

### Aarti Surfactants Limited

Policy on Preservation & Utilisation of Stationery — Blank Security Certificates, Warrants

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# POLICY ON PRESERVATION & UTILISATION OF STATIONERY BLANK SECURITY CERTIFICATES, WARRANTS.

#### 1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1. Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) vide its Circular No. SEBI / HO / MIRSD / DOP1/ / CIR / P / 2018 / 73 dated April 20, 2018 mandates every listed entities and the Registrar and Transfer Agents (RTA) to frame a written policy for maintaining strict control on the usage of stationery including blank certificates, dividend / interest / redemption warrants, etc. (Blank Stationery).
- 1.2. Accordingly, the Board of Directors have adopted this Policy (drafted in consultation with the Registrar and Share Transfer Agent of the Company) to comply with the requirements of abovementioned circular.

#### 2. **DEFINITIONS**

- 2.1. "Act" means the Companies Act 2013 together with the Rules notified thereunder, including any statutory modifications or re-enactments thereof for the time being in force.
- 2.2. **"Board of Directors"** or "Board" means the Board of Directors of Aarti Surfactants Limited, as constituted from time to time.
- 2.3. "RTA" refers to Registrar and Share Transfer Agent of the Company.

#### 3. OBJECTIVE OF THE POLICY

The objective of this Policy is to maintain strict control on the use, preservation and utilization of stationery by the Company and RTA.

#### 4. MONITORING OF STATIONERY RELATED TO SECURITY CERTIFICATES:

- 4.1. The Blank Security Certificates shall be printed only on the authority of the Stakeholder Relationship Committee and the said authorization shall also include the quantity to be printed.
- 4.2. Proper record of the Blank Security Certificate lying with the Company and also delivered to RTA shall be maintained by the Company Secretary.
- 4.3. The Company (Or Printer appointed by them) while handing over/despatching the blank stationery to RTA to prepare a Delivery Challan/Slip mentioning the Quantity, From and To series of control number and obtain acknowledgement of the same from RTA.

- 4.4. The Security Certificate Stationery shall be kept in the custody of the Company Secretary and / or the RTA respectively.
- 4.5. The Company shall ensure that the Blank Security Certificate to be provided to the RTA shall have pre-printed control number printed on the reverse of the share certificate.
- 4.6. The Blank Security Share Certificate lying with the Company shall be used only with the permission of the Company Secretary.
- 4.7. RTA shall maintain the Register of the Blank Share Certificate with details of opening balance, receipt, issued, closing balance.
- 4.8. The Company shall provide blank share certificate to RTA when the inventory level reaches 25 number. As per this Policy, RTA can maintain up to a maximum of 100 blank share certificates at any given point of time.
- 4.9. The Company and the RTA shall physically verify the Blank Share Certificate lying with them on quarterly basis and prepare a reconciliation report of the same containing the reasons for deviations, if any.
- 4.10. The above report prepared by the RTA shall be forwarded to the Company Secretary within seven working days from the end of the quarter.
- 4.11. Deviation(s) observed, if any, in the said report shall be checked by the Company Secretary and shall be reported to the Chairman and / or the Managing Director of the Company, in case of suspicion of fraud or shortfall.
- 4.12. The said report shall be maintained by the Company Secretary and the RTA in their records.

## 5. MONITORING OF STATIONERY RELATED TO DIVIDEND/ INTEREST/ REDEMPTION (WARRANT STATIONERY):

- 5.1. RTA is provided with blank Warrant Stationery for the purpose of processing Dividend/Interest/Redemption payments, where electronic mode of payment is not feasible.
- 5.2. The Company (or printer / agency appointed by the Company) shall while handing over/despatching the blank stationery to RTA shall prepare a Delivery Challan/Slip mentioning the Quantity, From and To series of MICR control number and obtain acknowledgement of the same from RTA.
- 5.3. RTA to maintain Register of Warrant stationery with details of Opening Balance, Receipt, Issued, Closing Balance.
- 5.4. Reconciliation Report of the blank stationery shall be maintained by both RTA and the Company.

5.5. RTA shall do over printing on the Dividend/Interest/Redemption Warrants as per the requirements, despatch the same to the Security holders and if the Company desires return the unused/cancelled stationery back to the Company within 30 days from the date of despatch of the warrants along with a Reconciliation of Number of blank stationery received, Number of Warrants printed, Number of Warrants Cancelled, balance unused stationery of warrants. Registrar and Transfer Agent will shred the unused/cancelled stationery between 31 days - 60 days if there is no request from the Company to return the same.

#### 6. REVIEW

This Policy shall be reviewed and amended annually or as required by Act.

#### 7. AMENDMENTS

- 7.1. Any modification in the policy on account of change in prevailing regulations will be carried out immediately, without any formal approval and will be informed to all concerns.
- 7.2. Any other modifications will be carried out only with the previous approval of Board.
- 7.3. Any amendment to the Policy shall be made in writing

#### 8. IMPLEMENTATION

The Policy shall be effective from the date of approval by the Board unless specified otherwise.

#### 9. VERSION CONTROL

Version	Date	Change along with reason /Review

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