

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
before the  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934  
Release No. 85214 / February 27, 2019

Admin. Proc. File No. 3-18785

In the Matter of

CHINA GINSENG HOLDINGS, INC.,  
HONGLI CLEAN ENERGY TECHNOLOGIES CORP.,  
AND TIANYIN PHARMACEUTICALS CO., INC.,

Respondents.

ORDER REGARDING SERVICE

The Securities and Exchange Commission (“Commission”) issued an Order Instituting Proceedings (“OIP”) on September 18, 2018, pursuant to Section 12(j) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, against Hongli Clean Energy Technologies Corp., an inactive Florida corporation.<sup>1</sup>

On September 25, 2018, the Division of Enforcement filed the Declaration of Ronald Turnbaugh, which states that service of the OIP was made on Hongli on September 21, 2018 by delivery to Cogency Global, Inc. On October 3, 2018, Cogency Global filed a notice stating that it is not currently Hongli’s registered agent. Under Florida law, “[s]ervice can only be made on some representative or agent of the corporation designated by law.”<sup>2</sup> “Service on a corporation’s registered agent is effective notice to the corporation,”<sup>3</sup> but a registered agent may resign that appointment by complying with the procedures prescribed by statute.<sup>4</sup> It appears that Cogency Global filed a Registered Agent Resignation with the Florida Department of State on February 6,

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<sup>1</sup> *China Ginseng Holdings, Inc.*, Exchange Act Release No. 84190, 2018 WL 4488864 (Sep. 18, 2018). The OIP also instituted proceedings against China Ginseng Holdings, Inc. and Tianyin Pharmaceuticals Co. This order does not apply to those respondents.

<sup>2</sup> *Dade Erection Serv., Inc. v. Sims Crane Serv., Inc.*, 379 So.2d 423, 425 (Fla. Dist. Ct. App. 1980).

<sup>3</sup> *Cam-La, Inc. v. Fixel*, 632 So.2d 1067, 1068 (Fla. Dist. Ct. App. 1994); *see also* Fla. Stat. § 48.081(3)(a).

<sup>4</sup> Fla. Stat. § 607.0502(2); *Rever v. Lapidus*, 151 So.2d 61, 63 (Fla. Dist. Ct. App. 1963).

2018, and tendered the required fee along with that Resignation.<sup>5</sup> Attempted service via an agent that successfully resigned and “severed all connections with the corporation prior to . . . service of process” generally is not effective on a Florida corporation.<sup>6</sup>

Accordingly, it is ORDERED that the Division of Enforcement shall file a status report concerning service of the Order Instituting Proceedings by March 20, 2019.

For the Commission, by the Office of the General Counsel, pursuant to delegated authority.

Brent J. Fields  
Secretary

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<sup>5</sup> Florida Dep’t of State, Div. of Corporations, *Registered Agent Resignation*, Document No. P96000081656 (filed Feb. 6, 2018).

<sup>6</sup> *Sunrise Beach, Inc. v. Phillips*, 181 So.2d 169, 170 (Fla. Dist. Ct. App. 1965).