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Hear what some of our colleagues are saying about the Eco-City! We invite you to share your thoughts.



Internal Audit
Li Ya Qin

I joined SSTECH and moved to the Eco-City in 2017. Although it hasn't been long, I have developed deep feelings for the city in these two years. In my view, the theme of this new city is "change". The increasing number of green buildings, the smart convenient facilities and the comprehensive commercial amenities showcase her vitality. What remains "unchanged" would be the original aspirations of the builders of this city. They have been adhering to the concepts of ecological development since the beginning, making step by step efforts to turn the blueprint of a green, liveable and smart eco-city into reality. I am honoured to have the opportunity to continuously improve myself on a China-Singapore cooperation and exchange platform such as SSTECH, and contribute to the enhancement of the company's risk management standards. I believe that the future of our company and the Eco-City will be even better.



Accounting
Winston Chan Wei Xiang

It is my pleasure to work in the Eco-City. A place where the air is clean and land is green. A place where public amenities are readily available. A place where airport and port are just a stone throw away. A place where development happens remarkably. A place where dreams come true. Smart and helpful colleagues have made work a lot easier and enjoyable. Problems faced are usually solved by a phone call and experienced colleagues will share their two cents readily. Despite their hectic schedule, our colleagues are warm and inclusive. I am lucky to have made new friends through swimming, badminton, table tennis and gym classes. Although we sweat, complain about body aches and sometimes get injured, the highlight is always the drinks and food session that happens after a good workout. The Eco-City has become my second home and I am sure in the next ten years, it will be able to break new barriers and scale greater heights.



Safety Tips

Self-Driving Tour Tips

More and more families chose to have self-driving tours nowadays. How do we ensure safety during a self-driving tour? Let's take a look at some tips!

1. Be well-prepared. Plan the driving route in advance, create a rough schedule and reasonable arrangements for your itinerary. Check the car tyres and ensure that parts such as the brakes, lights and cooling are functioning properly before starting the trip. Bring along the necessary identification documents and safety items such as window hammer, vehicle-mounted fire extinguisher and triangle warning sign etc.
2. During the drive, please maintain good driving habits, pay attention to control the driving speed and keep enough safety distance with other vehicles. Take note to rest periodically and avoid fatigue driving. Give way to other vehicles and do not overtake unnecessarily.
3. If you have missed the exit on the expressway, do not brake suddenly, reverse or retrograde. If an accident occurs on the expressway, please stop in the emergency lane immediately, turn on the hazard warning lights and place the triangle warning sign 100m behind the car. When you are driving through the countryside, mountainous areas or a section such as sharp curve, steep slope and cliff, you must slow down and do not overtake forcibly; you should observe the road conditions and the vehicle from the opposite direction before overtaking.



Quiz

1. When is the China University of Nuclear Industry expected to be completed in the Eco-City?
A. May, 2020 B. Sep, 2020
C. May, 2021 D. Sep, 2021
2. Where was the 2020 Youth "Eco-Innovation · Green Action" Competition launched on 11 Oct, 2019?
A. Hilton Hotel B. NAIP
C. The Singapore Centre D. Information Park

The first 5 correct answers will win attractive gifts. Email your answers to xin.song@tianjineco-city.com.



Explore and Experience

Experience a different "escape room" at China-Singapore Eco-City Safety Exploration Centre

If you are keen on an "adventure", come to the newly opened Safety Exploration Centre (Centre) in the Eco-City. While being in different types of "dangerous situations", you can raise your own safety awareness and escape skills, as well as experience a unique "escape room"!

The Centre is built based on "real scenarios", creating the different "dangerous situations" that visitors may face in their daily lives. With the integration of multimedia technologies such as real objects, scenes and VR, the exhibition areas with different themes allow visitors to experience fire escape, plummeting of the elevator, traffic accidents and other dangers in rooms, kitchens, hotel lobbies, elevators and cars, in an immersive and interactive way. Through intense and stimulating games, as well as staff's explanations, visitors can master the knowledge of fire-fighting, escape, CPR, knotting of escape rope and other daily safety skills.

In addition, the Centre specially set up a Children's Safety Hall and enlarged the daily furniture and household appliances so that visitors can discover potential safety hazards at home from the perspective of children, henceforth enhancing the awareness of children's safety and protection. The Centre is open to the public, free of charge, from Monday to Saturday and statutory holidays. Residents can make reservations by phone and Wechat. Take your friends and family to experience the Centre!



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Dialogue with Senior Management

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Deputy General Manager of the Tax & Treasury Department
Ms. Betsy Jin Wei

In this issue, Eco-Beats@SSTECH catches up with Ms. Betsy Jin Wei, Deputy General Manager of the Tax & Treasury Department. DGM Jin provided insights on Tax & Treasury's responsibilities and her working experiences and gains. She also expressed her feelings for the Eco-City.

1. Can you introduce the main work responsibilities of Tax & Treasury Department?

The main responsibilities of Tax & Treasury Department are to ensure that the company pay taxes in accordance to the relevant laws and regulations and to manage the funds of SSTECH effectively. These include: regular tax filing, tax planning, risk management, daily receipt and payment of funds, group cash flow planning and forecast, formulation of financial management proposal, preparation of financing plan, and submission of SSTECH's statistic data.

2. What are Tax & Treasury Department's key achievements? What are your more memorable work experiences?

After more than 10 years of development, SSTECH has expanded its businesses and the tax contributions from us have grown to become a significant portion of the fiscal revenue of the Eco-City. Under the leadership of CFO Tan and CA Dong, our department collaborates with other departments to comply with taxation regulations and policies and ensure that SSTECH pays its taxes timely. By virtue of these efforts, SSTECH has kept its Rank A tax credit rating for many consecutive years, created a reputation of honesty, minimised tax risks significantly, and safeguarded its overall interests.

In recent years, the central government launched the "tax and fee reduction" measures and there have been many new updates to the taxation regulations and policies. We study the updates in a timely manner and provide tax planning suggestions and information to relevant departments to reduce the operating costs for SSTECH. Particularly, after the new individual income tax law was launched at the end of 2018, we worked with HR to educate our employees on the new changes and answer their queries timely. This ensured the successful implementation of the new law in SSTECH.

3. How do you lead the teams to continuously do better and innovate?

Tax & Treasury Department is a relatively technical department and our professional knowledge needs to be constantly renewed. As the head of our department, it is very important to motivate my team members to continuously learn new knowledge. Firstly, I set myself as an example to others by upgrading my personal professional standards and act as a role model. I share new tax regulations updates and treasury knowledge with our team members daily, as well as leading them to perform their duties well through innovation and continuous improvement. Secondly, tax and treasury related work require our team members to maintain a comprehensive understanding of SSTECH's overall business processes and development status. Hence, I often encourage my team members to broaden their professional horizons, to think and identify problems, have mutual discussions, and innovate. Thirdly, I'm willing to allocate work responsibilities based on team members' unique strengths and encourage them to sincerely learn from and have open communication with each other to enhance our team spirit.

4. Could you share your experiences of working at SSTECH and what have you gained from these experiences?

Before joining SSTECH, I used to be an auditor and had interactions with many different companies. After joining SSTECH, I gained three different areas of experiences: Firstly, rigorously. SSTECH has a rigorous management system and regulations to effectively control risks. In the past five years, I have also placed "risk" in the first place in my work dictionary. Secondly, progressive. SSTECH is a forward looking company. We integrate advanced management concepts from both Singapore and China and apply them depending on the circumstances. Thirdly, friendship. SSTECH is also an international family, where employees from the two countries come together to exchange their experiences and learn from one another. I have made a lot of new friends at SSTECH and have been rewarded with invaluable friendships.

5. Could you share with us your feelings for the Eco-City?

In early 2015, I returned to Tianjin from Guangzhou. When I first arrived in the Eco-City, I was attracted by its greenery, cleanliness and tidy streets. After joining SSTECH, I have a deeper understanding of this city. Good living environment, convenient transport and the high-quality education resources convinced me to relocate here. As one of the residents and contributors to the development of the Eco-City, I am full of satisfaction and proud of its dramatic change. Time flies quickly and I have lived and worked here for nearly five years. Every morning, after sending my child to school, I will enjoy the beautiful sceneries around me while going to work. Thus, I usually start my day of work, bustling with full energy. Whenever my friends ask me about the developments of the Eco-City, I always reply proudly that the Eco-City is a vibrant green smart eco-city with greenery, beautiful environment and advanced planning. It is my home, and I'm very honoured to participate and witness its developments.



Keppel Corporation Limited's Board Safety Committee visited the Eco-City to enhance its guidance on SSTECS's safety work

On 5 September, 2019, Dr Lee Boon Yang, Chairman of Keppel Corporation Limited (KCL) led KCL's Board Safety Committee (BSC) members, Mr Loh Chin Hua, CEO and Executive Director and Mr Tan Ek Kia, Non-Executive and Independent Director and Chairman of BSC, as well as Mr Jaggi Ramesh Kumar, General Manager (Group Health, Safety and Environment), to visit SSTECS. The BSC was briefed by Mr Tay Lim Heng, CEO of SSTECS on SSTECS's safety management state of affairs, including safety management system, risk control and safety management at construction sites etc.

After the meeting, the BSC visited SSTECS's self-developed projects including the Singapore Centre located at The Landmark in the Eco-Business Park and the residential project (Regency Garden) on plot #42. The BSC affirmed SSTECS's safety management work and provided some valuable suggestions to enhance the safety of construction projects. These suggestions include exploring the use of technology to better monitor safety practices, as well as strengthening exchanges between SSTECS and Keppel on safety knowledge.

During their tour of the Eco-City, the BSC also visited Keppel Logistics Warehouse, Keppel's Seasons City and Keppel's District Cooling and Heating System project.

The delegation was also accompanied by Mr Tan Kiat Hin, CFO of SSTECS, Mr Tong Cherng Yaw, DCEO of SSTECS's Physical Planning Division, Mr Tay Koon Chye, General Manager of Eco-Homes and relevant staff from SSTECS and Eco-Homes safety management departments.



The BSC was briefed on SSTECS's work safety management state of affairs by Mr Tay, CEO of SSTECS.



The BSC visited the Singapore Centre located at The Landmark.



The BSC with SSTECS's representatives at the Singapore Centre, located at The Landmark.



The BSC visited SSTECS's self-developed residential project - Regency Garden.



The BSC with SSTECS's representatives at the Regency Garden, SSTECS's self-developed residential project.

Successful bid for two prime land parcels in the Eco-City will add more green homes to the Central District

Recently, two land plots including Jing Binsheng Transfer (Listed 2019-1) with a total area of 9.21ha and Jing Binsheng Transfer (Listed 2019-2) with a total area of 2.77ha that were put up for public bidding at the Tianjin Binhai New Area Land Development Center by SSTECS were successfully won by Tianjin Yeshine Group on 28 Aug 2019 and by Tianjin Eco-City Sunway Property Development Co., Ltd. on 11 Sep 2019 respectively. The two plots are both located in the Central District, which are adjacent to the Eco-Valley and near quality schools. They will be

developed into liveable eco-communities which mainly comprise high- and low-rise residential buildings. Scenic parks, as well as the highly popular China-Singapore Friendship Library featuring smart features, are within walking distance of these two plots. In the future, residents will enjoy convenient commutes, and various commercial entities and schools will be built within reach to provide residents with mature and comprehensive amenities and services.

The successful bid of the two land plots will provide more diverse residential options in the Central District that will attract residents and add further impetus for the rapid and stable development of the Central District. It is on its way to becoming a green, liveable, business-friendly and smart business and lifestyle hub.

SSTECS showcased the Eco-City's growth and upcoming green and smart urban developments at the 16th China-ASEAN Expo

SSTECS participated in the 16th China-ASEAN Expo (CAEXPO) held from 21 to 24 September at the Nanning International Convention and Exhibition Centre.

SSTECS's exhibit at the Singapore National Pavilion showcased the Eco-City's transformation since 2008, from a barren wasteland into a leading model for smart and sustainable urbanisation with a current population of 100,000 and over 8,000 registered companies and institutions. The plans to develop the Eco-City's city centre into a green, business-friendly, liveable and smart business and lifestyle hub in the next phase were also featured.

Speaking at the 10th Promotion Conference on ASEAN Industrial Parks, which was held in conjunction with the CAEXPO, Mr Tay Lim Heng, CEO of SSTECS, introduced the Eco-City's development



CAEXPO participants learnt about the transformation of Eco-City and its upcoming urban developments at SSTECS's exhibit.

achievements and the exciting plans in store for the next phase. Mr Tay highlighted the Eco-City's conducive business environment with comprehensive support schemes as well as high-quality support infrastructure and facilities, including SSTECS's Singapore Centre which provides business information and services and cost-effective space solutions for Singapore and international companies.

Mr Tay said, "CAEXPO has been a vibrant and effective trade, investment and people interaction platform for China and ASEAN countries. We are glad to be here today to share more about this



SSTECS CEO, Mr Tay Lim Heng, introduced Eco-City's developments and conducive business environment to conference participants.

flagship bilateral project between the governments of Singapore and China with the participants of CAEXPO. The Eco-City has made significant strides these years; moving forward, SSTECS will continue to work with our public and private partners to explore innovative urban solutions that drive the development of a green and smart Eco-City where people can live, work, play and learn."



SSTECS was awarded the "Outstanding Charity Contribution Award" by Tianjin Binhai New Area Charity Association

On 29 September 2019, SSTECS won the "Outstanding Charity Contribution Award" awarded by Tianjin Binhai New Area (TBNA) Charity Association (Association) at the TBNA Charity Association Second Member and Charity Recognition Conference, in recognition of the SSTECS's continuous support for TBNA's charity causes.

At the same time, SSTECS has been invited to continue to serve as the member of the Second Council of the Association, and work with people from all walks of life to promote the development of charity in TBNA, build a large charity structure and develop TBNA into the top charity area in the country. SSTECS had served as the member of the First Council of the Association and was one of the first batch of enterprises to make donations to the Association. It also organised employees to donate to the Association for many years, making positive contributions to TBNA's charity causes.

SSTECS had also actively extended its assistance to areas stricken by disasters and emergencies and poverty-stricken areas on many occasions, and supported the reconstruction of disaster-stricken areas and improved the lives of disadvantage groups through



Mr Luo Xiaoyong, DCEO of SSTECS (first from the right), received the "Outstanding Charity Contribution Award" on behalf of the company.

monetary and material donations. As a responsible corporate citizen, SSTECS will continue to devote itself to charity and actively give back to the society and help the needy through extensive participation in charity activities.

31 Aug 2019, Binhai Times noted that the first phase of the Elion Ecological Park - Elves Paradise project in the Eco-City's Eco-Island District is expected to begin trial operations in Sep end. In line with the concept "promoting harmony between people and nature, and between people and animals", the Park will be home to thousands of "adorable animals". When the Park is open, visitors will be able to interact closely with these "elves".



滨海新区再添全新旅游目的地



5 Sep 2019, Xinhua Net noted that recently, the ECAC Commerce Bureau and Wanyu Shengheng Eco-Maintenance Management Co., Ltd. jointly organised the 9th Shengheng Bazaar and Carnival in the Eco-City. The event aimed to enrich residents' lifestyle and provide a feast of interesting and affordable community cultural activities.



6 Aug 2019, Binhai Times noted that recently, the Eco-City's quest to develop a smart city was bolstered by three powerful "foreign sources of support". As a pilot demonstration area for the development of smart cities in Tianjin, ECAC signed cooperation agreements with Huawei, iFLYTEK and China Mobile in just a week, to arrive at agreements on cooperation in different aspects of smart city development such as cloud computing, big data, AI and 5G technology application, promote the implementation of various smart city technologies and applications, and enable the clustering of smart industries to bring the Eco-City's development efforts to greater heights.



1 Aug 2019, China Construction News noted that recently, a delegation of experts assembled by the Ministry of Housing and Urban-Rural Development, the Ministry of Finance and the Ministry of Water Resources visited Tianjin to supervise the work to construct a sponge city in the Eco-City which has been included in the second batch of national sponge city pilot areas. The experts gave due recognition to the effectiveness of the sponge city pilot projects in the Eco-City. They felt that the Eco-City's management system for sponge city was feasible, and that the Eco-City's sponge city pilot projects which were of a relatively high quality, could meet the stated targets for such projects.



15 Sep 2019, Metro Express noted that the construction project of China University of Nuclear Technology (Tianjin) was recently inaugurated in the TBNA's Eco-City, marking the formal start of the project. This is China's first national nuclear technology university and the construction is expected to be completed as early as the second half of 2021. It is understood that the construction project of the University of Nuclear Technology consists of two parts; the university campus project and the residential construction project.



Party Highlights

CPC SSTECS Branch holds an inner-party meeting with the theme of "Staying true to our founding mission"

CPC SSTECS Branch held an inner-party meeting on the noon of 4 Sep 2019. Themed "Staying true to our founding mission", the meeting was chaired by Comrade Luo Xiaoyong, Secretary of the SSTECS Branch.

In accordance with the organisation procedures, all Party Branch members did preparation work such as focused learning, heart-to-heart conversations, solicitation of feedback etc. before the meeting. During the meeting, Comrade Luo Xiaoyong briefed all Party members on how the branch committee identify its issues and their criticism and self-criticism. The branch committee identified six issues in four areas, the members of the branch committee identified 22 issues, and formulated targeted rectification measures for all the issues. All Party members took turns to undergo serious self-criticism and mutual-criticism and conducted anonymous democratic appraisal of branch committee and all Party members.

