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FORM NO - MR-3

SECRETARIAL AUDIT REPORT

FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED ON 31ST MARCH, 2024

[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,

NETWORK PEOPLE SERVICES TECHNOLOGIES LIMITED

Off No.427/428/429, A-Wing, NSIL, Lodha Supremus II, Road No.22, Wagle Industrial Estate, Thane (W)-400604.

I have conducted the Secretarial Audit of the compliance of applicable statutory provisions and the adherence to good corporate practices by **Network People Services Technologies Limited** (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 my opinion thereon.

Based on my verification of the Company's books, papers, minute books, forms and returns filed and other records maintained by the Company and also information provided by the Company, its officers, agents and authorized representatives during the conduct of secretarial audit, I hereby report that in my opinion, the Company has during the audit period covering the financial year ended on 31st March, 2024 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.

I have examined the books, papers, minute books, forms and returns filed and other records maintained by **Network People Services Technologies Limited** for the financial year ended on 31st March, 2024 according to the provisions 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 Regulations and Guidelines prescribed under the Securities and Exchange Board of India Act, 1992 ('SEBI Act') viz.:
 - 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, 2009;
 - d) The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Share Based Employee Benefits) Regulations, 2014;
 - e) The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Issue and Listing of Debt Securities) Regulations. 2008;
 - 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, 2009;
 - h) The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Buyback of Securities) Regulations, 1998; and
 - The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015.
- (vi) Other laws specifically applicable to the Company, namely:
 - 1. The Companies Act 2013 and Rules Made there under.
 - 2. Maintenance of records relating to shares.
 - 3. Securities Contracts (Regulations) Act, 1956.
 - 4. Industries (Development & Regulations) Act, 1951.
 - 5. Indian Customs Act, 1962.

- 6. Shops and Establishment Act, 1948.
- 7. Income Tax Act, 1961.
- 8. Payment of Gratuity Act, 1972.
- 9. Payment of Wages Act, 1936.
- 10. Employees State Insurance Act, 1948.
- 11. Provident Fund Act, 1952 & Family Pension Act, 1971
- 12. Payment of Bonus Act, 1965.
- 13. Workmen's Compensation Act, 1923.
- 14. Minimum Wages Act, 1948.
- 15. The Factories Act, 1948.
- 16. Industrial Disputes Act, 1947.
- 17. The Contract Labour (Regulation & Abolition) Act, 1970.
- 18. Personnel Injuries (Compensation) Act, 1963.
- 19. Public Liability Insurance Act, 1991.
- 20. The Apprentices Act, 1961.
- 21. Equal Remuneration Act, 1976.
- 22. Employment Exchanges (compulsory vacation of notices) Act, 1959.
- 23. Maternity Benefit Act, 1961.
- 24. Industrial Employment (Standing orders) Act, 1946.
- 25. Environment (Protection) Act, 1986.
- 26. The Information Technology Act, 2000.
- 27. The Depositories Act, 1996.
- 28. The IRDA Act, 1999.
- 29. The Competition Act, 2002.
- 30. Consumer Protection Act, 1986.
- 31. Right to Information Act, 2005.
- 32. Emblems and Names (Prevention of Improper Use) Act, 1950.
- 33. The Trade Marks Act, 1999.
- 34. The Patents Act, 1970.
- 35. The Indian Copyright Act, 1957.
- 36. Pharmacy Act, 1948.
- 37. Conservation of Foreign Exchange and Prevention of Smuggling Activities Act, 1974.
- 38. Essential Commodities Act, 1955.
- 39. Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006.
- 40. The Central Goods And Services Tax Act, 2017

- 41. Maharashtra Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017
- 42. The Boiler Act, 1923
- 43. The Maharashtra Fire Prevention & Life Safety measures Act, 2006
- 44. The Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981
- 45. The Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985
- 46. The Andhra Pradesh Fire Services Act, 1999
- 47. The Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Cess Act, 1977
- 48. Drugs & Cosmetics Act, 1940
- 49. Drugs (Prices Control) Order,1995
- 50. Homoeopathy Central Council Act, 1973
- 51. Petroleum Act, 1934
- 52. Poisons Act, 1919
- 53. Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006
- 54. Insecticides Act, 1968
- 55. Bombay Provincial Municipal Corporations Act, 1949
- 56. Trade Union Act, 1926
- 57. Foreign Trade (Development and Regulation) Act, 1951
- 58. Industrial Relations Act, 1967
- 59. Prevention of Money Laundering Act, 2002

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

- (i) Secretarial Standards issued by The Institute of Company Secretaries of India.
- (ii) The Listing Agreements entered into by the Company with National Stock Exchange of India Ltd.

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

I further report that:

The Board of Directors of the Company is duly constituted with proper balance of Executive Directors, Non-Executive Directors and Independent Directors.

Adequate notice is given to all directors to schedule the Board Meetings, agenda and detailed notes on agenda were 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 the Board/Committee decisions are taken unanimously.

I 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.

Kala Agarwal

Practising Company Secretary C P No.: 5356

UDIN: F005976F000794302

Place: Mumbai

Date: 22nd July, 2024

Note: This report is to be read with my letter of even date which is annexed as 'ANNEXURE A' and forms an integral part of this report.

'ANNEXURE - A'

To, The Members,

NETWORK PEOPLE SERVICES TECHNOLOGIES LIMITED

306, 3rd Floor, Lodha Supremus II, Road No. 22, Wagle Estate, Thane- West, Thane 400604.

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

- 1. Maintenance of secretarial record is the responsibility of the management of the company. My responsibility is to express an opinion on these secretarial records based on my audit.
- 2. I have followed the audit practices and processes as were appropriate to obtain reasonable assurance about the correctness of the contents of the Secretarial records. The verification was done on test basis to ensure that correct facts are reflected in secretarial records. We believe that the processes and practices we followed provide a reasonable basis for my opinion.
- 3. I have not verified the correctness and appropriateness of financial records and Books of Accounts of the company.
- 4. Wherever required, I have obtained the Management representation about the compliance of laws, rules and regulations and happening of events etc.
- 5. The compliance of the provisions of Corporate and other applicable laws, rules, regulations, standards is the responsibility of management. My examination was limited to the verification of procedures on test basis.
- 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.

Kala Agarwal

Practising Company Secretary

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Place: Mumbai Date: 22nd July, 2024

Secretarial Audit Report

Network People Services Technologies Limited- 31st March, 2024