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To The General Manager BSE Limited P.J. Towers, Dalal Street Mumbai – 400 001

Scrip Code: 532907

Sub: Your email communication dated August 16, 2019 addressed to IL&FS Engineering and Construction Company Limited ("the Company") for noncompliance with Regulation 33 of the LODR Regulations for the quarter ended June, 2019

Dear Sir / Madam:

The Company hereby acknowledge the receipt of your email communication, with respect to non-compliance with Regulation 33 of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, amended (the "LODR Regulations") due to non-submission of financial results of the company for the year ended March 31, 2019 and quarter ended June, 2019.

With respect to the forgoing, we hereby submit as follows:

- As you are aware and previously informed, pursuant to the proceedings filed by the Union of India under Section 241 and 242 of the Companies Act, 2013, on account of grounds of, *inter alia*, (i) mismanagement of public funds by the erstwhile board of directors of Infrastructure Leasing and Financial Services Limited ("IL&FS"); and (ii) affairs of IL&FS being conducted in a manner prejudicial to the public interest, the National Company Law Tribunal, Mumbai bench ("NCLT"), by way of an order dated October 1, 2018, suspended the erstwhile board of directors of IL&FS and reconstituted the same with persons proposed by the Union of India (such reconstituted board, referred to as the "New Board").
- 2. In compliance with NCLT's order of October 1, 2018, a Report on Progress and Way Forward ("First Progress Report") was submitted by IL&FS to the Ministry of Corporate Affairs ("MCA") on October 30, 2018, and subsequently filed by the MCA with the NCLT on October 31, 2018. The First Progress Report *inter alia* sets out the magnitude and complexity of the problem faced and the approach to be followed by the New Board towards achieving the final resolution, including listing out indicative next steps. The Second Report on Progress and Way Forward ("Second Progress Report") was submitted to the MCA on December 2, 2018, and was subsequently filed by the MCA with NCLT on December 3, 2018, *inter alia* setting out the assessment and evaluation of options being considered towards achieving final resolution, certain cost optimization measures being undertaken and an assessment of liquidity measures and going concern status. The reports are available in the public domain.

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- 3. Additionally, the National Company Law Appellate Tribunal, New Delhi (the "NCLAT") has passed an order of moratorium on October 14, 2018 in respect of actions (as set out therein) that cannot be taken against IL&FS and its group companies (including the Company), which includes, amongst others, institution or continuation of suits or any other proceedings by way party or persons or bank or company, etc, against "IL&FS" and its group companies in any Court of Law or Tribunal and any action by any party or person or bank or company, etc. to foreclose, recover or enforce any security interest created the assets of "IL&FS" and its group companies. This has been done taking into consideration the nature of the case, larger public interest and economy of the nation, and interest of IL&FS and its group companies. This moratorium has subsequently been modified by the NCLAT order dated January 11, 2009.
- 4. Please also note that the NCLT passed an order dated January 1, 2019 pursuant to an application filed by MCA under Section 130 of the Companies Act, 2013 permitting reopening and recasting of accounts of (a) IL&FS; (b) IL&FS Financial Services Limited and (c) IL&FS Transportation Networks Limited, for the past 5 financial years (i.e., FY 13 to FY 18).
- 5. Subsequently, IL&FS had submitted to the UOI : (a) Third Progress Report on the 'Proposed Resolution Framework For IL&FS Group" dated December 17, 2018 ("Initial Resolution Framework"); and (b) the "Addendum to the Initial Resolution Framework dated January 15, 2019 (the "Addendum Framework" together with the Initial Resolution Framework, the "Resolution Framework"), which sets out the process to be followed for the resolution of IL&FS group entities. A report titled "Fourth Report on Progress and Way Forward" dated January 15, 2019 was submitted to the UOI by the New Board, which inter alia provides the key steps that have been taken since the Second Report till January 12, 2019. The UOI filed an affidavit dated February 11, 2019, inter alia, submitting the list of domestic and foreign group entities and a list containing the categorization of domestic entities, pursuant to the order passed by the Hon'ble National Company Law Appellate Tribunal ("NCLAT") NCLAT on February 4, 2019. In terms of the order passed by the NCLAT on February 11, 2019, the NCLAT permitted the resolution of such "Green" entities to continue in accordance with the Resolution Framework "and subject to the supervision of the Hon'ble Justice (Retd) D.K.Jain." The report titled "Fifth Report on Progress and Way Forward dated August 05, 2019 is submitted to the UOI by the New Board which reflects the development made by the New Board in the resolution of IL&FS and its group companies and briefly captures, classification of IL&FS group entities into 'green', 'amber' and 'red' category to put in place payment protocol for each of the above category, categories update on asset level resolution and other monetization measures, appointment of chartered accountants firms for recasting of accounts, cost cutting measures, special audit sanctioned by the New Board.
- 6. In the recent development, one of the joint statutory auditors of the Company, viz. M/s. BSR & Associates LLP, Chartered Accountants tendered its resignation via resignation letter dated July 14, 2019. Now, the Company is in the process of getting the necessary approvals from the Board of Directors / shareholders of the Company for the appointment of M/s. M Bhaskara Rao & Co, Chartered Accountants, the other Joint Statutory Auditor, as the sole statutory auditors of the Company.

- 7. Since the reconstitution of the board of directors of IL&FS pursuant to the order of the NCLT, multiple changes have been effected and steps undertaken, considering the objective of seeking a resolution to prevent any further adverse impact on financial stability. This includes changes in management, steps to control cash flows, and engaging with advisors in relation to the developing plans for resolution. Thus, the Company and its management have been primarily engaged in these efforts towards implementing the objective of New Board.
- 8. As previously informed, considering various events and circumstances (including proposed divestment and restructuring) in relation to IL&FS and its group companies which includes the Company, it will be challenging for the Company and its management to prepare financial statements of the Company within the time period prescribed under Regulation 33 of the LODR, especially in light of the resignation of the one of the statutory joint auditor of the Company as mentioned above. Further, considering the circumstances the Company and its management require sufficient time to adequately and sufficiently assess the existing issues, and to review and verify the financial position of the Company.
- 9. In light of the aforementioned circumstances, we hereby inform the finalization of financial results has been delayed and the Company therefore is not be in a position submit the financial results for the year ended March 31, 2018 and for the quarter ended June, 2019 within the time specified in Regulation 33 of LODR.
- 10. We also draw your attention to Clause 7 of the SEBI Circular no. SEBI/HO/CFD/CMD/CIR/P/2018/77 dated May 03, 2018 ("Circular"), which clearly sets out that –

"the recognized stock exchanges may keep in abeyance the action <u>or withdraw the</u> <u>action in specific cases where</u> specific exemption from compliance with the requirements under the Listing Regulations/ <u>moratorium on enforcement</u> proceedings has been provided for under any Act, Court/Tribunal orders etc."

In light of the existing moratorium for the Company and the special circumstances of this case, we request and urge the Stock Exchange to not take any coercive/pecuniary actions against the Company as stated in the Letter as there is a moratorium imposed by NCLAT which exists in favour of IL&FS and its group companies.

We request you to please take letter on your record for non-submission of financial results and look forward to a favourable consideration at your end, given the special circumstances.

Please let us know, if you need any information.

Thanking You,

Yours faithfully, For IL&FS Engineering and Construction Company Limited

Naveen Kumar Agarwal Chief Financial Officer