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January 20, 2024

Dear Shareholders,

Sub: Un-audited Financial Results for the quarter / nine months ended December 31, 2023.

My Good wishes to you and to your families for a Happy, Healthy and Prosperous New Year.

At the Board Meeting held on January 20, 2024, the Board of Directors has approved the Un-audited Financial Results of the Company for the quarter / nine months ended December 31, 2023. We enclose the statement for your reference and records. The said statement has been submitted to stock exchange and posted in the Company's website <u>www.spbltd.com</u>.

The highlights of operations of the Company for the quarter / nine months ended December 31, 2023 are as under:

| SI No. | Description | Unit | Oct - Dec 2023 | Oct - Dec 2022 | Apr - Dec 2023 | Apr - Dec 2022 |
|-----------|---|----------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| 1 | Production | (t) | 63720 | 60462 | 176158 | 182163 |
| 2 | Sales | (t) | 60755 | 60317 | 151922 | 176637 |
| 3 | Closing Stock | (t) | 23067 | 5511 | 23067 | 5511 |
| 4 | Exports | (t) | 7467 | 8091 | 18646 | 27529 |
| 5 | Revenue from Operation | ₹ crores | 473.41 | 555.75 | 1262.20 | 1509.43 |
| 6 | Profit Before Interest, Depreciation and Tax (EBIDTA) | ₹ crores | 98.97 | 158.39 | 310.25 | 399.10 |
| 7 | Profit before Tax (PBT) | ₹ crores | 87.70 | 146.30 | 275.53 | 362.38 |
| 8 | Profit after Tax (PAT) | ₹ crores | 65.73 | 109.44 | 206.21 | 270.70 |





PRODUCTION

Production during the current period was lower when compared to the corresponding period in the previous year, on account of

- (i) planned maintenance activities, mostly in first half of the current year.
- (ii) outages in Recovery and Power Boilers in the first half of the year, affecting pulp and paper production and
- (iii) adverse product mix / basis weight mix due to poor market conditions.

PROFITABILITY

The fall in net profit during Apr-Dec'2023 compared to corresponding period of previous year is mainly due to :

- (i) Significant increase in the cost of wood, the largest input material for the company.
- (ii) Reduction in the average realisations in the export market.
- (iii) Lower production and sales volumes in the first 2 quarters

Impacts from the above were partially negated by reduction in prices of imported Coal, imported pulp, waste paper and chemicals.

MARKET

- A Market for Paper, especially uncoated Printing and writing grades, manufactured by Domestic Paper mills continue to face stiff challenge from competitively priced imports from China and ASEAN countries.
- Indian Paper Manufacturers are constrained to reduce their selling prices to meet the competition from imports, despite escalating costs of input materials such as wood.
- Export Markets remained weak during the entire year.



ACQUISITION OF M/s. SERVALAKSHMI PAPER LIMITED (CORPORATE DEBTOR IN LIQUIDATION), ON A GOING CONCERN BASIS:

- The Hon'ble NCLT, Chennai bench vide its order dated 12.05.2023 approved the e-auction sale of assets of M/s. Servalakshmi Paper Limited (Corporate Debtor in Liquidation) as a Going Concern, in favour of our company and consequently our company has received Sales Certificate and has taken possession of the Unit.
- A few appeals challenging Hon'ble NCLT's order have been filed in Hon'ble NCLAT, which are being contested by the company.

PROJECT : MILL DEVELOPMENT PLAN – IV (MDP-IV)

The Company's application for Environmental Clearances (EC) for the project came up for review by the Expert Appraisal Committee (EAC) of MoEF & CC. The Company is in the process of resubmitting its application for EC, based on inputs received in the said meeting of EAC.

CURRENT QUARTER

The following concerns continue to prevail :

- (i) Enhanced imports of paper at lower prices.
- (ii) Escalating prices of wood and its scarce availability.

Thanking you, Yours Sincerely,

(N. GOPALARATNAM) Chairman

Encl.: a/a



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STATEMENT OF STANDALONE AND CONSOLIDATED UNAUDITED FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE QUARTER / NINE MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

| | | | | | | | | | | | | | (₹ crores) | | |
|------------|---|----------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|------------|----------------|--------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|------------|--|--|
| ~ | | Standalone | | | | | | | Consolidated | | | | | | |
| SI. No. | · Particulars | 3 months ended | | | 9 month | 9 months ended | | 3 months ended | | | 9 months ended | | Year ended | | |
| NO. | | 31 12 2023 | 30 09 2023 | 31 12 2022 | 31 12 2023 | 31 12 2022 | 31 03 2023 | 31 12 2023 | 30 09 2023 | 31 12 2022 | 31 12 2023 | 31 12 2022 | 31 03 2023 | | |
| ••••• | | (Unaudited) | (Unaudited) | (Unaudited) | (Unaudited) | (Unaudited) | (Audited) | (Unaudited) | (Unaudited) | (Unaudited) | (Unaudited) | (Unaudited) | (Audited) | | |
| 1 | Income | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | a) Revenue from Operation | 473.41 | 362.29 | 555.75 | 1262.20 | 1509.43 | 2082.53 | 473.47 | 362.36 | 555.81 | 1262.40 | 1509.63 | 2082.80 | | |
| | b) Other Income | 11.33 | 14.30 | 8.57 | 38.16 | 21.90 | 30.52 | 11.36 | 14.31 | 8.59 | 36.69 | 20.65 | 29.29 | | |
| | Total Income | 484.74 | 376.59 | 564.32 | 1300.36 | 1531.33 | 2113.05 | 484.83 | 376.67 | 564.40 | 1299.09 | 1530.28 | 2112.09 | | |
| 2 | Expenses | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | a) Cost of Materials consumed | 258.29 | 241.20 | 255.32 | 747.86 | 712.98 | 955.22 | 258.29 | 241.20 | 255.32 | 747.86 | 712.98 | 955.22 | | |
| | b) Purchase of Stock-in- Trade | 6.55 | 6.52 | 6.19 | 19.51 | 18.43 | 24.30 | 6.55 | 6.52 | 6.19 | 19.51 | 18.43 | 24.30 | | |
| | c) Changes in inventories of Finished Goods, Work-in- Progress and Stock-in- Trade | 1.55 | (-)96.65 | 1.54 | (-)152.70 | (-)16.40 | 13.75 | 1.55 | (-)96.65 | 1.54 | (-)152.70 | (-)16.40 | 13.75 | | |
| | d) Employee benefits expense | 24.29 | 25.10 | 23.31 | 74.04 | 70.52 | 97.90 | 24.29 | 25.10 | 23.31 | 74.04 | 70.52 | 97.90 | | |
| | e) Finance Costs | 0.50 | 0.50 | 0.51 | 1.50 | 1.72 | 3.19 | 0.50 | 0.50 | 0.51 | 1.50 | 1.72 | 3.19 | | |
| | f) Depreciation and amortization expense | 10.77 | 11.01 | 11.58 | 33.22 | 35.00 | 45.25 | 10.78 | 11.02 | 11.59 | 33.25 | 35.03 | 45.29 | | |
| | g) Cost of Power and Fuel | 58.79 | 62.89 | 74.96 | 195.11 | 211.87 | 282.49 | 58.79 | 62.89 | 74.96 | 195.11 | 211.87 | 282.49 | | |
| | h) Other expenses | 36.30 | 33.83 | 44.61 | 106.29 | 134.83 | 174.81 | 36.33 | 33.89 | 44.65 | 106.40 | 134.94 | 175.01 | | |
| | Total expenses | 397.04 | 284.40 | 418.02 | 1024.83 | 1168.95 | 1596.91 | 397.08 | 284.47 | 418.07 | 1024.97 | 1169.09 | 1597.15 | | |

(₹ crores)

| | | Standalone | | | | | | | Consolidated | | | | | | |
|------------|---|----------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|------------|--|--|
| SI. No. | Particulars | 3 months ended | | | 9 months ended | | Year ended | 3 months end | | led | 9 month | 9 months ended | | | |
| NO. | | 31 12 2023 | 30 09 2023 | 31 12 2022 | 31 12 2023 | 31 12 2022 | 31 03 2023 | 31 12 2023 | 30 09 2023 | 31 12 2022 | 31 12 2023 | 31 12 2022 | 31 03 2023 | | |
| | | (Unaudited) | (Unaudited) | (Unaudited) | (Unaudited) | (Unaudited) | (Audited) | (Unaudited) | (Unaudited) | (Unaudited) | (Unaudited) | (Unaudited) | (Audited) | | |
| 3 | Profit / (Loss) from Ordinary Activities after Finance costs | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | but before Exceptional items | 87.70 | 92.19 | 146.30 | 275.53 | 362.38 | 516.14 | 87.75 | 92.20 | 146.33 | 274.12 | 361.19 | 514.94 | | |
| 4 | Share of Profit / (Loss) of Associate | | | | | | | 3.21 | 4.10 | 2.11 | 9.17 | 8.69 | 10.54 | | |
| 5 | Exceptional Items | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 6 | Profit /(Loss) from Ordinary Activity Before Tax(3+4+5) | 87.70 | 92.19 | 146.30 | 275.53 | 362.38 | 516.14 | 90.96 | 96.30 | 148.44 | 283.29 | 369.88 | 525.48 | | |
| 7 | Tax expenses | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Current Tax | 21.56 | 23.06 | 36.54 | 69.24 | 90.34 | 129.94 | 21.57 | 23.08 | 36.55 | 69.28 | 90.38 | 129.99 | | |
| | Deferred Tax | 0.41 | 0.02 | 0.32 | 0.08 | 1.34 | (-) 0.34 | 0.41 | 0.02 | 0.32 | 0.08 | 1.34 | (-) 0.34 | | |
| | Total Tax Expenses | 21.97 | 23.08 | 36.86 | 69.32 | 91.68 | 129.60 | 21.98 | 23.10 | 36.87 | 69.36 | 91.72 | 129.65 | | |
| 8 | Net Profit /(Loss) from Ordinary Activities After Tax (6-7) | 65.73 | 69.11 | 109.44 | 206.21 | 270.70 | 386.54 | 68.98 | 73.20 | 111.57 | 213.93 | 278.16 | 395.83 | | |
| 9 | Other Comprehensive Income | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | A (i) Items that will not be reclassified to Statement of Profit and Loss | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | a) Remeasurement of the defined benefit Plans | | | | | (-) 3.02 | (-) 11.69 | | | | | (-) 3.02 | (-) 11.69 | | |
| | b) Net Fair Value Gain on investment in Equity Instruments through OCI | 11.72 | (-) 2.71 | 8.68 | 41.17 | 9.83 | 9.45 | 11.72 | (-) 2.71 | 8.68 | 41.17 | 9.83 | 9.45 | | |
| | c) Share of OCI of Associate | | | | | | | 0.27 | 0.31 | (-) 0.06 | 2.90 | 0.23 | 0.10 | | |

(₹ crores)

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| | | (Unaudited) | (Unaudited) | (Unaudited) | (Unaudited) | (Unaudited) | (Audited) | (Unaudited) | (Unaudited) | (Unaudited) | (Unaudited) | (Unaudited) | (Audited) | | |
| | (ii) Income Tax relating to items that will not be reclassified to Statement of Profit and Loss | (-) 1.30 | 0.37 | (-) 0.99 | (-) 4.62 | (-) 0.29 | 1.92 | (-) 1.30 | 0.37 | (-) 0.99 | (-) 4.62 | (-) 0.29 | 1.92 | | |
| | B (i) Items that will be reclassified to Statement of Profit and Loss | | (-) 0.14 | (-) 0.48 | (-) 0.05 | (-) 1.16 | (-) 0.63 | | (-) 0.14 | (-) 0.48 | (-) 0.05 | (-) 1.16 | (-) 0.63 | | |
| | (ii) Income Tax relating to items that will be reclassified to Statement of Profit and Loss | | 0.03 | 0.12 | 0.01 | 0.29 | 0.16 | | 0.03 | 0.12 | 0.01 | 0.29 | 0.16 | | |
| | Total Other Comprehensive Income | 10.42 | (-) 2.45 | 7.33 | 36.51 | 5.65 | (-) 0.79 | 10.69 | (-) 2.14 | 7.27 | 39.41 | 5.88 | (-) 0.69 | | |
| 10 | Total Comprehensive Income | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | for the period $(8+9)$ | 76.15 | 66.66 | 116.77 | 242.72 | 276.35 | 385.75 | 79.67 | 71.06 | 118.84 | 253.34 | 284.04 | 395.14 | | |
| | (Comprising Profit and other Comprehensive income for the period) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 11 | Paid-up Equity Share Capital <i>(Face value</i> ₹ <i>2)</i> | 12.04 | 12.04 | 12.04 | 12.04 | 12.04 | 12.04 | 12.04 | 12.04 | 12.04 | 12.04 | 12.04 | 12.04 | | |
| 12 | Reserves, excluding Revaluation Reserves, as per the Audited Balance Sheet | | | | | | 1564.25 | | | | | | 1623.32 | | |
| 13 | Earnings Per Share of ₹ 2 each <i>(not annualised)</i> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | (a) Basic (in ₹): | 10.92 | 11.47 | 18.17 | 34.24 | 44.95 | 64.18 | 11.45 | 12.15 | 18.52 | 35.52 | 46.19 | 65.72 | | |
| | (b) Diluted (in ₹): | 10.92 | 11.47 | 18.17 | 34.24 | 44.95 | 64.18 | 11.45 | 12.15 | 18.52 | 35.52 | 46.19 | 65.72 | | |

Notes:

1. Paper is the only reportable segment of operation of the Company.

- 2. The Hon'ble NCLT, Chennai bench vide its order dated 12.05.2023 approved the e-auction sale of assets of M/s. Servalakshmi Paper Limited (Corporate Debtor in Liquidation) as a Going Concern, in favour of our company and consequently our company has received Sales Certificate and has taken possession of the Unit. A few appeals challenging Hon'ble NCLT's order have been filed in Hon'ble NCLAT, which are being contested by the company.
- 3. The above results were reviewed by the Audit Committee of the Board and approved by the Board of Directors at the respective meetings held on January 19, 2024 and January 20, 2024.



This is the Statement of Un-audited Financial Results referred to in our Limited Review Report dated January 20, 2024.

For SURI & CO Firm Registration No.004283S

Sanjeev Aditya M

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Place: Chennai Date : January 20, 2024