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May 27, 2023

To
The Manager
Listing Department,
BSE Limited, Phiroze Jeejeebhoy Towers,
Dalal Street, Mumbai- 400 001

Ref: Scrip Code: 523660/WATERBASE

Dear Sir/Madam,

#### **Sub: Annual Secretarial Compliance Report**

As per SEBI Circular No. CIR/CFD/CMD1/27/2019 dated 8 February 2019, we enclose the Annual Secretarial Compliance Report of The Waterbase Limited for the year ended March 31, 2023, certified by Mr. A. Rengarajan, Practicing Company Secretary.

Thanking you For The Waterbase Limited

**Bala Arumugam Company Secretary**Encl: As stated above





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# SECRETARIAL COMPLIANCE REPORT OF THE WATERBASE LIMITED FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2023

We have conducted the review of the compliance of the applicable statutory provisions and the adherence to good corporate practices by The Waterbase Limited CIN: L050055AP1987PLC018436 (hereinafter referred as 'the listed entity'), having its Registered Office at Ananthapuram Village, Nellore, Andhra Pradesh. 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 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 March 31, 2023, complied with the statutory provisions listed hereunder in the manner and subject to the reporting made hereinafter:

#### We have examined:

- (a) all the documents and records made available to us and explanation provided by The Waterbase Limited ("the listed entity"),
- (b) the filings/ submissions made by the listed entity to the stock exchanges,
- (c) website of the listed entity,
- (d) any other document/ filing, as may be relevant, which has been relied upon to make this report, for the financial year ended March 31, 2023 ("Review Period") in respect of compliance with the provisions of:
  - (a) Securities and Exchange Board of India Act, 1992 ("SEBI Act") and the Regulations, circulars, guidelines issued thereunder; and
  - (b) the Securities Contracts (Regulation) Act, 1956 ("SCRA"), rules made thereunder and the Regulations, circulars, guidelines issued thereunder by the Securities and Exchange Board of India ("SEBI");

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

- 1. Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015;
- 2. Securities and Exchange Board of India (Issue of Capital and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2018; Not Applicable
- 3. Securities and Exchange Board of India (Substantial Acquisition of Shares and Takeovers) Regulations, 2011;

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- 4. Securities and Exchange Board of India (Buyback of Securities) Regulations, 2018; Not Applicable
- 5. Securities and Exchange Board of India (Share Based Employee Benefits and Sweat Equity) Regulations, 2021;
- 6. Securities and Exchange Board of India (Issue and Listing of Non-Convertible Securities) Regulations, 2021; Not Applicable
- 7. Securities and Exchange Board of India (Prohibition of Insider Trading) Regulations, 2015;
- 8. (other regulations as applicable)

and circulars/ guidelines issued thereunder; and based on the above examination, we hereby report that, during the Review Period:

I. (a) (\*\*) The listed entity has complied with the provisions of the above Regulations and circulars/ guidelines issued thereunder, except in respect of matters specified below: Not applicable

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(b) The list edentity has taken the following actions to comply with the observations made in previous reports: Not Applicable

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II. Compliances related to resignation of statutory auditors from listed entities and their material subsidiaries as per SEBIC ircular CIR/CFD/CMD1/114/2019 dated 18th October, 2019:

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Sr. No.	Particulars	Compliance Status(Yes/ No/NA)	Observations/ Remarks byPCS*					
1.	Complianceswiththefollowingconditionswhileappointing/re-appointinganauditor							
	<ul> <li>i. If the auditor has resigned within 45 days fromtheendofaquarterofafinancialyear,theauditor before such resignation, has issued the limitedreview/auditreport forsuch quarter;or</li> </ul>	NO	Not Applicable					
	ii. If the auditor has resigned after 45 days from theend of a quarter of a financial year, the auditorbefore such resignation, has issued the limitedreview/ audit report for such quarter as well asthenextquarter;or	NO	Not Applicable					
	iii. If the auditor has signed the limited review/ auditreport for the first three quarters of a financialyear, the auditor before such resignation, hasissued the limited review/ audit report for the lastquarter of such financial year as well as the auditreportfor such financialyear.	NO	Not Applicable					
2.	Otherconditionsrelatingtoresignationofstatutoryauditor NA							
	i.Reporting of concerns by Auditor with respect tothelistedentity/itsmaterialsubsidiarytotheAuditC ommittee:							





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a.	Incaseofanyconcernwiththemanagementof the listed entity/material subsidiary suchasnon-availabilityofinformation/non-cooperationbythemanagementwhichhasha mperedtheauditprocess,theauditor has approached the Chairman oftheAuditCommitteeofthelistedentityandth eAuditCommitteeshallreceivesuchconcern directly and immediately withoutspecifically waiting for the quarterly AuditCommitteemeetings.	NO	Not Applicable
b.	Incasetheauditorproposestoresign,all concerns with respect to the proposedresignation,alongwithrelevantdoc umentshasbeenbroughttothenoticeoftheAu ditCommittee.Incaseswherethe	NO	Not Applicable



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Sr. No.	Particulars	Compliance Status(Yes/ No/NA)	Observations/ Remarks byPCS*
	proposed resignation is due to non-receiptofinformation/explanationfromthecompany,theauditorhasinformedtheAudit Committee the details of information/explanationsoughtandnotprovidedbythemanagement,asapplicable.		
	c.The Audit Committee / Board of Directors,as the case may be, deliberated on thematter on receipt of such information fromtheauditorrelatingtotheproposaltoresig nasmentionedaboveandcommunicateitsvi ewstothemanagementandtheauditor.	NO	Not Applicable
	ii.Disclaimerincaseofnon-receiptofinformation:  Theauditorhasprovidedanappropriatedisclaimerini tsauditreport, which is in accordance with the Standards of Auditing as specified by ICAI /NFRA, incase where the listedentity / its material sub sidiary has not provided information as required by the eauditor.	NO	Not Applicable
3.	The listed entity / its material subsidiary has obtainedinformation from the Auditor upon resignation, in theformat as specified in Annexure-A in SEBI Circular CIR/CFD/CMD1/114/2019dated18thOctober,2019.	NO	Not Applicable

 $<sup>^*</sup>Observations/Remarks by PCS are mandatory if the Compliance status is provided as `No' or `NA' and `No' or `NA' are mandatory if the Compliance status is provided as `No' or `NA' are mandatory if the Compliance status is provided as `No' or `NA' are mandatory if the Compliance status is provided as `No' or `NA' are mandatory if the Compliance status is provided as `No' or `NA' are mandatory if the Compliance status is provided as `No' or `NA' are mandatory if the Compliance status is provided as `No' or `NA' are mandatory if the Compliance status is provided as `No' or `NA' are mandatory if the Compliance status is provided as `No' or `NA' are mandatory if the Compliance status is provided as `No' or `NA' are mandatory if the Compliance status is provided as `No' or `NA' are mandatory if the Compliance status is provided as `No' or `NA' are mandatory if the Compliance status is provided as `No' or `NA' are mandatory if the Compliance status is provided as `No' or `NA' are mandatory if the Compliance status is provided as `No' or `NA' are mandatory if the Compliance status is provided as `No' or `NA' are mandatory if the Compliance status is provided as `No' or `NA' are mandatory if the Compliance status is provided as `No' or `NA' are mandatory if the Compliance status is provided as `No' or `NA' are mandatory if the Compliance status is provided as `No' or `NA' are mandatory if the Compliance status is provided as `NA' or `NA' or `NA' or `NA' are mandatory if the Compliance status is provided as `NA' or `NA' or$ 





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III. I/weherebyreportthat,duringthereviewperiodthecompliancestatusofthelistedentityisappendedasbelow:

Sr.No.	Particulars	Compliance Status(Yes/ No/NA)	Observations/ Remarks byPCS*
1.	SecretarialStandards:  The compliances of the listed entity are in accordancewith the applicable Secretarial Standards (SS) issued bytheInstituteofCompanySecretaries ofIndia (ICSI).	Yes	Not Applicable
Sr.No.	Particulars	Compliance Status (Yes/No/NA)	Observations/ Remarks by PCS*
2.	<ul> <li>AdoptionandtimelyupdationofthePolicies:</li> <li>All applicable policies under SEBI Regulations are adopted with the approval of board of directors of the listed entities</li> <li>All the policies are in conformity with SEBI Regulations and have been reviewed &amp; updated on time, as per the regulations/circulars/guidelines issued by SEBI</li> </ul>	Yes Yes	Not Applicable  Not Applicable
3.	MaintenanceanddisclosuresonWebsite:	Yes Yes	Not Applicable  Not Applicable
	<ul> <li>Web-links provided in annual corporate governance reports under Regulation 27(2) are accurate and specific which re- directs to the relevant document(s)/section of the website</li> </ul>	Yes	Not Applicable





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4.	DisqualificationofDirector:  NoneoftheDirector(s)oftheCompanyis/are disqualifiedunder Section 164 of Companies Act, 2013as confirmedbythelistedentity.	Yes	Not Applicable
5.	DetailsrelatedtoSubsidiariesoflistedentitieshavebeen examinedw.r.t.:  (a) Identificationofmaterialsubsidiarycompanies  (b) Disclosurerequirementofmaterialaswellas othersubsidiaries	No	Not Applicable
6.	PreservationofDocuments:  The listed entity is preserving and maintaining 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.	Yes	Not Applicable
Sr.No.	Particulars	Compliance Status (Yes/No/NA)	Observations/ Remarks by PCS*
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/during the financial year as prescribed in SEBI Regulations.	Yes	Not Applicable





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8.	RelatedPartyTransactions:		
	(a) ThelistedentityhasobtainedpriorapprovalofAuditCo mmitteeforallrelatedpartytransactions;or	Yes	Not Applicable
	(b) The listed entity has provided detailed reasonsalong with confirmation whether the transactionswere subsequently approved/ratified/rejected bythe Audit Committee, in case no prior approvalhasbeenobtained.	Yes	Not Applicable
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 thereunder.	Yes	Not Applicable
10.	Prohibition of Insider Trading:	V.	Niel AssPeakle
	The listed entity is in compliance with Regulation 3(5) &3(6) SEBI (Prohibition of Insider Trading) Regulations, 2015.	Yes	Not Applicable
11.	Actions taken by SEBI or Stock Exchange(s), if any:		
	No action(s) has been 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 thereunder except as provided under separate paragraph herein (**).	No	Not Applicable





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12.	AdditionalNon-compliances,ifany:		
	Noadditionalnon-complianceobservedforanySEBI regulation/circular/guidancenoteetc.	No	Not Applicable

#### Note:

- 1. Provide the list of all the observations in the report for the previous financial year along with the actions taken by the listed entity on those observations.
- 2. Add the list of all observations in the reports pertaining to the periods prior to the previous financial year in case the entity has not taken sufficient steps to address the concerns raised/ observations. E.g. In the report for the financial year ended 31st March, 2023, the PCS shall provide a list of:
  - all the observations in the report for the year ended 31st March, 2023 along with the actions taken by the listed entity on those observations.
  - the observations in the reports pertaining to the year ended 31st March,2022 and earlier, in case the entity has not taken sufficient steps to address the concerns raised/ observations in those reports.)

#### 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.

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Sincerely yours,

for RENGARAJAN & ASSOCIATES

Company Secretaries

Firm Registration No. No.S2015TN847100

(A. Rengarajan)

**Practicing Company Secretary** 

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C.P. No. 13437

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PR Certificate No 3494/2023

Place: Chennai Date: 25.5.2023

