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May 30, 2024

The Manager Corporate Services National Stock Exchange of India Limited Exchange Plaza, Bandra Kurla Complex, Bandra (E), Mumbai 400 051

### **Ref: Symbol: PERSISTENT**

The Manager Corporate Services BSE Limited 14<sup>th</sup> Floor, P J Towers, Dalal Street, Mumbai 400 001

Ref: Scrip Code: 533179

Dear Sir/Madam,

## Sub: Submission of Annual Secretarial Compliance Report for the Financial Year 2023-24

Pursuant to Regulation 24A of SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 read with the SEBI Circular no. CIR/CFD/CMD1/27/2019 dated February 8, 2019, and other circulars issued in this regard, please find enclosed the 'Annual Secretarial Compliance Report issued by SVD & Associates, Company Secretaries, Pune for the Financial Year 2023-24.

Please acknowledge the receipt.

Thanking you,

Yours Sincerely, For **Persistent Systems Limited** 

Amit Atre Company Secretary ICSI Membership No.: A20507

Encl: As above



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Secretarial Compliance Report of Persistent Systems Limited for the year ended March 31, 2024

We, SVD & Associates, Company Secretaries, have examined:

- (a) all the documents and records made available to us and explanation provided by **Persistent Systems Limited** ("the listed entity"),
- (b) the filings/ submissions made by the listed entity to the stock exchanges,
- (c) website of the listed entity,
- (d) any other document/ filing, as may be relevant, which has been relied upon to make this certification,

for the year ended March 31, 2024 ("Review Period") in respect of compliance with the provisions of:

- (a) the Securities and Exchange Board of India Act, 1992 ("SEBI Act") and the Regulations, circulars, guidelines issued thereunder; and
- (b) the Securities Contracts (Regulation) Act, 1956 ("SCRA"), rules made thereunder and the Regulations, circulars, guidelines issued thereunder by the Securities and Exchange Board of India ("SEBI");

The specific Regulations, whose provisions and the circulars/ guidelines issued thereunder, have been examined, include:-

- (a) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 ("SEBI LODR");
- (b) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Issue of Capital and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2018; (not applicable to the listed entity during the Review Period);
- (c) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Substantial Acquisition of Shares and Takeovers) Regulations, 2011;
- (d) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Buyback of Securities) Regulations, 2018 (not applicable to the listed entity during the Review Period);

- (e) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Share Based Employee Benefits and Sweat Equity) Regulations, 2021;
- (f) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Issue and Listing of Non-Convertible Securities) Regulations, 2021(not applicable to the listed entity during the Review Period);
- (g) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Prohibition of Insider Trading) Regulations, 2015;
- (h) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Depositories and Participants Regulations), 2018;

and circulars/ guidelines issued thereunder; and based on the above examination, we hereby report that, during the Review Period:

(a) The listed entity has complied with the provisions of the above Regulations and circulars/ guidelines issued thereunder, <u>except</u> in respect of matters specified below:-

Sr.	Complia	Regulati	Deviatio	Action	Type of	Details of	Fine	Observa	Management	Re
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(b) The listed entity has taken the following actions to comply with the observations made in previous reports:

Sr.	Observations/	Observations	Compliance	Details of	Remedial	Comments
No.	Remarks of	made in the	Requirement	violation /	actions, if any,	of the PCS
	the Practicing	secretarial	(Regulations/circulars/	deviations	taken by the	on the
	Company	compliance	guidelines including	and actions	listed entity	actions
	Secretary in	report for	specific clause)	taken /		taken by
	the previous	the year		penalty		the listed
	reports	ended	X.	imposed, if		entity
				any, on the	C	
				listed entity		

1	The listed entity	March 3	31,	SEBI has issued	Disclosure of	The listed entity	Actions
	needs to ensure	2023.		instructions to the	appointment of	has inadvertently	taken by
	while informing			Exchanges vide its Letter	Mr. Sandeep	not given the	the listed
	the Exchange			dated June 14, 2018 read	Kalra as	disclosure of Mr.	entity are
	through			with BSE circular no.	Executive	Sandeep Kalra	satisfactory.
	corporate	1.1.1.1.1.1.1.1.1		LIST/COMP/14/2018-19	director for the	under the	
	announcements			and NSE circular no.	period from	corporate	
	for appointment			NSE/CML/2018/02 dated	June 11, 2022,	announcement	
	of Director,	10 A 10 A 10		June 20, 2018	till September	and has set	
	specifically			respectively requires the	30, 2025 is	necessary	
	affirm that the			Listed Companies shall,	given to stock	procedure for	
	Director being	1		while informing	exchange on	ensuring this	
	appointed is not			the Exchange through	June 07, 2022.	disclosure under	
	debarred from			corporate	The said	the corporate	
	holding the			announcements for	disclosure does	announcements.	
	office of Director			appointment of Director,	not include the		
	by virtue of any			specifically affirm that the	details required		
	SEBI order or			Director being appointed	about non-		
	any other such			is not debarred from	debarment as		
	authority.			holding the office of	per the SEBI		
				director by virtue of any	instructions.		
				SEBI order or any other			
				such authority.			

(c) We hereby report that, during the Review Period the compliance status of the listed entity with the following requirements

Sr. No.	Particulars	Compliance Status (Yes/No/ NA)	Observations/ Remarks by PCS
1	Secretarial Standards: The compliances of the listed entity are in accordance with the applicable Secretarial Standards (SS) issued by the Institute of Company Secretaries of India (ICSI).	Yes	Nil
2	<ul> <li>Adoption and timely updation of the Policies:</li> <li>All applicable policies under SEBI Regulations are adopted with the approval of board of directors of the listed entities</li> <li>All the policies are in conformity with SEBI Regulations and has been reviewed &amp; timely updated as per the regulations/circulars/guidelines issued by SEBI</li> </ul>	Yes	Nil
3	<ul> <li>Maintenance and disclosures on Website:</li> <li>The Listed entity is maintaining a functional website</li> <li>Timely dissemination of the documents/ information under a separate section on the website</li> <li>Web-links provided in annual corporate governance reports under Regulation 27(2) are accurate and specific which re- directs to the relevant document(s)/ section of the website</li> </ul>	Yes	Nil

4	Disqualification of Director:	Yes	Nil
	None of the Director of the Company are disqualified under		
	Section 164 of Companies Act, 2013		
	Details related to Subsidiaries of listed entities		
	(a) Identification of material subsidiary companies	Yes	
	(b) Requirements with respect to disclosure of material as well	Yes	Nil
	as other subsidiaries		
;	Preservation of Documents:		
	The listed entity is preserving and maintaining records as	Yes	Nil
	prescribed under SEBI Regulations and disposal of records as		
	per Policy of Preservation of Documents and Archival policy		
	prescribed under SEBI LODR.	이 문제 집 문제 같은	
7	Performance Evaluation:		
	The listed entity has conducted performance evaluation of the	Yes	Nil
	Board, Independent Directors and the Committees at the start		
	of every financial year as prescribed in SEBI LODR.		the second shares
1	Related Party Transactions:	Yes	Nil
	(a) The listed entity has obtained prior approval of Audit		
	Committee for all Related Party Transactions; or		
	(b) In case no prior approval obtained, the listed entity shall	NA	The listed entity has obtained
	provide detailed reasons along with confirmation whether the		prior approval of Audit
	transactions were subsequently approved/ratified/rejected		Committee for all Related
	by the Audit Committee		Party Transactions.
)	Disclosure of events or information:	Yes	Nil
	The listed entity has provided all the required disclosure(s)		
	under Regulation 30 along with Schedule III of the SEBI LODR		a la substantion
	within the time limits prescribed thereunder.		
	Prohibition of Insider Trading:	Yes	Nil
0	The listed entity is in compliance with Regulation 3(5) & 3(6)		
0	SEBI (Prohibition of Insider Trading) Regulations, 2015		
-	Actions taken by SEBI or Stock Exchange(s), if any:		
	No actions taken against the listed entity/its promoters/		
11	directors/ subsidiaries either by SEBI or by Stock Exchanges		
	(including under the Standard Operating Procedures issued by		
	SEBI through various circulars) under SEBI Regulations and	Yes	Nil
	circulars/ guidelines issued thereunder		(Sr.
	(or) The actions taken against the listed entity/ its promoters/		of or
	directors/ subsidiaries either by SEBI or by Stock Exchanges		PIN
	are specified in the last column.		

12	Resignation of statutory auditors from the listed entity or its material subsidiaries: In case of resignation of statutory auditor from the listed entity or any of its material subsidiaries during the financial year, the listed entity and / or its material subsidiary(ies) has / have complied with paragraph 6.1 and 6.2 of section V-D of chapter V of the Master Circular No. SEBI/HO/CFD/PoD2/CIR/P/2023/120 dated July 11, 2023 on compliance with the provisions of the SEBI LODR by listed entities.	NA	There is no case of resignation of Statutory Auditor in the Listed entity or its material subsidiaries during the Review Period
13	No additional non-compliances observed: No additional non-compliance observed for any SEBI regulation/circular/guidance note etc. except as reported above.	Yes	Nil

For SVD & Associates Company Secretaries As

Sridhar Mudaliar

Partner FCS No: 6156 CP No: 2664 Peer Review Number: 669/2020 UDIN: F006156F000479629

Place: Pune Date: 29.05.2024

**Note:** This report is to be read with letter of even date by the Secretarial Auditors, which is annexed as Annexure A and forms an integral part of this report.

## 'ANNEXURE A'

To, The Members **Persistent Systems Limited** Bhageerath 402 Senapati Bapat Road Pune, Maharashtra, India, 411016

Our Report of even date is to be read along with this letter.

### Management's Responsibility

It is the responsibility of the management of the Company to maintain secretarial records, devise proper systems to ensure compliance with the provisions of all applicable laws and regulations and to ensure that the systems are adequate and operate effectively.

#### Auditor's Responsibility

- 1. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these secretarial records, standards and procedures followed by the Company with respect to secretarial compliances.
- 2. We believe that audit evidence and information obtained from the Company's management is adequate and appropriate for us to provide a basis for our opinion.
- 3. We have relied on the documents and evidences provided physically and through electronic mode.
- 4. Wherever required, we have obtained the management's representation about the compliance of laws, rules and regulations and happening of events, etc.

# Disclaimer

- 5. The Report is neither an assurance as to the future viability of the Company nor of the efficacy or effectiveness with which the management has conducted the affairs of the Company.
- 6. We have not verified the correctness and appropriateness of financial records and books of accounts of the Company.

For SVD & Associates & Associates Company Secretaries Meins Sridhar Mudaliar

Partner FCS No: 6156 CP No: 2664 Peer Review No: 669/2020 UDIN: F006156F000479629

Place: Pune Date: 29.05.2024