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Date: 27th December, 2023

The Secretary,
National Stock Exchange of India Limited
Exchange Plaza, C-1, Block G
Bandra Kurla Complex
Bandra (E),
Mumbai – 400 051

Ref: SECY/Stock Exchange/2023

The Secretary, BSE Limited Phiroze Jeejeebhoy Towers Dalal Street <u>Mumbai- 400001</u>

Company Code: BALMLAWRIE

Company Code: 523319

Dear Sir/Madam,

Subject: Disclosure under Regulation 30 of Securities and Exchange Board of India ("SEBI") (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements)

Regulations, 2015 ("Listing Regulations") – Comments of Board of Directors of the Company with respect to fines imposed by BSE Limited and National Stock Exchange of India Limited on the Company on account of its non-compliance with Regulation 17(1) of the Listing Regulations for the quarter ended on 30th September, 2023

In terms of Regulation 30 of the Listing Regulations and in furtherance to our e-mail dated 22nd November, 2023 thereby enclosing letter seeking waiver of fine dated 22nd November, 2023, this is to hereby inform that the Board of Directors of the Company at its Meeting held on 27th December, 2023 has *inter-alia*, considered and taken on record the following:

- a. E-mail dated 21st November, 2023 received from BSE Limited, wherein, BSE Limited had informed the Company about imposition of fine amounting to ₹ 5,42,800 (inclusive of GST) on the Company on account of its non-compliance with Regulation 17(1) of the Listing Regulations for the quarter ended on 30th September, 2023 along with the waiver application filed by the Company vide e-mail dated 22nd November, 2023.
- b. E-mail dated 21st November, 2023 received from National Stock Exchange of India Limited, wherein, National Stock Exchange of India Limited had informed the Company about imposition of fine amounting to ₹ 5,42,800 (inclusive of GST) on the Company on account of its non-compliance with Regulation 17(1) of the Listing Regulations for the quarter ended on 30th September, 2023 along with the waiver application filed by the Company vide e-mail dated 22nd November, 2023.

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In this regard, the Board took note of the fact that the Company is a Central Public Sector Enterprise under the control of the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas, Government of India, being the Administrative Ministry. Further, the Articles of Association of the Company vide Article 7A states that so long as the Company remains a Government Company, the President of India shall, subject to provisions of the Companies Act, 2013, be entitled to appoint one or more Directors on the Board of the Company. Accordingly, the composition of the Board of Directors of the Company is dependent on direction by the Administrative Ministry and thus, the said non-compliance was due to factors which are beyond the control of the Company.

The Meeting of the Board of Directors commenced at 02:30 p.m. and concluded at 04:00 p.m.

For Balmer Lawrie & Co. Ltd.

Sonal Sharma Compliance Officer