PEOPLES INVESTMENTS LIMITED

(CIN: L67120MH1976PLC018836)

47th ANNUAL REPORT

(Financial Year 2022-23)

DIRECTORS : SHRI SHANTILAL POKHARNA

: SHRI R. NARAYANAN

: SHRI ASHOK KHEDEKAR

: SHRI JITENDER AGARWAL

: SMT. SUMA G. NAIR

CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER & COMPANY SECRETARY

: SHRI SURYAKANT LAXMAN KHARE

MANAGER : SHRI VENKATESH RAMASWAMI

BANKERS : BANK OF INDIA

AUDITORS : AMB & CO.

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS (resigned w.e.f August 09, 2023)

M/s KHANDHAR MEHTA & SHAH,

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANT (appointed w.e.f August 18, 2023)

REGISTERED OFFICE : NEW HIND HOUSE

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NOTICE 47th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE FORTY SEVENTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING ("AGM") OF THE MEMBERS OF PEOPLES INVESTMENTS LIMITED ("THE COMPANY") WILL BE HELD ON **FRIDAY**, **SEPTEMBER 22, 2023** AT **03.30 P.M. (IST)** THROUGH TWO-WAY VIDEO CONFERENCING ("VC") / OTHER AUDIO VISUAL MEANS ("OAVM") FACILITY, TO TRANSACT THE FOLLOWING BUSINESS:

ORDINARY BUSINESS:

- 1. To consider and adopt the Audited Financial Statements of the Company for the Financial Year ended March 31, 2023 and the Reports of the Board of Directors and Auditors thereon.
- 2. To appoint a Director in place of Smt. Suma Nair (DIN: 07100911), who retires by rotation and being eligible, offers herself for re-appointment.
- 3. Appointment of Statutory Auditors of the Company

To consider and if thought fit, to pass the following Resolutions as an **Ordinary Resolutions**:

a. To fill the casual vacancy

"RESOLVED THAT pursuant to the provisions of Section 139(8) and other applicable provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 read with the Companies (Audit and Auditors) Rules, 2014 (including any statutory modification(s), clarifications, exemptions or re-enactments thereof for the time being in force) and upon recommendation of the Audit Committee and Board of Directors M/s Khandhar Mehta & Shah, Chartered Accountants (Firm Registration Number 125512W), be and are hereby appointed as Statutory Auditors of the Company, to fill the casual vacancy caused by the resignation of M/s AMB & Co., Chartered Accountants, having Firm Registration Number: 126045W; and

RESOLVED FURTHER THAT M/s Khandhar Mehta & Shah, Chartered Accountants (Firm Registration Number 125512W), be and are hereby appointed as Statutory Auditors of the Company to hold the office from August 18, 2023, until the conclusion of the 47th Annual General Meeting of the Company, on such remuneration plus applicable taxes, out-of-pocket expenses, as may be mutually agreed upon by the Board of the Directors and the Statutory Auditors on the recommendations of the Audit Committee."

b. For a period of five years

"RESOLVED THAT pursuant to the provisions of Section 139, 142 and other applicable provisions, if any, of the Companies Act, 2013 read with the Companies (Audit and Auditors) Rules, 2014 (including any statutory modification(s) or re-enactments thereof for the time being in force) M/s Khandhar Mehta & Shah, Chartered Accountants (Firm Registration Number 125512W), be and are hereby appointed as Statutory Auditors of the Company for a term of five (5) years to hold office from the conclusion of the 47th Annual General Meeting of the Company till the conclusion of the 52nd Annual General Meeting on such remuneration plus applicable taxes, out-of-pocket expenses, as may be mutually agreed upon by the Board of the Directors and the Statutory Auditors on the recommendations of the Audit Committee."

Registered Office:

New Hind House, 3, N. M. Marg, Ballard Estate, Mumbai – 400 001 By order of the Board of Directors For Peoples Investments Limited

> Suma Nair Director DIN: 07100911

Date: August 18, 2023 Place: Mumbai

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Notes:

I. General Information:

- 1. The Explanatory Statement pursuant to Section 102 of the Companies Act, 2013 ("the Act") setting out material facts concerning the business under Item No. 3 of the accompanying Notice, is annexed hereto.
- 2. The Register of Members and Share Transfer Books of the Company will remain closed from **Saturday**, **September 16**, **2023** to **Friday**, **September 22**, **2023** (both days inclusive) for the purpose of AGM.
- The Ministry of Corporate Affairs, Government of India ("MCA") vide General Circular Nos. 14/2020, 17/2020, 20/2020, 02/2021, 21/2021, 02/2022 and 10/2022 dated April 8, 2020, April 13, 2020, May 5, 2020, January 13, 2021, December 14, 2021, May 5, 2022 and December 28, 2022, respectively, ("MCA Circulars") has allowed conduct of Annual General Meetings ("AGM") by Companies through Video Conferencing/Other Audio-Visual Means ("VC/OAVM") facility upto September 30, 2023, in accordance with the requirements provided in paragraphs 3 and 4 of the MCA General Circular No. 20/2020. The Exchange Board India ("SEBI") of also vide SEBI/HO/CFD/CMD1/CIR/P/2020/79 dated May 12, 2020, Circular SEBI/HO/CFD/ No. CMD2/CIR/P/2022/62 dated May 13, 2022, and Circular No. SEBI/HO/CFD/PoD-2/P/CIR/2023/4 dated January 5, 2023 ("SEBI Circulars") has provided certain relaxations from compliance with certain provisions of the SEBI (Listing Obligation & Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, ("SEBI Listing Regulations"). In compliance with MCA Circulars, provisions of the Act and the SEBI Listing Regulations, the 47th AGM of the Company is being conducted through VC/ OAVM facility, which does not require physical presence of members at a common venue. The proceedings of the AGM will be deemed to be conducted at the Registered Office of the Company which shall be the deemed Venue of the AGM.
- 4. Since this AGM is being held through VC / OAVM, physical attendance of Members has been dispensed with. Accordingly, the facility for appointment of proxies by the Members will not be available for the AGM and hence the Proxy Form, Attendance Slip and Route Map are not annexed to this Notice.
- 5. Attendance of the Members participating in the AGM through VC / OAVM shall be counted for the purpose of reckoning the quorum under Section 103 of the Act.
- 6. National Securities Depository Limited ("NSDL") will be providing facility for voting through remote e-Voting, participation in the AGM through VC/OAVM facility and e-Voting during the AGM.
- 7. In compliance with the MCA Circulars and the SEBI Circulars, Notice of the AGM along with the Annual Report for Financial Year 2022-23 is being sent only through electronic mode to those Members whose email addresses are registered with the Company / National Securities Depository Limited and Central Depository Services (India) Limited ("the Depositories"). A copy of this Notice along with the Annual Report for Financial Year 2022-23 is uploaded on the Company's website www.pplsinvestments.com, website of Stock Exchange i.e BSE Limited at www.bseindia.com and on the website of NSDL at www.evoting.nsdl.com.
- 8. In case a Member holding shares in physical mode has not registered his/her e-mail address with the Company/Link Intime India Private Limited, the Registrar and Transfer Agent ("LIIPL")/the Depositories, he/she may do so by sending a duly signed request letter to LIIPL by providing Folio No. and Name at C-101, 247 Park, L.B.S. Marg, Vikhroli (West), Mumbai 400083, E-mail: rnt.helpdesk@linkintime.co.in.
- 9. In the case of shares held in demat mode, the shareholder may contact the Depository Participant ("DP") and register their email address in the demat account as per the process followed and advised by the DP.
- 10. A brief profile of the Director retiring by rotation, nature of her expertise in specific functional areas, names of companies in which she holds directorship and Membership/Chairmanship of Board Committee(s), shareholding and relationship between Directors and Key Managerial Personnel as stipulated under Regulation 36 of SEBI Listing Regulations and Secretarial Standards 2 on General Meetings are provided in Annexure 1 to this Notice.
- 11. Relevant documents as required by law and referred to in the accompanying Notice and in the Explanatory Statement shall be available for inspection through electronic mode. Members may write to the Company on peoplesinvestments@rediffmail.com for inspection of said documents and the same will also be available for inspection by the Members during the AGM, upon Log-in at NSDL e-voting system at www.evoting.nsdl.com.

- 12. As per Regulation 40 of the SEBI Listing Regulations, as amended, securities of listed companies can be transferred only in dematerialized form with effect from April 01, 2019, except in case of request received for transmission or transposition and re-lodged transfers of securities. Further, SEBI vide its circular no. SEBI/HO/ MIRSD/RTAMB/CIR/P/2020/166 dated September 07, 2020 read with SEBI circular no. SEBI/HO/MIRSD/RTAMB/CIR/P/2020/236 dated December 02, 2020 had fixed March 31, 2021 as the cutoff date for re-lodgement of transfer deeds and the shares that are re-lodged for transfer shall be issued only in demat mode. Therefore, Members holding shares in physical form are requested to dematerialize shares held in physical form at the earliest available opportunity.
- 13. SEBI has mandated the submission of Permanent Account Number (PAN) by every participant in securities market. Members holding shares in electronic form are, therefore, requested to submit their PAN to the DP with whom they maintain their demat accounts. Members holding shares in physical forms should submit their PAN to LIIPL / Company.
- 14. Members are advised to avail the nomination facility in respect of shares held by them pursuant to the provisions of Section 72 of the Act. Members holding shares in physical form desiring to avail this facility may send their nomination in the Form No. SH-13 duly filled in to LIIPL. Members holding shares in dematerialized form may contact their respective DP for availing this facility.

II. Instructions for attending the AGM and Electronic Voting:

A. General Instructions:

- 1. Pursuant to the provisions of Section 108 of the Act read with Rule 20 of the Companies (Management and Administration) Rules, 2014 (as amended), Secretarial Standard on General Meetings (SS-2) issued by the Institute of Company Secretaries of India ("ICSI") and Regulation 44 of SEBI Listing Regulations read with MCA Circulars and SEBI Circulars, the Company is pleased to provide remote e-voting facility to its Members in respect of the business to be transacted at the AGM and facility for those Members participating in the AGM to cast vote through e-voting system during the AGM.
- 2. The cut-off date for the purpose of determining the Members eligible for participation in remote e-voting (e-voting from a place other than venue of the AGM) and voting at the AGM through e-voting system is **Friday**, **September 15**, **2023** ("Cut-off Date"). A person who is not a Member as on the Cut-off Date should treat this Notice of AGM for information purpose only.
- 3. Any person holding shares in physical form and non-individual Shareholders, who acquires shares of the Company and becomes members of the Company after the Notice is sent through e-mail and are holding shares as on **September 15, 2023**, may obtain the Login ID and password by sending a request at evoting@nsdl.co.in or Issuer/RTA. However, if you are already registered with NSDL for remote e-voting, then you can use your existing user ID and password for casting your vote. If you forget your password, you can reset your password by using "Forgot User Details/ Password" or "Physical User Reset Password" option available on www.evoting.nsdl.com or call on Toll Free No. 1800 1020 990 and 1800 22 44 30. In case of Individual Shareholders holding securities in demat mode who acquire shares of the Company after sending of the Notice and are holding shares as on the Cut-off Date i.e. **September 15, 2023** may follow steps mentioned in the Notice of the AGM under "Step 1: Access to NSDL e-Voting system".
- 4. Mr. Dinesh Deora or in his absence Mr. T. B. Kaushik, Partners of M/s. DM & Associates Company Secretaries LLP, have been appointed as the Scrutinizer to scrutinize the remote e-Voting process and casting vote through the e-Voting system during the meeting in a fair and transparent manner.
- 5. Corporate Members are required to scan and send a certified true copy of the Board Resolution, pursuant to Section 113 of the Act, authorizing their representatives to attend and vote on their behalf at the Meeting. The said Resolution / Authorisation shall be sent to the Scrutinizer by email through their registered email address to cskaushikjoshi@gmail.com with a copy marked to the Company on peoplesinvestments@rediffmail.com and NSDL on evoting@nsdl.co.in.
- 6. The results declared along with the Scrutinizer's Report shall be displayed at the Registered Office of the Company and placed on the Company's website www.pplsinvestments.com and on website of NSDL www.evoting.nsdl.com within statutory timeline and will also be communicated to the BSE Limited, where the equity shares of the Company are listed.

B. Instructions for Remote e-Voting and e-Voting during the AGM

The remote e-voting period begins on **Tuesday, September 19, 2023 at 09.00 A.M. (IST)** and ends on **Thursday, September 21, 2023 at 05.00 P.M. (IST)**. The remote e-voting module shall be disabled by NSDL for voting thereafter. The Members whose names appear in the Register of Members/Beneficial Owners as on the Cut-off Date may cast their vote electronically. The voting rights shall be in proportion to the share in the paid-up equity share capital of the Company as on the Cut-off Date i.e **September 15, 2023**.

Details of the process and manner for voting electronically are mentioned below:

Step 1: Access to NSDL e-Voting system

Step 2: Cast your vote electronically on NSDL e-Voting system

Details on Step 1 are mentioned below:

A) Login Method for e-Voting for Individual Shareholders holding securities in demat mode:

In terms of SEBI circular no. SEBI/110/CFB/CMD/CIR/P/2020/242 dated December 09, 2020 on "e-Voting facility provided by Listed Companies", Individual shareholders holding securities in demat mode are allowed to vote through their demat account maintained with the Depositories and DPs. Shareholders are advised to update their mobile number and email Id in their demat accounts in order to access e-Voting facility.

| Type of | Login Method | | |
|---------------|---|--|--|
| shareholders | | | |
| Individual | Users registered for NSDL IDeAS facility: | | |
| Shareholders | Existing IDeAS user can visit the e-Services website of NSDL viz. | | |
| holding | www.eservices.nsdl.com. On the e-Services home page click on the "Beneficial | | |
| securities in | Owner" icon under "Login" which is available under 'IDeAS' section , this will prompt | | |
| demat mode | you to enter your existing User ID and Password. After successful authentication, you | | |
| with NSDL | will be able to see e-Voting services under Value added services. Click on "Access to | | |
| | e-Voting" under e-Voting services and you will be able to see e-Voting page. Click on | | |
| | company name or e-Voting service provider i.e. NSDL and you will be re-directed to | | |
| | e-Voting website of NSDL for casting your vote during the remote e-Voting period or | | |
| | joining virtual Meeting & e-voting during the Meeting. | | |
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| | Users not registered for NSDL IDeAS facility: | | |
| | If you are not registered for IDeAS e-Services, option to register is available at | | |
| | www.eservices.nsdl.com. Select "Register Online for IDeAS Portal" or visit | | |
| | www.eservices.nsdl.com/SecureWeb/IdeasDirectReg.jsp. | | |
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| | e-Voting website of NSDL | | |
| | Visit the e-Voting website of NSDL. Open web browser by typing the following | | |
| | <u>www.evoting.nsdl.com</u> . Once the home page of e-Voting system is launched, click on the icon "Login" which is available under 'Shareholder/Member' section. A new | | |
| | screen will open. You will have to enter your User ID (i.e. your sixteen digit demat | | |
| | account number hold with NSDL), Password/OTP and a Verification Code as shown | | |
| | on the screen. After successful authentication, you will be redirected to NSDL | | |
| | Depository site wherein you can see e-Voting page. Click on company name or e- | | |
| | Voting service provider i.e. NSDL and you will be redirected to e-Voting website of | | |
| | NSDL wherein you can see e-Voting page. Click on company name or e-Voting service | | |
| | provider i.e. NSDL and you will be redirected to e-Voting website of NSDL for casting | | |
| | your vote during the remote e-Voting period or joining virtual meeting and e-Voting | | |
| | during the Meeting. | | |
| | during the Freeting. | | |
| | e-Voting mobile application of NSDL | | |
| | Shareholders/Members can also download NSDL Mobile App "NSDL Speede" facility | | |
| | by scanning the QR code mentioned below for seamless voting experience. | | |
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NSDL Mobile App is available on









Individual Shareholders holding securities in demat mode with CDSL

- 1. Existing users who have opted for Easi / Easiest, they can login through their user id and password. Option will be made available to reach e-Voting page without any further authentication. The URL for users to login to Easi / Easiest are www.web.cdslindia.com/myeasi/home/login or www.cdslindia.com and click on New System Myeasi.
- 2. After successful login of Easi/Easiest the user will be also able to see the E Voting Menu. The Menu will have links of e-Voting service provider i.e. NSDL. Click on NSDL to cast your vote.
- 3. If the user is not registered for Easi/Easiest, option to register is available at www.web.cdslindia.com/myeasi/Registration/EasiRegistration
- 4. Alternatively, the user can directly access e-Voting page by providing demat Account Number and PAN No. from a link on www.cdslindia.com home page. The system will authenticate the user by sending OTP on registered Mobile & Email as recorded in the demat Account. After successful authentication, user will be provided link where the e-Voting is in progress.

Individual Shareholders (holding securities in demat mode) login through their depository participants

You can also login using the login credentials of your demat account through your Depository Participant registered with NSDL/CDSL for e-Voting facility. Upon logging in, you will be able to see e-Voting option. Click on e-Voting option, you will be redirected to NSDL website after successful authentication, wherein you can see e-Voting feature. Click on company name or e-Voting service provider i.e. NSDL and you will be redirected to e-Voting website of NSDL for casting your vote during the remote e-Voting period or joining virtual meeting & e-voting during the Meeting.

Note: Members who are unable to retrieve User ID/ Password are advised to use "Forget User ID" and/or "Forget Password" option available on respective websites.

Helpdesk for Individual Shareholders holding securities in demat mode:

| Login type | Helpdesk details |
|-------------------------|--|
| Individual Shareholders | Members facing any technical issue in login can contact NSDL helpdesk |
| holding securities in | by sending a request at evoting@nsdl.co.in or call at: 022-48867000 |
| demat mode with NSDL | and 022-24997000 |
| Individual Shareholders | Members facing any technical issue in login can contact CDSL helpdesk |
| holding securities in | by sending a request at helpdesk.evoting@cdslindia.com or contact at |
| demat mode with CDSL | 1800 22 55 33 |

B) Login Method for e-Voting for shareholders <u>other than Individual shareholders</u> holding securities in demat mode and shareholders holding securities in physical mode:

- 1. Visit the e-Voting website of NSDL. Open web browser and enter the URL viz. www.evoting.nsdl.com.
- 2. Once the home page of e-Voting system is launched, click on the icon "Login" which is available under 'Shareholder/Member' section.
- 3. A new screen will open. Enter your User ID, your Password/OTP and a Verification Code as shown on the screen.

Alternatively, if you are registered for NSDL eservices i.e. IDEAS, you can log-in at www.eservices.nsdl.com/ with your existing IDEAS login. Once you log-in to NSDL eservices, click on e-Voting and you can proceed to Step 2 i.e. cast your vote electronically.

4. Your User ID details are given below:

| Manner of holding shares i.e. Demat (NSDL or CDSL) or Physical | Your User ID is: |
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| a) For Members who hold shares in demat account with NSDL. | 8 Character DP ID followed by 8 Digit Client ID For example if your DP ID is IN300*** and Client ID is 12***** then your user ID is IN300***12*****. |
| b) For Members who hold shares in demat account with CDSL. | 16 Digit Beneficiary ID For example if your Beneficiary ID is 12******** then your user ID is 12********** |
| c) For Members holding shares in Physical Form. | EVEN Number followed by Folio Number registered with the Company For example: if folio number is 001*** and EVEN is 125558 then user ID is 125558001*** |

- 5. Details of password are as follows:
 - a) If you are already registered for e-Voting, then you can user your existing password to login and cast your vote.
 - b) If you are using NSDL e-Voting system for the first time, you will need to retrieve the 'initial password' which was communicated to you. Once you retrieve your 'initial password', you need to enter the 'initial password' and the system will force you to change your password.
 - c) To retrieve your 'initial password':
 - (i) If your email ID is registered in your demat account or with the Company, your 'initial password' is communicated to you on your email ID. Trace the email sent to you from NSDL in your mailbox. Open the email and open the attachment i.e. a .pdf file. Open the .pdf file. The password to open the .pdf file is your 8 digit client ID for NSDL account, last 8 digits of client ID for CDSL account or folio number for shares held in physical form. The .pdf file contains your 'User ID' and your 'initial password'.
 - (ii) If your email ID is not registered or you are unable to retrieve or have not received the "initial password" or have forgotten your password:
 - a. Click on "Forgot User Details/Password"(If you are holding shares in your demat account with NSDL or CDSL) option available on www.evoting.nsdl.com.
 - b. Click on "Physical User Reset Password" (If you are holding shares in physical mode) option available on www.evoting.nsdl.com.
 - c. If you are still unable to get the password by aforesaid two options, you can send a request at evoting@nsdl.co.in mentioning your demat account number/folio number, your PAN, your name and your registered address.
 - d. Members can also use the OTP (One Time Password) based login for casting the votes on the e-Voting system of NSDL.
- 6. After entering your password, read and agree to "Terms and Conditions" by selecting on the check box
- 7. Click on "Login" button.
- 8. After you click on the "Login" button, Home page of e-Voting will open.

Process for those shareholders whose email ids are not registered with the depositories for procuring user id and password and registration of e-mail id for e-Voting:

- In case shares are held in physical mode please provide Folio No., Name of shareholder, scanned copy of the share certificate (front and back), PAN (self-attested scanned copy of PAN card), AADHAAR (selfattested scanned copy of Aadhaar Card) by email to peoplesinvestments@rediffmail.com.
- 2. In case shares are held in demat mode, please provide DPID-Client ID (16 digit DPID + Client ID or 16 digit Beneficiary ID), Name, client master or copy of Consolidated Account statement, PAN (self-attested scanned copy of PAN card), AADHAAR (self-attested scanned copy of Aadhaar Card) to peoplesinvestments@rediffmail.com If you are an Individual Shareholder holding securities in demat mode, you are requested to refer to the login method explained at **Step 1 A) Login method for e-Voting for Individual Shareholders holding securities in demat mode**.

- 3. Alternatively, Shareholder/Members may send a request to evoting@nsdl.co.in for procuring user id and password for e-voting by providing above mentioned documents.
- 4. In terms of SEBI Circular dated December 9, 2020, on e-Voting facility provided by listed companies, individual members holding securities in demat mode are allowed to vote through their demat account maintained with Depositories and Depository Participant(s). Members are required to update their mobile number and email address correctly in their demat account in order to access e-Voting facility.

Details on Step 2 are mentioned below: To cast your vote electronically on NSDL e-Voting system:

- 1. After successful login at Step 1, you will be able to see all the companies "EVEN" in which you are holding shares and whose voting cycle and General Meeting is in active status.
- 2. Select "EVEN" of Peoples Investments Limited to cast your vote during the remote e-Voting period or during the General Meeting.
- 3. EVEN for Peoples Investments Limited is 125558.
- 4. Now you are ready for e-Voting as the Voting page opens.
- 5. Cast your vote by selecting appropriate options i.e. assent or dissent, verify/modify the number of shares or which you wish to cast your vote and click on "Submit" and also "Confirm" when prompted.
- 6. Upon confirmation, the message "Vote cast successfully" will be displayed.
- 7. Once you confirm your vote on the Resolution, you will not be allowed to modify your vote.

General Guidelines for e-Voting:

- 1. It is strongly recommended not to share your password with any other person and take utmost care to keep your password confidential. Login to the e-voting website will be disabled upon five unsuccessful attempts to key in the correct password. In such an event, you will need to go through the "Forgot User Details/Password" or "Physical User Reset Password" option available on www.evoting.nsdl.com to reset the password.
- 2. In case of any queries, you may refer the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) for Shareholders and e-voting user manual for Shareholders available at the download section of www.evoting.nsdl.com or call on toll free no.: 1800 1020 990 and 1800 22 44 30 or send a request at evoting@nsdl.co.in.
- 3. Only those Members/Shareholders, who are present at the AGM through VC/OAVM facility and have not cast their vote on the Resolutions through remote e-Voting and are otherwise not barred from doing so, shall be eligible to vote through e-Voting system at the AGM.
- 4. Members who have already voted through Remote e-Voting will be eligible to attend the AGM. However, they will not be eligible to vote at the AGM.

C. Instructions for Members for attending the AGM through VC/OAVM:

- Members will be provided with a facility to attend the AGM through VC/OAVM through the NSDL e-Voting system. Members may gain access by following the process mentioned in Step 1: Access to NSDL e-Voting system. After successful login, Members should click on "VC/OAVM link" placed under "Join General meeting" menu against Peoples Investments Limited. The link for VC/OAVM will be available in Shareholder/Member login where the EVEN of Peoples Investments Limited i.e. 125558 will be displayed.
- 2. Members seeking any information with regard to the accounts or any other matter to be placed at the AGM can submit questions from their registered email address mentioning their name, DP ID and Client ID / Folio number and mobile number, to reach the Company's email address peoplesinvestments@rediffmail.com at least 48 hours before the start of the AGM.
- 3. Members who would like to ask questions at the AGM with regard to any matter to be placed at the AGM, need to register themselves as a speaker by sending their request from their registered email address mentioning their name, DP ID and Client ID / Folio number and mobile number, to reach the Company's email address peoplesinvestments@rediffmail.com at least 48 hours in advance before the start of the AGM. Only those Members who have registered themselves as a speaker shall be allowed to ask questions during the AGM, depending upon the availability of time.
- 4. The Company reserves the right to restrict the number of speakers at the AGM.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT IN RESPECT OF THE SPECIAL BUSINESS PURSUANT TO SECTION 102 OF THE COMPANIES ACT, 2013 AND SECRETARIAL STANDARD-2 ON GENERAL MEETINGS

Item No. 3 - Appointment of Statutory Auditors

M/s AMB & Co., Chartered Accountants (Firm Registration No. 126045W), were appointed as the Statutory Auditors of the Company at the 44^{th} Annual General Meeting ('AGM') held on December 21, 2020, for a period of 5 (five) years i.e. from the conclusion of 44^{th} AGM until the conclusion of the 49^{th} AGM of the Company.

M/s AMB & Co., Chartered Accountants, vide their letter dated August 09, 2023 have resigned as Statutory Auditors of the Company with effect from August 09, 2023. Consequently to fill the casual vacancy, the Board of Directors at its Meeting held on August 18, 2023, on the recommendation of Audit Committee and subject to the approval of Members, appointed M/s Khandhar Mehta & Shah, Chartered Accountants (registration number 125512W) as Statutory Auditors of the Company from August 18, 2023 till the 47th AGM and also for a period of 5 (five) years, from the conclusion of 47th AGM until the conclusion of the 52nd AGM of the Company.

Accordingly, approval of the Members is requested for appointment of M/s Khandhar Mehta & Shah, Chartered Accountants (registration number 125512W) as the Statutory Auditors of the Company till the ensuing 47^{th} AGM and also for a period of 5 (five) years, to hold office from the conclusion of 47^{th} AGM until the conclusion of the 52^{nd} AGM of the Company, on such remuneration plus applicable taxes, out-of-pocket expenses, as may be mutually agreed upon by the Board of the Directors and the Statutory Auditors on the recommendations of the Audit Committee.

As per the requirement of the Companies Act, 2013 (the "Act"), as amended, M/s Khandhar Mehta & Shah, Chartered Accountants, have confirmed that the appointment, if made, would be within the limits specified under Section 141(3)(g) of the Act and it is not disqualified to be appointed as Statutory Auditors in terms of the provisions of Sections 139 and 141 of the Act and the provisions of the Companies (Audit and Auditors) Rules, 2014, as amended from time to time.

The Company has received all the applicable eligibility certificates and consent from M/s Khandhar Mehta & Shah, Chartered Accountants, for acting as the Statutory Auditors of the Company.

A brief profile of M/s Khandhar Mehta & Shah, Chartered Accountants is given below:

M/s Khandhar Mehta & Shah, Chartered Accountants is a well reputed firm of Chartered Accountants in India with a presence of over 18 years. Founded in 2004, it has Head Office in Ahmedabad. Firm caters to various areas of services provided under one roof which comprises of Statutory & Internal Audit, Taxation, Consultancy, FEMA Compliances and Management Consultancy to its various clients. They provide partner-led services and ensure that clients are always able to reach senior people and decision makers as and when they need to.

The Resolution at Item No. 3 of the Notice is set out as an Ordinary Resolution for approval of Members.

None of the Directors and/or Key Managerial Personnel of the Company and their relatives are in any way concerned or interested, financially or otherwise, in the Resolution set out in Item No. 3.

The Board of Directors recommends the Ordinary Resolution set out at Item No. 3 of the accompanying Notice for approval of the Members.

Registered Office:

New Hind House, 3, N. M. Marg, Ballard Estate, Mumbai – 400 001 By Order of the Board of Directors For Peoples Investments Limited

Date: August 18, 2023

Place : Mumbai

Suma Nair Director DIN:07100911