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October 10, 2024

To,

The Company Secretary,
Edelweiss Retail Finance Ltd
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The Company Secretary,
ECL Finance Ltd
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Dear Sir/Madam,

Sub: Observation Letter regarding the Scheme of Amalgamation between Edelweiss Retail Finance Limited (ERFL or Transferor Company) and ECL Finance Limited (ECLF or Transferee Company) and their respective shareholders under sections 230 to 232 and other applicable provisions of the Companies Act, 2013

We are in receipt of the Scheme of Amalgamation between Edelweiss Retail Finance Limited (ERFL or Transferor Company) and ECL Finance Limited (ECLF or Transferee Company) and their respective shareholders under sections 230 to 232 and other applicable provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 by Edelweiss Retail Finance Ltd and ECL Finance Ltd as required under SEBI Master circular no. SEBI/HO/CFD/DIL1/CIR/P/2021/665 dated November 23, 2021 along with SEBI circular no. SEBI/HO/DDHS/DDHS-RACPOD1/P/CIR/2022/156 dated November 17, 2022 and Regulation 59A & 94A & Schedule XI OF Listing Regulations and Chapter XII of the SEBI Master Circular ref. no. SEBI/HO/DDHS/DDHS-PoD-1/P/CIR/2024/48 dated May 21, 2024 (as amended from time to time), SEBI (LODR) Regulations, 2015; SEBI vide its letter dated October 8, 2024, has inter alia given the following comment(s) on the Scheme of Amalgamation:

- A. "The entities involved in the proposed scheme shall not provide any misstatement or furnish false information with regard to disclosures to be made in the draft scheme of amalgamation as per Chapter XII of the Master Circular, for listing obligations and disclosure requirements for Non- Convertible Securities, Securitized Debt Instrument and/ or Commercial Paper."
- B. "The entities involved in the scheme are advised that the observations of SEBI/Stock Exchanges shall be incorporated in the petition to be filed before Hon'ble NCLT and the Company obliged to bring the observations to the notice of Hon'ble NCLT."
- C. "Company shall ensure that additional information, if any, submitted by the Listed Entity, after filing the Scheme with the Stock Exchange, from the date of receipt of this letter, is displayed on the websites of the Listed Entity and the Stock Exchange."
- D. "The Listed Entities involved in the proposed scheme shall disclose the No-Objection letter of the Stock Exchange on its website within 24 hours of receiving the same."
- E. "The entities involved in the proposed scheme shall ensure to disclose all details of ongoing adjudication & recovery proceedings, prosecution initiated and all other enforcement action taken, if any, against the Resultant Company, its promoters and directors are disclosed in the scheme filed before Hon'ble NCLT."
- F. "The Resultant Company shall ensure that the "Scheme" shall be acted upon subject to the entities complying with the relevant clause mentioned in the scheme document."



- G. “The entities involved shall ensure that no changes to the draft Scheme except those mandated by the regulators/ authorities / tribunals shall be made without specific written consent of SEBI.”
- H. “Company shall ensure that the entities involved in the proposed scheme have compiled with the relevant provisions of the Companies Act, 2013, SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 and Covenants of the Debenture Trust Deeds entered with the Debenture Trustee(s) any other relevant regulations and circulars.”
- I. “It is to be noted that the petitions are filed by the Company before Hon’ble NCLT after processing and communication of comments/observations on draft Scheme by SEBI/Stock Exchange. Hence, the Company is not required to send notice for representation as mandated under section 230(5) of Companies Act, 2013 to SEBI again for its comments/observations/representations.”

Accordingly, based on aforesaid comment offered by SEBI, the company is hereby advised:

- i. To provide additional information, if any, (as stated above) along with various documents to the Exchange for further dissemination on Exchange website.
- ii. To ensure that additional information, if any, (as stated aforesaid) along with various documents are disseminated on their (company) website.
- iii. To duly comply with various provisions of the circulars.

In light of the above, we hereby advise that we have no adverse observations with limited reference to those matters having a bearing on listing/de-listing/continuous listing requirements within the provisions of Listing Agreement, so as to enable the company to file the scheme with Hon’ble NCLT.

Further, where applicable in the explanatory statement of the notice to be sent by the company to the shareholders, while seeking approval of the scheme, it shall disclose information about unlisted company involved in the format prescribed for abridged prospectus as specified in the SEBI Mater Circular SEBI/HO/DDHS/DDHS-PoD-1/P/CIR/2024/48 dated May 21, 2024.

Kindly note that as required under Regulation 59A of SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, the validity of this Observation Letter shall be six months from the date of this Letter, within which the scheme shall be submitted to the NCLT.

The Exchange reserves its right to withdraw its ‘No adverse observation’ at any stage if the information submitted to the Exchange is found to be incomplete / incorrect / misleading / false or for any contravention of Rules, Bye-laws and Regulations of the Exchange, Listing Agreement, Guidelines/Regulations issued by statutory authorities.

Please note that the aforesaid observations does not preclude the Company from complying with any other requirements.

Further, it may be noted that with reference to Section 230 (5) of the Companies Act, 2013 (Act), read with Rule 8 of Companies (Compromises, Arrangements and Amalgamations) Rules 2016 (Company Rules) and Section 66 of the Act read with Rule 3 of the Company Rules wherein pursuant to an Order passed by the Hon’ble National Company Law Tribunal, a Notice of the proposed scheme of compromise or arrangement filed under sections 230-232 or Section 66 of the Companies Act 2013 as the case may be **is required to be served upon the Exchange seeking representations or objections if any.**



In this regard, with a view to have a better transparency in processing the aforesaid notices served upon the Exchange, the Exchange has **already introduced an online system of serving such Notice along with the relevant documents of the proposed schemes through the BSE Listing Centre.**

Any service of notice under Section 230 (5) or Section 66 of the Companies Act 2013 seeking Exchange's representations or objections if any, **would be accepted and processed through the Listing Centre only and no physical filings would be accepted.** You may please refer to circular dated February 26, 2019 issued to the company.

Yours faithfully,

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