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Company proprietor in court over illegal rebates for maintenance works

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A proprietor of an engineering company appeared in the Fanling Magistracy today (March 2) after being charged by the ICAC with offering illegal rebates to obtain maintenance works at a residential estate.

Ng Chiu-kan, 54, proprietor of Wing Lee Company (WLC), who was charged on Tuesday (February 28), faced two counts of offering advantages to an agent, contrary to Section 9(2)(a) of the Prevention of Bribery Ordinance.

No plea was taken today. Principal Magistrate Ms Woo Huey-fang adjourned the case to March 30 this year for plea.

At the material time, the defendant was a proprietor of WLC, which had business dealings with Beautiful Garden, a residential estate in Tai Po. Unimax Property Consultancy Limited (UPC) was its property management company.

One of the charges alleged that between July 1 and October 31, 2015, the defendant, without lawful authority or reasonable excuse, offered cash of approximately \$1,200 to a consultant of UPC as a reward for engaging WLC to carry out maintenance works at Beautiful Garden.

The other charge alleged that between March 1 and April 30, 2016, the defendant, without lawful authority or reasonable excuse, offered cash of approximately \$2,000 to the consultant of UPC for the same purpose.

The defendant was granted cash bail of \$5,000. He was ordered not to leave Hong Kong and not to interfere with prosecution witnesses.

UPC and the Incorporated Owners of Beautiful Garden had rendered full assistance to the ICAC during its investigation.

The prosecution was today represented by ICAC officer Kris Chan.

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新聞公佈

廉署起訴工程公司東主涉嫌提供非法回佣以獲取維修工程今提堂

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廉政公署落案起訴一名工程公司東主，控告他涉嫌提供非法回佣，以獲取一個屋苑的維修保養工程。被告今日(三月二日)在粉嶺裁判法院應訊。

吳朝根，五十四歲，永利公司(永利)東主，星期二(二月二十八日)被控兩項向代理人提供利益罪名，違反《防止賄賂條例》第9(2)(a)條。

被告今日無需答辯。主任裁判官吳蕙芳將案件押後至本年三月三十日答辯。

被告於案發時是永利其中一名東主，該工程公司與大埔屋苑美豐花園有生意來往。九源物業顧問有限公司(九源)則是美豐花園的物業管理公司。

其中一項控罪指被告涉嫌於二○一五年七月一日至十月三十一日期間，無合法權限或合理辯解而向九源一名顧問提供現金共約一千二百元，作為聘請永利在美豐花園進行維修保養工程的報酬。

另一項控罪指被告涉嫌於二○一六年三月一日至四月三十日期間，無合法權限或合理辯解而以相同目的向該名九源顧問提供現金共約二千元。

被告獲准以現金五千元保釋，並受命不准離開香港及不得騷擾控方證人。

九源及美豐花園業主立案法團在廉署調查案件期間提供全面協助。

控方今日由廉署人員陳志堅代表出庭。

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