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30th May 2024

BSE Limited Mumbai

National Stock Exchange of India Ltd

Mumbai

SCRIP CODE: 512070

SYMBOL: UPL

Sub: Annual Secretarial Compliance Report for the year ended 31st March 2024

Dear Sir/Madam,

Pursuant to Regulation 24A of SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, we are enclosing herewith the Annual Secretarial Compliance Report for the financial year ended 31st March 2024 issued by M/s. N. L. Bhatia & Associates, Practicing Company Secretaries.

We request you to take the above report on record.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully, For **UPL Limited**

Sandeep Deshmukh Company Secretary and Compliance Officer (ACS – 10946)

Encl.: As above



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To,
The Board of Directors,
UPL Limited,
CIN: L24219GJ1985PLC025132
3-11, G.I.D.C., VAPI, VALSAD-396195,
GUJARAT

Dear Sir/ Madam,

Sub: Annual Secretarial Compliance Report for the financial year 2023-24

We have been engaged by **UPL Limited**, (hereinafter referred to as the Company) bearing CIN: **L24219GJ1985PLC025132**, whose equity shares are listed on National Stock Exchange of India Limited and BSE Limited to conduct an audit in terms of Regulation 24A of SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, as amended ("SEBI Listing Regulations"), read with SEBI Circular No. CIR/CFD/CMD1/27/2019 dated February 8, 2019 along with the circulars issued by BSE & NSE vide Notice no. 20230316-14 and 20230410-41 & Circular Reference No. NSE/CML/2023/21 and NSE/CML/2023/30 dated March 16, 2023 & April 10, 2023, respectively, to issue Annual Secretarial Compliance Report and the additional affirmations by Practicing Company Secretaries (PCS) in Annual Secretarial Compliance Report.

It is the responsibility of the management of the Company to maintain records, devise proper systems to ensure compliance with the provisions of all applicable regulations, circulars and guidelines issued by the Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) from time to time, and to ensure that the systems are adequate and effective.

Our responsibility is to verify compliances by the Company with provisions of all applicable regulations, circulars and guidelines issued by SEBI from time to time and issue a report thereon.

Our audit was conducted in accordance with guidance note on "Annual Secretarial Compliance Report" and "Auditing Standards" issued by the Institute of Company Secretaries of India (ICSI) and in a manner which involved such examinations and verifications as considered necessary and adequate for the said purpose. The Annual Secretarial Compliance Report is enclosed as Annexure.

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For N. L. Bhatia & Associates Practising Company Secretaries UIN: P1996MH055800

P/R No.: 700/2020

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<u>Secretarial Compliance Report of UPL Limited</u> for the year ended March 31, 2024

We have conducted the review of the compliance of the applicable statutory provisions and the adherence to good corporate practices by UPL Limited (hereinafter referred as 'the listed entity'), having its Registered Office at 3-11, G.I.D.C., Vapi, Valsad-396195, Gujarat. Secretarial Review was conducted in a manner that provided us a reasonable basis for evaluating the corporate conducts/statutory compliances and to provide our observations thereon. Based on our verification of the listed entity's books, papers, minutes books, forms, disclosures and returns filed and other records maintained by the listed entity and also the information provided by the listed entity, its officers, agents and authorized representatives during the conduct of Secretarial Review, we hereby report that the listed entity has, during the review period covering the financial year ended on March 31, 2024 complied with the statutory provisions listed hereunder in the manner and subject to the reporting made hereinafter.

We, N L Bhatia & Associates, Practising Company Secretaries have examined:

- a) all the documents and records made available to us and explanation provided by UPL Limited. ("the Company");
- b) the filings/ submissions made by the listed entity to the stock exchanges;
- c) website (https://www.upl-ltd.com) of the Company;
- d) any other document/ filing, as may be relevant, which has been relied upon to make this certification;
- e) books, papers, minute books, forms and returns filed;

for the year ended March 31, 2024 in respect of compliance with the provisions of:

- i. The Securities and Exchange Board of India Act, 1992 ("SEBI Act") and the regulations, circulars and guidelines issued there under, to the extent applicable to the Company:
- ii. The Securities Contracts (Regulation) Act, 1956 ("SCRA"), rules made there under and the regulations, circulars and guidelines issued there under by the Securities and Exchange Board of India ("SEBI");
- iii. The Depositories Act, 1996 and the Regulations and bye-laws framed there under.

The specific regulations, whose provisions and the circulars/ guidelines issued thereunder, have been examined, include: -

a) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements)
Regulations, 2015, as amended;

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- b) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Substantial Acquisition of Shares and Takeovers) Regulations, 2011, as amended;
- c) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Issue and Listing of Non-Convertible Securities) Regulations, 2021; to the extent applicable during the year
- d) The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Prohibition of Insider Trading) Regulations, 2015, as amended;
- e) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Depositories and Participants) Regulations, 2018; to the extent applicable on the Company
- f) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Issue of Capital and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2018, as amended; to the extent applicable during the year
- g) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Investor Protection and Education Fund) Regulations, 2009
- h) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Share Based Employee Benefits and Sweat Equity) Regulations, 2021; Not Applicable

and based on the above examination, we hereby report that, during the review period:

a). The Company has complied with the provisions of the above regulations and circulars/guidelines issued there under, except in respect of matters specified below:-

S r. N o	Compliance Requirement (Regulations/ circulars / guidelines including specific clause)	Regulatio n/ Circular No.	Deviation s	A c t i o n b y	Type of Action (Adviso ry/Clari fication /Fine/S how Cause Notice/ Warnin g, etc.)	Details of violation	Fine Amo unt	Observa tions/ remarks of the Practisi ng Compan y Secretar y, if any.	Management Response	Re mar ks
1	Disclosure of information in relation to Related Party Transactions vide SEBI Circular SEBI/HO/CFD/CMD1/CIR/P/2 021/662 dated November 22, 2021	Regulatio n 23 of SEBI LODR Regulatio ns, 2015	Alleged non- disclosur e of few informati on in Explanato ry Statemen t	S E B I	Admini strative Warnin g	Inadequate disclosure of Related Party Transaction in the notice of EGM dated 30 th March, 2022	NA	-	The Company 's disclosures were spread across in the explanatory statement split under various heads	-
2	Disclosure of	Regulatio	Alleged	S	Admini	Non-	NA	-	The Company	-



	information which are material pursuant to Regulation 30 (4)(c) of SEBI LODR Regulations, 2015	n 30(4)(i)(a) of SEBI LODR regulation 2015	non disclosur e of providing update on existing Litigation	E B I	g	disclosure of Information relating to litigation pursuant to Reg 30 (4) (i) of SEBI LODR Regulations 2015			clarified that value of impact is much below materiality threshold under Regulation 30 of SEBI LODR Regulations, 2015	
3	Securities and Exchange Board of India Act, 1992 read with Securities and Exchange Board of India (Prohibition of Fraudulent and Unfair Trade Practices relating to Securities Market) Regulations, 2003	Regulatio ns 3(a)-(d) and 4(1) of SEBI (PFUTP) Regulatio ns, 2003 and Section 12A(a)-(c), of SEBI Act, 1992	Company buying back its own shares	S E B I	Cause	Alleged financial assistance provided by UPL through its subsidiary company to buy back its own shares	NA	-	The Company has filed reply to SCN	-

b). The Company has taken the following actions to comply with the observations made in previous reports:-

Sr. No.	Observations/Remarks of the Practising Company Secretary in the previous reports (PCS)	Observations made in the Secretarial Compliance Report for the year ended	Complian ce/ Requirem ent	Details of violation / deviations and actions taken / penalty imposed, if any	Remedial actions, if any, taken by the Company	Comments of the PCS on the actions taken by the Company			
	NOT APPLICABLE								

Additional affirmations to be given by Practicing Company Secretaries (PCS) in Annual Secretarial Compliance Report (ASCR) pursuant to the Circular of BSE vide no. 20230410 & of NSE vide no. NSE/CML/2023/30 and Circular Reference No. NSE/CML/2023/21 dated April 10, 2023 are provided below:



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Sr	Particulars	Compliance	Observation /
No.		status (Yes/	Remarks by PCS
		No/ NA)	
1.	Secretarial Standard		The Company has
	The compliances of listed entities are in accordance	Yes	duly complied with
	with the Secretarial Standards (SS) issued by the		the SS issued by
	Institute of Company Secretaries India (ICSI).		ICSI.
		Yes	The Company has
2.	Adoption and timely updation of the Policies:	163	updated all
	All applicable policies under SEBI Regulations are	•	
	adopted with the approval of board of directors of		applicable policies
	the listed entities		under SEBI
			Regulations and the
	All the policies are in conformity with SEBI		same are in
	Regulations and has been reviewed & timely updated		conformity with
	as per the regulations / circulars / guidelines issued		SEBI Regulations
	by SEBI		and has been
			reviewed.
3.	Maintenance and disclosures on Website:	Yes	The Company has
	•The Listed entity is maintaining a functional website		maintained fully
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	•Timely dissemination of the documents/		at www.upl-
			Itd.com.
	information under a separate section on the website		itu.com.
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	Web-links provided in annual corporate		
	governance reports under Regulation 27(2) are		
	accurate and specific which redirects to the relevant		
	document(s) / section of the website.		
4.	Disqualification of Director:	Yes	None of the
	None of the Director of the Company are disqualified		Director of -the
	under Section 164 of Companies Act, 2013.		Company are
			disqualified under
			Section 164 of
			Companies Act,
			2013.
5.	To examine details related to Subsidiaries of listed	Yes	The Company has
J.	entities:	163	
			appropriately
	(a) Identification of material subsidiary companies.		identified material
	4,5		subsidiaries and
	(b)Requirements with respect to disclosure of		proper disclosures
	material as well as other subsidiaries.		were made with
			respect to
			disclosure of
			material as well as
1			other subsidiaries.
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Sr	Particulars	Compliance	Observation /
No.	Tarticulars	status (Yes/	Remarks by PCS
,,,,,		No/ NA)	
6.	Preservation of Documents: The listed entity is preserving and maintaining	Yes	The Company has complied with the
	records as prescribed under SEBI Regulations and disposal of records as per Policy of Preservation of Documents and Archival policy prescribed under SEBI LODR Regulations, 2015		SEBI Regulations for preserving and maintaining records as prescribed and has duly in place the said policy.
7.	Performance Evaluation: The listed entity has conducted performance evaluation of the Board, Independent Directors and the Committees at the start of every financial year as prescribed in SEBI Regulations.	Yes	The Company has duly conducted performance evaluation of the Board, Independent Directors and the Committees.
8.	Related Party Transactions: (a) The listed entity has obtained prior approval of Audit Committee for all Related party transactions (b) In case no prior approval obtained, the listed entity shall provide detailed reasons along with confirmation whether the transactions were subsequently approved/ ratified/ rejected by the Audit committee.	Yes	The Company has obtained prior approval of Audit Committee for all Related party transactions
9.	Disclosure of events or information: The listed entity has provided all the required disclosure(s) under Regulation 30 along with Schedule III of SEBI LODR Regulations, 2015 within the time limits prescribed there under.	Yes	The Company has provided all the required disclosure(s) under Regulation 30 along with Schedule III of SEBI LODR Regulations, 2015 within the time limits prescribed there under.
10.	Prohibition of Insider Trading: The listed entity is in compliance with Regulation 3(5) & 3(6) SEBI (Prohibition of Insider Trading) Regulations, 2015.	Yes	The Company has duly complied with Regulation 3(5) & 3(6) SEBI (Prohibition of Insider Trading) Regulations, 2015.

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Sr	Particulars	Compliance	Observation /
No.		status (Yes/	Remarks by PCS
		No/ NA)	
11.	Actions taken by SEBI or Stock Exchange(s), if any: No Actions taken against the listed entity/ its promoters/ directors/ subsidiaries either by SEBI or by Stock Exchanges (including under the Standard Operating Procedures issued by SEBI through various circulars) under SEBI Regulations and circulars/ guidelines issued there under.	NA	During the year no such action has been taken by SEBI or Stock Exchange.
12.	Resignation of statutory auditors from the listed entity or its material subsidiaries: In case of resignation of statutory auditor from the listed entity or any of its material subsidiaries during the financial year, the listed entity and / or its material subsidiary(ies) has / have complied with paragraph 6.1 and 6.2 of section V-D of chapter V of the Master Circular on compliance with the provisions of the LODR Regulations by listed entities.	NA	There is no instance of resignation of statutory auditors from the Company. Hence, disclosures in such respect, are not applicable to the Company.
13.	Additional Non-compliances, if any: No any additional non-compliance observed for all SEBI regulation/circular/guidance note etc.	NA	The company does not have any additional non compliances.

Assumptions & Limitation of scope and Review:

- 1. Compliance of the applicable laws and ensuring the authenticity of documents and information furnished, are the responsibilities of the management of the listed entity.
- 2. Our responsibility is to report based upon our examination of relevant documents and information. This is neither an audit nor an expression of opinion.
- 3. We have not verified the correctness and appropriateness of financial records and books of accounts of the listed entity.
- 4. This Report is solely for the intended purpose of compliance in terms of Regulation 24A (2) of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 and is neither an assurance as to the future viability of the listed entity nor of the efficacy or effectiveness with which the management has conducted the affairs of the listed entity.

For N. L. Bhatia & Associates Practising Company Secretaries UIN: P1996MH055800

P/R No.: 700/2020

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Date: May 27, 2024 Place: Mumbai

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