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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CORPORATE AFFAIRS
OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR OF COMPANIES, KARNATAKA
FLOOR, "E" WING, KENDRIYA SADAN, KORAMANGALA, BANGALORE – 560034

No. ROCB/ Adj. Order /Sec.454 /Co. No.103412

Date: 31-12.2019

ORDER OF ADJUDICATION OF PENALTY UNDER SECTION 454 OF COMPANIES ACT 2013 READ WITH RULE 3 OF THE COMPANIES (ADJUDICATION OF PENALITES) RULES 2014 FOR VIOLATION OF PROVISIONS OF SECTION 12 OF THE COMPANIES ACT 2013 BY AQUALERI INDIA PRIVATE LIMITED (THE COMPANY):

- 1. In the matter of M/s AQUALERI INDIA PRIVATE LIMITED incorporated on 29.05.2017 under the jurisdiction of Registrar of Companies, Bangalore with the correspondence address as "No. 51, 14<sup>th</sup> 'A' Cross, Raghavendra Nagar, Near Shiva Bar, Thigalara Palya Main RD, Peenya 2<sup>nd</sup> Stage, Bangalore 560058" in form SPICe-32 (Performa for incorporating company) and also opted radio button as "NO", thereby confirming that correspondence address will not be registered office of the company vide Col. No.4(b) of said SPICe form.
- 2. Whereas section 12(2) of the Companies Act 2013, a Company shall furnish to the Registrar verification of its registered office in Form Inc-22 within a period of 30 days of its incorporation in such manner as may be prescribed. However the Company has not filed the Form Inc-22 within stipulated time i.e by 29.06.2017 and filed the same only on 29.12.2018 vide SRN: H38444196 with a delay of 548 days. The Company vide its adjudication application dated: 06.02.2019 admitted that the company and its officers in default had violated the provisions of the section 12(2) of Companies Act, 2013 and not filed form i.e Inc-22 within stipulated time.
- 3. Whereas, this office had issued a notice on 05.09.2019 to the addressees i.e M/s AQUALERI INDIA PRIVATE LIMITED (THE COMPANY) and every officer in default viz. Mr. Lanke Gowda Ananda and Mr. Lankegowda (directors) who were called upon under Section454(4) of the Companies Act, 2013, read with Rule 3(3) of the Companies (Adjudication of penalties) Rules 2014 to appear personally or through their authorized representative before the undersigned on 25.09.2019 at 3:20 p.m. in the chamber of Registrar of companies, II Floor, E Wing, Kendriya Sadan, Koramangala, Bangalore-560034 for hearing.
- 4. In response to the notice, no one attended the hearing on 25.09.2019. Therefore, next date of hearing was fixed on 13.11.2019. On this date the director of the company

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Mr. Lanke Gowda Ananda attended the hearing, it was seen that application was not signed by all the directors. Therefore next date of hearing was given to them as 12.12.2019 to whom notices were issued on 06.12.2019.

- 5. As per Section 12(8) of the Companies Act 2013, if any default is made in complying with the provisions of Section 12 of the said Act, the Company and every officer who is in default shall be liable to a penalty of one thousand rupees for every day during which default continues but not exceeding one lakh rupees.
- 6. However no one appeared before the adjudicating officer on 12.12.2019. Hence in the view of the above the undersigned in exercise of the powers vested to him vide Section 454(1) & (3) of Companies Act 2013 read with Rule (11) of companies (Adjudication of Penalties) Rules, 2014 considering the delay of 548 days, hereby impose a penalty of Rs.1 lakh each on the Company and its 2 Directors in default (totaling to Rs.3,00,000/-) and hereby direct that they shall pay the penalty immediately through MCA 21 portal and proof of payment be produced for verification within 90 days from the date of receipt of order.
- 7. Whereas sub-section (5) of section 454 of the Companies Act, 2013 provides that any person aggrieved by an order made by the adjudicating officer under sub-section (3) may prefer an appeal to the Regional Director having jurisdiction in the matter and further sub-section (6) provides that every appeal under sub-section (5) shall be filed within sixty days from the date on which the copy of the order made by the adjudicating officer is received by the aggrieved person and shall be in such form, manner and be accompanied by such fees as may be prescribed.
- 8. Please note that as per Section 454(8) (i) of the Companies Act 2013, Where company does not pay the penalty imposed by the adjudicating officer or the Regional Director within a period of ninety days from the date of the receipt of the copy of the order, the company shall be punishable with fine which shall not be less than twenty-five thousand rupees but which may extend to five lakh rupees.
  - (ii) Where an officer of a company who is in default does not pay the penalty within a period of ninety days from the date of the receipt of the copy of the order, such officer

shall be punishable with imprisonment which may extend to six months or with fine which shall not be less than twenty-five thousand rupees but which may extend to one lakh rupees, or with both.

In case of default in payment of penalty, prosecution will be filed under section 454(8)(i) and (ii) of the Companies Act 2013 at your own costs without any further notice.

(C V SAJEEVAN) REGISTRAR OF COMPANIES, KARNATAKA.

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1. M/s AQUALERI INDIA PRIVATE LIMITED, No.63/A, 18th 'Cross, New Raghavendra Nagar Thigalara Palya Main Rd Peenya 2nd Stage, 14th Cros Bangalore 560058

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2. Mr. LANKE GOWDA ANANDA, Director, No.51,14th A Cross, Raghavendra Nagara, Thigalarapalya Main Road, Peen Bangalore 560058

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3. Mr. LANKEGOWDA, Director, No.51, 14th A Cross, Thigalarapalya Main Rd, Ra gvendra Na Bengaluru 560058