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# Proprietor guilty of \$200,000 bribery over air-condition piping works

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The proprietor of an air-condition engineering company, charged by the ICAC, was today (October 12) convicted at the West Kowloon Magistracy of having conspired with a then assistant project manager of another engineering firm for the latter to accept illegal rebates of about \$200,000 for recommending air-condition piping works of a commercial complex to his company.

So Sung-loi, 54, sole proprietor of Wan Laiai Air-Condition Engineering Company (WLAC), was found guilty of one count of conspiracy for an agent to accept advantages, contrary to Section 9(1)(a) of the Prevention of Bribery Ordinance and Section 159A of the Crimes Ordinance.

Magistrate Peony Wong Nga-yan adjourned the case to October 26 this year for sentence, pending a background report. The defendant was remanded in the custody of the Correctional Services Department.

The court heard that at the material time, the defendant was the sole proprietor of WLAC, a renovation contractor providing installation and maintenance services for air-conditioning systems.

In mid 2013, another engineering firm secured a renovation project for refurbishing Yau Oi Commercial Complex in Yau Oi Estate, Tuen Mun.

An assistant project manager of the engineering firm, who supervised the renovation project, invited the defendant in September 2013 to submit a quotation on the piping works of its air-conditioning system. The defendant gave a verbal quotation at \$800,000.

The defendant later received requests from the assistant project manager for inflating the quotation as the latter wanted to get some cash rebates.

The court heard that after discussions, the duo agreed to quote over \$1,090,000 for the project, so that the assistant project manager would get cash rebates of \$200,000 in total.

On March 29, 2014, a written quotation of over \$1,090,000 was submitted to the assistant project manager of the engineering firm for approval. After the operator of the company bargained with the defendant for a discount, the defendant eventually agreed to reduce the project price to about \$1 million.

After the defendant received project payments from the engineering firm, he received calls from the assistant project manager requesting for a certain amount of cash to be paid to him at a designated

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location.

On five occasions between July and November 2014, the defendant paid a total of approximately \$200,000, being illegal cash rebates, to the assistant project manager, the court was told.

The prosecution was today represented by prosecuting counsel Henry Ma, assisted by ICAC officer Jessie Fu.

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## 新聞公佈

公司東主提供二十萬元非法回佣以獲取空調管道工程罪成候判

### 2017年10月12日

一名冷氣工程公司東主串謀另一間工程公司一名前助理項目經理, 使後者收受約二十萬元非法回佣, 以推薦將一個商場的空調管道工程分判予被告的公司, 被廉政公署起訴。被告今日(十月十二日)在西九龍裁判法院被裁定罪名成立。

蘇送來, 五十四歲, 運來冷氣工程公司(運來)獨資東主, 被裁定一項代理人串謀接受利益罪名成立, 違反《防止賄賂條例》第9(1)(a)條及《刑事罪行條例》第159A條。

裁判官黃雅茵將案件押後至本年十月二十六日判刑,以待被告的背景報告。被告暫時還押懲教署看管。

案情透露, 被告於案發時是運來的獨資東主, 該公司是一家提供空調系統安裝與保養服務的裝修承辦商。

另一間工程公司於二○一三年年中取得屯門友愛邨友愛商場的翻新項目。該工程公司一名負責監督該翻新項目的助理項目經理於二○一三年九月邀請被告就空調管道工程提交報價,被告於是口頭上作了八十萬元的報價。

被告其後收到該助理項目經理的要求, 指他希望從中取得現金回佣, 要求被告把報價金額提高。

案情透露, 兩人商討後同意將報價定為一百零九萬多元, 該助理項目經理就可以從中取得共二十萬元現金回佣。

一份一百零九萬多元的書面報價單於二○一四年三月二十九日提交予該助理項目經理批核。該工程公司東主要求被告進一步減價,被告最終同意將工程造價減至約一百萬元。

被告取得工程款項後,收到該助理項目經理的來電,要求被告在指定地點將某個數額的現金付予他。

案情透露,被告於二○一四年七月至十一月期間,分五次將共約二十萬元現金的非法回佣付予該助 理項目經理。

控方今日由大律師馬家颿代表出庭,並由廉署人員傅韋茵協助。 返回目錄

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