05<sup>th</sup> September, 2023

BSE Ltd.,

Corporate Relationship Department Phiroze Jeejheebhoy Towers Dalal Street, Mumbai – 400 001 Scrip: 514454

Sub: Submission of Annual Report for the Financial Year 2022-23 as per Regulation 34(1) of SEBI (LODR) Regulation 2015.

Sir,

In compliance with Regulation 34(1) of SEBI (LODR) Regulation 2015, we hereby attach the Annual Report for the financial year 2022-23.

Kindly take the above on record.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

For Southern Latex Limited

Kavitha.C

**Company Secretary** 

## **SOUTHERN LATEX LIMITED**

34th ANNUAL REPORT 2022-2023

### **Boards of Directors**

Managing Director	Mr. N. Neelakanda Pillai	
Non Executive & Independent Director	Mr. V K Balaji	
	<b>Ms. Santhi</b> Woman Director	
Non Executive & Non Independent Director	Mr. Muralikrishnan	
Company Secretary & Compliance officer	Ms. Kavitha. C	
Auditors	Secretaries & Auditor	
KANNAN AND ALAMELU Chartered Accountants, Flat No. 6, First Floor, "A" Block, Durgamba Apartments,No. 29, Padmavathiar Road, Gopalapuram, Chennai - 600086.	Span & Co., Company Secretaries LLP No.95/7, Arcot Road, Virugambakkam, Chennai- 600 092	

Bankers	Registered and Corporate office
Union Bank of India, Triplicane Branch, Chennai - 600005.	Registered Office: B-11/W, SIPCOT Industrial Complex, Gummidipoondi, Tiruvalluvar District - 601201.  Corp office: No. 66, New Avadi Road 2nd Floor, S2 Kurunji Apartments, Chennai 600 010 Tel: +91 44 26601313 Email id: southernlatexltd@yahoo.com Website: www.southernlatex.in

#### CIN - L25199TN1989PLC017137

Listing	Registrar & Share Transfer Agent
BSE Ltd Phiroze Jeejeebhoy Towers Dalal Street, Fort Mumbai - 400 001	M/s. Cameo Corporate Services Limited "Subramanian Building" No. 1, Club House Road, Chennai - 600002 Phone: +91 44 - 2846 0390-94 Fax: +91 44 - 2846 0129 E-mail: cameo@cameoindia.com
Stock Code : 514454	ISIN Number : INE410M01018

### **DIRECTORS' REPORT**

Dear Members,

The Board of Directors hereby submits the report of the business and operations of your Company, along with the audited financial statements, for the financial year ended March 31, 2023.

on growth track. The Board will give all efforts to give the shareholders all the value.

#### **SHARE CAPITAL**

During the Financial year, the Company had not issued any Equity Shares with Differential rights, any Sweat Equity Shares and any Employee Stock Options.

#### FINANCIAL RESULTS:

(In Rs.)

Particulars Particulars	2022-23	2021-22
Total Income	53,90,220	48,32,220
Less : Expenses	23,36,182	21,91,320
EBITDA	30,54,038	26,40,900
Less: Depreciation	1,42,587	1,73,738
Profit after depreciation but before tax( PBT)	29,11,452	24,67,162
Less: Taxes	5,60,454	4,74,929
Net profit/(Loss)for the period	23,50,997	19,92,233
No. of Shares	73,59,200	73,59,200
EPS	0.36	0.27
Proposed Dividend	-	-
Dividend Tax	-	-
Balance of Profit Carried to B/S	23,50,997	19,92,233

#### **OPERATIONS AND STATE OF COMPANY AFFAIRS**

The year to which this report relates is to the thirty fourth year of incorporation/operation. Your Company was incorporated to carry on the business of manufacturing, processing and selling of rubberized coir products. However with the change in policy and demand of market the business went down and the Company has not been able to grow.

Your Company is not having any commercial operation or operative income during the year. The Company has retained earnings on which interest is earned. During the year under review, your Company had earned Rs. 53.90 lakh and resulting net profit of Rs. 23.51 lakh as compared with the previous year as Rs. 48.32 lakh and Rs. 19.92 lakh respectively.

Your Directors are exploring all options to bring new business to Company and to make the Company back

#### DIVIDEND

Owing to conserve the resources of the company, your Directors do not recommend any Dividend for the Financial Year ended at 31st March, 2023.

# MATERIAL CHANGES AND COMMITMENTS OCCURRED BETWEEN THE END OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR AND THE DATE OF THE REPORT

There are no significant material changes and commitment affecting the financial position of the company between the end of the financial year and the date of this report.

#### TRANSFER TO RESERVE

The Board does not propose any amount to carry to any specific reserves.

#### **CHANGES IN NATURE OF BUSINESS**

There is no significant change in the business activity of the company during the financial year.

#### **CORPORATE GOVERNANCE**

As per pursuant to the provision of Regulation 15(2) of SEBI (Listing Obligation and Disclosure Requirements) Regulation 2015 the Company is Not Required To Comply with the Corporate Governance Provisions as specified in regulations 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27 and clauses (b) to (i) of sub-regulation (2) of regulation

46 and para C, D and E of Schedule V.

#### **DETAILS OF SUBSIDIARY**

There are no subsidiaries and Joint Ventures Companies.

#### **DIRECTORS AND KEY MANAGERIAL PERSONNEL:**

There are no changes in the Directors or the Key Managerial personnel of the Company.

#### MANAGERIAL REMUNERATION

The information required under Section 197 of the Act and rule 5(1) of the Companies (Appointment and Remuneration of Managerial Personnel) Rules, 2014 are given below:

Name of the Director	Name of the Director Designation		% increase of remuneration in 2023 as compared to 2022 previous year	Ratio/ Times per Median of employee Remuneration
Mr.V K Balaji	Independent Director	NIL	NA	NA
Mr. N Neelakanda Pillai	Managing Director	NIL	NA	NA
Mr. MuraliKrishnan	Director	NIL	NA	NA
Mr. Santhi	Independent Director	NIL	NA	NA
Ms.Kavitha.C	Company Secretary	4,20,000	NA	NIL

There is no employee who is drawing remuneration more than One Crore and Two Lakhs per annum, more than Eight Lakhs and Fifty Thousand per month and more than the remuneration of Managing Director or Whole Time Director.

- Number of permanent employees on the rolls as on 31st March 2023 is 4.
- The Board confirms that the remuneration paid to the directors is as per the remuneration policy.

#### **CODE OF CONDUCT**

The members of the Board of Directors and the Senior Management Personnel have affirmed compliance with the Code of Conduct as formulated by the Company.

#### **DECLARATION BY INDEPENDENT DIRECTORS**

The Company has received from its Independent Directors the necessary declaration that they meet the criteria of Independence as provided.

#### **EVALUATION OF THE BOARD AND ITS COMMITTEE**

The Board has made a formal annual evaluation of its own performance and that of its individual directors and Committees.

The following policies relating to Appointment of Directors, payment of Managerial Remuneration, Directors Qualification, positive attributes, independence of Directors and other related matters as provided under the Section 178(3) of the Companies Act, 2013 of the Company are attached for

- (a) Policy relating to selection of Directors appointment-Annexure B
- (b) Remuneration policy for Directors, Key Managerial Personnel and other Employees- Annexure C.

#### AUDITORS STATUTORY AUDITORS

The Statutory Auditors M/s Kannan & Alamelu were appointed at the 29th Annual General Meeting held on 24th September, 2018 as Statutory Auditors for a period of 5 Years. In terms of Section 139(2) of the Act and Rule 6 of the Companies (Audit & Auditors) Rules, 2014, their term will expire in the ensuing AGM. The Board of Directors after considering the recommendations of the Audit Committee will recommend appointment of a Statutory Auditor for approval by the members of the Company in the ensuing AGM.

#### **SECRETARIAL AUDITOR**

As required under Section 204 of the Companies Act, 2013 and Rules there under, the Board has appointed, M/S SPAN & Co Company Secretaries LLP, as Secretarial Auditor of the Company for a period of five years from the financial year 2018-19 to 2022-23. As their term will expire, the board would also appoint a Secretarial Auditor in due course.

#### **AUDIT REPORTS**

• The Auditors' Report for the Financial Year 2022-23

does not contain any qualification, reservation or adverse remark. The Auditors' Report is enclosed with the financial statements in this Annual Report.

 The Secretarial Auditors' Report for Financial Year 2022-23 does not contain any adverse remark. The Secretarial Auditors' Report is enclosed as Annexure D to the Board's report in this Annual Report.

#### EXTRACT OF THE ANNUAL RETURN

As required under Section 134(3) (a) of the Act, the Annual Return is put up on the Company's website.

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

During the year five Meetings of the Board of Directors were held. The details of the Meetings are furnished below.

The dates on which the said meetings were held are as follows: 18th May, 2022, 18th July, 2022, 22nd August 2022, 9th November, 2022, and 25th January, 2023.

The Name and Categories of the Directors on the Board their attendance at the Board meeting held during the year and the number of directorships and committee positions held by them during the financial year 2022-23 are as follows:

SI. No	Name(s) of Director(s)	Executive/ Non- executive/ Independent	Number of Board Meetings during the Year		Whether attended last AGM held on 29th September, 2022	Direc	iber of storship er Public panies	Com position	iber of mittee is in other companies
			Held	Attended		Member	Chairman	Member	Chairman
1	Mr. Neelakanda Pillai	ED	5	5	Yes	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
2	Mr. V.K. Balaji	ID/ NED	5	5	Yes	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
3	Mr. Muralikrishnan	NED	5	5	Yes	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
4.	Mrs.Santhi	ID/ NED	5	5	Yes	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil

#### **COMMITTEES OF THE BOARD AND MEETINGS**

As on March 31, 2023, the Company has Audit Committee, Nomination and Remuneration Committee, Stakeholders Relationship Committee.

During the year 2018-19 the Board has dissolved the Risk Management Committee and Corporate Social

Responsibility Committee as the provisions relating to maintenance of such committees is not applicable to the Company.

#### A. Audit Committee

Terms of Reference: The Company has constituted a qualified independent Audit Committee which acts as

a link between the management, external and internal auditors and the Board of Directors of the Company. The Committee is responsible for overseeing the Company's financial reporting process by providing direction to audit function and monitoring the scope and quality of internal and statutory audits. The brief description of the terms of reference of the Committee is given below

- Review of the quarterly/half-yearly/annual financial statements with reference to changes, if any, in accounting policies and reasons for the same.
- Major accounting entries involving estimates based on exercise of judgment by management, adjustments, if any, arising out of auditing findings
- Compliance with listing and legal requirements relating to financial statements, qualifications, if any, in the draft audit report.
- Review of adequacy of internal control systems, internal audit function and discussion on internal audit reports.
- To have full access to information contained in the records of the company and external professional advice, necessary.

To oversee the Company's financial process and the disclosure of its financial information to ensure that the financial statements are true and fair.

## The composition of the Audit Committee and the details of meetings attended by its members are given below:

SI. No.	Name	Designation	Meeting Attended
1	Mr. V K Balaji	Chairman	4
2	Mr. Neelakanda Pillai	Member	4
3	Mrs. Shanti	Member	4

FFour Audit Committee meetings were held during the year. The dates on which the said meetings were held are as follows: 18th May, 2022, 18th July, 2022, 9th November, 2022, and 25th January, 2023.

The necessary quorum was present at all the meetings. All the members of the Committee have vide exposure and possess sound knowledge in the area of Accounts, finance, audit, internal control etc.

#### **B.** Nomination and Remuneration Committee

The Company has a Nomination and Remuneration Committee (NRC) constituted pursuant to the provisions

of Regulation 19, read with Part D of Schedule II of the SEBI Listing Regulations and Section 178 of the Act.

#### **Terms of Reference**

The brief description of the terms of reference of the Committee is given below:

- Formulate Remuneration Policy and a policy on Board Diversity.
- Formulate criteria for evaluation of Directors and the Board.
- Identifying persons who are qualified to become directors and who may be appointed in senior management in accordance with the criteria lay down, and recommend to the Board their appointment and removal.
- To ensure that the Remuneration Policy shall also include the criteria for determining qualifications, positive attributes and independence of a Director and recommend to the Board a policy, relating to the remuneration for the Directors, Key Managerial Personnel and other employees.
- Identify persons who are qualified to become Directors and who may be appointed in Senior Management in accordance with the criteria laid down, recommend to the Board their appointment and removal and shall carry out evaluation of every Director's performance.

#### Composition of the Nomination and Remuneration Committee and Attendance of each member in the Committee Meetings are given below.

During the financial year 2022–23, one meeting was held in 9th November, 2022.

#### **Composition:**

SI. No.	Name(s) of Director (s)	Designation	Meeting Attended
1	Mr. Muralikrishnan	Chairman	1
2	Mr. V.K. Balaji	Member	1
3	Mr. Neelakanda Pillai	Member	1
4	Ms. Santhi	Member	1

During the year concerned, none of the Directors have been paid any remuneration but they have been reimbursed their actual expenses i.e., Conveyance & Food etc for attending the Board & other Committee Meetings.

#### C. Stakeholders Relationship committee:

#### **Terms of Reference**

The Committee oversees performance of Registrars and Share Transfer Agents of the Company and recommends remedial measures to improve quality of investors' services and reviews all matters connected with transfer/transmission of securities of the Company and approves issue of duplicate certificates. The Committee also looks into redressal of shareholders'/ investors' complaints related to transfer of shares, non-receipt of annual reports, non-receipt of declared dividend etc.

# The composition of the Stakeholders Relationship Committee and attendance of each member in the Committee Meetings is given below:

During the year eight meetings were held, 6th May, 2022, 30th June, 2022, 1st August, 2022,11th November, 2022, 18th November, 2022, 9th December, 2022, 23rd December, 2022, 30th March 2023.

SI. No.	Name(s) of Director (s)	Designation	Meeting Attended
1	Mr. Muralikrishnan	Chairman	8
2	Mr. V.K. Balaji	Member	8
3	Mr. Neelakanda Pillai	Member	8
4	Ms. Santhi	Member	8

#### DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITY STATEMENT

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 134(5) of the Act the Board of Directors, to the best of their knowledge and ability, confirm that:

- (a) In the preparation of the Annual Financial Statements for the year ended March 31, 2023, the applicable Accounting Standards had been followed along with proper explanation relating to material departures;
- (b) for the financial year ended March 31, 2023, such accounting policies as mentioned in the Notes to the financial statements have been applied consistently and judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent have been made so as to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company

at the end of the financial year and of the Profit of the Company for the financial year ended March 31, 2023:

- (c) that proper and sufficient care has been taken for the maintenance of adequate accounting records in accordance with the provisions of the Act for safeguarding the assets of the Company and for preventing and detecting fraud and other irregularities;
- (d) The annual financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis;
- (e) That proper internal financial controls were followed by the Company and that such internal financial controls are adequate and were operating effectively;
- (f) that proper systems have been devised to ensure compliance with the provisions of all applicable laws were in place and that such systems were adequate and operating effectively.

# PARTICULARS OF LOANS, GUARANTEES OR INVESTMENTS UNDER SECTION 186 OF THE COMPANIES ACT, 2013

The Company has not made any loans or investment and has not given any guarantees as per the provisions of section 186 of the Act read with the Companies (Meetings of Board and its Powers) Rules, 2014, for the financial year 2022-23.

## PARTICULARS OF CONTRACTS OR ARRANGEMENTS WITH RELATED PARTIES

There were no materially significant transactions with Related Parties during the financial year 2022-23 which were in conflict with the interest of the Company. Accordingly the details in the Form AOC 2 are not applicable.

# DETAILS OF SIGNIFICANT AND MATERIAL ORDERS PASSED BY THE REGULATORS OR COURTS OR TRIBUNALS

There are no significant and material orders passed by the Regulators or Courts or Tribunals which would impact the going concern status of the Company.

#### VIGIL MECHANISM/WHISTLE BLOWER POLICY

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 177(9) of the Act, read with Rule 7 of the Companies (Meetings of Board and its Powers) Rules, 2014 and in accordance with the requirements of Securities and Exchange Board of India (Prohibition of Insider Trading) (Amendment) Regulations, 2018, the Board of Directors had approved the Policy on Vigil Mechanism/Whistle Blower and the same was hosted on the website of the Company. This Policy inter-alia provides a direct access to the Chairman of the Audit Committee. Your Company hereby affirms that no Director/employee has been denied access to the Chairman of the Audit Committee.

#### **DEPOSITS**

Your Company has not accepted any deposit within the meaning of provisions of Chapter V of the Act read with the Companies (Acceptance of Deposits) Rules, 2014 for the financial year ended March 31, 2023.

#### INTERNAL CONTROL SYSTEMS AND THEIR ADEQUACY

The Company has designed a proper and adequate internal control system to ensure adherence to the Company's policies, the assets are safeguarded, and that transactions are accurate, complete and properly authorised prior to recording. Details are provided in Management Discussion and Analysis Report in

Annexure A to this report.

CONSERVATION OF ENERGY, TECHNOLOGY ABSORPTION, AND FOREIGN EXCHANGE EARNINGS AND OUTGO

### A.CONSERVATION OF ENERGY AND TECHNOLOGY ABSORPTION

Energy Conservation is being given top priority and the Company monitors the energy costs and reviews the consumption of energy on a regular basis.

#### **B. FOREIGN EXCHANGE EARNING AND OUTGO**

There was no foreign exchange expenses and income during the year.

#### **Acknowledgments**

We thank our customers, vendors, investors, bankers, employee for their continued support during the year. We place on record our appreciation of the contribution made by our employees at all levels to achieve its growth plan.

On behalf of the Board of Directors

Sd/- Sd/
N.Neelakanda Pillai MuraliKrishnan

Managing Director Director

Place: Chennai Date: 25-05-23

#### **ANNEXURE A**

# MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS INDUSTRY OUTLOOK

The management and discussion analysis of our Company discusses our financial and operating performances, business indicators and outlook from management's viewpoint.

#### **INDUSTRIAL OUTLOOK**

#### **OVERVIEW:**

The Covid has brought the entire humanity to a standstill. The crisis that started in 2020 has recovered to a large extent. Still the impact is felt at every aspect of life and business. Since the lifting of lock down across the world many sectors have recovered from their worst phase of business cycle. However, many businesses have completely wiped off. From then the focus of each and every Company was to ensuring the health and wellbeing of all employees, and on minimizing disruption to services of all employees. This has resulted in tapping into new market and strategizing the business plan.

#### **GLOBAL MARKET**

Global industries are expected to flourish at high speed. Analysts are anticipating more expansion with latest technologies in manufacturing. But the Covid 19 pandemic, has affected the market in the same manner as numerous disrupted industries across the globe. Lockdown has led to the shutdown of production facilities and raw material transportation. After many ups and downs, the world is on a new corridor of industrial revolutions.

The niche products and delivery model is becoming important and Indian Industrial Rubber providers will need to adapt themselves in this prevailing situation obtained all over the world. From a growth perspective, the future is still bright and has been impacted by the after effects of recession, witnessed by everyone.

#### **BUSINESS OVERVIEW**

A significant proportion of all Indian businesses fall

under the small and medium enterprise segment. So, a broad-based, sustainable growth in the Indian economy can emerge only if the country's SMB enterprises record a healthy growth as they attempt to improve productivity, adopt best practices and bring innovative products to market. Again Indian SMBs are undergoing rapid transformation and are looking for greater flexibility to meet market changes. The need to grow revenues and reach their full potential in the shortest possible time span is going to increase their dependence on technology and managed by automation in production.

#### **OPERATIONS OVERVIEW:**

During the year under review, your Company had earned Rs.53.90 lakh and resulting net profit of Rs.23.51 lakh as compared with the previous year as Rs.48.32 lakh and Rs.19.92 lakh respectively.

The Company is exploring possible ways to revive the business which is already in halt and covid pandemic has made it worse. The Company still experience sluggishness in the investment and hence the Company is facing difficulties to diversify its operations. But the Company is looking for a strong future ahead and targeting the growth in the coming years.

#### **THREATS, RISKS & CONCERNS**

#### Competition

As the industry is poised for considerable growth, a lot of Companies are entering this arena and the cost efficient competitors are increasing. Also in the global scenario, there is a huge advent of companies in similar kind of businesses in China, Korea, Philippines, Malaysia and Singapore. These Countries also have a huge cost advantage like India. Over and above that, the Government in such countries is actively supporting the growth of the concerned Industry. The pandemic has also caused a threat for the medium and small sized Industry.

For the past several years, India has achieved healthy

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economic growth rates. The growth has been contributed by robust service sector performance as well as strong manufacturing output. India is being viewed as a key market among the emerging economies. This could affect our growth and profitability.

#### **INTERNAL CONTROL SYSTEMS:**

The Company has an adequate systems and internal controls to safeguard the assets of the company; and to ensure maintenance of proper accounting records. Audit Committee periodically reviews the functioning of the entire system.

#### **HUMAN RESOURCES AND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS:**

The Company makes efforts to ensure that employees are provided with a congenial work atmosphere. Facilities are

equipped with state—of-the-art machineries, automation software and communication equipment apart from periodic recreational facilities to motivate the team. Continuously improving the quality of people through training in skill development as well as personality development. Management places great emphasis on continuously improving the work environment and ambience to nurture innovation and creativity.

#### For SOUTHERN LATEX LIMITED

Sd/-N. Neelakanda Pillai Managing Director

Place: Chennai Date: 25-05-23

#### **ANNEXURE B**

# POLICY FOR SELECTION OF DIRECTORS AND DETERMINING DIRECTORS' INDEPENDENCE

#### 1) Introduction

a) The Company i.e., M/s. Southern Latex Limited (SLL) believes that an enlightened Board consciously creates a culture of leadership to provide a long-term vision and policy approach to improve the quality of governance.

Towards this, SLL ensures constitution of a Board of Directors with an appropriate composition, size, diversified expertise and experience and commitment to discharge their responsibilities and duties effectively.

b) SLL recognizes the importance of Independent Directors in achieving the effectiveness of the Board. SLL aims to have an optimum combination of Executive, Non-Executive and Independent Directors.

#### 2) Scope and Exclusion

a) This Policy sets out the guiding principles for the Nomination and Remuneration Committee for identifying persons who are qualified to become Directors and to determine the independence of Directors, in case of their appointment as independent directors of the Company.

#### 3) Terms and References

In this Policy, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

- a) "Director" means a director appointed to the Board of a company.
- b) "Nomination and Remuneration Committee" means the committee constituted by SLL's Board in accordance with the provisions of Section 178 of the Companies Act, 2013.
- c) "Independent Director" means a director referred to in sub section (6) of Section 149 of the Companies

Act, 2013 and Clause 16(1)(b) of the SEBI (Listing obligations And Disclosures Requirements) Regulations, 2015.

#### 4) Policy

- a) Qualifications and criteria
- i) The Nomination and Remuneration (NR) Committee, and the Board, shall review on an annual basis, appropriate skills, knowledge and experience required of the Board as a whole and its individual members. The objective is to have a Board with diverse background and experience that are relevant for the Company's global operations.
- ii) In evaluating the suitability of individual Board members, the NR Committee may take into account factors, such as:
- General understanding of the Company's business dynamics, global business and social perspective;
- · Educational and professional background
- Standing in the profession;
- Personal and professional ethics, integrity and values;
- Willingness to devote sufficient time and energy in carrying out their duties and responsibilities effectively.
- iii) The proposed appointee shall also fulfill the following requirements:
- Shall possess a Director Identification Number;
- Shall not be disqualified under the Companies Act, 2013;
- Shall give his written consent to act as a Director;

- Shall endeavor to attend all Board Meetings and wherever he is appointed as a Committee Member, the Committee Meetings;
- Shall abide by the Code of Conduct established by the Company for Directors and Senior Management Personnel;
- Shall disclose his concern or interest in any company or companies or bodies corporate, firms, or other association of individuals including his shareholding at the first meeting of the Board in every financial year and thereafter whenever there is a change in the disclosures already made;
- Such other requirements as may be prescribed, from time to time, under the Companies Act, 2013, SEBI( Listing obligations And Disclosures Requirements) Regulations 2015 and other relevant laws.
- IV) The NR Committee shall evaluate each individual with the objective of having a group that best enables the success of the Company's business.

#### b) Criteria of Independence

- I) The NR Committee shall assess the independence of Directors at the time of appointment / re-appointment and the Board shall assess the same annually. The Board shall re-assess determinations of independence when any new interests or relationships are disclosed by a Director.
- II) The criteria of independence, as laid down in Companies Act, 2013 and Clause 16(1)(b) of the SEBI (Listing obligations And Disclosures Requirements) Regulations 2015, is as below:
  - An independent director in relation to a company, means a director other than a managing director or a whole-time director or a nominee director—
- who, in the opinion of the Board, is a person of integrity and possesses relevant expertise and experience;
- who is or was not a promoter of the Listed entity or its holding, subsidiary or associate company;
- who is not related to promoters or directors in the company, its holding, subsidiary or associate company;
- who has or had no pecuniary relationship with the company, its holding, subsidiary or associate

- company, or their promoters, or directors, during the two immediately preceding financial years or during the current financial year;
- none of whose relatives has or had pecuniary relationship or transaction with the company, its holding, subsidiary or associate company, or their promoters, or directors, amounting to two per cent or more of its gross turnover or total income or fifty lakh rupees or such higher amount as may be prescribed, whichever is lower, during the two immediately preceding financial years or during the current financial year; who, neither himself nor any of his relatives—
- holds or has held the position of a key managerial personnel or is or has been employee of the company or its holding, subsidiary or associate company in any of the three financial years immediately preceding the financial year in which he is proposed to be appointed;
- II. is or has been an employee or proprietor or a partner, in any of the three financial years immediately preceding the financial year in which he is proposed to be appointed, of—
- A. a firm of auditors or company secretaries in practice or cost auditors of the company or its holding subsidiary or associate company; or
- B. any legal or a consulting firm that has or had any transaction with the company, its holding, subsidiary or associate company amounting to ten per cent or more of the gross turnover of such firm;
- III. Holds together with his relatives two per cent or more of the total voting power of the company; or
- IV. is a Chief Executive or director, by whatever name called, of any non-profit organisation that receives twenty-five percent or more of its receipts from the company, any of its promoters, directors or its holding, subsidiary or associate company or that holds two per cent or more of the total voting power of the company; or
- V. is a material supplier, service provider or customer or a lesser or lessee of the company.
- shall possess appropriate skills, experience and knowledge in one or more fields of finance, law, management, sales, marketing, administration,

research, corporate governance, technical operations, corporate social responsibility or other disciplines related to the Company's business.

- shall possess such other qualifications as may be prescribed, from time to time, under the Companies Act, 2013.
- Who is not less than 21 years of age.

The Independent Directors shall abide by the "Code for Independent Directors" as specified in Schedule IV to the Companies Act, 2013.

#### Other directorships / committee memberships

4.3.1 The Board members are expected to have adequate time and expertise and experience to contribute to effective Board performance. Accordingly, members should voluntarily limit their directorships in other listed public limited companies in such a way that it does not interfere with their role as directors of the Company. The NR Committee shall take into account the nature of, and the time involved in a Director's service on other Boards, in evaluating the suitability of the individual Director and making its recommendations to the Board.

- 4.3.2 A Director shall not serve as Director in more than 20 companies of which not more than 10 shall be Public Limited Companies.
- 4.3.3 A Director shall not serve as an Independent Director in more than 7 Listed Companies and not more than 3 Listed Companies in case he is serving as a Whole-time Director in any Listed Company.
- 4.3.4 A Director shall not be a member in more than 10 Committees or act as Chairman of more than 5 Committees across all companies in which he holds directorships. For the purpose of considering the limit of the Committees, Audit Committee and Stakeholders' Relationship Committee of all Public Limited Companies, whether listed or not, shall be included and all other companies including Private Limited Companies, Foreign Companies and Companies under Section8 of the Companies Act, 2013 shall be excluded.

On behalf of the Board of Directors

Sd/- Sd/N.Neelakanda Pillai MuraliKrishnan
Managing Director Director

Place: Chennai Date: 25.05.2023

#### **ANNEXURE C**

# REMUNIERATION POLICY FOR DIRECTORS, KEY MANAGERIAL PERSONNEL AND OTHER EMPLOYEES

#### 1. Introduction

- 1.1 Southern Latex Limited (SLL) recognizes the importance of aligning the business objectives with specific and measure able individual objectives and targets. The Company has therefore formulated the remuneration policy for its directors, key managerial personnel and other employees keeping in view the following objectives:
- 1.1.1 Ensuring that the level and composition of remuneration is reasonable and sufficient to attract, retain and motivate, to run the company successfully.
- 1.1.2 Ensuring that relationship of remuneration to performance is clear and meets the performance benchmarks.
- 1.1.3 Ensuring that remuneration involves a balance between fixed and incentive pay reflecting short and long term performance objectives appropriate to the working of the company and its goals.

#### 2. Scope and Exclusion:

2.1 This Policy sets out the guiding principles for the Human Resources, Nomination and Remuneration Committee for recommending to the Board the remuneration of the directors, key managerial personnel and other employees of the Company.

#### 3. Terms and References:

In this Policy, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

3.1 "Director" means a director appointed to the Board of the Company.

- 3.2 "Key Managerial Personnel" means
- (i) The Chief Executive Officer or the managing director or the manager;
- (ii) The Company Secretary;
- (iii) The whole-time director;
- (iv) The Chief Financial Officer; and
- (v) Such other officer as may be prescribed under the Companies Act, 2013
- "Nomination and Remuneration Committee "means the committee constituted by SLL's Board in accordance with the provisions of Section 178 of the Companies Act, 2013 and Clause 19 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosures Requirements) Regulations 2015.

#### 4. Policy:

- 4.1 Remuneration to Executive Directors and Key Managerial Personnel.
- 4.1.1 The Board, on the recommendation of the Nomination and Remuneration (NR) Committee, shall review and approve the remuneration payable to the Executive Directors of the Company within the overall limits approved by the shareholders.
- 4.1.2 The Board, on the recommendation of the NR Committee, shall also review and approve the remuneration payable to the Key Managerial Personnel of the Company.
- 4.1.3 The remuneration structure to the Executive Directors and Key Managerial Personnel shall include the following components:
- (i) Basic Pay
- (ii) Perquisites and Allowances

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- (iii) Stock Options
- (iv) Commission (Applicable in case of Executive Directors)
- (v) Retirement benefits
- (vi) Annual Performance Bonus
- 4.1.4 The Annual Plan and Objectives for Executive Directors and Senior Executives (Executive Committee) shall be reviewed by the NR Committee and Annual Performance Bonus will be approved by the Committee based on the achievements against the Annual Plan and Objectives.
- 4.2 Remuneration to Non-Executive Directors.
- 4.2.1 The Board, on the recommendation of the NR Committee, shall review and approve the remuneration payable to the Non-Executive Directors of the Company within the overall limits approved by the shareholders.

- 4.2.2 Non-Executive Directors shall be entitled to sitting fees for attending the meetings of the Board and the Committees thereof. The Non-Executive Directors shall also be entitled to profit related commission in addition to the sitting fees.
- 4.3 Remuneration to other employees
- 4.3.1 Employees shall be assigned grades according to their qualifications and work experience, competencies as well as their roles and responsibilities in the organization. Individual remuneration shall be determined within the appropriate grade and shall be based on various factors such as job profile, skill sets, seniority, experience and prevailing remuneration levels for equivalent jobs.

For on behalf of the Board of Directors

Sd/- Sd/N.Neelakanda Pillai MuraliKrishnan
Managing Director Director

Place : Chennai Date : 25-05-23

#### **ANNEXURE D**

### SECRETARIAL AUDIT REPORT FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2023

[Pursuant to section 204(1) of the Companies Act, 2013 and rule No.9 of the Companies (Appointment and Remuneration of Managerial Personnel) Rules, 2014]

# To The Members Southern Latex Limited

We have conducted the Secretarial Audit of the compliance of applicable statutory provisions and the adherence to good corporate practices by Southern Latex Limited (CIN: L25199TN1989PLC017137), (hereinafter called the Company). Secretarial Audit was conducted in a manner that provided us a reasonable basis for evaluating the corporate conducts statutory compliances and expressing our opinion thereon.

Based on our verification of the Company's books, papers, minute books, forms and returns filed and other records maintained by the Company and also the information provided by the Company, its Company Secretary, officers, agents and authorized representatives during the conduct of secretarial audit, we hereby report that in our opinion, the company has, during the audit period covering the financial year ended on 31st March 2023 complied with the statutory provisions listed hereunder and also that the Company has proper Board-processes and compliance-mechanism in place to the extent, in the manner and subject to the reporting made hereinafter:

We have examined the books, papers, minute books, forms and returns filed and other records maintained by the Company for the financial year ended on 31st March 2023 according to the provisions of and to the extent applicable of:

- (i) The Companies Act, 2013 (the Act) and the rules made thereunder;
- (ii) The Securities Contracts (Regulation) Act, 1956 ('SCRA') and the rules made thereunder;

- (iii) The Depositories Act, 1996 and the Regulations and Bye-laws framed thereunder;
- (iv) Foreign Exchange Management Act, 1999 and the rules and regulations made thereunder to the extent of Foreign Direct Investment, Overseas Direct Investment and External Commercial Borrowings;
- (v) The following Regulations and Guidelines prescribed under the Securities and Exchange Board of India Act, 1992 ('SEBI Act') to the extent applicable to the Company:-
- (a) The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Substantial Acquisition of Shares and Takeovers) Regulations, 2011;
- (b) The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Prohibition of Insider Trading) Regulations, 2015;
- (c) The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Issue of Capital and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2018;
- (d) The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Share Based Employee Benefits and Sweat Equity) Regulations, 2021;
- (e) The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Issue and Listing of Non-Convertible Securities) Regulations, 2021;
- (f) The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Registrars to an Issue and Share Transfer

Agents) Regulations, 1993 regarding the Companies Act and dealing with client

- (g) The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Delisting of Equity Shares) Regulations, 2021;
- (h) The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Buy-Back of Securities) Regulations, 2018; and

(Out of the above, clause (iv) and sub clauses (c) to (h) of clause (v) are not applicable to the Company during the audit period)

(vi) There is no other specific law applicable to the Company as per the representations made by the Management.

We have also examined compliance with the applicable clauses of the following:

- (i) Secretarial Standards issued by The Institute of Company Secretaries of India with respect to Board and General Meetings.
- (ii) SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015.

The provision related to the Corporate Governance were not applicable to the Company as per Regulation 15(2) of SEBI LODR Regulation, 2015 as its paid up equity share capital did not exceed Rupees Ten Crore and Networth did not exceed Rupees Twenty-five Crore, as on the last day of the previous financial year and hence the provisions as specified in regulations 17, 17A, 18, 19, 20, 21,22, 23, 24, 24A, 25, 26, 27 and clauses (b) to (i) and (t) of sub-regulation (2) of regulation 46 and para C, D and E of Schedule V of SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 are not applicable to the Company during the period under review.

During the period under review the Company has generally complied with the provisions of the Act, Rules, Regulations, Guidelines, Standards, etc. mentioned above.

#### We further report that

The Board of Directors of the Company is duly constituted with proper balance of Executive, Non-Executive, Independent and Women Directors. The Key Managerial Persons (KMPs) as required by the Act to be appointed, have been appointed. There was no change in the Board

of Directors during the period under review.

Adequate notice was given to all directors to schedule the Board Meetings, agenda and detailed notes on agenda were generally sent at least seven days in advance, and a system exists for seeking and obtaining further information and clarifications on the agenda items before the meeting and for meaningful participation at the meeting.

All decisions at Board Meetings and Committee Meetings are carried out unanimously as recorded in the minutes of the meetings of the Board of Directors or Committees of the Board, as the case may be, while there is a system in existence to capture and record the views of dissenting members, in the minutes.

We further report that there are adequate systems and processes in the Company commensurate with the size and operations of the Company to monitor and ensure compliance with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and guidelines.

**We further report that** during the audit period, there were no specific events / actions having a major bearing on the Company's affairs in pursuance of the above referred laws, rules, regulations, guidelines, standards, etc. except the following:

The Company has paid to Bombay Stock Exchange Limited, a SOP fine of Rs.100,631/- (Rupees One Lakh Six Hundred and Thirty-one only) plus applicable GST aggregating to Rs.118,745/- (Rupees One lakh Eighteen Thousand Seven Hundred and Forty-five only) for past years delayed filings with the Stock Exchange.

This Report is to be read with our letter of even date which is annexed as Annexure A and forms an integral part of this report

For SPAN & Co., Company Secretaries LLP

**Practicing Company Secretaries** 

Sd/-

SATYAKI PRAHARAJ Principal Partner

FCS No. 6458, CP No.: 10755 UDIN No. F006458E000373121

Place: Chennai Date: 25th May 2023

Peer Review Certificate No.: 1957/2022 dated 25th

April, 2022

#### **Annexure A**

To, The Members, Southern Latex Limited

Our report of even date is to be read along with this letter.

#### **Management's Responsibility**

 Maintenance of Secretarial records is the responsibility of the management of the Company. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these secretarial records based on our audit.

#### **Auditors' Responsibility**

- 2. We have followed the audit practices and process as were appropriate to obtain reasonable assurance about the correctness of the contents of the Secretarial records. The verification was done on a test basis to ensure that correct facts are reflected in Secretarial records. We believe that the process and practices we followed provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.
- 3. We have not verified the correctness and appropriateness of financial records and Books of Accounts of the Company and wherever required to ascertain the figures we have relied on the books presented to us as Audited and in respect of compliances of Tax Laws, we relied on the Financial/ Statutory Auditors' Report.

4. Wherever required, we have obtained the Management representation about the Compliance of laws, rules and regulations and happening of events etc.

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5. The Compliance of the provisions of Corporate and other applicable laws, rules, regulations, standards is the responsibility of management. Our examination was limited to the verification of procedure on test basis.

#### Disclaimer

6. The Secretarial Audit Report is neither an assurance as to the future viability of the Company nor of the efficacy or effectiveness with which the management has conducted the affairs of the Company.

For SPAN & Co., Company Secretaries LLP
Practicing Company Secretaries

Sd/-

SATYAKI PRAHARAJ Principal Partner

FCS No. 6458, CP No.: 10755 UDIN: F006458E000373121

Place: Chennai

Date: 25th May 2023

### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

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## THE MEMBERS OF SOUTHERN LATEX LIMITED Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of **SOUTHERN LATEX LIMITED**, which comprise the Balance Sheet as at **31/03/2023**, the Statement of Profit and Loss, **the cash flow statement** for the year then ended, and a summary of the significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

#### **Auditor's Opinion**

In our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us, the aforesaid financial statements give the information required by the Act in the manner so required and give a true and fair view in conformity with the accounting principles generally accepted in India, of the state of affairs of the Company as at 31/03/2023, and its **Profit and it's cash flows** for the year ended on that date.

#### **Basis for Opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with the Standards on Auditing (SAs) specified under section 143(10) of the Companies Act, 2013. Our responsibilities under those Standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the Company in accordance with the Code of Ethics issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India together with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements under the provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 and the Rules there under, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements and the Code of Ethics. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

## Information Other than the Standalone Financial Statements and Auditor's Report Thereon

The Company's Board of Directors is responsible for the preparation of the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Management Discussion and Analysis, Board's Report including Annexures to Board's Report, Business Responsibility Report, Corporate Governance and Shareholder's Information, but does not include the standalone financial statements and our auditor's report thereon.

Our opinion on the standalone financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the standalone financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the standalone financial statements or our knowledge obtained during the course of our audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

When we read such other information as and when made available to us and if we conclude that there is a material misstatement therein, we are required to communicate the matter to those charged with governance.

## Responsibility of Management and Those Charged with Governance (TCWG)

The Company's Board of Directors is responsible for the matters stated in Section 134(5) of the Companies Act, 2013 ("the Act") with respect to the preparation of these financial statements that give a true and fair view of the financial position, financial performance and cash flows of the Company in accordance with the accounting principles generally accepted in India, including the Accounting Standards specified under Section 133 of the Act, read with Rule 7 of the Companies (Accounts) Rules, 2014. This responsibility also includes maintenance of adequate accounting records in accordance with the provisions of the Act for safeguarding of the assets of the Company and for preventing and detecting frauds and other irregularities; selection and application of appropriate accounting policies; making judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and design, implementation and maintenance of adequate internal financial controls, that were operating effectively for ensuring the accuracy and completeness of the accounting records, relevant to the preparation and presentation of the financial statements that give a true and fair view and are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Company or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

The Board of Directors are also responsible for overseeing the Company's financial reporting process.

#### **Auditor's Responsibility**

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with SAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists.

Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements

As part of an audit in accordance with SAs, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances. Under section 143(3)(i) of the Companies Act, 2013, we are also responsible for expressing our opinion on whether the company has adequate internal financial controls system in place and the operating effectiveness of such controls.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.

- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Company to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

We also provide those charged with governance with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, related safeguards.

From the matters communicated with those charged with governance, we determine those matters that were of most significance in the audit of the standalone financial statements of the current period and are therefore the key audit matters. We describe these matters in our auditor's report unless law or regulation precludes public disclosure about the matter or when, in extremely rare circumstances, we determine that a matter should not be communicated in our report because the adverse consequences of doing so would reasonably be expected to outweigh the public interest benefits of such communication.

#### Report on Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements

As required by the Companies (Auditors' Report) Order,2020("the Order") issued by the Central Government of India in terms of sub section (11) of

section 143 of the Companies Act, 2013. We give in the Annexure A statements on the matters specified in paragraphs 3 and 4 of the order, to the extent applicable

As required by Section 143 (3) of the Act, we report that:

- (a) We have sought and obtained all the information and explanations which to the best of our knowledge and belief were necessary for the purposes of our audit.
- (b) In our opinion, proper books of account as required by law have been kept by the Company so far as it appears from our examination of those books.
- (c) The Balance Sheet, the Statement of Profit and Loss, and the cash flow statement dealt with by this Report are in agreement with the books of account.
- (d) In our opinion, the aforesaid financial statements comply with the Accounting Standards specified under Section 133 of the Act, read with Rule 7 of the Companies (Accounts) Rules, 2014.
- (e) On the basis of the written representations received from the directors as on 31/03/2023 taken on record by the Board of Directors, none of the directors is disqualified as 31/03/2023 from being appointed as a director in terms of Section 164 (2) of the Act.
- (f) With respect to the adequacy of the internal financial controls over financial reporting of the Company and the operating effectiveness of such controls, clause
   (i) of section 143(3) of Companies Act 2013 is not applicable as per Notification No. G.S.R. 464(E) dated 13th day of June, 2017.
- (g) With respect to the other matters to be included in the Auditor's Report in accordance with Rule 11 of the Companies (Audit and Auditors) Rules, 2014, in our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us:
- As per the informations given, the Company does not have any pending litigations and correspondingly no impact on its financial position in its financial statements.
- ii. The Company has made provision, as required under the applicable law or accounting standards, for material foreseeable losses, if any, on long-term contracts including derivative contracts.

- iii. There has been no delay in transferring amounts, required to be transferred, to the Investor Education and Protection Fund by the Company.
- (a) The management has represented that, to the İ۷. best of it's knowledge and belief, other than as disclosed in the notes to the accounts, no funds have been advanced or loaned or invested (either from borrowed funds or share premium or any other sources or kind of funds) by the company to or in any other person(s) or entity(ies), including foreign entities ("Intermediaries"), with the understanding, whether recorded in writing or otherwise, that the Intermediary shall, whether, directly or indirectly lend or invest in other persons or entities identified in any manner whatsoever by or on behalf of the company ("Ultimate Beneficiaries") or provide any guarantee, security or the like on behalf of the Ultimate Beneficiaries.
- (b) The management has represented, that, to the best of it's knowledge and belief, other than as disclosed in the notes to the accounts, no funds have been received by the company from any person(s) or entity(ies), including foreign entities ("Funding Parties"), with the understanding, whether recorded in writing or otherwise, that the company shall, whether, directly or indirectly, lend or invest in other persons or entities identified in any manner whatsoever by or on behalf of the Funding Party ("Ultimate Beneficiaries") or provide any guarantee, security or the like on behalf of the Ultimate Beneficiaries; and
- (c) Based on audit procedures which we considered reasonable and appropriate in the circumstances, nothing has come to their notice that has caused them to believe that the representations under sub-clause (i) and (ii) contain any material misstatement.
- v. The company has not declared or paid any dividend during the year in contravention of the provisions of section 123 of the Companies Act, 2013

(Chartered Accountants) Reg No. :0009087S Sd/-Angiya Kannan Alamelu

**FOR Kannan And Alamelu** 

Angiya Kannan Alameiu Partner M.No. : 206906

UDIN: 23206906GBYQGG6451

Date: 25/05/2023 Place: CHENNAI

### **Significant Accounting Policies**

#### 1. Basis of Accounting

- 1. The Assessee has Followed Mercantile Basis of accounting
- 2. The financial statements are prepared on the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Generally Accepted Accounting Principles ('GAAP').
- 3. The Company follows accrual systems of accounting in the preparation of accounts except where otherwise stated.
- 4. The company is adopting IND AS in preparation and presentation of the financial statements.

#### 2. Fixed Assets

Fixed Assets are stated at actual cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment loss. Actual cost is inclusive of freights, installation cost, duties, taxes and other incidental expenses for bringing the asset to its working condition for its intended use but net of CENVAT or GST as applicable.

#### 3. Depreciation

Depreciation on Fixed Assets has been provided as per Written Down Value Method as per the Useful Lifes prescribed under Schedule II of the Companies Act, 2013.

#### 4. Revenue Recognition

Revenue from sale of goods is recognized when significant risks and rewards in respect of ownership of the products are transferred to customers net of rate difference and discount given.

#### 5. Taxes on Income

Tax expense comprises both current and deferred taxes. Current tax is provided for on the taxable profit of the year at applicable tax rates. Deferred taxes on income reflect the impact of timing difference between taxable income and accounting income for the year and reversal of timing differences of earlier years.

#### 6. Miscellaneous Expenditure

Miscellaneous expenditure is amortized over the number of years, as prescribed in the provision of Income Tax Act. 1962.

#### 7. System Accounting

The company adopts the accrual concept in the preparation of the accounts.

#### 8. Inflation

Assets and Liabilities are recorded at historical cost at the company. These costs are not adjusted to the reflect the changing value in the purchasing power of money.

Date: 25/05/2023 Place: CHENNAI As Per Audit Report of Even Date FOR Kannan And Alamelu (Chartered Accountants) Reg No.:00090878

> Sd/-Angiya Kannan Alamelu Partner M.No. : 206906 UDIN : 23206906GBYQGG6451

### **ANNEXURE - A**

## Reports under The Companies (Auditor's Report) Order, 2020 (CARO 2020) for the year ended on 31st March 2023

To, The Members of SOUTHERN LATEX LIMITED

We report that:-

SI. No.	Comment Required on	Auditor's Opinion on Following Matter	Auditor's Remark
i (a) (A)	Property, Plant and Equipment and Intangible Assets	Whether the company is maintaining proper records showing full particulars, including quantitative details and situation of Property, Plant and Equipment.?	The company has maintained proper records showing full particulars including quantitative details and situation of fixed assets.
i (a) (B)		Whether the company is maintaining proper records showing full particulars of intangible assets;	The Company has maintained proper records showing full particulars of Intangible assets.
i (b)		Whether these Plant and Equipment and Intangible Assets have been physically verified by the management at reasonable intervels; whether any material discrepancies were noticed on such verification and if so, whether the same have been properly dealt with in the books of accounts?	Property, Plant and Equipment have been physically verified by the management at reasonable intervals; No material discrepancies were noticed on such verification.
i (c)		Whether the title deeds of all the immovable properties (other than properties where the company is the lessee and the lease agreements are duly executed in favour of the lessee) disclosed in the financial statements are held in the name of the company, if not,provide the details thereof	According to the information and explanations given to us and on the basis of our examination of the records of the Company, the title deeds of immovable properties (other than immovable properties where the Company is the lessee and the lease agreements are duly executed in favour of the lessee) disclosed in the standalone financial statements are held in the name of the Company.
i (d)		Whether the company has revalued its Property, Plant and Equipment (including Right of Use assets) or intangible assets or both during the year and, if so, whether the revaluation is based on the valuation by a Registered Valuer; specify the amount of change, if change is 10% or more in the aggregate of the net carrying value of each class of Property, Plant and Equipment or intangible assets;	According to the information and explanations given to us and on the basis of our examination of the records of the Company, the Company has not revalued its Property, plant and equipment (including Right-of-use assets) or Intangible assets or both during the year.

SI. No.	Comment Required on	Auditor's Opinion on Following Matter	Auditor's Remark
i (e)		Whether any proceedings have been initiated or are pending against the company for holding any benami property under the Benami Transactions (Prohibition) Act, 1988 (45 of 1988) and rules made thereunder, if so, whether the company has appropriately disclosed the details in its financial statements;	under the Prohibition of Benami Property
ii (a)	Inventory and other current assets	Whether physical verification of inventory has been conducted at reasonable intervals by the management and whether, in the opinion of the auditor, the coverage and procedure of such verification by the management is appropriate; whether any discrepancies of 10% or more in the aggregate for each class of inventory were noticed and if so, whether they have been properly dealt with in the books of account?	the company does not have any inventory. Hence the Physical verification of inventory
ii (b)		Whether during any point of time of the year, the company has been sanctioned working capital limits in excess of five crore rupees, in aggregate, from banks or financial institutions on the basis of security of current assets; whether the quarterly returns or statements filed by the company with such banks or financial institutions are in agreement with the books of account of the Company, if not, give details;	given to us and on the basis of our examination of the records of the Company, the Company has not been sanctioned working capital limits in excess of five crore rupees, in aggregate, from banks on the basis of security of current
(iii)	Investment, Loans or Advances by Company		The company has not granted any loans, secured or unsecured to companies, firms or other parties covered in the register maintained u/s 189 of the companies Act-2013.
iii (a)		whether during the year the company has provided loans or provided advances in the nature of loans, or stood guarantee, or provided security to any other entity [not applicable to companies whose principal business is to give loans], if so, indicate-	The Company has not granted any loans, secured or unsecured, to firms, limited liability partnerships or any other parties during the year.
iii (a) (A)		The aggregate amount during the year, and balance outstanding at the balance sheet date with respect to such loans or advances and guarantees or security to subsidiaries, joint ventures and associates	Based on the audit procedures carried on by us and as per the information and explanations given to us, the Company has not granted any loans to subsidiaries, joint ventures and associates.

SI. No.	Comment Required on	Auditor's Opinion on Following Matter	Auditor's Remark
iii (a) (B)		The aggregate amount during the year, and balance outstanding at the balance sheet date with respect to such loans or advances and guarantees or security to parties other than subsidiaries, joint ventures and associates	Based on the audit procedures carried on by us and as per the information and explanations given to us, the Company has granted loans Rs.3,98,85,625/- to a party other than subsidiaries, joint ventures and associates.
iii (b)		Whether the investments made, guarantees provided, security given and the terms and conditions of the grant of all loans and advances in the nature of loans and guarantees provided are not prejudicial to the company's interest	In our opinion and according to the information and explanations given to us. The rate of interest and other terms and conditions for such loans are not prima facie prejudicial to the interest to the company.
iii (c)		In respect of loans and advances in the nature of loans, whether the schedule of repayment of principal and payment of interest has been stipulated and whether the repayments or receipts are regular?	In respect of loans granted, repayment of the principal amount is as stipulated and payment of interest have been regular.
iii (d)		If the amount is overdue, state the total amount overdue for more than ninety days, and whether reasonable steps have been taken by the company for recovery of the principal and interest?	There is no overdue amount of loans granted to companies, firms or other parties listed in the register maintained under section 189 of the companies Act, 2013.
iii (e)		Whether any loan or advance in the nature of loan granted which has fallen due during the year, has been renewed or extended or fresh loans granted to settle the over dues of existing loans given to the same parties, if so, specify the aggregate amount of such dues renewed or extended or settled by fresh loans and the percentage of the aggregate to the total loans or advances in the nature of loans granted during the year [not applicable to companies whose principal business is to give loans];	According to the information and explanations given to us and on the basis of our examination of the records of the Company, there is no loan given falling due during the year, which has been renewed or extended or fresh loans given to settle the overdues of existing loans given to the same party.
iii (f)		Whether the company has granted any loans or advances in the nature of loans either repayable on demand or without specifying any terms or period of repayment, if so, specify the aggregate amount, percentage thereof to the total loans granted, aggregate amount of loans granted to Promoters, related parties as defined in clause (76) of section 2 of the Companies Act, 2013;	According to the information and explanations given to us and on the basis of our examination of the records of the Company, the Company has not given any loans either repayable on demand or without specifying any terms or period of repayment.

SI. No.	Comment Required on	Auditor's Opinion on Following Matter	Auditor's Remark
(iv)	Loan to Directors and Investment by the Company	In respect of loans, investments, guarantees, and security whether provisions of section 185 and 186 of the Companies Act, 2013 have been complied with. If not, provide the details thereof.	The company has complied provisions of section 185 and 186 of Companies Act , 2013.
(V)	Deposits Accepted by the Company	In respect of deposits accepted by the company or amounts which are deemed to be deposits, whether the directives issued by the Reserve Bank of India and the provisions of sections 73 to 76 or any other relevant provisions of the Companies Act and the rules made thereunder, where applicable, have been complied with, if not, the nature of such contraventions be stated; if an order has been passed by Company Law Board or National Company Law Tribunal or Reserve Bank of India or any court or any other tribunal, whether the same has been complied with or not	The company has not accepted any Deposits.
(vi)	Maintenance of Cost records	Whether maintenance of cost records has been specified by the Central Government under subsection (1) of section 148 of the Companies Act, 2013 and whether such accounts and records have been so made and maintained?	The Company is not required to maintain cost records pursuant to the Rules made by the Central Government for the maintenance of cost records under sub-section (1) of section 148 of the Companies Act, 2013.
vii (a)	Statutory Dues	Whether the company is regular in depositing undisputed statutory dues including Goods and Services Tax, provident fund, employees state insurance, income-tax, salestax, service tax, duty of customs, duty of excise, value added tax, cess and any other statutory dues to the appropriate authorities and if not, the extent of the arrears of outstanding statutory dues as on the last day of the financial year concerned for a period of more than six months from the date they became payable, shall be indicated?	The company is regular in depositing with appropriate authorities undisputed statutory dues including provident fund, employees' state insurance, income tax, sales-tax, service tax, duty of customs, duty of excise, value added tax, cess and any other statutory dues applicable to it.

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vii (b)		Where statutory dues referred to in sub-clause (a) have not been deposited on account of any dispute, then the amounts involved and the forum where dispute is pending shall be mentioned	There is no dispute with the revenue authorities regarding any duty or tax payable.
(viii)	Disclosure of Undisclosed Transactions	Whether any transactions not recorded in the books of account have been surrendered of disclosed as income during the year in the tax assessments under the Income Tax Act, 1961, if so, whether the previously unrecorded income has been properly recorded in the books of account during the year	According to the information and explanations given to us and on the basis of our examination of the records of the Company, the Company has not surrendered or disclosed any transactions, previously unrecorded as income in the books of account, in the tax assessments under the Income-tax Act, 1961 as income during the year.
ix (a)	Loans or Other Borrowings	Whether the company has defaulted in repayment of loans or other borrowings or in the payment of interest thereon to any lender, if yes, the period and the amount of default to be reported in the format given	The company has not defaulted in repayment of dues to financial institution, or a bank.
ix (b)		Whether the company is a declared wilful defaulter by any bank or financial institution or other lender;	According to the information and explanations given to us and on the basis of our examination of the records of the Company, the Company has not been declared a wilful defaulter by any bank or financial institution or government or government authority.
ix (C)		Whether term loans were applied for the purpose for which the loans were obtained; if not, the amount of loan so diverted and the purpose for which it is used may be reported;	According to the information and explanations given to us by the management, the Company has not obtained any term loans. Accordingly, clause 3(ix)(c) of the Order is not applicable
ix (d)		Whether funds raised on short term basis have been utilised for long term purposes, if yes, the nature and amount to be indicated;	According to the information and explanations given to us and on an overall examination of the balance sheet of the Company, we report that no funds have been raised on short-term basis by the Company. Accordingly, clause 3(ix)(d) of the Order is not applicable.
ix (e)		Whether the company has taken any funds from any entity or person on account of or to meet the obligations of its subsidiaries, associates or joint ventures, if so, details thereof with nature of such transactions and the amount in each case;	According to the information and explanations given to us and on an overall examination of the financial statements of the Company, we report that the Company has not taken any funds from any entity or person on account of or to meet the obligations of its subsidiaries as defined under the Companies Act, 2013. Accordingly, clause 3(ix)(e) of the Order is not applicable.

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ix (f)		Whether the company has raised loans during the year on the pledge of securities held in its subsidiaries, joint ventures or associate companies, if so, give details thereof and also report if the company has defaulted in repayment of such loans raised;	According to the information and explanations given to us and procedures performed by us, we report that the Company has not raised loans during the year on the pledge of securities held in its subsidiaries as defined under the Companies Act, 2013. Accordingly, clause 3(ix)(f) of the Order is not applicable.
x (a)	Money raised by IPO, FPOs	Whether moneys raised by way of initial public offer or further public offer {including debt instruments} and term loans were applied for the purposes for which those are raised. If not, the details together with delays or default and subsequent rectification? if any, as may be applicable, be reported.	The company has not raised any money by way of initial public offer or further public offer {including debt instruments) and term loans. Hence this clause is not applicable.
x (b)		Whether the company has made any preferential allotment or private placement of shares or convertible debentures (fully, partially or optionally convertible) during the year and if so, whether the requirements of section 42 and section 62 of the Companies Act, 2013 have been complied with and the funds raised have been used for the purposes for which the funds were raised, if not, provide details in respect of amount involved and nature of non-compliance;	According to the information and explanations given to us and on the basis of our examination of the records of the Company, the Company has not made any preferential allotment or private placement of shares or fully or partly convertible debentures during the year. Accordingly, clause 3(x)(b) of the Order is not applicable.
xi (a)	Reporting of Fraud During the Year	Whether any fraud by the company or any fraud on the company has been noticed or reported during the year, if yes, the nature and the amount involved is to be indicated	Based on our audit procedures and the information and explanation made available to us no such fraud noticed or reported during the year.
xi (b)		Whether any report under subsection (12) of Section 143 of the Companies Act has been filed by the auditors in Form ADT-4 as prescribed under rule 13 of Companies (Audit and Auditors) Rules, 2014 with the Central Government;	According to the information and explanations given to us, no report under sub-section (12) of Section 143 of the Companies Act, 2013 has been filed by the auditors in Form ADT-4 as prescribed under Rule 13 of Companies (Audit and Auditors) Rules, 2014 with the Central Government.

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xi (c)		Whether the auditor has considered whistle-blower complaints, if any, received during the year by the company;	We have taken into consideration the whistle blower complaints received by the Company during the year while determining the nature, timing and extent of our audit procedures.
xii (a)	Compliance by Nidhi Company Regarding Net Owned Fund to Deposits Ratio	Whether the Nidhi Company has complied with the Net Owned Funds to Deposits in the ratio of 1:20 to meet out the liability?	As per information and records available with us The company is not Nidhi Company.
xii (b)		Whether the Nidhi Company is maintaining ten per cent. unencumbered term deposits as specified in the Nidhi Rules, 2014 to meet out the liability;	According to the information and explanations given to us, the Company is not a Nidhi Company. Accordingly, clause 3(xii) of the Order is not applicable
xii (c)		Whether there has been any default in payment of interest on deposits or repayment thereof for any period and if so, the details thereof;	According to the information and explanations given to us and on the basis of our examination of the records of the Company, the Company has not made any any default in payment of interest on deposits or repayment thereof for any period.
(xiii)	Related party transactions	Whether all transactions with the related parties are in compliance with sections 177 and 188 of Companies Act where applicable and the details have been disclosed in the financial statements, etc., as required by the applicable accounting standards?	Yes , All transactions with the related parties are in compliance with section 177 and 188 of Companies Act, 2013 where applicable and the details have been disclosed in the Financial Statements etc., as required by the applicable accounting standards.
xiv (a)	Internal audit system	Whether the company has an internal audit system commensurate with the size and nature of its business;	Based on information and explanations provided to us and our audit procedures, in our opinion, the Company has an internal audit system commensurate with the size and nature of its business.
xiv (b)		Whether the reports of the Internal Auditors for the period under audit were considered by the statutory auditor;	We have considered the internal audit reports of the Company issued till date for the period under audit.
(xv)	Non cash transactions	Whether the company has entered into any non-cash transactions with directors or persons connected with him and if so, whether the provisions of section 192 of Companies Act have been complied with?	The company has not entered into any non-cash transactions with directors or persons connected with him.
xvi (a)	Requirement of Registration under 45-IA of Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934	Whether the company is required to be registered under section 45-IA of the Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934 and if so, whether the registration has been obtained?	The company is not required to be registered under section 45-IA of the Reserve Bank of India Act.