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May 2, 2023

BSE Limited	National Stock Exchange of India Limited
P J Towers,	Exchange Plaza,
Dalal Street, Fort,	Bandra Kurla Complex, Bandra (E),
Mumbai – 400 001.	Mumbai – 400 051.
Scrip Code: - 532922	Symbol:- EDELWEISS

Dear Sir/ Madam,

SUB: Disclosure under the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015

This is in continuation of our letter dated April 28, 2023, we now wish to inform you that the order passed by the Hon'ble National Company Law Tribunal, Mumbai Bench (the NCLT) sanctioning the Scheme of Arrangement between Edelweiss Financial Services Limited ("Company") and Nuvama Wealth Management Limited (formerly known as Edelweiss Securities Limited) ("Resulting Company") and their respective shareholders and creditors (the Scheme) under Sections 230 to 232 and other applicable provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 has been uploaded by the NCLT on its website. An uploaded copy of the said Order sanctioning the Scheme is enclosed herewith.

Kindly note that the certified copy of the said Order is awaited.

Kindly take the same on record.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully, For Edelweiss Financial Services Limited

Tarun Khurana Company Secretary

Encl.: as above

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# IN THE NATIONAL COMPANY LAW TRIBUNAL, COURT- III, MUMBAI BENCH

C.P.(CAA)/80/(MB)2023 CONNECTED WITH C.A.(CAA)/10/MB/2023

IN THE MATTER OF SECTIONS 230
TO 232 READ WITH SECTION 52
AND OTHER APPLICABLE
PROVISIONS OF THE COMPANIES
ACT, 2013

#### AND

IN THE MATTER OF SCHEME OF
ARRANGEMENT BETWEEN
EDELWEISS FINANCIAL SERVICES
LIMITED AND NUVAMA WEALTH
MANAGEMENT LIMITED
(FORMERLY KNOWN AS
EDELWEISS SECURITIES LIMITED)
AND THEIR RESPECTIVE
SHAREHOLDERS AND CREDITORS

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Edelweiss
            Financial
                         Services )
Limited.
               public
           а
                         company )
incorporated under the provisions of )
the Companies Act, 1956 having )
corporate
             identity
                          number )
L99999MH1995PLC094641
                             and )
           registered
                       office
      its
Edelweiss House, Off. C.S.T. Road, )
Kalina.
         Mumbai -
                             098, ) ...First Petitioner Company /
                      400
                                    Demerged Company
Maharashtra
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Nuvama
           Wealth
                     Management )
Limited (formerly known as Edelweiss )
Securities Limited), a public company )
incorporated under the provisions of )
the Companies Act, 1956 and having )
its
                identity
                          number )
     corporate
U67110MH1993PLC344634
                              and )
registered office at 801-804, Wing A,
Building No. 3, Inspire BKC, G Block,
BKC, Bandra East, Mumbai - 400 ) ... Second Petitioner Company /
051, Maharashtra
                                   ) Resulting Company
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### ... Collectively referred to as Petitioner Companies

Order pronounced on: 27th day of April 2023

#### Coram:

Shri H. V. Subba Rao, Hon'ble Member (Judicial) Ms. Madhu Sinha, Hon'ble Member (Technical)

Appearances (via videoconferencing):

For the Petitioner: Mr. Gaurav Joshi, Senior Advocate a/w Mr. Peshwan Jehangir, Mr. Mehul Shah, Mr. Aman Yagnik, Mr. Anindya Basarkod, Mr. Rushabh Gala, Ms. Roselin Alex and Ms. Dhruvi Dharia i/b Khaitan & Co, Advocates for the Applicant Companies

#### *ORDER*

- 1. The Tribunal convened through videoconferencing.
- 2. Heard Learned Counsel for the Petitioner Companies. No objections have been received by the Tribunal opposing the Company Scheme Petition and nor has any party controverted any averments made in the Company Scheme Petition.

- 3. The sanction of this Tribunal is sought under Sections 230 to 232 read with Section 52 and other applicable provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 ("Act") to the Scheme of Arrangement between Edelweiss Financial Services Limited and Nuvama Wealth Management Limited (Formerly known as Edelweiss Securities Limited) and their respective shareholders and creditors ("Scheme").
- 4. The First Petitioner Company is principally engaged in providing investment advisory services, merchant banking services (registered with the Securities and Exchange Board of India ("SEBI")) investment banking services and holding company activities comprising of development, managerial and financial support to the business of its subsidiaries.
- 5. The Second Petitioner Company is registered as a trading and clearing member with the Stock Exchanges and provides securities broking, investment advisory and research analysis services to its clients. The Resulting Company is a SEBI registered stock broker, investment advisor and research analyst. The Second Petitioner Company also acts as a 'Sponsor' to Alternative Investment Funds.
- 6. The learned Counsel for the Petitioner Companies submit that the rationale mentioned in the Scheme is as under:
  - 1. The Demerged Company and the Resulting Company seek to reorganise their respective businesses, by transfer of the Demerged Undertaking from the Demerged Company to the Resulting Company, so as to consolidate the wealth management business under one single entity (i.e. the Resulting Company).
  - 2. The demerger of the Demerged Undertaking from the Demerged Company to the Resulting Company will result in the equity shares of the Resulting Company becoming listed on the National Stock Exchange Limited and BSE Limited, with the Resulting Company focusing exclusively on wealth management business and

- capable of independent valuation and participation therein by any suitable investor interested in such businesses, in the future.
- 3. The proposed restructuring pursuant to the said Scheme is expected, inter alia, to result in following benefits:
  - i. value unlocking of wealth management business with ability to achieve valuation based on respective-risk return profile and cash flows;
  - ii. attracting business specific investors and strategic partners and providing better flexibility in accessing capital, focused strategy and specialisation for sustained growth and thereby enable de-leveraging of the respective businesses in the longer-term;
  - iii. segregation and unbundling of the wealth management business of the Demerged Company into the Resulting Company, will enable enhanced focus on the Demerged Company and the Resulting Company for exploiting opportunities in their respective business domains; and
  - iv. focused management approach for pursuing the growth in the respective business' verticals and de-risk the businesses from each other.

The Scheme would be in the best interests of the shareholders, employees, creditors and other stakeholders of each of the Parties as it would result in enhancement of shareholder value, operational efficiencies and greater focus and would enable the management of each of the aforesaid companies to vigorously pursue revenue growth and expansion opportunities.

- 7. Learned Counsel for the Petitioner Companies submit that the Company Scheme Petition was filed in consonance with the Order dated 12 January 2023 passed by this Tribunal in C.A.(CAA)/10/MB/2023 ("said Order").
- 8. Learned Counsel for the Petitioner Companies submit that *vide* the said Order, the Company Scheme Application was admitted and the

Petitioner Companies were inter alia directed to: (a) convene meeting of the equity shareholders of the First Petitioner Company; (b) dispensed with the requirement of convening and holding the meeting of the equity shareholders of the Second Petitioner Company; (c) dispensed with the requirement of convening and holding meeting of the preference shareholders of the Petitioner Companies as the Petitioner Companies did not have any preference shareholders; (d) dispensed with the requirement of convening and holding meeting of the secured creditors of the First Petitioner Company; (e) dispensed with the requirement of convening and holding of the meeting of the secured creditors of the Second Petitioner Company as the Second Petitioner Company did not have any secured creditors; (f) dispensed with the requirement of convening and holding meetings of the unsecured creditors of the Petitioner Companies. The Learned Counsel for the Petitioner Companies submit that, as directed by this Tribunal vide the said Order, the meeting of the equity shareholders of the First Petitioner Company was held on 24 February 2023 at 4:00 p.m. through video conferencing, for the purpose of considering and if thought fit, approving with or without modification, the Scheme. The equity shareholders of the First Petitioner Company approved the Scheme, by passing a resolution with the requisite majority. The Chairperson appointed for the said meeting had filed the Chairperson's Report showing the conduct and result of the said meeting as directed, which is annexed to the Company Scheme Petition.

9. The Learned Counsel for the Petitioner Companies submit that on 24 March 2023, the Company Scheme Petition was admitted and the date for hearing and final disposal was fixed as 27 April 2023. The Petitioner Companies were directed to cause publication of the advertisement in 'Business Standard' in English language having nation-wide circulation and translation thereof in Marathi language in 'Navshakti' having circulation in Maharashtra, at least 10 (ten) days before the date fixed for hearing and final disposal of the captioned Company Scheme Petition. The Petitioner Companies have filed an Affidavit of Service on 13 April 2023 evidencing the publication of newspaper advertisements.

- 10. Learned Counsel for the Petitioner Companies state that the Petitioner Companies have complied with all the requirements as per the directions of this Tribunal.
- 11. The Regional Director has filed its Report dated 24 April 2023 ("Report") praying that this Tribunal may pass such orders as it thinks fit, save and except as stated in Paragraphs 2 (a) to (j). The observations of the Regional Director and the reply of the Petitioner Companies as set out in the Affidavit dated 25 April 2023 filed by the Petitioner Companies with the Tribunal, the extract of which is set out in the tabular format below:

Sr. No. of	Observations in Report filed by the Regional	Reply of Petitioner	
Paragraph	Director	Companies	
2			
a)	In compliance of AS-14 (IND AS-103), the Petitioner	As far as the	
	Companies shall pass such accounting entries which	observation made in	
	are necessary in connection with the scheme to	Paragraph 2(a) of the	
	comply with other applicable Accounting Standards	Report of the Regional	
	such as AS-5(IND AS-8) etc	Director is concerned,	
		the First Petitioner	
		Company undertakes	
		to pass necessary	
		accounting entries in	
		accordance with	
		Appendix A of Indian	
		Accounting Standard	
		(Ind-AS) 10	
		'Distribution of Non-	

Cash Assets to Owners' prescribed under Section 133 of the Act read with the Companies (Indian Accounting Standards) Rules, 2015, as may be amended from time time, and the Second Petitioner Company undertakes to pass necessary accounting entries in accordance with Indian Accounting Standard 103 on **Business** Combinations notified under Section 133 of the Act under the Companies (Indian Accounting Standard) Rules, 2015, as may be amended from time to time. As far as the

b) As per Definition of the Scheme,

"Appointed Date" means the Effective Date or such other date (if any) as may be decided by the Boards of the Parties; And

"Effective Date" means date on which last of the conditions specified in Clause 19 (Conditions Precedent) of this Scheme are complied with or

As far as the observation made in Paragraph 2(b) of the Report of the Regional Director is concerned, the Petitioner Companies state that, the Appointed Date as

waived, as may be applicable. Reference in this Scheme to the date of "coming into effect of this Scheme" or "effectiveness of this Scheme" or "effect of this Scheme" or "upon the Scheme becoming effective" shall mean the Effective Date;

In this regard, it is submitted that Section 232 (6) of the Companies Act, 2013 states that the scheme under this section shall clearly indicate an appointed date from which it shall be effective and the scheme shall be deemed to be effective from such date and not at a date subsequent to the appointed date. However, this aspect may be decided by the Hon'ble Tribunal taking into account its inherent powers.

The Petitioners may be asked to comply with the requirements as clarified vide circular no. F. No. 7/12/2019/CL-I dated 21.08.2019 issued by the Ministry of Corporate Affairs.

defined in the Scheme means the Effective Date or such other date (if any) as may be decided by the Boards **Parties** of the (as defined in the Scheme). The Effective Date as defined in the Scheme means the date on which last of conditions the specified in Clause 19 (Conditions Precedent) of this Scheme are complied with or waived, as may be applicable.

Circular The MCAstates that, in terms of Section 232(6) of the Act, the Scheme shall deemed to be effective from the 'appointed date' and not a date subsequent to the 'appointed date'. Further. the MCACircular permits the Petitioner Company to decide and agree upon 'appointed date' an

		from which the
		Scheme shall come
		into force and permits
		the Petitioner
		Company to choose
		and state an
		'appointed date' in the
		Scheme. This
		appointed date may be
		a specific calendar
		date or may be tied to
		the occurrence of an
		event. Further, the
		MCA Circular does not
		restrict the companies
		to choose a prospective
		appointed date. The
		Petitioner Companies
		have commercially
		agreed to choose
		Effective Date of the
		Scheme as the
		Appointed Date.
		Therefore, the
		Petitioner Companies
		humbly submit that,
		the Scheme is in
		compliance with the
		requirements specified
		in the MCA Circular.
c)	The Hon'ble Tribunal may kindly seek the	As far as the
	undertaking that this Scheme is approved by the	observation made in
	requisite majority of members and creditors as per	Paragraph 2(c) of the
		<u> </u>

Section 230(6) of the Act in meetings duly held in terms of Section 230(1) read with 7 subsection (3) to (5) of Section 230 of the Act and the Minutes thereof are duly placed before the Tribunal.

Report of the Regional Director is concerned, the Petitioner Companies state that, in terms of the order dated 12th January 2023 passed by the Hon'ble Tribunal in the captioned Company Scheme **Application** ("CSA Order"), the First Petitioner Company was directed to convene and hold meeting of its equity shareholders to consider and approve the Scheme.

Further, the meetings of the secured creditors and unsecured creditors of First Petitioner the Company were dispensed with due to the fact that, the affidavits consents were provided by the Debenture **Trustees** representing 100% of the secured creditors of the First Petitioner

Company and more than 90% of the value of the unsecured creditors of the First Petitioner Company, were annexed to the captioned Company Scheme Application.

In compliance with the directions of Hon'ble Tribunal vide the CSA Order, the First Petitioner Company convened and held meeting of its equity shareholders on 24th February 2023 to consider and approve the said Scheme. The Scheme was approved by the equity shareholders with requisite majority at the said meeting.

A copy of the Chairperson's Report intimating the results of the said meeting of equity shareholders of the First Petitioner Company along with the scrutinizers report

as submitted with the Hon'ble Tribunal, is annexed hereto and marked as **Exhibit A1**.

In terms of the CSA Order, the meeting of the equity shareholders and unsecured creditors of the Second Petitioner Company were dispensed with due to the fact that, consent affidavits of all the equity shareholders and unsecured creditors representing more than 90% of the value of the Second Petitioner Company were annexed to the captioned Company Scheme Application. Further, since the Second Petitioner Company did not have any secured creditors the question of convening and holding the meeting of secured creditors did not arise.

d) The Petitioner Company has stated that present Scheme complies with the definition of "demerger" as per Section 2(19AA) of the Income Tax Act, in this regard, petitioner companies may be directed to place on record as to how the present scheme complies with the Section 2(19AA) of the Income Tax, Act, 1961;

far the as observation made in Paragraph 2(d) of the Report of the Regional Director is concerned, the Petitioner Companies submit that, it is specified in the Scheme that, the Scheme is presented under Sections 230 to 232 and other applicable provisions of the Act read with Section 2(19AA) and other applicable provisions of the*Income-tax* Act, 1961(**"Income** Tax Act") and inter alia provides for the demerger, transfer and vesting of the Demerged *Undertaking* (as defined in the Scheme) from the First Petitioner Company into the Second Petitioner Company on a going concern basis.

The Petitioner Companies further state that, the Scheme is compliance with all the conditions specified in Section 2(19AA) of the Income Tax Act. Petitioner company may be directed to place on record far As the e) as the list of Assets & Liabilities to be demerged and observation made in going to transferred in the Resulting company along Paragraph 2(e) of the with value of Assets & Liabilities in order to comment Report of the Regional Director is concerned, upon this matter. However, both companies shall Petitioner undertake to service creditors of Demerged Company the as the appointed date of the scheme. Companies state that, the Appointed Date of Scheme is the the Effective Date or such other date (if any) as may be decided by the Boards of the Parties i.e. a prospective date. A copy of the indicative list of assets and ofliabilities the Demerged Undertaking as on 31st December 2021 has been submitted with the Regional Director vide letter dated 1st March 2023. For ease of reference, the copy

of the indicative list of assets and liabilities of the Demerged Undertaking as on 31st December 2021 is annexed hereto and marked as **Exhibit A2**.

The Petitioner Companies have already complied with the provisions of Section 230(9) of the Act, by annexing the consent affidavits of **Debenture** the Trustees representing 100% the of thesecured creditors and more than 90% in value representing the unsecured creditors of First Petitioner the Company and the Second Petitioner Company, respectively, to the captioned Company Scheme Application, therefore, Petitioner Companies humbly state that, sending

		notices to the secured
		creditors and
		unsecured creditors of
		the First Petitioner
		Company as on the
		Appointed Date is not
		required.
f)	It is observed that both petitioner companies are	As far as the
1)	listed, therefore petitioner company may be directed	observation made in
	to provide NOC of SEBI, NSE and BSE, if any.	
	to provide NOC of SEDI, NSE and BSE, y any.	Paragraph 2(f) of the
		Report of the Regional
		Director is concerned, the Petitioner
		Companies state that,
		equity shares of the  First Petitioner
		Company are listed on
		BSE Limited ("BSE")
		and National Stock
		Exchange of India
		Limited (" <b>NSE</b> "). In
		compliance with
		Regulation 37 of the
		Securities and
		Exchange Board of
		India (Listing
		Obligations and
		Disclosure
		Requirements)
		Regulations, 2015
		and under SEBI
		Master Circular No.
		SEBI/HO / CFD

/DIL1/ CIR / P / 2021/ 0000000665 dated 23rd November 2021, the First Petitioner Company has already submitted the Scheme with BSE and NSE for their respective no objection. Copies of the observation letters dated 15th December 2022 and 16th December 2022 received from BSE and NSE, respectively, along with comments of the Securities and Exchange BoardIndia ("**SEBI**") have been been submitted with theRegional Director vide letter dated 1st March 2023. For ease of reference, a of the copy said observation letters issued by BSE and NSE are annexed hereto and marked as Exhibit A3 Colly.

The Second Petitioner Company holds

registrations issued by the SEBI, BSE and NSE. Copies of the no objection letters issued by BSE and NSE are annexed hereto and marked as Exhibit A4 Colly. Further the Resulting company may be directed to As far the g) as place on record NOC, If any of MCE & NCDEX, Indian observation made in Clearing Corporation Limited, Association of Mutual Paragraph 2(g) of the Funds of India and RERA. Report of the Regional Director is concerned, the Petitioner Companies state that, the Second Petitioner holds Company registrations issued by Metropolitan Stock Exchange of India Limited ("MSEI"), Multi Commodity Exchange of India Limited ("MCX"), National Commodity and Derivatives Exchange ("NCDEX"), Limited NSE Clearing Limited ("**NCL**"), Indian Clearing Corporation Limited ("ICCL"), Association of Mutual Funds of India

("AMFI") and
Maharashtra Real
Estate Regulatory
Authority ("MRERA").

Copies of the no objection letters issued by the MSEI, MCX and NCDEX are annexed hereto and marked as **Exhibit A5 Colly**.

The Second Petitioner
Company states that,
under the applicable
laws, the Second
Petitioner Company is
not required to seek
prior approval/ no
objection from ICCL,
AMFI and
MAHARERA.

In compliance with the directions of the Hon'ble Tribunal vide the CSA Order, the Petitioner Companies have inter alia served notices under Section 230(5) of the Act upon the regulatory authorities including

ICCL, **AMFI** and MAHARERA. Copy of the Affidavit of Service evidencing service of notice the upon requisite regulatory and sectoral authorities by the Petitioner Second Company is annexed hereto and marked as Exhibit A6. h) Since, Demerged Company is a NBFC, therefore, far As as thepetitioner company may be directed to provide NOC of observation made in RBI, if any. Paragraph 2(h) of the Report of the Regional Director is concerned, the Petitioner Companies state that, First Petitioner Company is principally engaged in providing investment advisory services, merchant banking services (registered with SEBI), investment banking services and holding activities company comprising of development, managerial and financial support to the

**business** of its subsidiaries. The First Petitioner Company further states that, it is not registered with the Reserve Bank of India a Non Banking *Financial* Company (NBFC), therefore, the requirement of seeking no objection certificate from the Reserve Bank India is not applicable in this case.

i) It is observed from latest MGT-7 for the year ending 31.03.2022 filed by the petitioner companies that

transferor company has following corporate body shareholders having more than 10% shareholding,

but form Ben-2 has not been filed:-

Name of the	Name of the	Percentage	Statu
Company	shareholder	of	s of
		shareholding	Ben-2
Nuvama	Edelweiss	50.55%	Not
Wealth	Global		filed
Manageme	wealth		
nt Limited	Management		
(Formerly	Limited		
Known As	Edelweiss	38.88%	Not
Edelweiss	Financial		filed
Securities	Services		
Limited)	Limited		
(Resulting			
Company)			

Therefore, petitioner company may be directed to clarify and comply with the same as required u/s. 90

far as the observation made in Paragraph 2(i) of the Report of the Regional Director is concerned, Petitioner the Companies state that, in terms of Section 90 of the Act and rules made thereunder, none of the individual shareholder holds more than 10% of the equity share capital of Second Petitioner Company, therefore, requirement the filing Form BEN-2 with Registrar the

of

	of the Con	npanies Act, 2	013 r.w. c	ompanies	Companies	is not
	(Significant E	Beneficial Owners	s) Rules, 2018.		applicable	to the
					Second	Petitioner
					Company.	
j)	That on exa	mination of the r	eport of the Re	gistrar of	As far	as the
	Companies,	Mumbai dated 0	)6.04.2023 (An	nexed as	observation	s made in
	Annexure A-	1)) that all the P	etitioner Comp	anies fall	Paragraphs	2(j)(i),
	within the jui	risdiction of ROC,	, Mumbai. It is s	submitted	2(j)(ii) and 2	(j)(vii) of the
	that no comp	plaint and /or re	epresentation	regarding	Report of th	ne Regional
	the proposed	d scheme of A	malgamation I	nas been	Director is	concerned,
	received aga	uinst the Petition	er Companies.	Further,	the	Petitioner
	the petition	er companies	have filed	Financial	Companies	state that,
	Statements 1	up to 31.03.2022	? further obsert	vations in	the said of	bservations
	ROC report a	ıre as under:-			are factual	in nature.
	i. That the	ROC Mumbai	in his repo	rt dated		
	06.04.2023	has stated that	no Inquiry, ir	spection,		
	investigation	& prosecution	is pending ag	ainst the		
	subject appli	cant companies.				
	ii. As per M	CA Portal follow	ing Charges a	re having		
	Status as "O	PEN" in respect t	to Demerged Co	ompany		
	Assets	Charge	Date of	Statu		
	under charge	Amount	Creation	S		
	entar ge	218/7028000	29/04/2021	OPEN		
	As	2000000000	02/12/2020	OPEN		
	mentioned					
	in    Annexure					
		2000000000	07/01/2021	OPEN		
	First	3500000000	15/03/2021	OPEN		
	Ranking exclusive					
	exclusive					

Т	-1			
	charge on			
	the			
	Pledged			
	Share			
Ī	As	280000000	19/05/2021	OPEN
	mentioned			
	in			
	Annexure			
	I			
-		3678240000	13/09/2021	OPEN
	As	6500000000	29/09/2021	OPEN
	described			
	in the			
	Pledge			
	Agreement			
	and Deed			
	of $H$			
	Movable	10000000000	24/11/2021	OPEN
	property			
	(not being			
	pledge)			
		5000000000	28/12/2021	OPEN
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## b) Resulting Company:

Assets	Charge	Date of	Status
under	Amount	Creation	
charge			
Book debts;	15000000	18/03/20	OPEN
Receivables	00	11	
Equity	50000000	06/05/20	OPEN
shares of	00	22	
EFIL held			
by ESL			
By way of	30000000	24/06/20	OPEN
an exclusive	00	22	
charge, the			
Fixed			
Deposits			
25,47,000	30000000	14/07/20	OPEN
equity	00	22	
shares of			
EFIL held			
by ESL			

46013440	10/05/20	OPEN
00	22	
20180100	22/12/20	OPEN
00	22	

iii. There are complaints against Demerged Company regarding non-receipt of Annual Report vide SRNs: I0008543, J00059008, J00059051, which are having Status as: OPEN as per Enforcement Module at MCA.

As far the as observations made in Paragraphs 2(j)(iii) of the Report of the Regional Director is concerned, the Petitioner Companies state that, the First Petitioner Company has never received any complaints/ email from the Registrar of Companies/ Ministry of Corporate Affairs for non receipt of Annual Report of the First Petitioner Company in connection with SRNs I0008543, Jooo59008, J00059051. The First Company Petitioner further states that, its annual reports for the financial years ended as on 31st March 2016, 31st March 2017, 31st March 2018, 31**st** March 2019, 31**st** March 2020. 31stMarch 2021 and 31st March 2022 is already uploaded on websites of the First Petitioner

Company, BSE and NSE. The First Petitioner Company further undertakes to provide a copy of its annual reports for the said financial years to all such shareholders who specifically place a request for the same with the First Petitioner Company.

iv. As per Para 3 of the Hon'ble NCLT order, the applicant companies to serve CAA-3 to various Authorities as mentioned in Paras (Vii) to (xvi), however, the same are not attached with the Scheme filed with this Office. CAA-2 not found with the Scheme.

As far the as observations made in Paragraphs 2(j)(iv) of the Report of the Regional Director concerned, in compliance with the directions of the Hon'ble Tribunal vide the CSA Order, the Petitioner Companies state that, the notice of meeting of equity shareholders of the First Petitioner Company was published in 'Business Standard' in English language having nationwide circulation

'Loksatta' and in Marathi language having circulation in the State of Maharashtra. Copy of the Compliance Report filed by the Chairperson appointed for the meeting of the shareholders equity filed with the Hon'ble Tribunal, inter alia said annexing thenewspaper publications is annexed hereto and marked as **Exhibit** A7.

Further, in compliance with the directions of the Hon'ble Tribunal vide the CSA Order, the Petitioner Companies have served notices under Section 230(5) of the Act upon the requisite regulatory and sectoral authorities. Copy of the Affidavit of Service evidencing service of notice upon

the requisite regulatory and sectoral authorities by the First Petitioner Company is annexed hereto and marked as Exhibit A8. Copy of the Affidavit of Service evidencing service of notice upon the requisite regulatory and sectoral authorities by the Second Petitioner Company is already annexed and marked as Exhibit A6.

v. As per Para 5.4 of the Scheme (Employees Stock Option) and Stock appreciation rights will modified by Demerged Company. Hence applicant Company may be directed to give undertaking that the same will be done as per SEBI Guidelines and by providing for fair and reasonable (FAR) adjustment and should not be detrimental to the interest of the employees.

As far the as observations made in Paragraphs 2(j)(v) of the Report of the Regional Director is concerned, the Petitioner Companies state that, in terms of Clause 5.4 of the Scheme, the *First* Petitioner Company undertakes that, shall take necessary steps to modify the **EFSL ESOP** (as

defined in the Scheme) and EFSL SARP (as defined in the Scheme) in amanner considered appropriate and inaccordance with the Applicable Laws (as defined inthe Scheme).

The First Petitioner Company further submits that, the Scheme is not detrimental to the interest of its employees.

vi. Interest of the Creditors should be protected.

vii. May be decided on its merit.

far the As as observations made in Paragraphs 2(j)(vi) of the Report of the Regional Director is concerned, the Petitioner Companies state that, the of meetings the secured creditors and unsecured creditors of the First Petitioner Company were dispensed with due to

the fact that, the affidavits consents were provided by 2 Debenture Trustees representing 100% of the secured creditors of the First Petitioner Company and more than 90% of the value the unsecured creditors of the First Petitioner Company, were annexed to the captioned Company Scheme Application. Further, in terms of the **CSA** Order, the meeting of the unsecured creditors of the Second Petitioner Company were dispensed with due to the fact that, consent affidavits of the unsecured creditors representing more than 90% of the value of the Second Petitioner Company were annexed to the captioned Company Scheme Application. Since the Second

Petitioner Company did not have any secured creditors the question of convening and holding the meeting of secured creditors did not arise.

In the terms of Scheme, the Petitioner Company states that, the creditors of the Petitioner Companies shall, in no way, be affected by the Scheme, as there is no reduction in theamount payable to any of the creditors and no compromise or arrangement is contemplated with the creditors. Thus, the Scheme would not, in any way, adversely affect the operations of the Petitioner Companies or ability of the Petitioner Companies to honour its commitments or to pay its debts in the ordinary course of its business.

Therefore, in view of the aforesaid, the Petitioner Companies humbly state that, the interest of the creditors of the Petitioner Companies is protected.

- 12. The observations made by the Regional Director have been explained by the Petitioner Companies in Para 11 above. The clarifications and undertakings given by the Petitioner Company are accepted by this Tribunal, and the Petitioner Company are directed to comply with the same. Moreover, the Petitioner Company undertake to comply with all the statutory requirements, if any, as may be required under the Companies Act, 2013 and the Rules made thereunder. The Authorised Representative of the Regional Director, MCA (WR), Mumbai Ms. Rupa Sutar who is present at the time of the hearing has submitted that the explanation and clarifications given by the Petitioner Company are found satisfactory for approving the scheme by the Tribunal.
- 13. The Regional Director has not raised any other objections or dealt with any of the responses of the Petitioner Companies other than as set out above. Learned Counsel for the Petitioner Companies submit that it is apparent that the Regional Director is satisfied with the responses provided.
- 14. From the material on record, the Scheme annexed to the Company Scheme Petition appears to be fair and reasonable and is not violative of any provisions of law and is not contrary to public policy.

- 15. Since all the requisite statutory compliances have been fulfilled, the said Company Scheme Petition is made absolute in terms of the prayer Clauses 39 (a) to 39 (f) thereof.
- 16. The Scheme is hereby sanctioned, with the Appointed Date means the Effective Date (as defined in the Scheme).
- 17. The Petitioner Companies are directed to file the certified copy of this Order along with a copy of the Scheme with the concerned Registrar of Companies, within 30 (thirty) days from the date of receipt of the certified copy of this Order from the Registry of this Tribunal.
- 18. The Petitioner Companies to lodge the certified copy of this Order along with the Scheme duly certified by the Deputy Director or the Assistant Registrar, National Company Law Tribunal, Mumbai Bench, with the concerned Superintendent of Stamps for the purpose of adjudication of stamp duty payable, if any, within 60 (sixty) days from the date of receipt of the certified Order from the Registry of this Tribunal.
- 19. All concerned regulatory authorities to act on a copy of this Order along with Scheme duly certified by the Deputy Director or the Assistant Registrar, National Company Law Tribunal, Mumbai Bench.
- 20. Any person interested is at liberty to apply to this Tribunal in the above matters for any directions that may be necessary.
- 21. Any concerned Authorities are at liberty to approach this Tribunal for any further clarification as may be necessary.

22. Ordered accordingly. File to be consigned to records.

Sd/- Sd/-

Madhu Sinha H. V. Subba Rao

Member (Technical) Member (Judicial)