

## **SOFTSOL INDIA LIMITED**

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Date: 18th January, 2024

The Manager – Listing
The Department of Corporate Services
BSE Limited
P. J. Towers, Dalal Street,
Mumbai-400 001

Sub: Disclosure under Regulation 30 of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 ("Listing Regulations")

Ref: SOFTSOL INDIA LIMITED - Scrip Code: 532344; ISIN: INE002B01016

Dear Sir/Madam,

We wish to inform you that BSE Limited vide its letter dated January 16, 2024 has granted their no objection ("NOC") to the scheme of arrangement between Softsol India Limited and Convance Softsol Limited and their shareholders and creditors, as per Regulation 37 of the SEBI (LODR) Regulations, 2015. We have received the observation letter on 17.01.2024 is attached.

The aforesaid observation letter is also being hosted on the website of the Company viz: <a href="https://www.softsol.com">https://www.softsol.com</a>.

You are requested to kindly take the above on record.

Thanking you,
For SoftSol India Limited

Nagaraju Musinam

Company Secretary & Compliance Officer M.No.A48209

Encl. As above.



## DCS/AMAL/SC/R37/3036/2023-24

January 16, 2024

The Company Secretary, SOFTSOL INDIA LTD. Plot No. 4, Software Units Layout, Madhapur, Hyderabad, Telangana, 500081

Dear Sir,

## <u>Sub: Observation letter regarding the Scheme of Arrangement between SoftSol India Limited</u> <u>and Covance SoftSol Limited and its Shareholders and Creditors</u>

We are in receipt of Scheme of Arrangement between between SoftSol India Limited and Covance SoftSol Limited and its Shareholders and Creditors filed by SoftSol India Limited as required under SEBI Circular no. CFD/DIL3/CIR/2017/21 dated March 10, 2017 read with Master Circular No. SEBI/HO/CFD/DIL1/CIR/P/2021/665 dated November 23, 2021 read with SEBI Master circular no. SEBI/HO/CFD/POD-2/P/CIR/2023/93 dated June 20, 2023 and Regulation 94(2) of SEBI LODR Regulations 2015 along with SEBI/HO/DDHS/DDHS\_DivI/P/CIR/2022/0000000103 dated July 29, 2022 (SEBI Circular) and Regulation 94A(2) SEBI (LODR) Regulations, 2015; SEBI vide its letter dated December 20, 2023 has inter alia given the following comment(s) on the draft scheme of Amalgamation & Arrangement along with the comments received from RBI;

## <u>Sebi comments in accordance with Regulation 37(1) of SEBI Master circular no.</u> <u>SEBI/HO/CFD/POD-2/P/CIR/2023/93 dated June 20, 2023</u>

- a. "The Company shall disclose all details of ongoing adjudication & recovery proceedings, prosecution initiated, and all other enforcement action taken, if any, against the Company, its promoters and directors, before Hon'ble NCLT and shareholders, while seeking approval of the scheme."
- b. "Company shall ensure that additional information, if any, submitted by the Company after filing the scheme with the stock exchange, from the date of receipt of this letter is displayed on the websites of the listed company and the stock exchanges."
- c. "The stock exchange shall ensure compliance with SEBI circulars issued from time to time."
- d. "The entities involved in the Scheme shall duly comply with various provisions of the Circular and ensure that all liabilities of transferor company are transferred to the transferee company."
- e. "Company is advise the company that the information pertaining to all the unlisted companies involved, if any, in the scheme shall be included in the format specified for abridged prospectus as provided in Part E of the schedule VI of the ICDR Regulations 2018,in the explanatory statement or notice or proposal accompanying resolution to be passed, which is sent to the shareholders for seeking approval."
- f. "Company shall ensure that the financials in the scheme including financials considered for valuation report are not for period more than 6 months old."

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- g. "Company shall ensure that the details of the proposed scheme under consideration as provided by the Company to the Stock Exchange shall be prominently disclosed in the notice sent to the Shareholders."
- h. "Company is advised to disclose:
  - (i) Details of (pre & post) Assets and Liabilities of SIL & CSL.
  - (ii) Details of Assets and Liabilities of Demerged Undertaking.
  - (iii) Total turnover of the Demerged Business for the latest financial vear end.
  - (iv) Rationale for arriving at the share entitlement ration 1:1.
  - (v) Rationale of the scheme and its impact on the public shareholders.

as a part of explanatory statement or notice or proposal accompanying resolution to be passed to be forwarded by the company to the shareholders while seeking approval u/s 230 to 232 of the Companies Act 2013, so that public shareholders can make an informed decision in the matter."

- i. "Company shall ensure that the proposed equity shares to be issued in terms of the "Scheme" shall mandatorily be in demat form only."
- j. "Company shall ensure that the "Scheme" shall be acted upon subject to the applicant complying with the relevant clauses mentioned in the scheme document."
- k. "Company shall ensure that no changes to the draft scheme except those mandated by the regulators/ authorities / tribunals shall be made without specific written consent of SEBL"
- I. "Company is advised that the observations of SEBI/Stock Exchanges shall be incorporated in the petition to be filed before Hon'ble NCLT and the Company is obliged to bring the observations to the notice of Hon'ble NCLT."
- m. "Company is advised to comply with all applicable provisions of the Companies Act, 2013, rules and regulations issued thereunder including obtaining the consent from the creditors for the proposed scheme."
- n. "It is to be noted that the petitions are filed by the company before Hon'ble NCLT after processing and communication of comments/observations on draft scheme by SEBI/stock exchange. Hence, the company is not required to send notice for representation as mandated under section 230(5) of Companies Act, 2013 to SEBI again for its comments / observations / representations."

Accordingly, based on aforesaid comment offered by SEBI, the company is hereby advised:

- To provide additional information, if any, (as stated above) along with various documents to the Exchange for further dissemination on Exchange website.
- To ensure that additional information, if any, (as stated aforesaid) along with various documents are disseminated on their (company) website.
- To duly comply with various provisions of the circulars.

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Pln light of the above, we hereby advise that we have no adverse observations with limited reference to those matters having a bearing on listing/de-listing/continuous listing requirements within the provisions of Listing Agreement, so as to enable the company to file the scheme with Hon'ble NCLT.

Further, where applicable in the explanatory statement of the notice to be sent by the company to the shareholders, while seeking approval of the scheme, it shall disclose information about unlisted company involved in the format prescribed for abridged prospectus as specified in the circular dated March 10, 2017.

Kindly note that as required under Regulation 37(3) of SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, the validity of this Observation Letter shall be six months from the date of this Letter, within which the scheme shall be submitted to the NCLT.

The Exchange reserves its right to withdraw its 'No adverse observation' at any stage if the information submitted to the Exchange is found to be incomplete / incorrect / misleading / false or for any contravention of Rules, Bye-laws and Regulations of the Exchange, Listing Agreement, Guidelines/Regulations issued by statutory authorities.

Please note that the aforesaid observations does not preclude the Company from complying with any other requirements.

Further, it may be noted that with reference to Section 230 (5) of the Companies Act, 2013 (Act), read with Rule 8 of Companies (Compromises, Arrangements and Amalgamations) Rules 2016 (Company Rules) and Section 66 of the Act read with Rule 3 of the Company Rules wherein pursuant to an Order passed by the Hon'ble National Company Law Tribunal, a Notice of the proposed scheme of compromise or arrangement filed under sections 230-232 or Section 66 of the Companies Act 2013 as the case may be is required to be served upon the Exchange seeking representations or objections if any.

In this regard, with a view to have a better transparency in processing the aforesaid notices served upon the Exchange, the Exchange has <u>already introduced an online system of serving such Notice</u> along with the relevant documents of the proposed schemes through the BSE Listing Centre.

Any service of notice under Section 230 (5) or Section 66 of the Companies Act 2013 seeking Exchange's representations or objections if any, would be accepted and processed through the

<u>Listing Centre only and no physical filings would be accepted.</u> You may please refer to circular dated February 26, 2019 issued to the company.

Yours faithfully,

Manu Thomas

**Additional General Manager** 

Jayanti Pradhan Assistant Manager

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