Richard Chen is vice president, Strategy and Partnership, Ford Greater China, effective May 16, 2018. Chen will be based in Shanghai, reporting to Anning Chen, president & CEO, Ford China. In this role, he will be responsible for overall China business strategic planning, as well as management of external partnerships and stakeholder relations.

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