Restriction on transfer of physical shares & Procedure for demat of shares

BSE Circulars to Listed Companies – Amendment to Regulation 40 of SEBI (LODR) Regulations, 2015. (Cir. No. LIST/COMP/15/2018 dated July 05, 2018).

BSE has issued a Circular to Listed Companies on July 05, 2018 informing about amendment to Regulation 40 of Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 vide Gazette notification dated June 8, 2018 has mandated that transfer of securities would be carried out in dematerialized form only.

According to the Circular, request for effecting transfer of securities shall not be processed unless the securities are held in the Dematerialized form with the depository with effect from December 5, 2018. Therefore Registrars and Transfer Agent and Company will not be accepting any request for transfer of shares in physical form with effect from December 5, 2018. This restriction shall not be applicable to the request received for transmission or transposition of physical shares.

You may access the Circular from the website of Bombay Stock Exchange using the following link: <u>https://www.bseindia.com/corporates/Displaydata.aspx?Id=cd22b184-1153-4b05-8ad9-d04699161f89&Page=cir</u>

Subsequently, SEBI had received representations from shareholders for extension of the date of compliance. In view of the same, SEBI vide **Press Release No. 49/2018 dated December 03, 2018** has extended the deadline from **December 05, 2018 to April 01, 2019**.

Shareholders are accordingly, get in touch with any Depository Participant having registration with SEBI to open a Demat account or alternatively, contact any office of the nearest Karvy branch to guide you in the demat procedure:

You may also visit web site of depositories viz., NSDL or CDSL for further understanding about the demat procedure:

NSDL website: <u>https://nsdl.co.in/faqs/faq.php</u> (dematerialization) CDSL website: <u>https://www.cdslindia.com/investors/open-demat.aspx</u>

Shareholders, holding shares in physical form are requested to arrange the dematerialization of the said shares at earliest to avoid any inconvenience in future for transferring those shares.