards Safe		Health & Denviron April Environ 4-pillar Ir)		ment	☐ Business Ethics
Date of Audit:	March 01, 2022					

## **Audit Company Name & Logo:**

SGS-CSTC Standards Technical Services Co., Ltd.



## Report Owner (payer):

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## **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): Nil

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

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Team auditor: Nil

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Report reviewer: Sunny Zhong

Date of declaration: March 01, 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	<b>i</b>			
A: Time in and time out	Day 1 Time in: 9:05 AN Day 1 Time out: 17:05		Day 2 Time in: Day 2 Time out		Day 3 Time in: Nil Day 3 Time out: Nil
B: Number of auditor days used:	1MD (1 auditor in one	day)			
C: Audit type:	Full Initial Periodic Full Follow-up Partial Follow-Up Partial Other If other, please define	<b>:</b> :			
D: Was the audit announced?	☐ Announced ☑ Semi – announced to Mar 12, 2022. ☐ Unannounced	d: Winc	dow detail: 3 we	eeks f	rom Feb 22, 2022
E: Was the Sedex SAQ available for review?	∑ Yes     ☐ No     If No, why not				
F: Any conflicting information SAQ/Pre-Audit Info to Audit findings?	Yes No If <b>Yes</b> , please capture	e detai	l in appropriate	audi	t by clause
G: Who signed and agreed CAPR (Name and job title)	Mr. Yao Yongping/ Ad	dmin N	Manager		
H: Is further information available (if yes, please contact audit company for details)	☐ Yes ☑ No				
I: Previous audit date:	Jan 18, 2021				
J: Previous audit type:	Periodic				
K: Were any previous audits reviewed for this audit	Yes No				
Audit attendance	Management	Work	er Representativ	/es	
	Senior management		er Committee sentatives	Unio	n representatives
A: Present at the opening meeting?	⊠ Yes □ No	⊠ Ye	es 🗌 No	Y	es 🛛 No



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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)	NA			
E: If Union Representatives were not present please explain reasons why: (only complete if no union reps present)	There was no union in the factory.			



## 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="https://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**

			Correctiv	ve Action Plan – no	on-compliar	ıces			
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)	Timescale (Immediate, 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
NC 1 3 Safety and Hygienic Conditions 1	New	It was noted that 30% electrical boxes were not installed insulation protective device, the electric circuit was exposed.  审核员发现工厂生产车间内有 30%的电箱没有安装保护罩,电线裸露。	☐ Training ☐ Systems ☐ Costs ☐ lack of workers ☐ Other – please give details:	It is recommended that management adopt practices and controls to ensure that all electrical equipments are properly insulated to avoid hazard of electrical shock.  建议工厂对所有区域内的电线安装足够的保护装置,防止电线裸露。	30 Days	Desktop	Mr. Yao Yongping / Admin Manager		
NC 2 3 Safety and Hygienic Conditions 2	New	It was noted that the transmission belts of 10% sewing machines in the sewing workshop on the fourth floor were not equipped with pulley guards.	☐ Training ☐ Systems ☑ Costs ☐ lack of workers ☐ Other – please give details:	It is recommended that management adopt practices and controls to ensure that all sewing machines are equipped with pulley guards.	30 Days	Desktop	Mr. Yao Yongping / Admin Manager		

		审核员发现工厂四楼缝制车 间有 10%的缝纫机没有安装 皮带轮保护罩。		建议工厂为所有的缝 纫机安装皮带保护 罩。				
NC 3 5 Living Wages and Benefits-1	Carried Over	During the audit, the factory had 25 employees, 8 of whom had retired and 5 of whom were newly hired in February 2022. According to the factory's social security payment certificate for January 2022, the factory provided pension insurance, medical insurance, medical insurance, unemployment insurance and work injury insurance to 7 (58%) employees.  审核期间,工厂共有员工 25人,其中 8人已退休,5人2022年 2月新入职。根据工厂 2022年 1月份的社保缴费凭证显示,工厂给 7(58%)名员工提供了养老保险,医疗保险,生育保险,失业保险和工伤保险。	☐ Training ☐ Systems ☐ Costs ☐ lack of workers ☑ Other – please give details: Management carelessnesS	The factory shall provide social insurance to all employees.  工厂应给所有员工提供社保。	120 Days	Desktop	Mr. Yao Yongping / Admin Manager	
NC 4 6 Working Hours-1	Carried Over	Based on attendance records provided by the factory from 1 Feb 2021 to the audit day, The auditor sampled the payroll attendance records of 10 employees for the three months of August, November 2021, and January 2022 (the	☐ Training ☐ Systems ☐ Costs ☑ lack of workers ☐ Other – please give details:	The factory shall ensure all workers' overtime in a month meet legal requirement.  工人的月加班需符合 法规要求。	60 Days	Follow up	Mr. Yao Yongping / Admin Manager	



		most recent month) and found that 10 employees worked 42 hours of overtime in August 2021, exceeding the regulatory limit of 36 hours per month.  根据工厂提供的 2021 年 2 月 1 日至今的考勤,审核员抽取了 10 名员工 2021 年 8 月,11 月和 2022 年 1 月(最近月)三个月的工资考勤记录,发现有 10 名员工在 2021 年 8 月的月加班超过法规的 36 小时,达到 42 小时。							
NC 5 10B2: Environment 2-Pillar-1	Carried Over	Based on document review and management interview, factory didn't obtain EIA report and EIA approval.  通过文件查看和管理层访谈,工厂未提供环评和批复。	☐ Training ☐ Systems ☐ Costs ☐ lack of workers ☐ Other – please give details:	The factory should obtain EIA report and EIA approval.  工厂需提供环评和批复。	30 Days	Desktop	Mr. Yao Yongping / Admin Manager		
Remark	audit, factory	I factory rented one 3-store provided leasing agreer 绘美纺织有限公司租赁了一栋 3	ment and business lic	ense for review, this	audit just inclu	uded these a	reas.	ed as workshop and office 租赁区域。	e, during the

	Corrective Action Plan – Observations							
Observation Number The reference number of the observation	New or Carried Over Is this a new observation identified at the follow-up	<b>Details of Observation</b> Details of Observation	<b>Root cause</b> (completed by the site)	Any improvement actions discussed (Not uploaded on to SEDEX)				



from the Audit Report, for example, Discrimination No.7	or one carried over (C) that is still outstanding			
Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	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	Nil	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:	Mr. Yao Yongping	Title Admin Manager				
		Date March 01, 2022				
B: Auditor Signature:	Esther Dai	Title Auditor				
		Date March 01, 2022				
C: Please indicate below if you, the site i	management, dispute any of the findings. No ne	ed to complete D-E, if no disputes.				
D: I dispute the following numbered non Nil	-compliances:					
E: Signed: (If <u>any</u> entry in box D, please complete	Nil	Title Nil				
a signature on this line)		Date Nil				
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.





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