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To Hotel Leelaventure Ltd. The Leela Mumbai, Sahar, Andheri East, Mumbai 400 059

Kind Attn: Mr. Alen Ferns, Company Secretary

Dear Sir,

Sub: Examination in the matter of complaints against Hotel Leelaventure Ltd. with respect to Postal Ballot Notice dated March 18, 2019

- 1. This refers to the Postal Ballot Notice ("PBN") of M/s. Hotel Leelaventure Ltd. ('HLVL' 'the company') dated March 18, 2019 seeking shareholder approval, interalia, for sale of the company's undertakings at Delhi, Bengaluru, Chennai, Udaipur; the company's Hotel Operations Undertaking and the company's shareholding in Leela Palaces and Resorts Ltd. posted on your website. From the PBN, it is noted that the voting period ends on April 24, 2019.
- 2. In this regard, you may refer to SEBI email dated April 16, 2019 vide which comments of HLVL were sought on alleged violation of provisions pertaining to related party transactions. It was intimated to you that SEBI is in receipt of correspondence from ITC Ltd. wherein they have made certain allegations against HLVL, its promoters and JM Financial Asset Reconstruction Company Ltd. ("JMFARC") with respect to HLVL's PBN dated March 18, 2019. It is noted that vide letter dated April 18, 2019 and email dated April 22, 2019, you have provided certain comments/clarifications with respect to the alleged violations. Further, vide letter dated April 23, 2019 HLVL has informed that a petition has been filed before the Hon'ble National Company Law Tribunal ("NCLT"), Mumbai by ITC Ltd. against HLVL alleging oppression and mismanagement and has requested the NCLT for

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urgent hearing. You may note that SEBI is also in receipt of a representation from Life Insurance Corporation of India ("LIC") on the issue, which is a minority shareholder in HLVL.

- 3. You may note that representations/allegations against HLVL, as received by SEBI in relation to the issue, concerns the interest of the investors in securities market. The allegations may attract violation of Regulations 4 and 23 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 ("LODR Regulations") and other provisions of securities laws. While these representations are being examined by SEBI, in view of the paucity of time involved and in the interest of investors in securities, you are advised to ensure that none of the transactions proposed in the PBN dated March 18, 2019 are acted upon till further directions from SEBI.
- 4. You are advised to bring this letter to the notice of the Scrutinizer for information and necessary action. You are also advised to disclose this letter in terms of Regulation 30 of LODR Regulations.

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