

## In the

## Reserve Bank of India

Foreign Exchange Department Fort Glacis, No.16, Rajaji Salai Chennai 600 001

Present

Dr. K Balu Chief General Manager

Date: June 01, 2018 C.A.782/2017

In the matter of

M/s. Del Corona & Scardigli India Pvt Ltd.,

Clarion House, S-8
Thiru Vi Ka Industrial Estate, Guindy,
Chennai-600 032

## (Applicant)

In exercise of the powers under section 15 (1) of the Foreign Exchange Management Act, 1999 and the Regulations/Rules/Notifications/orders made there under, I pass the following

## Order

The applicant has filed a compounding application dated April 10, 2018 (received at Reserve Bank on April 13, 2018) for compounding of contraventions of the provisions of the Foreign Exchange Management Act, 1999 (the FEMA) and the regulations issued there under. The contravention sought to be compounded is delay in submission of Form FC-GPR on allotment of shares with Reserve Bank, in terms of Paragraph 9 (1) B



respectively, of Schedule I to Foreign Exchange Management (Transfer or Issue of Security by a Person Resident Outside India) Regulations, 2000 notified, vide Notification No. FEMA 20/2000-RB dated May 3, 2000.

- 2. The relevant facts of the case are as follows: The applicant company was incorporated on March 06, 2013 under the provisions of the Companies Act, 1956 (Registration No. U74900TN2013PTC091474) and is engaged in business of service activities incidental to water transportation. The applicant received three foreign inward remittances between June 19, 2013 and July 04, 2017 amounting to ₹ 2,40,14,124.85 from M/s U.Del Corona & Scardigli S.R.L, Italy towards subscription to equity shares and reported the same to the Reserve Bank.
- **3**. The company allotted equity shares and filed FC-GPRs as indicated below:

SI. No	No. of shares allotted	Face Value (in Rs.)	Amount (INR)	Date of allotment of shares	Reported to RBI on
1	242156	10	29,05,872.00	02.07.2013	26.12.2013
2	146627	10	17,59,524.00	02.08.2013	26.12.2013
3	644957	10	1,93,48,710.00	06.07.2017	03.10.2017

The applicant filed form FC-GPRs as indicated above with delay ranging from one month 27 days to four months 24 days approximately beyond the prescribed limit in respect of the allotments. Whereas in terms of paragraph 9 (1) B of Schedule I to Notification No. FEMA 20/2000-RB, an Indian company issuing shares in accordance with these Regulations has to submit to Reserve Bank a report in Form FC-GPR along with documents prescribed therein within 30 days from the date of issue of shares to person resident outside India.

**4.** The applicant was advised about the contraventions vide memorandum dated December 13, 2017. The applicant has filed a compounding application dated April 10, 2018. It has been declared in the compounding application that the particulars given by the applicant in the application are true and correct to the best of their knowledge and belief. It has been declared in the declaration dated April 10, 2018 furnished with the



compounding application that the applicant under was not any enquiry/investigation/adjudication by any agency as on the date of the application and has, in this regard, not informed of initiation of any such enquiry/investigation/ adjudication proceedings against it/him/her thereafter. Accordingly, the above contraventions which are being compounded in this Order are subject to the veracity of the above declarations made by the applicant and this order is without prejudice to any other action which may be taken by any authority under the extant laws if the said declarations are subsequently discovered to be false and/or incorrect.

- 5. The applicant was given an opportunity for personal hearing vide Reserve Bank's mail dated May 29, 2018 for further submission in person and/or producing documents, if any, in support of the application. The applicant appeared for the personal hearing on May 31, 2018 during which Shri S Sandeep, Company Secretary represented the applicant. The authorized representatives of the applicant admitted the contraventions as stated in para 3 above committed by the applicant for which compounding has been sought. During the personal hearing, it was submitted that the delays were unintentional. In view of the above, they requested to take a lenient view in the matter. The application for compounding is, therefore, being considered on the basis of the averments made in the application as well as other documents and submissions made in this context by the applicant during the personal hearing.
- **6.** I have given my careful consideration to the documents on record and submissions made by the applicant in the compounding application and during the personal hearing. Accordingly, I hold that the applicant has contravened the following FEMA provisions issued in terms of:
  - (a) Paragraph 9 (1) B of Schedule 1 to Notification No. FEMA 20/2000-RB due to delay in submission of Form FC-GPR to the Reserve Bank after issue of shares to persons resident outside India and the contravention relates to an amount of ₹ 2,40,14,106.00 with the duration of contravention ranging from one month 27 days to four months 24 days approximately.

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7. In terms of Section 13 of the FEMA, any person contravening any provision of the

Act shall be liable to a penalty up to thrice the sum involved in such contravention upon

adjudication. However, taking into account the relevant facts and circumstances of the

case as stated in the foregoing paragraphs, I am persuaded to take a lenient view on

the amount for which the contraventions are to be compounded and I consider that an

amount

of ₹ 20,375/- (Rupees twenty thousand three hundred and seventy five only) will meet

the ends of justice.

8. Accordingly, I compound the admitted contraventions namely, the contraventions of

paragraph 9 (1) B of Schedule 1 to Notification No. FEMA 20/2000-RB, by the applicant

on the facts discussed above in terms of the Foreign Exchange (Compounding

Proceedings) Rules, 2000 on payment of an amount of ₹ 20,375/- (Rupees twenty

thousand three hundred and seventy five only) which shall be deposited by the

applicant with the Reserve Bank of India, Foreign Exchange Department, Fort Glacis,

No.16, Rajaji Salai, Chennai - 600 001 by a demand draft drawn in favour of the

"Reserve Bank of India" and payable at Chennai within a period of 15 days from the

date of this order. In case of failure to deposit the compounded amount within the above

mentioned period, Rule 10 of the Foreign Exchange (Compounding Proceedings)

Rules, 2000 dated May 3, 2000 shall apply.

The application is disposed of accordingly.

Dated this First day of June, 2018.

Sd/-

Dr. K Balu

**Chief General Manager** 

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