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SGS acquires Tianjin Tianbao Construction Materials testing Co, Ltd., Tianjin

SGS is pleased to announce the acquisition of Tianjin Tianbao Construction Materials testing Co, Ltd., (Tianbao), in Tianjin.

Founded in 2007 and privately owned, Tianbao is the leading construction materials testing laboratory in the Tianjin Binhai Development Zone - the third largest Chinese economic development zone after Shenzen and Shangai Pudong. Tianbao is the only testing lab located in the Airport Industry Park of the Development Zone and employs 15 staff members.

" This new acquisition falls in line with our strategy to position SGS as a domestic player in China," said Chris Kirk, CEO of SGS. "Tianbao, with its accreditations and qualifications provides us with direct access to the fast growing Tianjin market and will set a solid platform for growth in other segments including petrochemical and transportation."

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The SGS Group is the global leader and innovator in inspection, verification, testing and certification services. Founded in 1878, SGS is recognised as the global benchmark in quality and integrity. With 59,000 employees, SGS operates a network of over 1,000 offices and laboratories around the world.

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