

## POLICY ON DISCLOSURE OF MATERIAL EVENTS OR INFORMATION

### I. PREAMBLE

The Securities and Exchange Board of India ("SEBI"), vide its Notification dated September 2, 2015, has issued the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 ("Listing Regulations"). The Regulations come into force from December 1, 2015 to all Companies listed with the recognized Stock Exchanges.

In terms of Regulation 30(4) of the Listing Regulations, "AVT Natural Products Limited" (the Company) is required to formulate a policy to be approved by the Board for determination of materiality (this "Policy") based on criteria specified in the Listing Regulations. This Policy will be hosted on the website of the Company.

### II. OBJECTIVE

The objective of this Policy is to determine the event(s) and information(s) which, in the opinion of the Board of Directors of the Company, are considered material and need to be disclosed to the Stock Exchanges within the time limit as prescribed in this Policy, thereby ensuring a timely and balanced disclosure of all material matters concerning the Company.

Further, the policy shall stand revised to incorporate all those mandatory changes made from time to time in the Schedule III of the SEBI (LODR) Regulations, 2015.

### III. DEFINITIONS

**"Audit Committee or Committee"** means Audit Committee constituted by the Board of Director of the Company, from time to time under provisions of SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements), Regulations, 2015, and/or the Companies Act, 2013.

**"Board of Directors or Board"** means the Board of Directors of A VT Natural Products Limited, as constituted from time to time.

**"Company"** means a Company incorporated under the Companies Act, 1956 or under any other act prior to or after Companies Act, 1956.

**"Independent Director"** means a Director of the Company, not being a whole time Director who is neither a promoter nor belongs to the promoter group of the Company and who satisfies other criteria for independence as laid down under Schedule IV of the Companies Act, 2013 and the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements), Regulations 2015, entered into with the stock exchanges.

**"Policy"** means Policy on Disclosure of Material Events or Information.

**"Material Events"** are those that are specified in Para A of Part A of Schedule III of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements), Regulations 2015,

**"Other Events"** are those as may be decided from time to time and in accordance with Para B of Part A of Schedule III, as specified in sub-regulation (4).

**"LODR"** means the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015.

"Key Managerial Personnel" (KMP) of the Company includes Managing Director, Manager, Chief Financial Officer and Company Secretary, who may be authorised individually or collectively to disclose events to Stock Exchange.

#### IV. GUIDELINES FOR DETERMINING MATERIALITY

The Board shall, as per the guidelines prescribed in Regulation 30 read with Schedule III of the Listing Regulations, make disclosures of any events or information which, in the opinion of the Board, are Material or events or information whose value or the expected impact in terms of value, exceeds the lower of the following, which may affect the performance or the share price of the Company, to the Stock Exchanges within the time limit as prescribed in the regulation.

- i. two percent of turnover, as per the last audited consolidated financial statements of the listed entity;
- ii. two percent of net worth, as per the last audited consolidated financial statements of the listed entity, except in case the arithmetic value of the net worth is negative;
- iii. five percent of the average of absolute value of profit or loss after tax, as per the last three audited consolidated financial statements of the listed entity;

All events or information which are material in terms of the provisions of the LODR Regulations be intimated to the stock exchange as soon as reasonably possible and in any case not later than the following:

- i. thirty minutes from the closure of the meeting of the board of directors in which the decision pertaining to the event or information has been taken;
- ii. twelve hours from the occurrence of the event or information, in case the event or information is emanating from within the listed entity;
- iii. twenty four hours from the occurrence of the event or information, in case the event or information is not emanating from within the listed entity.

#### Timeline for disclosure of events specified in Part A of Schedule III of the LODR Regulations

Para / sub-para	Events	Timeline for disclosure
<b>A.</b>	<b>Events which shall be disclosed without any application of the guidelines for materiality as specified in sub-regulation (4) of regulation (30):</b>	
1.	Acquisition(s) (including agreement to acquire), Scheme of Arrangement (amalgamation/ merger/ demerger/restructuring), sale or disposal of any unit(s), division(s), whole or substantially the whole of the undertaking(s) or subsidiary of the listed entity, sale of stake in the associate company of the listed entity or any other restructuring.	Within 12 hours *
2.	Issuance or forfeiture of securities, split or consolidation of shares, buyback of securities, any restriction on transferability of securities or alteration in terms or structure of existing securities including forfeiture, reissue of forfeited securities, alteration of calls, redemption of securities etc.	Within 12 hours *
3.	New Ratings(s) or Revision in Rating(s).	Within 24 hours

4.	Outcome of Meetings of the board of directors	Timeline as specified in sub-para 4 of Para A of Schedule III.
5.	Agreements (viz. shareholder agreement(s), joint venture agreement(s), family settlement agreement(s) (to the extent that it impacts management and control of the listed entity), agreement(s)/treaty(ies)/contract(s) with media companies) which are binding and not in normal course of business, revision(s) or amendment(s) and termination(s) thereof.	Within 12 hours * (for agreements where listed entity is a party); Within 24 hours (for agreements where listed entity is not a party).
5A.	Agreements entered into by the shareholders, promoters, promoter group entities, related parties, directors, key managerial personnel, employees of the listed entity or of its holding, subsidiary or associate company, among themselves or with the listed entity or with a third party, solely or jointly, which, either directly or indirectly or potentially or whose purpose and effect is to, impact the management or control of the listed entity or impose any restriction or create any liability upon the listed entity, shall be disclosed to the Stock Exchanges, including disclosure of any rescission, amendment or alteration of such agreements thereto, whether or not the listed entity is a party to such agreements: Provided that such agreements entered into by a listed entity in the normal course of business shall not be required to be disclosed unless they, either directly or indirectly or potentially or whose purpose and effect is to, impact the management or control of the listed entity or they are required to be disclosed in terms of any other provisions of these regulations.	Within 12 hours * (for agreements where listed entity is a party); Within 24 hours (for agreements where listed entity is not a party).
6.	Fraud or defaults by a listed entity, its promoter, director, key managerial personnel, senior management or subsidiary or arrest of key managerial personnel, senior management, promoter or director whether occurred within India or abroad.	Within 24 hours
7.	Change in directors, key managerial personnel (Managing Director, Chief Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer, Company Secretary etc.), senior management, Auditor and Compliance Officer.	Within 12 hours * (except in case resignation);  Within 24 hours (in case of resignation)
7A.	In case of resignation of the auditor of the listed entity, detailed reasons for resignation of auditor, as given by the said auditor.	Timeline as specified in sub-para 7A of Para A of Schedule III.
7B.	Resignation of independent director including reasons for resignation.	Timeline as specified in sub-para 7B of Para A of Schedule III.

7C.	Letter of resignation along with detailed reasons for the resignation as given by the key managerial personnel, senior management, Compliance Officer or director.	Timeline as specified in sub-para 7C of Para A of Schedule III.
7D.	In case the Managing Director or Chief Executive Officer of the listed entity was indisposed or unavailable to fulfil the requirements of the role in a regular manner for more than forty five days in any rolling period of ninety days, the same along with the reasons for such indisposition or unavailability, shall be disclosed to the stock exchange(s).	Within 12 hours *
8.	Appointment or discontinuation of share transfer agent.	Within 12 hours *
9.	Resolution plan/ Restructuring in relation to loans/borrowings from banks/financial institutions.	Within 24 hours
10.	One time settlement with a bank.	Within 24 hours
11.	Winding-up petition filed by any party / creditors.	Within 24 hours
12.	Issuance of notices, call letters, resolutions and circulars sent to shareholders, debenture holders or creditors or any class of them or advertised in the media by the listed entity.	Within 12 hours *
13.	Proceedings of annual and extraordinary general meetings of the listed entity.	Within 12 hours *
14.	Amendments to memorandum and articles of association of listed entity, in brief.	Within 12 hours *
15.	(a) Schedule of analysts or institutional investors meet and presentations made by the listed entity to analysts or institutional investors. (b) Audio or video recordings and transcripts of post earnings/quarterly calls, by whatever name called, conducted physically or through digital means.	Timeline as specified in sub-para 15 of Para A of Schedule III.
16.	Events in relation to the corporate insolvency resolution process (CIRP) of a listed corporate debtor under the Insolvency Code.	Within 24 hours
17.	Initiation of Forensic audit: In case of initiation of forensic audit, (by whatever name called), the following disclosures shall be made to the stock exchanges by listed entities: (a) The fact of initiation of forensic audit along-with name of entity initiating the audit and reasons for the same, if available; (b) Final forensic audit report (other than for forensic audit initiated by regulatory / enforcement agencies) on receipt by the listed entity along with comments of the management, if any.	Within 12 hours * (if initiated by the listed entity); Within 24 hours (if initiated by external agency).
18.	Announcement or communication through social media intermediaries or mainstream media by directors, promoters, key managerial personnel or senior management of a listed entity, in relation to any event or information which is material for the listed entity in terms of regulation 30 of these regulations and is not already made available in the public domain by the listed entity.	Within 24 hours

19.	Action(s) initiated or orders passed by any regulatory, statutory, enforcement authority or judicial body against the listed entity or its directors, key managerial personnel, senior management, promoter or subsidiary, in relation to the listed entity, in respect of the following: (a) search or seizure; or (b) re-opening of accounts under section 130 of the Companies Act, 2013; or (c) investigation under the provisions of Chapter XIV of the Companies Act, 2013;	Within 24 hours
20.	Action(s) taken or orders passed by any regulatory, statutory, enforcement authority or judicial body against the listed entity or its directors, key managerial personnel, senior management, promoter or subsidiary, in relation to the listed entity, in respect of the following: (a) suspension; (b) Imposition of fine or penalty; (c) settlement of proceedings; (d) debarment; (e) disqualification; (f) closure of operations; (g) sanctions imposed; (h) warning or caution; or (i) any other similar action(s) by whatever name called;	Within 24 hours
21.	Voluntary revision of financial statements or the report of the board of directors of the listed entity under section 131 of the Companies Act, 2013.	Within 12 hours *
<b>B.</b>	<b>Events which shall be disclosed upon application of the guidelines for materiality referred sub-regulation (4) of regulation (30)</b>	
1.	Commencement or any postponement in the date of commencement of commercial production or commercial operations of any unit/division	Within 12 hours *
2.	Any of the following events pertaining to the listed entity: (i) arrangements for strategic, technical, manufacturing, or marketing tie-up; or (ii) adoption of new line(s) of business; or (iii) closure of operation of any unit, division, or subsidiary (entirety or piecemeal)	Within 12 hours *
3.	Capacity addition or product launch.	Within 12 hours *
4.	Awarding, bagging/ receiving, amendment or termination of awarded/bagged orders/contracts not in the normal course of business.	Within 24 hours
5.	Agreements (viz. loan agreement(s) or any other agreement(s) which are binding and not in normal course of business) and revision(s) or amendment(s) or termination(s) thereof.	Within 12 hours * (for agreements where listed entity is a party); Within 24 hours (for agreements where listed entity is not a party).

6.	Disruption of operations of any one or more units or division of the listed entity due to natural calamity (earthquake, flood, fire etc.), force majeure or events such as strikes, lockouts etc.	Within 24 hours
7.	Effect(s) arising out of change in the regulatory framework applicable to the listed entity.	Within 24 hours
8.	Pendency of any litigation(s) or dispute(s) or the outcome thereof which may have an impact on the listed entity.	Within 24 hours
9.	Frauds or defaults by employees of the listed entity which has or may have an impact on the listed entity.	Within 24 hours
10.	Options to purchase securities including any ESOP/ESPS Scheme.	Within 12 hours *
11.	Giving of guarantees or indemnity or becoming a surety, by whatever name called, for any third party.	Within 12 hours *
12.	Granting, withdrawal, surrender, cancellation or suspension of key licenses or regulatory approvals.	Within 24 hours
13.	Delay or default in the payment of fines, penalties, dues, etc. to any regulatory, statutory, enforcement or judicial authority.	Within 12 hours *
C.	Any other information/event viz. major development that is likely to affect business, e.g. emergence of new technologies, expiry of patents, any change of accounting policy that may have a significant impact on the accounts, etc. and brief details thereof and any other information which is exclusively known to the listed entity which may be necessary to enable the holders of securities of the listed entity to appraise its position and to avoid the establishment of a false market in such securities.	Within 24 hours
D.	Without prejudice to the generality of para (A), (B) and (C) above, the listed entity may make disclosures of event/information as specified by the Board from time to time.	Timeline as specified by the Board.

\* **Note:** In case the event or information emanates from a decision taken in a meeting of board of directors, the same shall be disclosed within thirty minutes from the closure of such meeting as against the timeline indicated in the table above.

The timeline for making disclosure under Regulation 30A of the LODR Regulations is given below:

- a. Future agreements (Reg. 30A(1)): the parties to the agreements shall inform the company about the agreement to which the company is not a party within two working days of entering into the agreement or signing an agreement to enter into such agreements.
- b. Subsisting agreements (proviso to Reg. 30A(1)):
  - i. Timeline for the parties to the subsisting agreements to inform the company about the agreement to which the company is not a party:
  - ii. Timeline for the company to disclose all such subsisting agreements to the stock exchange(s) and on its website.

## V. GUIDELINES FOR ASSESSING MATERIALITY

1. The omission of an event or information which is likely to:
  - a. result in a discontinuity or alteration of an event or information already available publicly; or

- b. result in significant market reaction if the said omission came to light at a later date;
2. In the opinion of the Board of Directors of the Company, the event /information ought to be disclose.

#### **VI. AUTHORISATION TO DISCLOSE**

Mr. Krishna Kumar B, Sr. Vice President & Manager, Mr. A. Ramadas, Sr. Vice President & CFO and Mr. Sharon Josh, Company Secretary are the Key Managerial Personnel of the Company, who are severally authorized by the Board for the purpose of determining Materiality of an event or information and for the purpose of making disclosures to the Stock Exchanges.

The Key Managerial Personnel, authorized for the purpose, will be responsible for administering this Policy, determining the materiality of events or information in relation to the Company and monitoring compliance by the Company with disclosure obligations applicable to it.

The contact details of the Key Managerial Personnel, so authorized, will be disclosed to the Stock Exchanges and will be placed on the website of the Company.

The Departments heads of the company may notify the authorised personnel as mentioned above from time to time any events which may be considered material in their opinion.

#### **VII. POLICY REVIEW**

The KMP(s) may review the Policy from time to time. Material changes to the Policy will need the approval of the Board of Directors.

#### **VIII. WEBSITE**

As per the provisions of the Listing Regulations, the Policy shall be disclosed on the website of the Company.

#### **IX. AMENDMENT**

The Board has the right to amend or modify this Policy in whole or in part, at any time, without assigning any reason whatsoever, subject, however, to the condition that such alterations will be in consonance with the provisions of the Applicable Law.

#### **X. DISCLAIMER**

Nothing contained in this Policy shall operate in derogation of any law for the time being in force or of any other regulation in force.

In any circumstance where the terms of this Policy differ from any Applicable Law governing the Company, such Applicable Law will take precedence over this Policy and procedures until such time as this Policy is modified in conformity with the Applicable Law.