

# SMETA Corrective Action Plan Report (CAPR) Version 6.1





# 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.





# 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 <u>www.sedexglobal.com</u>.
- 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 <u>www.sedexglobal.com</u> 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).



	Audit Details						
Sedex Company Reference: (only available on Sedex System)	ZC405714425		Sedex Site R (only available o	eference: n Sedex System)	<sup>))</sup> ZS405750630		
Business name (Company name):	ZHEJIANG TREASU	RE CR	RAFTS CO LTE	)			
Site name:	ZHEJIANG TREASU	JRE CF	RAFTS CO LT	D			
Site address:	浙江省温州市龙港市5 路743-792号 N/A 温州市 N/A CN	N/A 温州市 N/A		CN			
Site contact and job title:	Mr. Zhang Qing / Mar	nagem	ent represneta	itive			
SMETA Audit Pillars:	Labour Standards		Health and Safety (plus Environment 2-Pillar)		ment	Business Ethics	
Date of Audit:	2023-06-05						

Audit Company Name:	
TUV Rheinland (TUEV Rheinland)	

Audit Conducted By							
Affiliate Audit Company	N	Purchaser		Retailer			
Brand owner		NGO		Trade Union			
Multi-stakeholder			Combined Audit (select all that apply)				



Audit Parameters							
Time in and time out	Day 1		Day 2				
	In	In 09:00		08:30			
	Out	17:00	Out	12:30			
Audit type:	FULL_INITIAL						
Was the audit announced?	ANNOUNCED						
Was the Sedex SAQ available for review?	Yes						
Any conflicting information SAQ/Pre-Audit Info to Audit findings?	lit No						
Who signed and agreed CAPR Mr. Zha			Mr. Zhang Qing / Management represnetative				
Is further information available	No						



Audit attendance	Management	Worker Representatives		
	Senior management	Worker Committee representatives	Union representatives	
A: Present at the opening meeting?	Yes	Yes	No	
B: Present at the audit?	Yes	Yes	No	
C: Present at the closing meeting?	Yes	Yes	No	
Reason for absence at the opening meeting	No union on site			
Reason for absence during the audit	No union on site			
Reason for absence at the closing meeting	No union on site			





# Summary of Findings

Issue	Area of Non–Conformity		Number of issues		ues	Findings
(please click on the issue title to go direct to the appropriate audit results by clause)	ETI	Local Law	NC	Obs	GE	
5 - Living wages are paid	5.1	§1	1	0	0	NC - ZAF600078082
6 - Working hours are not excessive	6.1	§2	1	0	0	NC - ZAF600078083
<u>3 - Working conditions are safe and hygienic</u>	3.1 3.1	§3 §4	2	0	0	NC - ZAF600078084 NC - ZAF600078085

### Local Law Issues

Issue	Description
§1	Labor Law of the People's Republic of China (2018 Amendment) Article 72, The sources of social insurance funds shall be determined according to the categories of insurance, and an overall pooling of insurance funds from the society shall be introduced step by step. The employing unit and laborers must participate in social insurance and pay social insurance premiums in accordance with the law. Article 73, Laborers shall, in accordance with the law, enjoy social insurance benefits under the following circumstances: 1. Retirement; 2. Illness or injury; 3. Disability caused by work-related injury or occupational disease; 4. Unemployment; 5. Child-bearing.
§2	PRC Labour Law, Article 41 The employing unit may extend working hours due to the requirements of its production or business after consultation with the trade union and labourers, but the extended working hour for a day shall generally not exceed one hour; if such extension is called for due to special reasons, the extended hours shall not exceed three hours a day under the condition that the health of labourers is guaranteed. However, the total extension in a month shall not exceed thirty-six hours.
§3	Safety Production Codes for Presswork (GB 8176-2012) The plant shall select, provide and enforce the use of safety devices for the operator within the press danger zone. Safety devices include safety protection devices (such as a variety of protective cover, protective fence, etc.) and safety control devices (such as hands control devices, light control protection devices, etc.) two categories. When the opening size of the press operating danger zone is less than or equal to 6mm, it is not subject to this limit.
§4	Work Safety Law of the People's Republic of China, Article 45 : The production and business operation units must provide the employees with labor protective articles that meet the national or industrial standards, and supervise and educate the employees to wear and use them in accordance with the rules for use.



### **Corrective Action Plan - Non Compliances**

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	Non-Compliance		Evidence
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	Non-Compliance		
Status	OPEN		
Reference	ZAF600078082		
Clause	5 - Living wages are paid		
Issue Title	423 - Compulsory insurance ( accident insurance etc.) not pa	e.g. social insurance, aid - systemic	
Subcategory	Benefits & Insurance		
New or carried over?	☑ New [	Carried Over	
Root cause	Training	□ System	
	🖸 Costs	Lack of workers	
	□ Other		
Root cause - Other			
Local law issue	Labor Law of the People's Re Amendment) Article 72, The s funds shall be determined acc insurance, and an overall pool from the society shall be introd employing unit and laborers m insurance and pay social insu accordance with the law. Artic accordance with the law, enjoy under the following circumstar Illness or injury; 3. Disability ci injury or occupational disease Child-bearing.	ources of social insurance ording to the categories of ling of insurance funds duced step by step. The nust participate in social rance premiums in le 73, Laborers shall, in y social insurance benefits nces: 1. Retirement; 2. aused by work-related	Insufficient social insurance.jpg
ETI code	5.1 - Wages and benefits paid week meet, at a minimum, nat industry benchmark standards any event wages should alway basic needs and to provide so	tional legal standards or s, whichever is higher. In ys be enough to meet	
Explanation to the non compliance	Based on the receipts for soci months, it was noted that insu coverage was identified, for ex for most current month of May eligible employees had partici insurance, unemployment insu insurance, and maternity insur provided work-injury insurance There was a total of 39 emplo workers, 2) commercial insura employees. 社保缴纳不足,工 退休返聘员工,36名应参加社 四险.为23名员工购买了工伤限 。	fficient social insurance kample, as per the receipt 2023, only 11 out of 36 pated in Endowment urance, medical rance, and the factory of for 23 workers. Note: 1). yees including 3 rehired ince was provided to 20 厂目前有39人, 其中有3名 保员工中只有11人参加了	
Follow up method		Desktop audit	

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Timescale	🗆 Immediate	□ 30 days	⊡ 60 days	
	□ 90 days	□ 120 days	□ 180 days	
	□ 365 days	□ Other		
Actions	social insurance s	nsure all workers enroll in all 5 types of schemes in order to receive their benefits and to comply with the law. 应		

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	Non-Co	ompliance		Evidence
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	Non-Co			
Status	OPEN	-		
Reference	ZAF600078083			
Clause	6 - Working hours	s are not excessiv	e	
Issue Title	480 - Overtime is frequency and lev workers and / or v	el of hours worke	ed by individual	
Subcategory	Overtime			
New or carried over?	🗹 New		arried Over	
Root cause	Training		/stem	
	🗆 Costs	⊡ La	ack of workers	
	□ Other			
Root cause - Other				
Local law issue	extend working he production or bus union and labourd a day shall gener extension is calle extended hours s under the condition	ours due to the re iness after consu- ers, but the exten- ally not exceed on d for due to speci- hall not exceed the on that the health ever, the total ext	Itation with the trade ded working hour for ne hour; if such al reasons, the nree hours a day	Overtime record.png
ETI code	6.1 - Working hou collective agreem below, whichever workers. Sub–cla international labo	ents, and the pro affords the great uses 6.2 to 6.6 ar	visions of 6.2 to 6.6 er protection for	
Explanation to the non compliance	According to the attendance records of employees, it was noted the monthly overtime hours exceeded 36 hoursin May. 2022 to Apr 2023.Based on 10 sampled workerstime records. 1).10 out of 10 ran domly selected workers reached 66 hoursin Dec.2022 2).10 out of 10 randomly selected workers reached 60 hours in Aug. 2022 3). 10 out of 10 randomly selected workers reached 62 hours in Apr. 2023. 加班超时。抽样的10人 中有10人 2022年12月加班66小时,2022年8月加班60小 时,2023年4月加班62小时。			
Follow up method	☑ Follow up aud	lit 🗆 Do	esktop audit	
Timescale	□ Immediate	□ 30 days	⊡ 60 days	
	□ 90 days	□ 120 days	□ 180 days	
	□ 365 days	□ Other		
Actions	It is recommende	d that the factory	should reduce the	

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	overtime to ensure the monthly overtime hours within 36 hours per month. 应控制月加班时间在36小时内.	

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Status	Non-Complia OPEN		-
Reference	ZAF600078084		-
Clause	3 - Working conditions	are safe and hygienic	-
Issue Title	264 - Machines lack ap or needle guards on se guards on other machi	opropriate safety guards (e.g. eye ewing machines, belt / hand nes)	
Subcategory	Machinery		
New or carried over?	☑ New	Carried Over	
Root cause	Training	□ System	
	🗆 Costs	□ Lack of workers	
	□ Other		
Root cause - Other			
Local law issue	Safety Production Cod 2012) The plant shall use of safety devices for danger zone. Safety de devices (such as a var fence, etc.) and safety control devices, light co two categories. When to operating danger zone not subject to this limit.		
ETI code	provided, bearing in mi the industry and of any steps shall be taken to health arising out of, as course of work, by min	nic working environment shall be ind the prevailing knowledge of specific hazards. Adequate prevent accidents and injury to ssociated with, or occurring in the imising, so far as is reasonably s of hazards inherent in the	
Explanation to the non compliance	casting machine in F1 protective devices are	it was noted that there were die- production workshop, but no installed to prevent workers from 寿机,但是未安装保护装置以避免	
Follow up method	□ Follow up audit	Desktop audit	
Timescale	🗆 Immediate 🖂 3	30 days □ 60 days	
	□ 90 days □ 1	120 days 🛛 🗆 180 days	
	□ 365 days □ 0	Other	
Actions		t the factory should install o prevent workers from 户装置防止工人烫伤	

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	Non-Compliance			
Status	OPEN			
Reference	ZAF600078085			
Clause	3 - Working conditions are safe and hygienic			
Issue Title	278 - Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) provided but incidents of workers not using PPE where appropriate			
Subcategory	Personal Protective Equipment/Clothing			
New or carried over?	☑ New □ Carried Over			
Root cause	☑ Training □ System			
	Costs     Lack of workers			
	□ Other			
Root cause - Other				
Local law issue	Work Safety Law of the People's Republic of China, Article 45 : The production and business operation units must provide the employees with labor protective articles that meet the national or industrial standards, and supervise and educate the employees to wear and use them in accordance with the rules for use.			
ETI code	3.1 - A safe and hygienic working environment shall be provided, bearing in mind the prevailing knowledge of the industry and of any specific hazards. Adequate steps shall be taken to prevent accidents and injury to health arising out of, associated with, or occurring in the course of work, by minimising, so far as is reasonably practicable, the causes of hazards inherent in the working environment.			
Explanation to the non compliance	Based on factory tour, it was noted that 2 workers who contact to chemical in paiting workshop didn't wear mask, although the factory already provided. 两名点漆 工未佩戴工厂提供的口罩			
Follow up method	□ Follow up audit			
Timescale	□ Immediate   ☑ 30 days   □ 60 days			
	□ 90 days □ 120 days □ 180 days			
	□ 365 days □ Other			
Actions	It is recommended that the factory should provide PPE wearing training for workers and strenthen awareness. 工厂应提供培训加强员工的意识			



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### **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.
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Auditor Team				
Lead Auditor:	Nancy Pei	APSCA Number:	21703804	
Additional Auditors:				
Date of declaration:	2023-06-06			

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.

Site Representation		
Full Name:	Mr. Zhang Qing	
Title:	Management represnetative	
Date of declaration:	2023-06-06	
Comments: Any exceptions to this must be recorded here (e.g. different sample size):		

Sampled wage records from the past 5 months were provided for review (5 months only since the operation for digital thermometer just

started last Sep 2020). The audit took 2.0 man-days (9AM-6PM per day). Audit time was extended until 8PM due to the extent of documentation; this was agreed upon with the factory representatives

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 noncompliance 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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