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Subject supplier: Shenzhen Yu* Electronics Co., Ltd. (fictionalised)

Engagement type: pre-deposit verification · Client market: United States · Order value: US$18,400
Data collected: 12–13 October 2026 · Report date: 14 October 2026 · Report ID: CV-2026-1014-S

VERDICT

PROCEED WITH CONDITIONS

The supplier is a real, active trading company with four years of export history and a coherent product range. However, the person negotiating with the client is not registered staff of the legal entity, and the showroom address on the quotation differs from the registered address. Neither finding is disqualifying on its own — both are common in Shenzhen — but together they mean the client should adjust payment structure before sending a deposit.

FINDINGS

Legal status	Active. Registered 2019-06. Registered capital RMB 1.0M (paid-in, per filing).
Registration match	Name on quotation matches business licence. Unified social credit code verified.
Registered address	Office unit, 14/F commercial tower — consistent with a trading company, not a factory.
Quoted address	Showroom in Bao'an district. DIFFERS from registered address (2.1 km apart).
Contact person	Claims to be "sales manager Lily Wang". NOT listed in company filings or on licence.
Export history	Customs-visible shipments to US/DE/NL since 2022. Product codes match LED modules.
Video call	Held 13 Oct, 19:40 Beijing time. Showroom walked live on camera. Products match range.
References	Two buyers contacted via LinkedIn. Both confirmed delivery; one noted slow Q4 responses.

RED FLAGS — RANKED

1. **Negotiator identity**

   The person holds no registered role at the legal entity. Could be a freelance agent using the company as a front, or staff under a different employer. Either way, your contract would not bind them.

2. **Address mismatch**

   The quotation shows a showroom; the registration shows an office tower. Ask which entity signs the contract and which address appears on the invoice — then verify both.

3. **No factory**

   They are a trading company despite "factory direct" claims. This affects price (margin added) and QC leverage (no direct line to production).

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RECOMMENDED CONDITIONS BEFORE DEPOSIT

1. Contract and invoice must be signed in the name of the registered legal entity (the company on the business licence), signed by a legal representative or registered shareholder — not by the negotiator.
2. Pay the deposit to the company's corporate bank account only. Account name must exactly match the legal entity name. Refuse personal accounts and third-party company accounts.
3. Reduce first deposit to 20% and hold 50% until after pre-shipment inspection.
4. Require a 5-minute video call with the production contact at the actual producing factory before mass production starts.
5. Book a pre-shipment inspection before the balance payment. We can perform this (Wuhan base; travel quoted at cost) — or any inspector you trust.

WHAT COULD NOT BE VERIFIED

- Beneficial ownership beyond the registered legal representative (requires legal channels, out of scope).
- Financial health of the company (no public filings of this type in China).
- Whether the producing factory is owned or subcontracted — recommended to confirm on the video call with the production contact (condition 4 above).

EVIDENCE APPENDIX (attached to the full version)

A1 Business licence extract (full-resolution scan, annotated)
A2 Registry filing — shareholders & legal representative
A3 Address cross-check — map & satellite imagery
A4 Customs shipment summary (aggregated, public data)
A5 Video call stills (8 frames, timestamped)
A6 Showroom walkthrough frame sequence
A7 Reference chat logs (redacted, with consent)
A8 Bank account verification checklist

SCOPE & LIMITS

This is a practical commercial verification, not legal due diligence. Sources: public Chinese company registries, map and satellite imagery, public trade data, direct communication with the supplier, and references contacted with consent. Findings reflect the situation on the report date. We do not accept commission from suppliers; any supplier-side payment would be disclosed in writing. If a matter requires litigation-grade evidence, engage a Chinese law firm — we will say so plainly and help with the handover.

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