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Dear Sir / Madam,

Sub.: Disclosure pursuant to Regulation 30 of Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations & Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015

Further to our communication dated July 13, 2019, with regard to Matter related to DRI enquiry for imports made under SAFTA Rules, 2006, we are attaching herewith the investor release proposed to be issued by the Company in this matter.

We request you to take on record.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

For **Future Enterprises Limited**



Deepak Tanna
Company Secretary

Encl.: As above



**Investor Release in the matter related to
DRI enquiry for imports made by Company under SAFTA Rules, 2006**

This is further to intimation by Future Enterprises Limited (FEL) to stock exchanges about the event of investigation matter before Senior Intelligence Officer, Directorate of Revenue Intelligence (DRI) related to enquiry for an alleged amount of ₹ 14.58 crore of custom duty evasion by usage of facility of duty free imports from Bangladesh under South Asian Free Trade Area (SAFTA). In exercise of the discretionary powers, the authorities arrested Mr. Dinesh Maheshwari on July 12, 2019 late Friday night, in this matter.

In order to give our perspective of the matter and about the compliance done by the Company, we wish to put on record following important factual position as understood and perceived by the Company for the benefit of its various stakeholders.

The matter relates maintainability of certain technical as well as procedural aspects regarding Certificate of Origin issued by Bangladesh authorities, which enables the customs duty exemption availed by FEL. In precise terms, the matter is purely an interpretation issue and did not as such warranted arrest given that –

- i. The exemption was not availed on basis of any concealed information and/ or forged documents;
- ii. The disputed certificates in question, were issued/ revised by competent authorities in Bangladesh to our supplier and the authenticity of same is easily verifiable. In view of this position, a summary disregard of the same by the custom authorities is disappointing;
- iii. The Company through its representatives (Mr. Dinesh Maheshwari included) have been repeatedly appearing before the DRI authorities (as can also be seen from department's own press release), which underwrites the Company's commitment to engage with custom authorities rather than hiding or absconding.
- iv. The non-agreement with the observations of the authorities was duly placed on record and a request to issue show cause notice was already made by the Company citing its intent to not accept & dispute the observations;

FEL has received confirmation from its vendors, who are supplying goods from their facilities in Bangladesh, that they have complied with the SAFTA Rules, 2006 and obtained SAFTA certificates from relevant regulatory authorities. They assured continued support for completion of proceedings with authorities. Further, FEL has recently also deposited part of the disputed amount with the authorities.

FEL is engaged with its lawyers and tax experts to place the full records before the DRI. FEL and its officers are cooperating fully with the department and remains confident that the said matter will be resolved quickly to the satisfaction of the department.

As an organisation we stand together at this time to defend our team and ourselves.

Future Enterprises Limited

July 14, 2019

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