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Ex-sales clerk in court for \$720,000 purchase orders fraud

A former sales clerk of a packaging and labour protective materials supplier appeared in the Eastern Magistracy today (January 20) after being charged by the ICAC with defrauding six local food manufacturers of purchase orders worth about \$720,000 and using false purchase orders.

Sin Ngai-king, 33, former sales clerk of Ming Fu Hong (MFH), who was charged on Tuesday (January 17), faced six counts of fraud, contrary to Section 16A(1) of the Theft Ordinance.

The defendant also faced two counts of using a false instrument, contrary to Section 73 of the Crimes Ordinance.

No plea was taken today. Principal Magistrate Ms Bina Chainrai transferred the case to the District Court for plea on February 9 this year.

The case arose from a corruption complaint. Subsequent ICAC enquiries revealed the above alleged offences.

At the material time, the defendant was employed by MFH, a supplier of packaging and labour protective materials. He was tasked to liaise with six local food manufacturers and process their purchase orders.

Team Best Trading Limited (TBT) was a motor oil trading company owned and operated by the defendant's family.

Six of the charges alleged that between October 2011 and January 2013, the defendant falsely represented to the six local food manufacturers that MFH was renamed as TBT, and with intent to defraud, induced them to place orders with TBT, resulting in benefit to TBT or in prejudice to MFH.

As a result of the alleged false representations, the defendant defrauded MFH of purchase orders worth about \$720,000 in total.

The remaining two charges alleged that the defendant used two false purchase orders on September 5 and October 9, 2014 respectively, which worth about \$30,000 in total and purported to have been issued by MFH, with the intention of inducing a staff member of a plastic bag supplier of MFH to accept them as genuine.

The defendant was granted cash bail of \$50,000. He was also ordered to reside at his reported address, inform the ICAC 24 hours prior to any change of address, and not to interfere with prosecution witnesses.

MFH had rendered full assistance to the ICAC during its investigation.

The prosecution was today represented by ICAC officer Keith Chu.

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廉署起訴前銷售文員涉七十二萬元 購貨訂單詐騙案今提堂

廉政公署落案起訴一名包裝及勞工保護物料供應商前銷售文員,控告他涉嫌詐騙六家本地食品生產商 總值約七十二萬元的購貨訂單,以及使用虛假購貨訂單。被告今日(一月二十日)在東區裁判法院應訊。

洗毅勁,三十三歲,明富行前銷售文員,於星期二(一月十七日)被控六項欺詐罪名,違反《盜竊罪條例》第16A(1)條。

被告亦被控兩項使用虛假文書罪名,違反《刑事罪行條例》第73條。

被告今日無需答辯。主任裁判官錢禮將案件轉介區域法院至本年二月九日答辯。

廉署早前接獲貪污投訴,調查後揭發上述涉嫌罪行。

被告於案發時受僱於包裝及勞工保護物料供應商明富行,負責聯絡六家本地食品生產商及跟進其購貨 訂單。

盟益貿易有限公司(盟益)是一家汽車機油貿易公司,由被告家人擁有及經營。

其中六項控罪指被告涉嫌於二〇一一年十月至二〇一三年一月期間,虚假地向該六家本地食品生產商 表示,明富行改名為盟益,並意圖詐騙而誘使它們向盟益發出訂單,導致盟益獲得利益或明富行蒙受 不利。

被告涉嫌藉虛假陳述而詐騙總值約七十二萬元的購貨訂單。

餘下兩項控罪指被告涉嫌分別於二〇一四年九月五日及十月九日使用兩份看來是由明富行發出總值約 三萬元的虛假購貨訂單,意圖誘使明富行一家膠袋供應商的職員接受它們為真文書。

被告獲准以現金五萬元保釋,並受命須在報住的地址居住、如更改地址須於二十四小時前通知廉署, 以及不得騷擾控方證人。

明富行在廉署調查案件期間提供全面協助。

控方今日由廉署人員朱偉波代表出庭。

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