

FORBES & COMPANY LIMITED

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Date: 5th November, 2012

Secretary, 8SE Limited, Phiroze Jeejeebhoy Towers, Dajal Street, Mumbai - 400 001.

Dear Sirs,

PART I - Statement of Unaudited Financial Results for the quarter and half year ended 30th September, 2012

(🗸 in lakhs)

_			Quarter ended		Half year ended		Previous year ended
	<u> </u>	30.09,2012	30.06.2012	30.09.2011	30.09.2012	30.09.2011	31.03.2012
	Particulars	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unpudited)	(Audited)
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1	Income from operations	5,673	6,030	6,144	11,703	12,478	2 <i>G,G76</i>
	a) Net sales / Income from operations (net of excise duty)	280	351	406	631.	860	1,734
	b) Other operating income	5,953	6,381	5,550	12,334	13,338	28,410
	Total Income from operations (net)						
2	Expenses	1,784	1,050	1,081	2,834	2,205	5,355
	a) Cost of materials consumed		230	172	435	297	580
	b) Purchases of stock-in-trade	215	240				
	c) Changes in inventories of finished goods,		/7.7. 7 \	59	(3,191)	227	150
	work-in-progress and stock-in-trade	(974)	(217)	1,092	2,250	2,059	4,05
	d) Employee benefits expense	1,197	1.053	306	636	603	1,21
	e) Depreciation and amortisation expense	349	287	300	330	1,063	1,06
	f) Charter hire charges (see Note 2)				_	1	
	g) Transportation, freight, hire charges and other operating costs	1			3,427	3,213	6,73
	relating to Shipping and Logistics division	1,613	1,814	1,741	4,255	3,543	7,92
	h) Other expenses	2,450	1,805	1,892		13,210	27,07
	Total expenses	6,634	6,012	6,343	12,646	13,210	- 27,47
3	Profit / (Loss) from operations before other Income, finance costs and				(3.5.5)	128	1,33
•	exceptional items (1-2)	(681)	369	207	(312) 392	116	28
4	Other income	318	.74		. 392	110	
5	Profit / (Loss) from ordinary activities before finance costs					244	1,62
•	and exceptional items (3+4)	(363)	443	285	BO	591	1,30
6	Finance costs	261	271	293	532		
7	Profit / (Loss) from ordinary activities after finance costs	- I			i	(247)	32
′	but before exceptional items (5-6)	(624)	172	(8)	(452)		15
8	Exceptional Items (see Note 1)	(19)	6,050		6,031	10	
9	Profit / (Loss) from ordinary activities before tax (7+8)	(643)	6,222	2	5,579	(337)	T
	Tax expense / (credit) - Current tax	(160)	960_		800		4:
10	Net Profit / (Loss) from ordinary activities after tax (9-10)	(483)	5,267	2	4,779	(337)	II
11	Extraordinary items (not of tax expense)			<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
12	Net Profit / (Loss) for the period / year (11+12)	(483)	5,262	2	4,779	(337)	
13		1,290	1,290	1,290	1,290	1,290	1,2
14	Pald-up equity share capital	-,		11	li	1	
	(Face Value of ₹ 10 cach)			N.	1		12,4
15		1			ll .	ll .	1
	previous accounting year	₹ (3.74)	₹ 40.80	₹ 0.02	₹ 37.05	₹ (2.62)	∭ ₹ 3.0
16	Basic and diluted Earnings per share (Face Value of ₹ 10 each)	(3.74)	, ,,,,,,,			II.][
	(Quarterly and half yearly figures not annualised)			<u> </u>	 -	 	-
No.	: Chartering loss arising from the stand by charter agreement as stated in		l'	N .		513	5.
VOC	Note 2 included in these results	<u></u>		<u> </u>		513	1 3

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PART II - Select Information for the quarter and half year ended 30th September, 2012

<u> </u>	11 - Select Illustration (S. Vice quality)		Quarter ended		Half year ended		Previous year <u>e</u> nded
1		30.09.2012	30.06.2012	30.09.2011	30.09.2012	30,09.2011	31.03.2012
	Particulars	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
A	PARTICULARS OF SHAREHOLDING						
	Public Shareholding						_
1 -	- Number of shares	3436925	3436925	343G925	3436925	3436925	3436925
	- Percentage of shareholding	26.65%	26.65%	26.65%	26.65%	26.65%	26.65%
1 2	Promoters and Promoter Group Shareholding						
-	a) Pledged / Encumbered						
1	- Number of shares	1	-	-	-	-	- 1
	- Percentage of shares (as a % of the total shareholding	-	-	1	-	-	-
	of promoter and promoter group)						1
	 Percentage of shares (as a % of the total share capital of 		. 1	-	-	-	-
	the Company)				ĺ		
	b) Non-encumbered					********	9461691
1	- Number of shares	9461691	9451691	9461691	9461691	5461691	
	 Percentage of shares (as a % of the total shareholding of 	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%
1	the promoter and promoter group)				72.350/	74.250	73.35%
i	 Percentage of shares (as a % of the total share capital of 	73.35%	73.35%	73.35%	73.35%	73.35%	/3,3370
	the Company)					ŀ	
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	Particulars	3 months ended 30.09.2012
В	INVESTOR COMPLAINTS	
	Pending at the beginning of the quarter	12 *
	Received during the quarter	1
l	Disposed of during the quarter	1
	Remaining unresolved at the end of the quarter	12 *
*	Related to court cases	

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1 Segment Revenue

(a) Engineering

(b) Shipping and Logistics Services

(c) Real Estate

Total

Less: Inter Segment Revenue

Total income from operations (net)

2 Segment Results [Profit / (Loss) before Tax and finance costs from each Segment (including exceptional items related to segments)]

(a) Engineering

(b) Shipping and Logistics Services

(c) Real Estate

Total

Less: Exceptional Items other than related to segments

Less: Finance costs

Balance

Less: Unallocable expenses net of unallocable income

Profit / (Loss) before Tax

3 Capital Employed (Segment assets less

segment liabilities)

(a) Engineering

(b) Shipping and LogIstics Services

(c) Real Estate

Unallocated

Total Capital Employed

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	Quarter ended		Half year	Half year ended		
30.09.2012	30.06.2012	30.09.2011	30.09.2012	30.09.2011	31.03.2012	
(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Audited)	
	,		<u>'</u>		1	
3,353	3,216	3,482	6,569	7,084	15,536	
2,344	2,820	2,679	5,164	5,428	11,219	
256	345	389	601	826	1,655	
5,953	6,381	6,550	12,334	13,338	28,410	
2,550	-,		-			
5,953	6,381	6,550	12,334	13,338	28,410	
.,,						
(320)	434	465	114	1,084	2,350	
97	112	(53)	209	(680)	(130)	
101	6,258	339	6,359	710	1,207	
(122)	6,804	751	6,682	1,114	3,427	
]		(58)	<u>-</u>	_(58)	(58)	
(122)	6,804	693	6,682	1,056	3,369	
(261)	(271)	(293)	(532)	(591)	(1,300)	
(383)	6,533	400	6,150	465	2,069	
(260)	(311)	(358)	(571)	(802)	(1,596)	
(643)	6,222	2	5,579	(337)	473	
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8,382	6,765	5,813	8,382	5,813	5,774	
3,881	2,718	3,294	3,881	3,294	2,985	
(1,372)	(1,657)	(2,361)	(1. <u>372)</u>	(2,361)	(1,595)	
10,891	7,826	6,746	10,891	6,746	8,164	
22,239	17,876	16,987	22,239	16.987	19,069	
33,130	25,702	23,733	33, <u>130</u>	23, 733	27,233	
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NOTES:

1. Exceptional items:

	Quarter ended			Half year ended		Previous ` year ended	
	30.09.2012	30.06.2012	30.09.2011	30.09.2012	30.09.2011	31.03.2012	
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Audited)	
Termination benefits and one time settlement with employees	(13)	-	(58)	(13)	(58)	(75)	
Profit on sale of land and building *(Including interest on delayed payment)	(6)	6,050 *	68	6,044 *	68	68	
Prior period adjustment — written down value of fixed assets written off in an earlier year, written back in previous year	-	-	-	_		46	
Income on settlement of disputed matters	-	-	-	-	_	114	
TOTAL	(19)	6,050	10	6,031	10	153	

- 2. To secure the lenders of SCI Forbes Limited (SFL), a jointly controlled entity, amongst other undertakings, two of the joint venture partners, including the Company, had to, sign a standby charter agreement, under which, in the event the vessels were not on charter with a lender approved third party at anytime during the pendency of the loan, two vessels each would come on automatic charter to the joint venture partners at rates specified in the standby charter agreement. Immediately thereafter the global financial crisis occurred with shipping being badly hit with charter rates crashing. The lenders sought a change in some commercial terms for agreeing to approve charterers and other forms of vessel deployment. Whilst this negotiation was going on, the loan covenant had got activated and the Company (as also its other JV partner) had to take the vessels on charter at standby charter rates and deploy them on market rates resulting in the loss of ₹ 513 Lakhs during previous half year ended 30th September, 2011 and previous year ended 31st March, 2012. With effect from 1st July, 2011, the aforesaid standby charter agreement has been suspended and consequently the ships have been re-delivered by the Company as also by the joint venture partner to SFL. Non-provision of estimated loss arising from the aforesald onerous standby charter agreements not being in accordance with the requirements of Accounting Standard 29, 'Provisions, Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets' (AS-29) was a subject matter of a qualification in the audit report for the year ended 31st March, 2011.
- 3. Account balances of trade payables, trade receivables and other balances relating to the Shipping and Logistics division are in the process of detailed review and reconciliation. This was a subject matter of qualification in the audit report for the year ended 31st March, 2012 and limited review report for the quarter ended 30th June, 2012, and continues to be a subject matter of qualification in the limited review report for this quarter ended 30th September, 2012. During the current period, the Management has largely carried out detailed review of open items including reconciling balances with parties' statement of accounts wherever available and also instituted stringent process in place. The Management is of the view that presently the account balances are largely in order and the net effect on the financial results would not be material on completion of exercise.
- 4. The Company has long term investments in equity shares and preference shares aggregating ₹ 7,090 Lakhs in its Joint Venture Company, viz. SCI Forbes Limited, which has four chemical tankers (vessels) currently deployed on time charter. In the opinion of the management, the downturn in the shipping industry in the recent past is exceptional in nature and is considered to be a temporary event. The chemical business is expected to grow in near future and

(₹ in lakhs)

having regard to very low level of order position for purchase of new vessels, there would be better deployment of existing vessels which would improve the charter hire rates. Based on the present value of estimated future cash flow expected to arise from the continuing use of vessels and from its disposal at the end of its useful life, no provision for diminution on these investments, held as long term, is required to be made.

5. Statement of assets and liabilities

		1	<u>₹ in Lakhs</u>
		As at	As at
_		30.09.2012	31.03.2012
	Particulars	Unaudited	Audited
ı	EQUITY AND LIABILITIES		
	Shareholders' funds		
_	Share capital	1,290	1,290
	Reserves and surplus	17,179	12,400
	sub-total - Shareholders' funds	18,469	13,690
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	Non-current liabilities	9,899	8,534
	Long-term borrowings		3,755
-	Other long-term liabilities	3,745	517
С	Long-term provisions	526	
	sub-total - Non-current liabilities	14,170	12,806
3	Current liabilities		A 100 a
a	Short-term borrowings	4,039	3,760
b	Trade payables	4,230	3,48 3
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d	Short-term provisions	949	1,215
	sub-total - Current liabilities	12,717	12,341
\neg	TOTAL - EQUITY AND LIABILITIES	45,356	<i>38,837</i>
11	<u>ASSETS</u>		
1	Non-current assets		
a	Fixed assets	12,253	11,753
$\overline{}$	Non-current investments	14,640	14,640
c	Long-term loans and advances	3,308	2,882
	sub-total - Non-current assets	30,201	29,275
	Current assets		
_	Current investments	2,462	-
\longrightarrow	Inventories	5,061	1,853
	Trade receivables	3,337	3,808
$\overline{}$	Cash and cash equivalents	242	1,149
	Short-term loans and advances	2,771	2,689
f	Fixed assets held for sale (Free hold land)	<u>-</u>	4
g	Other current assets	1,282	
	sub-total - Current assets	15,155	9,562
-	TOTAL - ASSETS	45,356	38,837

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- 6. Figures for the previous periods / year are re-classified / re-arranged / regrouped, wherever necessary.
- 7. The above results were reviewed by the Audit Committee and approved by the Board of Directors of the Company at their respective meetings held on 5th November, 2012 and subjected to a Limited Review by the statutory auditors.

For Forbes & Company Limited

(Ashok Barat) Managing Director

Mumbai, 5th November, 2012

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AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF FORBES & COMPANY LIMITED ON LIMITED REVIEW OF UNAUDITED FINANCIAL RESULTS

- We have reviewed the accompanying statement of Unaudited Financial Results of FORBES & COMPANY LIMITED ("the Company") for the quarter and half year ended 30th September, 2012 ("the Statement"). This Statement is the responsibility of the Company's Management and has been approved by the Board of Directors. Our responsibility is to issue a report on the Statement based on our review.
- 2. We conducted our review of the Statement in accordance with the Standard on Review Engagements (SRE) 2410 "Review of Interim Financial Information Performed by the Independent Auditor of the Entity", issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India. This Standard requires that we plan and perform the review to obtain moderate assurance as to whether the Statement is free of material misstatement. A review is limited primarily to inquiries of Company personnel and analytical procedures applied to financial data and thus provide less assurance than an audit. We have not performed an audit and accordingly, we do not express an opinion.

3. Emphasis of Matter

Without qualifying our review report, we continue to draw attention to Note 4 on the Statement regarding no provision having been made for diminution in the value of the Company's long term investments in equity shares and preference shares aggregating ₹ 7,090 Lakhs in its Joint Venture Company, viz. SCI Forbes Limited for the reasons stated in the said Note.

4. Basis for Qualified Conclusion

The accompanying unaudited financial results are subject to adjustments that may arise on completion of detailed review and reconciliation, by the Management, of account balances of trade payables, trade receivables and other balances relating to the Company's Shipping and Logistics division, the effect of which could not be determined on the loss for the quarter ended 30th September, 2012 and profit for the half year ended on that date, with consequential effect on earnings per share. Our audit report for the year ended 31st March, 2012 and limited review report for the quarter ended 30th June, 2012 contained a similar qualification. [See Note 3 on the Statement]

Qualified Conclusion

Based on our review conducted as stated above, read with the matter described in Emphasis of Matter in paragraph 3 above and except for the possible effects of the matter described in Basis for Qualified Conclusion in paragraph 4 above, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the accompanying Statement, prepared in accordance with the Accounting Standards referred to in Section 211 (3C) of the Companies Act, 1956 and other recognised accounting practices and policies, has not disclosed the information required to be disclosed in terms of Clause 41 of the Listing Agreement with BSE Limited, including the manner in which it is to be disclosed, or that it contains any material misstatement.

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TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
FORBES & COMPANY LIMITED
ON LIMITED REVIEW OF UNAUDITED FINANCIAL RESULTS (contd.)

6. Further, we also report that we have traced the number of shares as well as the percentage of shareholding in respect of the aggregate amount of public shareholding and the number of shares as well as the percentage of shares pledged / encumbered and non-encumbered in respect of the aggregate amount of promoters and promoter group shareholding in terms of Clause 35 of the Listing Agreement and the particulars relating to undisputed investor complaints from the details furnished by the Registrars.

For DELOITTE HASKINS & SELLS

Chartered Accountants (Registration No. 117366W)

Rajesh K Hiranandani

Partner

(Membership No.: 36920)

MUMBAI, 5th November, 2012

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