

# **K.P. ENERGY LIMITED**

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Sub.: Communication to Shareholders - Intimation w.r.t. Tax Deduction on Dividend.

Dear Sir/Madam,

Pursuant to the Finance Act, 2020, effective April 1, 2020, Dividend Distribution Tax was abolished, and dividend income became taxable in the hands of the shareholders. Companies are required to withhold tax at source from dividends paid to shareholders at prescribed rates (plus applicable surcharge and cess), as may be notified from time to time.

In this regard, please find enclosed herewith a communication explaining the process to be followed along with the necessary annexures. This communication is also available at the website of the Company at <a href="https://www.kpenergy.in">www.kpenergy.in</a>.

This is for your information and records.

Thanking You,

Yours faithfully,

For K.P. Energy Limited

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Sub: Communication in respect of deduction of tax at source on Interim Dividend pay-out.

Dear Shareholder,

We are pleased to inform you that the Board of Directors of the Company at its Meeting held on February 6, 2025, has recommended an interim dividend at the rate of 4% i.e. Re. 0.20 (Twenty Paisa only) per equity share having a face value of Rs. 5/- each for the financial year 2024-25. The said dividend will be paid to those shareholders whose names appear in the Register of Members of the Company or in the records of the Depositories as beneficial owners of the shares as on the record date decided by the Board of Directors i.e. February 18, 2025.

In accordance with the provisions of the Income Tax Act, 1961 ('the Act'), as amended by and read with the provisions of the Finance Act, 2020, with effect from April 1, 2020, dividend paid or distributed by the Company is taxable in the hands of shareholders and the Company is required to deduct tax at source (TDS) from dividend paid to the shareholders at the applicable rates.

This communication summarizes the applicable TDS provisions, as per the Income Tax Act, 1961, for Resident and Non-Resident shareholder categories.

### I. <u>For Resident Shareholders</u>:

Tax is required to be deducted at source under Section 194 of the Act, at the rate of 10% on the amount of dividend where shareholders have registered their valid Permanent Account Number (PAN). In case, shareholders do not have PAN / invalid PAN/ PAN not linked with Aadhaar/not registered their valid PAN details in their account or classified as specified person in the income-tax portal, TDS at the rate of 20% shall be deducted under Section 206AA of the Act.

#### a. Resident Individuals:

No tax shall be deducted on the dividend payable to resident individuals if -

- i. Total dividend amount to be received by them during the Financial Year 2024-25 does not exceed Rs. 5,000; or
- ii. The shareholder provides Form 15G (applicable to individual) / Form 15H (applicable to an

Individual above the age of 60 years), provided that all the required eligibility conditions are met. Please note that all fields are mandatory to be filled up and Company may at its sole discretion reject the form, if it does not fulfil the prescribed requirement under the Act. Formats of Form 15Gand 15H are enclosed as Annexure-1 and Annexure-2, respectively.

Form 15G/H needs to be furnished only if dividend amount exceeds Rs. 5,000. Considering that the Company has declared dividend of Re. 0.20/- per share, need for submitting Form 15G/H will arise only if your shareholding exceeds 25,000 shares.

iii. Exemption certificate is issued by the Income-tax Department, if any

#### **b.** Resident Non-Individuals:

No tax shall be deducted on the dividend payable to the following resident non-individuals where they provide details and documents as per the format attached in <a href="Annexure-3">Annexure-3</a>.

- i. Insurance Companies: Self declaration that it qualifies as 'Insurer' as per section 2(7A) of the Insurance Act, 1938, and has full beneficial interest with respect to the equity shares owned by it along with self-attested copy of PAN card and certificate of registration with Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority (IRDA)/ Life Insurance Corporation of India (LIC)/ General Insurance Corporation of India (GIC).
- ii. Mutual Funds: Self-declaration that it is registered with Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) and is notified under Section 10 (23D) of the Act along with self-attested copy of PAN card and certificate of registration with SEBI.
- iii. Alternative Investment Fund (AIF): Self-declaration that its income is exempt under Section 10 (23FBA) of the Act and they are registered with SEBI as Category I or Category II AIF along with self-attested copy of the PAN card and certificate of AIF registration with SEBI.
- iv. New Pension System (NPS) Trust: Self-declaration that it qualifies as NPS trust and income is eligible for exemption under section 10(44) of the Act and being regulated by the provisions of the Indian Trusts Act, 1882 along with self-attested copy of the PAN card.
- v. **Other Non-Individual shareholders:** Self-attested copy of documentary evidence supporting the exemption along with self-attested copy of PAN card.
- c. In case, Resident Shareholders (both individuals or non-individuals) provide certificate under Section 197 of the Act, for lower/NIL withholding of taxes, rate specified in the said certificate shall be considered, on submission of self-attested copy of the same.

#### II. For Non-resident Shareholders:

#### a. As per Domestic Tax Law:

Taxes are required to be withheld in accordance with the provisions of Section 195 of the Act, as per the rates as applicable. As per the relevant provisions of the Act, the withholding tax shall be at the rate of 20% (plus applicable surcharge and cess) on the

amount of dividend payable to them. In case, non-resident shareholders provide a certificate issued under Section 197/195 of the Act, for lower/ Nil withholding of taxes, rate specified in the said certificate shall be considered, on submission of self-attested copy of the same.

#### **b.** As per Double Tax Avoidance Agreement (DTAA):

As per Section 90 of the Act, the non-resident shareholder has the option to be governed by the provisions of the Double Tax Avoidance Treaty (DTAA) between India and the country of tax residence of the shareholder, if they are more beneficial to them. For this purpose, i.e. to avail DTAA benefits, the non-resident shareholders are required to provide the following:

- i. Self-attested copy of the PAN card allotted by the Indian Income Tax authorities.
- ii. Self-attested copy of Tax Residency Certificate (TRC) (financial year April 1, 2024, to March 31, 2025) obtained from the tax authorities of the country of which the shareholder is a resident.
- iii. Shareholders who have PAN and propose to claim treaty benefit need to file Form 10F online at the link <a href="https://eportal.incometax.gov.in/">https://eportal.incometax.gov.in/</a>. (Refer <a href="https://eportal.incometax.gov.in/">Annexure-4</a> for procedure to file electronic Form 10F).
- iv. Self-declaration by shareholder of meeting treaty eligibility requirement and satisfying beneficial ownership requirement (financial year April 1, 2024 to March 2025) (format attached herewith as <a href="Annexure-5">Annexure-5</a>, required only where Tax treaty benefit needs to be availed).
- v. In case of Foreign Institutional Investors and Foreign Portfolio Investors, copy of SEBI registration certificate.
- vi. In case of shareholder being tax resident of Singapore, please furnish the letter issued by the competent authority or any other evidences demonstrating the non-applicability of Article 24 Limitation of Relief under India-Singapore Double Taxation Avoidance Agreement (DTAA).

It is recommended that shareholder should independently satisfy its eligibility to claim DTAA benefit including meeting of all conditions laid down by DTAA.

Kindly note that the Company is not obligated to apply beneficial DTAA rates at the time of tax deduction / withholding on dividend amounts. Application of beneficial rate as per DTAA for the purpose of withholding taxes shall depend upon completeness and satisfactory review by the Company of the documents submitted by the non-resident shareholder.

### c. Global Depositary Receipt ('GDR') Holders:

In case of GDR holders, taxes shall be withheld at 10% plus applicable surcharge and cess

in accordance with provisions of Section 196C of the Act, only if they provide self- attested copy of the PAN Card. In case no PAN details are made available, tax will be deducted at 20% plus applicable surcharge and cess.

Accordingly, in order to enable us to determine the appropriate TDS / withholding tax rate applicable, we request you to provide these details and documents as mentioned above on or before **February 14, 2025**. Any documents submitted after **February 14, 2025**, will be accepted at the sole discretion of the Company. The aforementioned documents can be downloaded from the website of the company at <a href="https://www.kpenergy.in/TDS-on-Dividend">https://www.kpenergy.in/TDS-on-Dividend</a>.

### Payment of Dividend:

The dividend on Equity Shares for FY 2024-25, as approved by the Board of the Director of the Company at their meeting held on February 6, 2025, will be paid after deducting the tax at source as under:

### a. TDS to be deducted at higher rate in case of non-filers of Return of Income:

The Finance Act, 2021, has *inter alia* inserted the provisions of section 206AB of the Act with effect from 1<sup>st</sup>July 2021. The provisions of section 206AB of the Act require the deductor to deduct tax at higher of the following rates from amount paid/ credited to 'specified person':

- i. At twice the rate specified in the relevant provision of the Act; or
- ii. At twice the rate(s) in force; or
- iii. At the rate of 5%.

The non-resident who does not have the permanent establishment and resident who is not required to file a return under section 139 of the Act are excluded from the scope of a specified person.

As per Central Board of Direct Taxes vide Circular No. 11 of 2021 dated June 21, 2021, for determining TDS rate on Dividend, the Company will be using functionality of the Income-tax department to determine the applicability of Section 206AB of the Act.

## b. TDS to be deducted at higher rate in case of non-linkage of PAN with Aadhaar:

As per Section 139AA of the Act, every person who has been allotted a PAN and who is eligible to obtain Aadhaar, shall be required to link the PAN with Aadhaar. In case of failure to comply with this, the PAN allotted shall be deemed to be invalid/inoperative and tax shall be deducted at the rate of 20% as per the provisions of Section 206AA of the Act. The Company will be using functionality of the Income-tax department for the above purpose. Provisions will be effective from July 1, 2023. Shareholders may visit <a href="https://www.incometax.gov.in/iec/foportal/help/e-filing-link-aadhaar-faq">https://www.incometax.gov.in/iec/foportal/help/e-filing-link-aadhaar-faq</a> for FAQ issued by Government on PAN Aadhaar linking.

#### c. <u>Declaration under Rule 37BA:</u>

In terms of Rule 37BA of Income Tax Rules, 1962 if dividend income on which tax has been deducted at source is assessable in the hands of a person other than the deductee, then deductee should file declaration with Company in manner prescribed by Rules.

### d. For Shareholders having Multiple Accounts Under Different Status/ Category:

Shareholders holding Equity shares under multiple accounts under different status / category and single PAN, may note that, higher of the tax as applicable to the status in which shares held under a PAN will be considered on their entire holding in different accounts.

# **Submission of Tax Related Documents:**

Please note that the above mentioned documents duly completed and signed required to be emailed to us at <a href="mailto:secretarial@kpgroup.co">secretarial@kpgroup.co</a> on or before February 14, 2025, in order to enable the Company to determine and deduct appropriate TDS / withholding tax rate. No communication on the tax determination/deduction shall be entertained and considered if it's received incomplete or unsigned.

Documents sent to any other email ID may lead to non-submission of documents and attract TDS as per the provisions of the Act.

Shareholders may note that in case the tax on said interim dividend is deducted at a higher rate in absence of receipt of the aforementioned details/documents from you, option is available to you to file the return of income as per Income Tax Act, 1961 and claim an appropriate refund, if eligible.

The tax credit can also be viewed in Form 26AS by logging in with your credentials (with valid PAN) at TRACES <a href="https://www.tdscpc.gov.in/app/login.xhtml">https://www.tdscpc.gov.in/app/login.xhtml</a> or the e-filing website of the Income Tax department of India <a href="https://www.incometax.gov.in/iec/foportal/">https://www.incometax.gov.in/iec/foportal/</a>.

### <u>Updation of Bank Account Details</u>:

Shareholders are requested to ensure that their bank account details in their respective demat accounts/physical folios are updated, to enable the Company to make timely credit of dividend in their bank accounts. We seek your cooperation in this regard.

Shareholders holding shares in physical folios are requested to take note that SEBI vide circular dated November 17, 2023 has done away with the provision regarding freezing of folios not having PAN, KYC and nomination details to mitigate unintended challenges on account of freezing of folio. Further, SEBI, vide its circular dated November 3, 2021 (subsequently amended by circulars dated December 14, 2021, March 16, 2023 and November 17, 2023) has mandated that with effect from April 1, 2024, dividend to Shareholders (holding securities in physical form), shall be paid only through electronic mode. Such payment shall be made only after furnishing the PAN, choice of nomination, contact details including mobile number, bank account details and specimen signature to Registrar and transfer Agent.

Disclaimer: This Communication shall not be treated as an advice from the Company. Shareholders should obtain the tax advice related to their tax matters from a tax professional.

We request your cooperation in this regard.

# For K.P. Energy Limited

Sd/-

Karmit Sheth

Company Secretary & Compliance Officer

### Encl.:

Click here to download Annexure-1 Form 15G

Click here to download Annexure-2 Form 15H

Click here to download Annexure-3 Resident Tax Declaration

Click here to download Annexure-4 Procedure for Filing e-Form 10F

Click here to download Annexure-5 Non-Resident Tax Declaration