June 26, 2024

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Re: WeRide Inc.
Amendment No. 2 to

Draft Registration Statement on Form F-1

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Submitted May 30,

CIK No. 0001867729

Dear Tony Xu Han:

 $$\operatorname{\textsc{We}}$$  have reviewed your amended draft registration statement and have the following

comments.

 $\hbox{Please respond to this letter by providing the requested information and either submitting} \\$ 

an amended draft registration statement or publicly filing your registration statement on  $% \left( 1\right) =\left( 1\right) +\left( 1\right) +$ 

EDGAR. If you do not believe a comment applies to your facts and circumstances or do not

believe an amendment is appropriate, please tell us why in your response.

 $\label{eq:continuous} \mbox{ After reviewing the information you provide in response to this letter and your amended } \\$ 

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comments. Unless we note otherwise, any references to prior comments are to comments in our

May 15, 2023 letter.

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Continued investment in technology, page 94

1 We note your disclosure on page F-20 that, "The Group determined that the expenditure on development activities incurred during the years presented did not meet the capitalization criteria, because, among others, the Group cannot demonstrate, at the time when the development expenditure was incurred, the development activities would generate probable future economic benefits." Please include similar disclosure in your MD&A when discussing your investment in technology. Specifically discuss what you are developing and when you expect those development activities would generate probably Tony Xu Han WeRide Inc. June 26, 2024 Page 2

future economic benefit.

2. Given your material investment in the WeRide One platform, discuss the stage of

development of the platform as of the date of the filing. Disclose when you expect to  $% \left( 1\right) =\left( 1\right) +\left( 1$ 

generate significant revenue and profit as it relates to the WeRide One platform.

Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Conditions and Results of Operations

Key Components of Results of Operations, page 96

3. We note your response to prior comment 3. Please consider presenting the statistical data  ${}^{\circ}$ 

in a tabular format for ease of understanding the trends between periods presented. As of the date of your filing, please disclose the value of unrecognized share-based compensation expenses and the period you expect to recognize that expense. We refer to disclosure on page 113 of your filing. Results of Operations, page 101 You state the decrease in robobuses sales from 2023 to 2022 was due to a challenging macroeconomic environment. Please discuss the challenging macroeconomic environment in the jurisdictions where you have sales. Discuss if this is a trend and whether you expect sales to increase or decrease in future periods. We note your response to our prior comment 6. Please quantify what portion of the increase in service revenue is a result of ADAS research and development services versus operational and technical support services. Discuss if you expect revenue from these services to continue to grow or decrease in future periods. When more than one factor contributes to an increase or decrease to a line item, please quantify each factor. In your current filing this should be done for research and development expenses, administrative expenses, and selling expenses. Liquidity and Capital Resources Cash flows and working capital, page 108 Please revise your discussion of cash flow from operating activities to discuss the underlying drivers impacting the changes in working capital. Simply identifying that components of working capital changed does not provide a sufficient basis to analyze your cash flow from operating activities. Consolidated Financial Statements Consolidated Statements of Xu FirstName LastNameTony Profit Hanor Loss, page F-3 Comapany NameWeRide We are consideringInc. your response to prior comment 13 and may have additional comments. June 26, 2024 Page 2 FirstName LastName Tony Xu Han FirstName LastNameTony Xu Han WeRide Inc. Comapany NameWeRide Inc. June 26, 2024 June 26, Page 3 2024 Page 3 FirstName LastName General Prior comment 20 requested a detailed legal analysis regarding whether the Company and each of its subsidiaries meet the definition of an under Section company 3(a)(1)(A) of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the Act ). The s response did not address its subsidiaries. Accordingly, we Company are reissuing prior comment 20 with respect to the Company s subsidiaries. 11. Prior comment 21 requested a detailed legal analysis regarding whether the Company and each of its subsidiaries meet the definition of an company under Section

comment 20 with respect to the Company s subsidiaries.

11. Prior comment 21 requested a detailed legal analysis regarding whether the Company and each of its subsidiaries meet the definition of an investment company under Section

3(a)(1)(C) of the Act. The Company s response did not address its subsidiaries.

Accordingly, we are reissuing prior comment 21 with respect to the Company s subsidiaries.

12. Please identify the date on which the Company first believed that it was eligible to rely on

Rule 3a-8 and the Company s expectations with respect to future reliance on the rule. We note that The Commission has expressed the view that an R&D company would not be expected to maintain perpetually a portfolio of investment securities. See Certain Research and Development Companies, Investment Company Act Release No. 25835 (Nov. 26, 2002) [67 FR 71915] (Dec.3, 2002) at 71918. 13. With respect to the Company s analysis under Rule 3a-(8)(a)(1), please provide a balance sheet for the last four fiscal quarters, identifying the relevant research and development expenses as a proportion of the Company s total operating expenses. Also, identify with specificity the Company s relevant research and development expenses for the last four fiscal quarters and provide a legal analysis of why, in the Company s view, each such expense should be considered a research and development expense under Rule 3a-8(b)(9). 14. With respect to the Company s analysis under Rule 3a-8(a)(2), please provide an income statement for the last four fiscal quarters, identifying the Company s net income derived from investments in securities as a proportion of the Company s research and development expenses. With respect to the Company s analysis under Rule 3a-8(a)(3), please provide the Company s expenses for investment advisory and management activities, investment research and custody for the last four fiscal quarters. With respect to the Company s analysis under Rule 3a-8(a)(4), please discuss whether the figure provided in the Company s response "[m]ore than 99.9% of the Company s reflects the investments in securities are capital preservation number of the Company s investments in capital preservation investments or percentage of the Company s assets allocated to such investments. Also, we note that Rule 3a-8(b)(4) defines capital preservation investment as an investment that is made to conserve capital and liquidity until the funds are used in the issuer s primary business or businesses. In the release adopting Rule 3a-8, the Commission indicated that it was adopting the definition of Tony Xu Han WeRide Inc. June 26, 2024 Page 4 capital preservation investment as proposed, which indicated that capital preservation investments are liquid so that they can be readily sold to support the research and s activities as necessary and present limited development company credit risk. See Certain Research and Development Companies, Investment Company Act Release No. 26077 (June 16, 2003) [68 FR 37045] [June 20, 2003], at 37048-49 ( Adopting Release ). The Adopting Release further states that: investments in equity or speculative debt would not meet the definition of capital preservation investments, but would other be considered investments subject to the limits stated in the rule. Please discuss in detail the Company s investments in wealth management products managed by banks linked to bonds and explain specifically why the Company views these products to be capital preservation investments. In connection with that response, please address why the Company views these investments as presenting limited credit risk, whether the bonds are speculative in nature, the credit rating, if any, and any other factors relevant to the Company s view that these securities

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constitute capital preservation securities.
             Please discuss the terms of the time deposits, including whether
the Company may
            exit from such positions early and, if so, whether such exit would
be subject to early
            withdrawal penalties. Further, to the extent applicable, please
explain in detail
            whether and how any such restrictions on withdrawal or the
imposition of a
            withdrawal penalty would impact whether such investments
constitute capital
            preservation securities.
            Please discuss the maturities of the wealth management products
linked to bonds and
            time deposits in the context of the Company s expected time
horizon for their use in
            connection with the Company s research and development
activities.
17.
       With respect to the Company s analysis under Rule 3a-8(a)(5), the
        s analysis of
        this requirement of the rule is conclusory and therefore does not
allow the staff to assess
        the Company s position. Please discuss in greater detail the Company
 s view that it
        satisfies Rule 3a-8(a)(5).
18.
      With respect to the Company
                                    s analysis under Rule 3a-8(a)(6), please
identify the titles
      and/or approximate level of seniority of the employees that devote time
to managing the
      Company s capital preservation investments.
FirstName LastNameTony Xu Han
      With respect to the Company s analysis under Rule 3a-8(a)(7), please
identify the date on
Comapany
      whichNameWeRide
             the Company sInc.board of directors adopted the written
investment policy referred to
      in2024
June 26, the Company
              Page 4 prior response addressing Rule 3a-8(a)(7).
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      Please contact Inessa Kessman at 202-551-3371 or Robert Littlepage at
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you have questions regarding comments on the financial statements and related
matters. Please
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other
questions.
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