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Sub: Clarification Sought – Credit Rating

Dear Sir/ Madam,

This has reference to our letter Ref No HSCL / Stock-Ex/2021-22/58 dated 18/11/2021 regarding Rating by ICRA and also clarification sought by National Stock Exchange of India Ltd (“NSE”) vide its email dated 23/11/2021 regarding disclosure of reasons published by rating agency for downward rating, in this regard we hereby clarify as follows:

Pursuant to Regulation 30(2) of the SEBI (Listing Obligation and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, we inform you that the ICRA Limited, a credit rating Agency vide its’ letter dated 18 November 2021 has assigned the Credit Rating to Company’s various credit facilities and instruments as mentioned below:

Facilities	Amount (In Crores)	Rating Assigned	Remarks
Term Loan	162.30	[ICRA]A+ (Stable) (Pronounced as ICRA A plus); Outlook: Stable	Downgraded from [ICRA]AA- (pronounced ICRA double A minus)
Fund Based Working Capital	529.56	[ICRA]A+ (Stable) (Pronounced as ICRA A plus); Outlook: Stable	Downgraded from [ICRA]AA- (pronounced ICRA double A minus)
Fund Based /Non- Fund Based Working Capital	1124.00	[ICRA]A+(Stable)/ [ICRA]A1	The Rating Committee of ICRA has downgraded the long-term rating to [ICRA]A+(pronounced ICRA A plus) from [ICRA]AA- (pronounced ICRA double A minus) and also downgraded the short-term rating to [ICRA]A1 (pronounced ICRA A one) from [ICRA]A1+ (pronounced ICRA A one plus) The outlook on the long-term rating has been revised to Stable from Negative
Commercial Paper	300.00	[ICRA]A1 (pronounced ICRA A one) Instruments with [ICRA]A1 rating are considered to have very strong degree of safety regarding timely payment of financial obligations. Such instruments carry lowest credit risk.	Downgraded the short-term rating to [ICRA]A1 (pronounced ICRA A one) from [ICRA]A1+ (pronounced ICRA A one plus)



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Rationale for downgraded ratings are as mentioned below:

As per the rating agency ICRA the ratings downgrade factors in the continued moderation in Company's debt protection metrics due to a consistent decline in its operating margins in H1 FY2022, following a sharp decrease in FY2021 owing to reduced spreads between raw material costs and end-product realisations. Further the run up in commodity prices has dampened the profitability, however the company is expected to renegotiate its supply contracts due for renewal in March 2022 with certain key customers, which should improve its profitability, going forward. The Company has ramped up its enhanced capacities and is expected to achieve a volumetric growth in FY2022, pressure on the profitability is likely to result in subdued debt protection metrics and return indicators in the near term.

This for your information and taking on record.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,
For Himadri Speciality Chemical Ltd

Manika Saraswat

(Company Secretary &
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