

**POLICY ON DETERMINATION OF  
MATERIALITY FOR DISCLOSURES**

**ASSOCIATED CERAMICS LIMITED**

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### 1. Preface

Regulation 30 of the Securities Board of India [Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 (hereinafter referred to as “SEBI (LODR) Regulations or “Regulations”) requires every listed company to have a policy on Determination of Materiality of Disclosures maintained by the Company either in Physical Mode or Electrical Mode.

### 2. Definitions:

The definitions of some of the key terms used in this Policy are given below.

- a. **“Act”** means the Companies Act, 2013 and the rules framed there under and any amendments made thereto;
- b. **“Regulations”** means Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosures Requirements) Regulations, 2015 and any amendments thereto;
- c. **“Company”** shall mean **“ASSOCIATED CERAMICS LIMITED”**;
- a. **“Board of Directors” or “Board”** shall mean Board of Directors of **ASSOCIATED CERAMICS LIMITED** as constituted from time to time;
- b. **“Key Managerial Personnel”** mean key managerial personnel as defined in subsection (51) of section 2 of the Companies Act, 2013;
- c. **“Material Event” or “Material Information”** shall mean such event or information as set out in the Schedule or as may be determined in terms of Clause 3 of the Policy. In the Policy, the words, “material” and “materiality” shall be construed accordingly;
- d. **“Material Subsidiary”** shall mean any subsidiary company of the Company which is or has been determined as a material subsidiary as per the provisions of the Regulations;

### 3. Interpretation

Terms that have not been defined in this policy shall have same meaning assigned to them in the Companies Act, 2013, Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements), Regulations, 2015.

#### **4. Objective**

The objectives of this policy are as follows:

- a. To ensure that the Company complies with the disclosure obligations to which it is subject as a publicly-traded company as laid down by the Listing Regulations, various Securities Laws and any other legislations (In India and Overseas).
- b. To ensure that the information disclosed by the Company is timely, transparent and continuous till the termination of the specific event or information.
- c. To ensure that to the best of the knowledge of the Management, the corporate documents and public statements are accurate and do not contain any misrepresentation.
- d. To protect the confidentiality of Material / Price sensitive information within the context of the Company's disclosure obligations.
- e. To provide a framework that supports and fosters confidence in the quality and integrity of information released by the Company.
- f. To ensure uniformity in the Company's approach to disclosures, raise awareness and reduce the risk of selective disclosures.

#### **5. Guidelines For Determining Materiality Of Events Or Information**

Events / Information shall be considered as Material if it meets any of the following criteria:

- a. the event or information is in any manner unpublished price sensitive information;
- b. the omission of an event or information, which is likely to result in discontinuity or alteration of event or information already available publicly;
- c. the omission of an event or information is likely to result in significant market reaction if the said omission came to light at a later date; and
- d. any other event/information which is treated as being material in the opinion of the Board of Directors of the Company.

#### **6. Disclosures Of Events Or Information**

- a. Events specified in **Annexure A** are deemed to be material events and the Company shall make disclosure to of such events or information as soon as reasonably possible and not later than twenty-four (24) hours from the occurrence of such event or information in the following manner:

- i. inform the stock exchanges in which the securities of the Company are listed;
- ii. upload on the corporate website of the Company.

Provided that in case the disclosure is made after twenty-four (24) hours of occurrence of such event or information, the Company shall, along with such disclosure(s) provide an explanation for delay.

- b. The Company shall make disclosure of events as specified in **Annexure B** based on application of guidelines for determining Materiality as per the Policy.
- c. The Company shall make disclosures updating Material developments on a regular basis, till such time the event is resolved/closed, with relevant explanations.
- d. The Company shall disclose all events or information with respect to its Material Subsidiaries.
- e. The Company shall provide specific and adequate reply to all queries raised by stock exchange(s) with respect to any events or information and on its own initiative. Further it shall confirm or deny any event or information to stock exchange(s) reported in the media.
- f. In case where an event occurs or information is available with the Company, which has not been indicated in Annexure A or Annexure B, but which may have material effect on it, the Company will make adequate disclosures in regard thereof.

All the above disclosures would be hosted on the website of the Company for a minimum period of five years and thereafter archived as per Company's policy for Preservation and Archival of Documents.

#### **7. Policy Review**

The Authorized Person may review the Policy from time to time. Material Changes to the Policy will need the approval of the Board of Directors.

Should there be any inconsistency between the terms of the Policy and the Listing Regulations, the provisions of the Listing Regulations shall prevail.

Any amendments to the Listing Regulations shall mutatis mutandis be deemed to have been incorporated in this Policy.

#### **8. Effective Date**

The Policy as approved by the Board of Directors shall be effective from December 1, 2015.

## **9. Website**

As per the provisions of the Listing Regulations, the Policy shall be disclosed on the website of the Company. Further, the Company shall disclose on its website all such events or information which has been disclosed to stock exchange(s) under the Listing Regulations and such disclosures shall be made available on the website of the Company for a period of five years and thereafter as per the Documentation Retention and Archival Policy of the Company.

## **10. Contact Details**

Questions or clarifications about the Policy or disclosures made by the Company should be referred to the CEO/ Director, who is in charge of administering, enforcing and updating this policy.

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## Annexure A

### **Events which shall be disclosed without any application of the guidelines for Materiality:**

1. Acquisition(s) (including agreement to acquire), Scheme of Arrangement (amalgamation/ merger/ demerger/restructuring), or sale or disposal of any unit(s), division(s) or subsidiary of the Company or any other restructuring;

Explanation. - 'Acquisition' shall mean, -

- i. acquiring control, whether directly or indirectly; or,
  - ii. acquiring or agreeing to acquire shares or voting rights in, a company, whether directly or indirectly, such that –
    - a. the Company holds shares or voting rights aggregating to five per cent or more of the shares or voting rights in the said company, or;
    - b. there has been a change in holding from the last disclosure and such change exceeds two per cent of the total shareholding or voting rights in the said company.
2. Issuance or forfeiture of securities, split or consolidation of shares, buyback of securities, any restriction on transferability of securities or alteration in terms or structure of existing securities including forfeiture, reissue of forfeited securities, alteration of calls, redemption of securities etc.;
  3. Revision in credit rating(s);
  4. Outcome of Meetings of the Board of Directors: The Company shall disclose to the Exchange(s), within 30 minutes of the closure of the meeting, held to consider the following:
    - a. dividends and/or cash bonuses recommended or declared or the decision to pass any dividend and the date on which dividend shall be paid/dispatched;
    - b. any cancellation of dividend with reasons thereof;
    - c. the decision on buyback of securities;
    - d. the decision with respect to fund raising proposed to be undertaken
    - e. increase in capital by issue of bonus shares through capitalization including the date on which such bonus shares shall be credited/dispatched;
    - f. reissue of forfeited shares or securities, or the issue of shares or securities held in reserve for future issue or the creation in any form or manner of new shares or securities or any other rights, privileges or benefits to subscribe to;

- g. short particulars of any other alterations of capital, including calls;
  - h. financial results;
  - i. decision on voluntary delisting by the Company from stock exchange(s).
5. Agreements (viz. shareholder agreement(s), joint venture agreement(s), family settlement agreement(s) (to the extent that it impacts management and control of the Company), agreement(s)/treaty(ies)/contract(s) with media companies) which are binding and not in normal course of business, revision(s) or amendment(s) and termination(s) thereof;
  6. Fraud/defaults by Promoter or Key Managerial Personnel or by Company or arrest of Key Managerial Personnel or Promoter;
  7. Change in Directors, Key Managerial Personnel (Managing Director, Chief Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer, Company Secretary etc.), Auditor and Compliance Officer;
  8. Appointment or discontinuation of share transfer agent;
  9. Corporate debt restructuring;
  10. One-time settlement with a bank;
  11. Reference to BIFR and winding-up petition filed by any party /creditors;
  12. Issuance of Notices, call letters, resolutions and circulars sent to shareholders, debenture holders or creditors or any class of them or advertised in the media by the Company;
  13. Proceedings of Annual and extraordinary general meetings of the Company;
  14. Amendments to memorandum and articles of association of Company, in brief;
  15. Schedule of Analyst or institutional investor meet and presentations on financial results made by the Company to analysts or institutional investors.

## Annexure B

### **Illustrative list of events which shall be disclosed upon application of the guidelines for materiality:**

1. Commencement or any postponement in the date of commencement of commercial production or commercial operations of any unit/division;
2. Change in the general character or nature of business brought about by arrangements for strategic, technical, manufacturing, or marketing tie-up, adoption of new lines of business or closure of operations of any unit/division (entirety or piecemeal);
3. Capacity addition or product launch;
4. Awarding, bagging/ receiving, amendment or termination of awarded/bagged orders/contracts not in the normal course of business;
5. Agreements (viz. loan agreement(s) (as a borrower) or any other agreement(s) which are binding and not in normal course of business) and revision(s) or amendment(s) or termination(s) thereof;
6. Disruption of operations of any one or more units or division of the Company due to natural calamity (earthquake, flood, fire etc.), force majeure or events such as strikes, lockouts etc.;
7. Effect(s) arising out of change in the regulatory framework applicable to the Company;
8. Litigation(s) / dispute(s) / regulatory action(s) with impact;
9. Fraud/defaults etc. by directors (other than key managerial personnel) or employees of Company;
10. Options to purchase securities including any ESOP/ESPS Scheme;
11. Giving of guarantees or indemnity or becoming a surety for any third party;
12. Granting, withdrawal, surrender , cancellation or suspension of key licenses or regulatory approvals;

Any other information/event viz. major development that is likely to affect business, e.g. emergence of new technologies, expiry of patents, any change of accounting policy that may have a significant impact on the accounts, etc. and brief details thereof and any other information which is exclusively known to the Company which may be necessary to enable the holders of securities of the Company to appraise its position and to avoid the establishment of a false market in such securities.