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Dear Sir/Madam,

Subject- Update in view of the outbreak of COVID-19 pandemic in India

With the outbreak of COVID-19 pandemic in India over the past few days, the Company has been closely monitoring the situation and managing its operations while taking necessary preventive measures. As the situation continues to unfold, our primary concern remains the welfare of our employees, their families and our local communities, and we will continue to provide all support possible to them.

In compliance with the nationwide lockdown announced by the Honorable Prime Minister on March 24, 2020, all the offices and manufacturing units of the Company will remain closed. While it is not possible to make an assessment of the financial impact of this currently, we would like to make this disclosure under Regulation 30 of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 as a matter of abundant caution. This shutdown will stay in effect until April 14, 2020, subject to further directives issued by the respective Government authorities and the Company’s assessment of the prevailing situation.

To ensure well-being of all employees and to maintain continuity of critical operations, the Company has adopted a work from home policy for all office employees which will continue until it is considered safe to resume work from office.
Earlier this week, the Company announced that it will support the government and the hospitality sector during this pandemic through a multitude of initiatives. The Company will produce around 300,000 litres of bulk hand sanitiser across 15 manufacturing units for use by public healthcare workers and donate 500,000 litres ENA to the sanitiser industry to enable the production of more than two million units (250 ml each) of hand sanitisers. The Company will also support the hospitality sector with a Rs. 30 mn healthcare cover to bartenders and donate approximately 150,000 masks to 5 State’s Public Health departments.

As we continue to monitor the situation at hand, we hope that together as a country, this will be behind us soon.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

for United Spirits Limited

V Ramachandran
EVP & Company Secretary