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#### SECRETARIAL AUDIT REPORT

#### Form No.MR-3

## FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31.03.2023

[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, as amended]

To,

The Members.

## RIPLEY & COMPANY STEVEDORING & HANDLING PVT LTD

22, Lee Road, Flat – C2, 1st Floor, Block-C, Kolkata - 700020

I have conducted the secretarial audit of the compliance of applicable statutory provisions and the adherence to good corporate practices by RIPLEY & COMPANY STEVEDORING & HANDLING PRIVATE LIMITED (hereinafter called the company) having CIN: U73100WB2000PTC091705. Secretarial Audit was conducted in a manner that provided me a reasonable basis for evaluating the corporate conducts/statutory compliances and expressing my opinion thereon.

Based on my verification of the RIPLEY & COMPANY STEVEDORING & HANDLING PRIVATE LIMITED, books, papers, minute books, forms and returns filed (certain forms were filed late with additional fees) and other records maintained by the company and also the 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 31.03.2023 generally 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 RIPLEY & COMPANY STEVEDORING & HANDLING PRIVATE LIMITED, ("the Company") for the financial year ended on 31.03.2023 according to the provisions of:

- (i) The Companies Act, 2013 (the Act) and the rules made there-under;
- (ii) The Securities Contracts (Regulation) Act, 1956 ('SCRA') and the rules made there-under- Not Applicable
- (iii) The Depositories Act, 1996 and the Regulations and Bye-laws framed there-under.
- (iv) Foreign Exchange Management Act, 1999 and the rules and regulations made there-under 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'):-
  - a) The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Substantial Acquisition of Shares and Takeovers)
     Regulations, 2011; Not Applicable
  - b) The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Prohibition of Insider Trading) Regulations, 2015; **Not Applicable**
  - c) The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Issue of Capital and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2018; Not Applicable
  - d) The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Employee Stock Option Scheme and Employee Stock Purchase Scheme) Guidelines, 1999; **Not Applicable**
  - e) The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements)
    Regulations, 2015; Not Applicable

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- 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 – Not Applicable
- g) The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Delisting of Equity Shares) Regulations, 2009; Not Applicable
- h) The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Buyback of Securities) Regulations, 2018; Not Applicable
- The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Shares based Employee Benefits) Regulations, 2014;
   Not Applicable
- j) The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Issue and Listing of Debt Securities) Regulations, 2008;
   Not Applicable
- k) The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Issue and Listing of Non-Convertible and Redeemable Preference Shares) Regulations, 2013; **Not Applicable**
- 1) The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Depositories and Participants) Regulations, 2018.
- (vi) Again, the Company has complied with provisions of applicable labour laws.

I have also examined compliance with the applicable clauses of the Secretarial Standards issued by The Institute of Company Secretaries of India.

During the period under review the Company, being a private company, has complied with the applicable 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 four Non-Executive Directors. The Company has no Executive Directors and Key Managerial Personnel. There was no change in the composition of the Board of Directors during the period under review.

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 decisions at the Board Meetings are carried out unanimously/ by requisite majority as recorded in the Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Directors.

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.

Place: Kolkata Date: 04.12.2023

Mukesh Chaturvedi

A Peer-Reviewed Practicing Company Secretary

FCS: 11063

CP: 3390

Peer Review Certificate No.:939/2020 UDIN: F011063E002825930

This report is to be read with Annexure A which forms an integral part of this report.

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#### Annexure A

To,
The Members,
RIPLEY & COMPANY STEVEDORING & HANDLING PVT LTD
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Kolkata - 700020

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

- 1. Maintenance of secretarial records 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 process 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. I believe that the process and practices, I followed provide a reasonable basis for my opinion.
- 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, regulations, standards is the responsibility of the Management. My examination was limited to the verification of procedure 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.

Place: Kolkata Date: 04.12.2023

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