## E-AUCTION PROCESS INFORMATION DOCUMENT (For Option/Block C in Sale Notice published on 27.11.2020 and 28.11.2020)

Invitation for Bids for E-Auction of Assets of PSL Limited (in Liquidation) under the provisions of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 ("Code") by an Order of the Hon'ble National Company Law Tribunal, Ahmedabad Bench ("NCLT") dated 11th September, 2020, published on 14th September, 2020 at the website of NCLT

#### **Date of Public Announcement**

"27<sup>th</sup> November, 2020 and 28<sup>th</sup> November 2020"

#### **Date of E-Auction**

"28th December, 2020"

#### Issued by:

Nitin Jain Liquidator

IBBI Regn. No: IBBI/IPA-001/IP-P-01562/2019-2020/12462

#### **PSL Limited**

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(Mr. Nitin Jain is a Registered Insolvency Professional with Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India ("IBBI"). His Registration number is IBBI/IPA-001/IP-P-01562/2019-2020/12462. Mr. Nitin Jain has been appointed as a Liquidator of PSL Limited by NCLT, Ahmedabad Bench, vide its order dated September 11, 2020, published on September 14, 2020 at NCLT website. The affairs, business and property of PSL Limited (in Liquidation as Going Concern) are being managed by the Liquidator, Mr. Nitin Jain.)

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#### **Nitin Jain**

#### **Liquidator of PSL Limited**

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Date: 26<sup>th</sup> November, 2020

Place: New Delhi

#### Notes:

- 1) This E-Auction Process Information Document is issued only for the interested bidders interested in participating in the liquidation process of PSL Limited.
- 2) Terms and Conditions, deadlines etc. for participating in the E-Auction are provided in the E-Auction Process Information Document.
- 3) The timelines, notifications and other details for the E-Auction Process are available on the website (<a href="www.psllimited.com">www.psllimited.com</a>) of PSL Limited, website (<a href="www.insolvencyandbankruptcy.in">www.insolvencyandbankruptcy.in</a>) of Insolvency Professional Entity of the Liquidator and will also be available on the website / link of the E-Auction Service Provider. Bidders desirous to submit their Bid have to submit their Bid on E-Auction portal of the E-Auction Service Provider, which shall be published on the website (<a href="www.psllimited.com">www.psllimited.com</a>) of PSL Limited and on the website (<a href="www.insolvencyandbankruptcy.in">www.insolvencyandbankruptcy.in</a>) of Insolvency Professional Entity of the Liquidator.
- 4) The entire process shall be subject to extant Regulations, the Code and approval of the Adjudicating Authority.

#### **DISCLAIMER**

- 1. This E-Auction Process Information Document is issued by Nitin Jain, the Liquidator of PSL Limited, appointed by NCLT, Ahmedabad Bench vide its order dated 11<sup>th</sup> September, 2020, published on 14<sup>th</sup> September, 2020 at NCLT website, for general information purposes only.
- 2. The purpose of this document is to lay out the process for submitting the E-Auction Bids for the Assets of PSL Limited (in Liquidation) (the "Company" or "Corporate Debtor") in accordance with the Code.
- 3. This document is not a statutory document and it has not been approved or registered with any regulatory or statutory authority of Government of India or any State Government. Nothing herein or in materials relating to the E-Auction Process Information Document should be construed as legal, financial, accounting, regulatory or tax advice by the Liquidator.
- 4. It is to be noted that no information being provided in this E-Auction Process Information Document, claims to be comprehensive; independent due diligence of the intended users of this document or the bidders is highly recommended. While this information has been prepared in good faith, no representation or warranty, expressed or implied, is or will be made and no responsibility or liability is or will be accepted is or will be expressly disclaimed by the Liquidator or by any of his representatives, officers, agents, or the Company or in relation to the accuracy, fairness, authenticity or completeness of this E-Auction Process Information Document or any other written or oral information made available to any prospective Bidder or its advisors. In so far as the information contained in this E-Auction Process Information Document includes current and historical information, the accuracy, adequacy, authenticity, correctness, fairness, and completeness of such information cannot be guaranteed. By acceptance of this E-Auction Process Information Document, the Biddershall be deemed to have acknowledged that it has not relied upon any representation and warranty made by the Liquidator.
- 5. This E-Auction Process Information Document and information contained herein or disclosed should not be printed, reproduced, transmitted, sold, distributed, or published by the recipient, without prior written approval from the Liquidator. Distributing or taking/ending/dispatching/transmitting this E-Auction Process Information Document in certain foreign jurisdictions may be restricted by law, and Persons in whose possession this E-Auction Process Information Document comes should inform themselves about, and observe, any such restrictions. Neither the Liquidator, nor his professional advisors, affiliates, directors, employees, agents, representatives or managers of the process shall be liable for any damages, whether direct or indirect, special or consequential including loss of revenue or profits that may arise from or in connection with the use of this E-Auction Process Information Document, including for the Bidder not being selected as a Successful Bidder or on account of any decision taken by the Liquidator.
- 6. Neither the Liquidator, nor his Insolvency Professional Entity, his Partners, Legal Associates, etc. shall be liable for any damages, whether direct or indirect, including loss of revenue or

- profits that may arise from or in connection with the use of this E-Auction Process Information Document, including for the E-Auction Participant not being selected as a Successful Auction Participant or on account of any decision taken by the Liquidator.
- 7. Further, apart from the provisions set out in this E-Auction Process Information Document, the E-Auction process applicant shall be responsible for fully satisfying the requirements and provisions of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code 2016 and of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Liquidation Process) Regulations 2016 as well as all laws in force that are or may be applicable to the applicant or the sale process and for obtaining requisite regulatory.
- 8. It is to be noted that by procuring a copy of this E-Auction Process Information Document, the recipient accepts the terms of this disclaimer, which forms an integral part of this E-Auction Process Information Document and part of all the other terms and conditions of this E-Auction Process Information Document.
- 9. By procuring this E-Auction Process Information Document the interested bidders shall obtain access to the Data Room.
- 10. Under no circumstances shall the E-Auction Participant make any contact, direct or indirect, by any mode whatsoever, with the Company until the Liquidator gives his Written Permission.
- 11. No Person, including the Bidder shall be entitled under any law, statute, rules or regulations or tort, principles of restitution or unjust enrichment or otherwise to claim for any loss, damage, cost or expense which may arise from or be incurred or suffered on account of anything contained in this E-Auction Process Information Document or otherwise, including the accuracy, adequacy, authenticity, correctness, completeness or reliability of the information or opinions contained in this E-Auction Process Information Document and any assessment, assumption, statement or information contained therein or deemed to form part of this E-Auction Process Information Document, and the Liquidator or any of his respective advisors, consultants and representatives and the Company, do not have any responsibility or liability for any such information or opinions and therefore, any liability or responsibility is hereby expressly disclaimed.
- 12. The Property and Assets of the Company are proposed to be sold on "As is where is basis", "As is what is basis", "Whatever there is basis" and "No recourse" basis and the proposed sale of assets of the Company does not entail transfer of any other title, except the title which the Company had on its assets as on date of transfer. The Liquidator does not take or assume any responsibility for any shortfall or defect or shortcoming in the moveable/immoveable assets of the Company.
- 13. The E-Auction Participant shall bear all its costs and charges associated with or relating to the preparation and submission of its bid including but not limited to Physical and Electronic preparation, copying, postage, delivery fees, expenses associated with any demonstrations or presentations which may be required by the Liquidator or any other costs incurred in

connection with or relating to its bid.

- 14. This E-Auction Process Information Document is neither an agreement nor an offer by the Liquidator to the Prospective Bidders or any other person. The objective of this E-Auction Process Information Document is to provide interested parties with information that may be useful to them in making their bids. It may be noted that the assumptions, assessments, statements and information contained in the E-Auction Process Information Document may not be complete, accurate, adequate or correct. Each Bidder should, therefore, conduct its own due-diligence, investigations and analysis and should also check the accuracy, adequacy, correctness, reliability and completeness of the assumptions, assessments, statements and information contained in this E-Auction Process Information Document and may get independent advice from appropriate sources.
- 15. Information provided in this E-Auction Process Information Document to the Bidder(s) has been collected and collated from several sources. The information given by no means claims to be an exhaustive account of statutory requirements and should not be regarded as complete. The Liquidator accepts no liability or responsibility for the authenticity, accuracy or otherwise for any statement or information contained in the E-Auction Process Information Document.
- 16. The Bidders are prohibited from giving or offering any gift, bribe or inducement and any attempt to any such act on behalf of the Bidder towards the Liquidator, or any of his respective professional advisors, affiliates, or Representatives for showing any favor in relation to this document or the process set out herein, shall render the bidder to such liability and penalty as the Liquidator may deem proper, including but not limited to immediate disqualification and exclusion from the process contemplated hereunder.
- 17. Neithertheinformationinthis E-Auction Process Information Document noranyotherwrittenor oral information provided by the Liquidator, or any of his respective advisors, consultants and representatives is intended to form the basis of or the inducement for submission of any document or information or the Bid by any prospective Bidder or for any investment activity.
- 18. It is to be noted that by procuring a copy of this E-Auction Process Information Document, the recipient accepts the terms of this Disclaimer, which forms an integral part of this E- Auction Process Information Document

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#### A. INFORMATION MUST BE READ BEFORE BIDDING

- This E-Auction Process Information Document has been issued for the purpose of carrying out E-Auction of assets of PSL Limited (in liquidation) (the "Company" or "Corporate Debtor") under the provisions of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 and the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Liquidation Process) Regulations, 2016 (Liquidation Process Regulations).
- 2. The information provided in this E-Auction Process Information Document should be read together with the provisions of the Code and the Liquidation Process Regulations. In the event of a conflict between this E-Auction Process Information Document and the Code or the Liquidation Process Regulations, the provisions of the Code or the Liquidation Process Regulations, as the case may be, shall always prevail.
- 3. The bidders have 3 options for the purpose of bidding which are categorized as Block A, Block B and Block C (C1-C20) which was mentioned in the Public Notice for sale published on 27.11.2020 and 28.11.2020. This Eauction document covers the terms and conditions only for Option/Block C (C1-C20), where the Option/ Block C (C1-C20) are to be sold under piece meal basis. However, it is important to note that the Option/Block A has an overriding preference over Option/Block B and Option/Block C (C1-C20), which means that if there is a bid received higher than or equal to the reserve price for Option/Block A, then the bids for Option/Block B as well as Option/Block C (C1-C20) shall ALL BE CANCELLED AND ALL CONSIDERED TO BE NULLIFIED, except in a case when the cumulative bid amounts received by adding the successful bids under both Option/Block B and Option/Block C(C1-C20) is higher than the bid received for Block A. The Liquidator at the end of the E-Auction shall declare the successful bidder(s) for any asset block(s.). This right of selecting and declaring the successful bidder (s) shall solely rest with the Liquidator at all times.
- 4. The information contained in this E-Auction Process Information Document or subsequently provided to Bidder(s), whether verbally or in documentary or any other form by or on behalf of the Liquidator, is provided to Bidder(s) on the terms and conditions as set out in this E-Auction Process Information Document.
- 5. The Liquidator may in his absolute discretion, but without being under any obligation to do so, update, amend or supplement the information, assessment or assumptions contained in this E-Auction Process Information Document.
- 6. The issuance of this E-Auction Process Information Document does not imply that the Liquidator is bound to select a Bidder or to appoint the Preferred Bidder as Successful Bidder for the assets of the company and the Liquidator reserves the right to reject all or any of the Bidders or bids without assigning any reason whatsoever.

7. E-Procurement Technologies Limited, A – 801, Wall Street-II, Opposite Orient Club, Near Gujarat College, Ellis bridge, Ahmedabad (E-Auction Service Provider") has been appointed as the E-Auction Service Provider. The sale of the Assets and Properties of the Company shall be undertaken by the E-Auction Service Provider for and on behalf of the Seller through an E-auction platform provided on the website portal of the E-Auction Service Provider (Platform). Other details with respect to the E-auction are as follows:

Type of Bid	E-Auction		
Seller	Nitin Jain (Liquidator for PSL Limited)		
Website of E-	https://aaa.auctiontiger.net.		
Auction service			
provider			
Service Provider	E-Procurement Technologies Limited,		
	A-801, Wall Street –II, Opp. Orient Club, Near Gujarat		
	College, Ellisbridge, Ahmedabad – 380006.		
	Contact Person: Mr. Tilak Maratha		
	Email ID – tilak@auctiontiger.net		
	Mobile No. – 9067799646		
Annexures and	Format A :Format for Bank Guarantee for EMD		
Formats	Format B :Format for Bank Guarantee for EMD by		
	Associate Company		
	Annexure I : Affidavit and Undertaking		
	Annexure II : Bid form (to be duly filled in and signed		
	and stamped by the Bidder and uploaded)		
	Annexure III : Declaration by the Bidder (to be duly		
	filled in and signed, stamped by the Bidder and uploaded along		
	with the Bid form)		
	Annexure IV : Terms & Condition of the E-auction		
	Annexure V : Asset Information Sheet		
Special Instructions	Please note that this bidding is a serious matter and		
	last minute bidding may lead to unnecessary lapses.		
	Neither the E-Auction Service Provider nor the		
	Liquidator will be responsible for any lapses on part of		
	the Bidders.		

8. All terms and conditions with respect to the sale of the assets and properties of the company shall be governed by the directions of the Liquidator, NCLT and in accordance with the provisions of applicable laws. As mandated by the NCLT, the Liquidator shall exercise all rights with respect to sale of the Assets and Properties and it would be open to the Liquidator to appoint such experts, professionals or other persons, as the Liquidator might think necessary, in consultation with NCLT, so as to enable the sale of the assets.

- 9. The Annexures to this E-Auction Process Information Document shall form an integral part hereof and this E-Auction Process Information Document shall always be read in conjunction with the Annexures appended hereto.
- 10. The title document relating to the properties shall be available on request to be made to the Liquidator at <a href="mailto:psl.limited@aaainsolvency.com">psl.limited@aaainsolvency.com</a>

#### **B. KEY DEFINITIONS**

"Adjudicating Authority" or "NCLT" shall mean the Hon'ble Ahmedabad Bench of the National Company Law Tribunal;

"Applicable Laws" shall mean, all the applicable laws, codes, regulations, rules, guidelines, circulars, re-enactments, revisions, applications and adaptations thereto, judgments, decrees, injunctions, writs and orders of any court, arbitrator or governmental agency or authority, rules, regulations, orders and interpretations of any governmental authority, court or statutory or other body applicable for such transactions including but not limited to the IBC, Liquidation Regulations, Companies Act, 1956 / 2013 (as applicable), Competition Act, 2002, Transfer of Property Act, 1882, Sale of Goods Act, 1930, Foreign Exchange Management Act, 1999, whether in effect as of the date of this E-Auction Process Information Document or thereafter and each as amended from time to time;

"Bid" means, any bid submitted by the Bidders as required in terms of this E-Auction Process Information Document and in accordance with the provisions of IBC read together with the Liquidation Process Regulations and the Applicable Laws;

"Control" shall mean a Person holding more than 26% (twenty six percent) of the voting share capital in a company or the ability to appoint majority of the directors on the board of another company or the ability of a company to direct or cause direction of the management and policies of another company, whether by operation of law or by contract or otherwise;

**"E-Auction Process Participant**" or **"Bidder"** mean, Person or Persons who submitted a bid as per the E-Auction Process Information Document; and shall include a Qualified Bidder or the Successful Bidder, as the case may be, and as the context requires;

**E-Auction Process Information Document**" means this document including all the appendices hereto, for the purposes of setting out the process for submission of a bid and selection of Successful Bid in accordance with the provisions of the IBC and shall include all supplements, modifications, amendments, alterations or clarifications thereto issued in accordance with the terms hereof.

"IBC" shall mean Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 and the related rules and regulations issued there under, as amended from time to time.

"Liquidation Process Regulations" means, the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Liquidation Process) Regulations 2016 as amended from time to time;

"Liquidator" means an insolvency professional appointed as a liquidator in accordance with section 34 of the IBC;

"Liquidation Process Regulations" means the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Liquidation Process) Regulations, 2016, as amended from time to time;

"**Person**" shall mean an individual, a partnership firm, an association, a corporation, a limited company, a trust, a body corporate, bank or financial institution or any other body, whether incorporated or not;

"Qualified Bidder(s)" shall mean a Bidder who fulfills the eligibility criteria listed out in the E-Auction Process Information Document.

"Successful Bidder" or "Successful E-Auction Process Participant" means, the Qualified Bidder whose bid is approved and who is declared successful by the Liquidator at the end of the determined auction phase.

"Floor Price" shall mean a price fixed by the Liquidator from which the bidding in the eauction will start (not being the reserve price).

#### C. INTRODUCTION

- 1) PSL Limited filed an Application under Section 10 of the IBC to initiate Corporate Insolvency Resolution Process against itself as per the provisions of IBC, wherein the Application was admitted by the NCLT vide its order dated February 15, 2019 ("CIRP Order"). Pursuant to the CIRP Order, the management of the affairs of the Company were vested with Mr. Nilesh Sharma, the Interim Resolution Professional of the Company ("IRP") appointed by the NCLT. Subsequently, Mr. Nitin Jain was appointed as the Resolution Professional ("RP") vide Order dated August 30, 2019 of NCLT. The RP had been vested with the responsibility to manage the affairs of the Company and to further perform all such duties and acts as prescribed under Section 17 read with 23(2) of IBC. Since no Resolution Plan was received during CIRP period, the Application for Liquidation was filed before the NCLT by the Liquidator, subsequent to voting by COC. The said Application for Liquidation of PSL Limited submitted by the RP was admitted by the NCLT vide its order dated September 11, 2020, and published on September 14, 2020 at NCLT website. Pursuant to the Liquidation Order, the RP was appointed as the Liquidator to conduct the Liquidation Process of the Company in accordance with the provisions of IBC and Liquidation Process Regulations.
- 2) It is the endeavor of the Liquidator to sell the assets and properties comprising the liquidation estate of the Company in the manner specified under Regulation 32 of the Liquidation Process Regulations, any other rules, regulations, orders, circulars, directions or notifications or the like, issued pursuant to or under the IBC or the Liquidation Process Regulations, as the case may be, and as per directions, if any, of the NCLT in respect of the liquidation process of the Company and in the manner specified in this E-Auction Process Information Document.
- 3) The E-Auction would be conducted in the manner specified in the Schedule I, as provided under Regulation 33 of the Liquidation Process Regulations, any other rules, regulations, orders, circulars, directions or notifications or the like, issued pursuant to or under the IBC or the Liquidation Process Regulations, as the case may be, and as per directions, if any, of the NCLT in respect of the liquidation process of the Company and in the manner specified in this E-Auction Process Information Document.
- 4) The E-Auction Participants are encouraged to make themselves acquainted with the provisions of the IBC and the Liquidation Process Regulations and any other rules, regulations, orders, circulars, directions or notifications or the like, issued pursuant to or under the IBC or the Liquidation Process Regulations, as the case may be.

#### D. THE COMPANY AND IT'S ASSETS OVERVIEW

#### **Brief Background:**

PSL Limited a company incorporated in 1987, having its registered office at Kachigam Daman, Union Territory of Daman & Diu, India 396210, is a public listed entity and is one of the largest pipe manufacturing capacities of H-SAW (Helical Submerged Arc Welded) pipes in India with an annual capacity of 1.5 mn MT. It has 4 operational manufacturing plants located at Chennai, Vishakhapatnam, Varsana and Jaipur. The Corporate Debtor on account of lack of availability of working capital is doing only job work, and had revenues and other income equal to Rs. 77.65 Crores in Financial Year 2020. The Company has been engaged in HSAW pipe manufacturing, helical two step manufacturing, high performance corrosion protection and other ancillary services. The detailed information of the Company and information memorandum is also uploaded in the Data Room.

#### **Present Status:**

NCLT has vide the Liquidation Order had ordered commencement of liquidation process of the Company as per Section 33 of the IBC read with Liquidation Process Regulations. Pursuant to the Liquidation Order, the Resolution Professional was appointed as the Liquidator to perform its duties as per the provisions of the IBC and Liquidation Process Regulations. The Liquidator is in the process of inviting qualified bidders to participate in the E- Auction for sale of Company in accordance with the provisions of IBC and Liquidation Process Regulations.

#### E. ELIGIBILITY

An E-Auction Process Applicant shall not be eligible to submit a bid for purchase of assets of the Company if it fails to meet the eligibility criteria as set out in Section 29A of the IBC (as amended from time to time).

A careful reading of Section 29-A of the IBC states that a person shall not be eligible to submit a bid, if such person, or any other person acting jointly or in concert with such person –

- a) Is an undischarged insolvent;
- b) Is a willful defaulter in accordance with the guidelines of the Reserve Bank of India issued under the Banking Regulation Act, 1949;
- c) At the time of submission of the resolution plan has an account, or an account of a corporate debtor under the management or control of such person or of whom such person is a promoter, classified as non-performing asset in accordance with the guidelines of the Reserve Bank of India issued under the Banking Regulation Act, 1949 (10 of 1949) 3 [or the guidelines of a financial sector regulator issued under any other law for the time being in force,] and at

least a period of one year has lapsed from the date of such classification till the date of commencement of the corporate insolvency resolution process of the corporate debtor:

Provided that the person shall be eligible to submit a resolution plan if such person makes payment of all overdue amounts with interest thereon and charges relating to nonperforming asset accounts before submission of resolution plan: 1 Provided further that nothing in this clause shall apply to a resolution applicant where such applicant is a financial entity and is not a related party to the corporate debtor.

Explanation I.- For the purposes of this proviso, the expression "related party" shall not include a financial entity, regulated by a financial sector regulator, if it is a financial creditor of the corporate debtor and is a related party of the corporate debtor solely on account of conversion or substitution of debt into equity shares or instruments convertible into equity shares, prior to the insolvency commencement date.

Explanation II.— For the purposes of this clause, where a resolution applicant has an account, or an account of a corporate debtor under the management or control of such person or of whom such person is a promoter, classified as non-performing asset and such account was acquired pursuant to a prior resolution plan approved under this Code, then, the provisions of this clause shall not apply to such resolution applicant for a period of three years from the date of approval of such resolution plan by the Adjudicating Authority under this Code;

- d) Has been convicted for any offence punishable with imprisonment:
  - for two years or more under any Act specified under the Twelfth Schedule; or
  - ii. for seven years or more under any law for the time being in force:

Provided that this clause shall not apply to aperson after expiry of a period of two years from the date of his release from imprisonment:

Provided further that this clause shall not apply in relation to a connected person referred to in clause(iii) of Explanation I;

- e) Is disqualified to act as a director under the Companies Act, 2013;

  Provided that this clause shall not apply in relation to a connected person referred to in clause (iii) of Explanation I;
- f) Is prohibited by the Securities and Exchange Board of India from trading in securities or accessing the securities markets;
- g) Has been a promoter or in the management control of a corporate debtor in which a preferential transaction, undervalued transaction, extortionate credit transaction or fraudulent transaction has taken place and in respect of which an order has been made by the Adjudicating Authority under this Code;
  - Provided that this clause shall not apply if a preferential transaction, undervalued transaction, extortionate credit transaction or fraudulent transaction has taken place prior to the acquisition of the corporate debtor by the resolution applicant pursuant to a resolution plan approved under this Code

or pursuant to a scheme or plan approved by a financial sector regulator or a court, and such resolution applicant has not otherwise contributed to the preferential transaction, undervalued transaction, extortionate credit transaction or fraudulent transaction;

- h) Has executed a guarantee in favour of a creditor in respect of a corporate debtor against which an application for insolvency resolution made by such creditor has been admitted under this Code and such guarantee has been invoked by the creditor and remains unpaid in full or part.
- i) is subject to any disability, corresponding to clauses (a) to (h), under any law in a jurisdiction outside India; or
- j) Has a connected person not eligible under clauses (a) to (i)

Explanation – For the purposes of this clause, the expression "connected person" means

- i. Any person who is the promoter or in the management or control of the Eauction process applicant; or
- ii. Any person who shall be the promoter or in management or control of the assets of the Company pursuant to sale thereof as part of the liquidation process of the Company; or
- iii. The holding company, subsidiary company, associate company or related party of a person referred to in clauses (i) and (ii)

Provided that nothing in clause (iii) of this Explanation shall apply to a bidder where such bidder is a financial entity and is not a related party of the corporate debtor:

Provided further that the expression "related party" shall not include a financial entity regulated by a financial sector regulator, if it is a financial creditor of the corporate debtor and is a related party of the corporate debtor solely on account of conversion or substitution of debt into equity shares or instruments convertible into equity shares, prior to the insolvency commencement date.

Explanation II—For the purposes of this section, "financial entity" shall mean the following entities which meet such criteria or conditions as the Central Government may, in consultation with the financial sector regulator, notify in this behalf, namely:—

- (a) a scheduled bank;
- (b) any entity regulated by a foreign central bank or a securities market regulator or other financial sector regulator of a jurisdiction outside India which jurisdiction is compliant with the Financial Action Task Force Standards and is a signatory to the International Organisation of Securities Commissions Multilateral Memorandum of Understanding;
- (c) any investment vehicle, registered foreign institutional investor, registered foreign portfolio investor or a foreign venture capital investor, where the terms shall have the meaning assigned to them in regulation 2 of the Foreign Exchange Management (Transfer or Issue of Security by a

- Person Resident Outside India) Regulations, 2017 made under the Foreign Exchange Management Act, 1999 (42 of1999);
- (d) an asset reconstruction company register with the Reserve Bank of India under section 3 of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (54 of 2002);
- (e) an Alternate Investment Fund registered with Securities and Exchange Board of India;
- (f) such categories of persons as may be notified by the Central Government.

## F. DOCUMENTS REQUIRED TO BE SUBMITTED TO ASCERTAIN ELIGIBILITY OF THE BIDDER

Therefore, the E-Auction Process Applicant or the Bidder would need to submit the following forms, documents and authorizations as part of the Auction Plan by the bidder(s):

- Ownership Structure and Composition of the E-Auction Applicant / Bidder, Proof of Identity, Current Address Proof, PAN card, Valid e-mail ID, Landline and Mobile Phone number
- 2. Authorization to the Signatory (in case the bidder is a legal entity)
- 3. Affidavit and Undertaking by the E-Auction Process Applicant (through Authorized Signatory, in case the bidder is a legal entity). The Format for the Affidavit and Undertaking is attached vide' **Annexure I**
- 4. An eligible bidder will need to submit the duly filled, signed and stamped <u>Bid</u> <u>Application Form</u> attached vide' <u>Annexure II</u>, and duly filled, signed and stamped <u>Declaration by Bidders</u> attached vide' <u>Annexure III</u>.

Please note that only the eligible bidders will gain access to Data Room, Information Memorandum, documentation, additional information required for due diligence, after due submission of the required bid form and declaration form. Further, if needed, the site visits for only the eligible bidders may also be coordinated by the Liquidator.

Further, it should be noted that at any stage of the E-Auction process, the liquidator may ask for any documents from the prospective bidders to evaluate their eligibility. The liquidator, at his discretion may disqualify the prospective bidder for non-submission of the requested documents.

#### G. PHYSICAL VERIFICATION AND SITE VISIT

- 1) The Qualified Bidder is expected to make its own arrangements including accommodation for the Site Visit. All costs and expenses incurred in relation to Site Visits shall be borne by the Qualified Bidder.
- 2) In Site Visit, the Qualified Bidder(s) may carry out its own comprehensive due diligence in respect of the Company and shall be deemed to have full knowledge of the condition of the Company, its

assets, relevant documents, information etc. whether or not the Qualified Bidder actually inspects or participates in the Site Visit or verifies the document provided by the Liquidator. During the Site Visit, a Qualified Bidder shall not:

- (i) take any photographs of the Site or take any documents back with it; or
- (ii) initiate any discussion regarding the Liquidation Process, with the personnel at Site, during the course of its Site Visit.
- 3) The Qualified Bidder shall not be entitled to receive any reimbursement of any expenses which may have been incurred in carrying out of due diligence, search of title to the assets and matters incidental thereto or for any purpose in connection with the Bid.
- 4) Any delay in completion of the Site Visit by the Qualified Bidder, shall not entitle the Qualified Bidder to any extension in the timelines, including the timeline for completion of such Site Visit or submission of the Bid, by or before the last date for submission of the Bid.

The Liquidator may coordinate a site visit for Eligible Bidders at any time prior to the closure of the E-Auction process, following a request for such a visit by the Eligible Bidders. The Liquidator will communicate, in advance, to such Eligible Bidder, all the relevant details, terms and conditions, if any, with respect to such Site Visit. The Liquidator reserves the right to not arrange a site visit for any reason whatsoever, irrespective of the request of the Eligible Bidder.

#### H. DUE DILIGENCE

The Liquidator shall endeavor to provide necessary assistance, facilitating the conduction of due diligence by interested Bidders. The information and documents shall be provided by the Liquidator in good faith.

The properties and assets of the Company are proposed to be sold on "As is where is basis", "As is what is basis", "Whatever there is basis" and "No recourse" basis and the proposed sale of assets of the Company does not entail transfer of any title, except the title which the Company had on its assets as on date of transfer.

#### Clarifications-

i) While the data/ information provided in this E-Auction Process Information Document and the Data Room, has been prepared and provided in good faith, the Liquidator and their Representatives shall not accept any responsibility or liability, whatsoever, in respect of any statements or omissions herein, or the accuracy, correctness, completeness or reliability of the information provided, and shall incur no liability under any law, statute, rules or regulations as to the accuracy, reliability and completeness of the information provided, even if any loss or damage is caused to any of the Bidder by any act or omission on their part.

- ii) It is further clarified that the data/information provided in the Data Room has been prepared based on books of accounts, financial statements, Company's website and discussions and representations by the erstwhile directors and key managerial personnel of the Company. Reasonable care has been taken in compiling various data and information, however the Liquidator along their advisors, consultants, Representatives, make no representation or warranties, express or implied, as to the quality, accuracy, authenticity, correctness, fairness and completeness of the data provided in the Data Room, and assume no liability whatsoever in respect of any inaccuracy, incompleteness, or omissions in the data provided in the Data Room.
- iii) Any clarification uploaded in the Data Room shall be binding on all the Bidders and shall be deemed to form part of this E -Auction Process Information Document. No request for modifications of the clarifications shall be entertained, however, the Liquidator, may, in a fit case and as per his discretion, issue modification to the clarifications, if required. Such modifications(s) shall be binding on all the Bidders and shall be deemed to modify the clarification and be read as a part of this E-Auction Process Information Document.
- iv) A Bidder requiring any clarification on this E- Auction Process Information Document, Liquidation Process, and submission of the Bid or on the Company shall email such request for clarification to psl.limited@aaainsolvency.com with a copy to nitinjain@aaainsolvency.com.
- v) The Liquidator reserves the right not to respond to any query or provide any clarification, at their sole discretion, and no extension of time and date referred to in this E-Auction Process Information Document shall be granted on the basis of not having received response to clarifications sought from the Liquidator. Nothing in this Clause shall be considered or read as compelling or requiring the Liquidator to respond to any query or to provide any clarification to the queries raised by a bidder. The Liquidator will not be held responsible for any delay in response or non-response to clarifications raised by the Bidder.

#### I. ASSETS TO BE AUCTIONED AND RESERVE PRICES

Asset	Block	Reserve Price (In Crores)	EMD Amount (In Crores)	Incremental Value
OPTION/BLOCK C (Piecemeal Basis)				
Building and Plant and Machinery at P.B. No. 25,	C1	1.75	0.175	2 Lakhs
Kachigam, Daman (UT) – 396210				
Plant and machinery at Pithampur Industrial	C2	5.50	0.55	3 Lakhs
Area, Bajrangpura, Madhya Pradesh 454775				
Land at S. No. 377/2, village Kanchigam, Nani	C3	35.00	3.50	5 Lakhs
Daman, Zari Causeway Road, Daman (21.74				
acres)				
PSL Tower at 615, Makwana Road (Off Andheri	C4	46.00	4.60	5 Lakhs

Kurla Road), Behind Star Plus Office, Marol,				
Andheri (East), Mumbai – 400059				
Commercial office space at B- 307, Third floor,	C5	3.25	0.32	2 Lakhs
Vardhaman Chambers Premises Co-op Society				
Ltd. , Plot No.84, Sector No. 17, Vashi, Navi				
Mumbai – 400 705 (2,350 sq. ft built up area)				
Commercial office space at B- 319, Third floor,	C6	3.25	0.32	2 Lakhs
Vardhaman Chambers Premises Co-op Society				
Ltd. , Plot No.84, Sector No. 17, Vashi, Navi				
Mumbai – 400 705 (2,350 sq. ft built up area)				
Residential Bungalow at Plot No. 144, "Parsik	C7	8.50	0.85	3 Lakhs
Hill", Off Uran Road, Sector 27, Village CBD				
Belapur, Taluka & District Thane, Navi Mumbai,				
Maharashtra 400614 (4,730.4 sq. ft.)				
Commercial Premises No. E-1, E-2 & E-3, 1st floor,	C8	3.80	0.38	2 Lakhs
Shiv Parvati Shopping Complex, Plot No. 106-110,				
Sector-21, Nerul East, Navi Mumbai – 40070				
(2,031 sq. ft. – Carpet Area)				
Land at Survey No. 123 (P) and 124, Mahudi	C9	13.00	1.30	3 Lakhs
Road, Village Khadat, Taluka Mansa, District				
Gandhinagar, Gujarat (21.04 acres)				
Land at R. Survey No. 18, 37 & 50 at village	C10	40.00	4.00	5 Lakhs
Rampara- II , Taluka- Rajula, District – Amreli,	010			5 205
Gujarat – 365560 (169 acres)				
Commercial Office Spaces at Old Plot No. 8/2A,	C12	1.20	0.12	1 Lakh
New No. 15/2 and Old Plot No. 8/2B, New No.	CIZ	1.20	0.12	1 Lukii
15/3, Montieth Lane Egmore, Chennai (1,750 sq.				
ft.)				
Residential Flat at New No. 15/16, Old No. 8/15,	C13	0.75	0.075	50
Survey No. 1605/9, Montieth lane, Egmore,	CIS	0.75	0.073	Thousand
Chennai (1,235 sq. ft.)				mousana
Plot no. B-96, PSL House, Greater Kailash Part I,	C14	17.99	1.70	5 Lakh
New Delhi 110048 (Ground Floor and First Floor)	C14	17.33	1.70	J Lakii
(716.58 sq. mt.)				
Iron Ore Mine at Thakron ki Dhani (Bachhari	C15	2.50	0.25	1 Lakh
•	C15	2.50	0.25	1 Lakii
Ganeshpura), Tehsil- Shahpura, District-Jaipur- 303103				
	C16	15.00	1 50	2 Lakh
100% equity Investment in PSL Corrosion Control Services Limited	C10	15.00	1.50	3 Lakh
	C17	4.20	0.42	2 1 alch
18.25% equity Investment in Eurocoustic Products Limited	C17	4.29	0.42	3 Lakh
100% Investment in PSL Infrastructure and Ports	C18	4.30	0.43	3 Lakh
Private Limited	C19	4.50	0.43	O LdKII
Investment in Other associates	C19	0.15	0.015	50
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				Thousand
Contingent Asset – Receivables due from IOCL	C20	9.44	0.94	1 Lakh

The details of all these Assets/Blocks are to be mandatorily checked in the VDR provided, wherein all the details of the assets along with legal cases/eviction notices have been mentioned. In case any other information w.r.t any asset is required, the bidders are requested to inform the Liquidator at psl.limited@aaainsolvency.com. The link of the VDR is as follows:

http://103.205.64.242/owncloud/index.php/s/sLT4fluly542Avh

#### J. EARNEST MONEY DEPOSIT (EMD)

All the E-Auction Process Applicants shall provide, along with or prior %to submission of their auction bids, an amount which is equal to the 10 % of the reserve price for the block of asset that is to be bided for, as earnest money by way of a bank guarantee valid for 6 months issued by any scheduled commercial bank in India ("Bank") in favour of the Guarantee Beneficiary, i.e., PSL Limited — in liquidation, in the Format A (Earnest Money — Bank Guarantee) provided in this E-Auction Process Information Document or transfer of monies equal to EMD to the PSL Limited in Liquidation bank account as mentioned below.

It may be noted that the Bidder may request the Liquidator to permit the Bidder to submit the Earnest Money through its Associate or Associate Company. Such payment of the Earnest Money by an Associate or Associate Company of the Bidder shall be accompanied by a letter in the format set out in **Format B** (Earnest Money by an Associate / Associate Company). Such an Associate or Associate Company must also be an Eligible Bidder as per the requirements specified in this E-Auction Process Information Document. Provided that, the Liquidator reserves the right to accept such a request at its sole discretion and upon such terms and conditions as it may deem fit, including but not limited to requiring such a party to submit any authorization documents or other necessary details/documents.

- 1. The Earnest Money Deposit, which would not be bearing any interest, has to be paid by the Bidder prior to uploading the online bid form.
- 2. Through RTGS / NEFT to the account number of the company as provided under:

Name	PSL LIMITED IN LIQUIDATION
Account No.	50200052360802
Bank Name	HDFC Bank
Branch	B 54 Greater Kailash-1, New Delhi
IFSC Code	HDFC0000092

3. The details of any remittances in this regard shall be entered in the online form submitted by the Bidder. The entire EMD amount shall be remitted by

- the Bidder (s) from one bank account only and to be owned by the Bidder.
- 4. Bidders shall preserve the remittance Challan and shall produce the same in front of the Liquidator as and when demanded.
- 5. All the payments to be made by the Bidder under the E-auction shall be intimated to the Liquidator at <a href="mailto:psl.limited@aaainsolvency.com">psl.limited@aaainsolvency.com</a> with a copy to <a href="mailto:nitinjain@aaainsolvency.com">nitinjain@aaainsolvency.com</a>

The Earnest Money may also be provided in the form of the cash which can be deposited by E-Auction process applicant, by way of direct bank transfer to the bank account as notified by the Liquidator. It should be noted that No interest will be paid to the auction process applicant in relation to such Earnest Money amount.

# Forfeiture of Earnest Money Deposit / Invocation of Bank Guarantee from the E-Auction Applicant / Bidder

The Guarantee Beneficiary shall have the right to invoke the bank guarantee for a period upto 30 (thirty) days from the last date of the submission of the Earnest Money, by issuance of a written demand to the Bank in the circumstances as set out in the Bank Guarantee.

It is to be noted that the Earnest Money furnished can be forfeited at any time, upon the occurrence of any of the following events:

- 1. If there is a breach of any of the conditions under this E-Auction Process Information Document by the Bidder or in case Bidder is found to have made any misrepresentation; or
- If Bidder is found to be ineligible to submit the bid as per the conditions set out in Section 29A of the IBC (as amended from time to time) or is found to have made a false or misleading declaration of eligibility as per the conditions set out in Section 29A of the IBC (as amended from time to time);
- 3. If the Bidder is identified as the Successful bidder and it fails to extend the validity of the Earnest Money through the bank guarantee or does not accept the Letter of Intent issued by the Liquidator.
- 4. If the Successful Bidder fails to make the complete payment as per the terms of the Letter of Intent issued by the Liquidator.

#### Set-Off of Earnest Money of the Successful Bidder

Unless expressly indicated by the Bidder, the Earnest Money shall be set-off against or used as part of the consideration that the successful bidder proposes to offer in relation to the Company,

In case the auction fails, then the Earnest Money paid by the E-auction process applicant shall be returned (without interest) to it within 7 (seven) days of the date of closure of auction process.

The EMD amount of the bidders other than the successful bidder, shall be refunded within 15 days from the date of e-auction.

#### **Issuance of Letter of Intent and Transaction Documents**

The Successful Bidder, with in a period of 7 days from submission of bid, shall be required to execute a letter of intent (LOI) provided by the Liquidator, the terms of which shall be binding on him.

A sale certificate and / or conveyance document and/ or transfer documents for the relevant asset/assets shall be issued / executed between the Successful Bidder and the Company, upon receipt of the balance sale consideration i.e. within a period of 30 days from the issuance of LOI.

#### **Default by Successful Bidder and its Results**

In the event of the Successful Bidder withdrawing his E-Auction Application, the Guarantee Beneficiary / Liquidator shall have the right to invoke /encash the Earnest Money furnished by the Successful Bidder

#### K. DECLARATION OF SUCCESSFUL BIDDER

The Liquidator at the end of the E-Auction Process, shall declare the Successful Bidder(s). The Successful Bidder(s) shall be determined on the basis of highest Bid received in respect of sale of asset in accordance with the provisions of IBC and Liquidation Process Regulations read with Terms & Conditions as specified in the E-auction portal. In case of any dispute / discrepancy, the Liquidator shall assess the E-Auction applications and declare the Successful Bidder(s) offering maximum value for the auction of the asset. This right of selecting and declaring the Successful Bidder(s) shall always solely rest with the Liquidator.

As stated in Section A of "Information Must Read before Biding", it is reiterated that this Eauction document covers the terms and conditions only for Option/Block C (C1-C20), where the Option/ Block C (C1-C20) are to be sold under piece meal basis. It is important to note that the Option/Block A has an overriding preference over Option/Block B and Option/Block C (C1-C20), except in a case when the cumulative bid amounts received by adding the successful bids under both Option/Block B and Option/Block C(C1-C20) is higher than the bid received for Block A. The Liquidator at the end of the E-Auction shall declare the successful

bidder(s) for any asset block(s.). This right of selecting and declaring the successful bidder (s) shall solely rest with the Liquidator at all times.

#### L. FRAUDULENT AND CORRUPT PRACTICES

The E-Auction Process Applicant / Bidder shall observe the highest standard of ethics during the E-Auction Process and subsequently during the closure of the E-Auction Process and declaration of successful bidder. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this E-Auction Process Information Document, or in the Letter of Intent, the Liquidator shall reject an auction bid, revoke the Letter of Intent, as the case may be, without being liable in any manner whatsoever to the E-Auction Process Applicant, if the Liquidator, at his discretion, determines that the E-Auction process applicant has, directly or indirectly or through an agent, engaged in corrupt practice, fraudulent practice, coercive practice, undesirable practice or restrictive practice in the E-Auction Process or has, undertaken any action in respect of such process which results in the breach of any Applicable Law including the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988. In such an event, the Guarantee Beneficiary may invoke the Earnest Money, without prejudice to any other right or remedy that may be available to the Liquidator under this E-Auction Process Information Document or Applicable Law.

For the purposes of this Clause, the following terms shall have the meaning hereinafter respectively assigned to them:

"Coercive practice" shall mean impairing or harming, or threatening to impair or harm, directly or indirectly, any person or property to influence any person's participation or action in the auction Process;

#### "Corrupt practice" shall mean

- (i) the offering, giving, receiving, or soliciting, directly or indirectly, of anything of value to influence the actions of any person connected with the auction Process (for avoidance of doubt, offering of employment to or employing or engaging in any manner whatsoever, directly or indirectly, any official of the Liquidator or the Company, who is or has been associated or dealt in any manner, directly or indirectly with the auction Process or arising there from, before or after the execution thereof, at any time prior to the expiry of 1(one) year from the date such official resigns or retires from or otherwise ceases to be in the service of the Liquidator or the Company, shall be deemed to constitute influencing the actions of a person connected with the auction Process); or
- (ii) engaging in any manner whatsoever, during the auction Process or thereafter, any person in respect of any matter relating to the Company, who at any time has been or is a legal, financial or technical adviser of the Liquidator or the Company, in relation to any matter concerning the auction process;

"Fraudulent practice" shall mean a misrepresentation or omission of facts or suppression of facts or disclosure of incomplete facts, in order to influence the auction Process;

"Restrictive practice" shall mean forming a cartel or arriving at any understanding or arrangement among the auction process Applicants with the objective of restricting or manipulating a full and fair competition in the auction Process; and

"Undesirable practice" shall mean (i) establishing contact with any person connected with or employed or engaged by the liquidator with the objective of canvassing, lobbying or in any manner influencing or attempting to influence the auction Process; or (ii) having a Conflict of Interest.

The Bidder shall not involve himself for any of his representatives in price manipulation of any kind directly or indirectly by communicating with other Bidders.

The Bidder shall not divulge either his bid or any other details provided to him by the Liquidator or during the due diligence process in respect of the asset to any other party. Prior to conduct of due diligence / site visits, the Liquidator may require the Bidder to execute confidentiality agreement with the Company / Liquidator.

#### M. COSTS, EXPENSES AND TAX IMPLICATIONS

The auction process applicant shall be responsible for all the costs incurred by it on account of its participation in the auction process, including any costs associated with participation in the discussion Meeting (if any), Site Visit, etc. The Liquidator shall not be responsible in any way for such costs, regardless of the conduct or outcome of the auction Process.

It is hereby clarified that the E-Auction Process Applicant shall make its own arrangements including accommodation for the discussion Meeting (if organised) or Site Visit and all costs and expenses incurred in that relation shall be borne by the E-Auction Process Applicant.

The E-Auction Process Applicant shall not be entitled to receive any reimbursement of any expenses which may have been incurred while carrying out the due diligence, search of title to the assets and matters incidental thereto or for any purpose in connection with the E-Auction Process.

It is to be noted that all taxes applicable (including stamp duty implications and registration charges) on sale of assets would be borne by the successful bidder:

- 1. The sale attracts stamp duty, registration charges etc. as per relevant laws
- 2. The successful bidder shall bear all the necessary expenses like applicable stamp duties / additional stamp duty / transfer charges, fees, etc. for transfer of property (ies) in his / her name
- 3. The Successful Bidder shall bear the applicable mutation fee and all the minor dues of land development agencies, local and municipal taxes, assessment charges, etc. in respect of the properties put on e-Auction.
- 4. Purchaser has to bear the cess or other applicable tax i.e. GST, TDS etc.

It is expressly stated that the Liquidator does not take or assume any responsibility for any minor dues or otherwise, of the Company, including such dues, if any, which may affect transfer of the liquidation assets in the name of the Successful Bidder and such dues, if any, will have to be borne / paid by the Successful Bidder.

The E-Auction process applicant shall be responsible for fully satisfying the requirements of the IBC and the related Regulations as well as all Applicable Laws that are relevant for the sale process. The Successful Bidder shall be responsible for obtaining requisite regulatory or statutory or third-party approvals, no-objections, permission or consents, if any, that are or may be required under Applicable Law for purchasing the relevant assets.

#### N. GOVERNING LAW AND JURISDICTION

This E-Auction Process Information Document, the auction Process and the other documents pursuant to the E-Auction Process Information Document shall be governed by the laws of India and any dispute arising out of or in relation to the E-Auction Process Information Document or the E-Auction Process shall be subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of the Adjudicating Authority, courts and tribunals at Ahmedabad, India.

#### O. TIMETABLE

The following timetable shall apply to the E-Auction Process Information Document. The timetable may be amended by the Liquidator through issuance of an addendum to the E-Auction Process Information Document.

Sr. No.	Event	Timeline (days)
1	Public Advertisement of E-Auction	27.11.2020 and 28.11.2020
2	(a) This E- Auction Process Information Document made available on the website of the Company	27.11.2020
3	(a) Submission of the requisite forms, documents and authorizations; Auction Process Information Document	27.11.2020- 24.12.2020*

	(b) Opening of Data Room Access to the Qualified Bidders		
	(c) Site Visits and Discussion Meeting		
	(d) Facilitation of Due Diligence		
	(e) Opening of Auction Portal		
	(f) Bid Declaration Form and EMD submission along with the		
	requisite KYC declarations as specified in the Bid Application		
	Form		
4	Closure of Data Room Access	24.12.2020	
5	E- Auction Date & announcement of the Successful Bidder via	28.12.2020 and	
	email	29.12.2020	
9	Execution of LOI by the Successful Bidder	06.01.2021	
10	Return of EMD for unsuccessful Bidders (within 15 days from the	29.12.2020-	
	date of e-auction)	12.01.2021	
11	Payment of final balance consideration by Successful Bidder	Within 30 days from the date of issuance of the Letter of Intent	

<sup>\*</sup>While the timeline for submission of bid forms and declaration forms extends from 26.11.2020-24.12.2020, please note that access to documentation, additional information and site visits will be granted only once the bidder submits the bid form and declaration form proving his eligibility to participate in the bidding process.

# Further, as per the latest amendment in the Paragraph 12 of Schedule I of IBBI (Liquidation Process) (Amendment) Regulations, 2019,

"On the close of the auction, the highest bidder shall be invited to provide balance sale consideration within ninety days of the date of such demand:

Provided that payments made after thirty days shall attract interest at the rate of 12%: Provided further that the sale shall be cancelled if the payment is not received within ninety days."

#### Note -

The timeline for payment of final sale consideration may be extended at the sole discretion of Liquidator, to the extent permissible under the applicable laws and regulations. In case the final sale consideration is not paid within the timeline, the Liquidator shall forfeit EMD.

# PLEASE FIND ATTACHED THE FORMATS FOR THE GUARANTEE – FOR THE BIDDER /BY AN ASSOCIATE COMPANY OF THE BIDDER ON BEHALF OF THE BIDDER, FOR REVIEW.

#### **FORMAT A**

#### **EARNEST MONEY – BANK GUARANTEE**

(To be on non-judicial stamp paper of appropriate stamp duty value relevant to place of execution, purchased in the name of the Guarantor Bank)

To

Mr. Nitin Jain
Liquidator – PSL Limited,
Having his Office at E- 10A, Kailash Colony,
Greater Kailash – I, New Delhi-110048
("Liquidator")

and

HDFC Bank,
\_\_\_\_\_ Branch, New Delhi
("HDFC Bank", together with the "Liquidator", the "Beneficiary")

#### **WHEREAS**

- A. [Insert name of the Bidder] incorporated in [India] / [insert name of country where guarantor is incorporated] under the [Companies Act,[1956/2013]] / [insert name of legislation under which the entity is incorporated] with corporate identity number [●], whose registered office is at [insert address] ("Bidder") is required to provide an unconditional and irrevocable bank guarantee for an amount equal to INR (Indian Rupees only) in accordance with the terms of the E-Auction Process Information Document dated [●] ("E-Auction Process Information Document") issued by the Liquidator seeking submission of bids for assets of PSL Limited.
- B. This bank guarantee is required to be issued in favour of the Beneficiary, as per the terms of the E-Auction Process Information Document.
- C. We, [insert name of the bank] having our registered office at [insert address] ("Bank") at the request of the Bidder, do hereby undertake to pay to the Beneficiary at [New Delhi] an amount not exceeding INR XXXXX (Indian Rupees XXXXX only) to secure the obligations of the Bidder under the E-Auction Process Information Document on demand from the Beneficiary on terms and conditions herein contained.
  - 1. Now therefore, the Bank hereby issues in favour of the Beneficiary this irrevocable and unconditional payment bank guarantee ("Guarantee") on behalf of the [Insert name of the Bidder] for an amount.
  - 2. The Bank for the purpose hereof unconditionally and irrevocably undertakes to pay to the Beneficiary without any demur, reservation,

- caveat, protest or recourse, immediately on receipt of first written demand made by the Beneficiary, a sum not exceeding the aggregate amount of INR XXXXX (Indian Rupees XXXXX).
- 3. This Guarantee shall be valid and binding on the Bank up to and including [Insert date of validity of the Earnest Money] and shall in no event be terminable by notice or any change in the constitution of the Bank or the Beneficiary, by any other reasons whatsoever and our liability hereunder shall not be impaired or discharged by any extension of time or variations or alternations made, given, or agreed with or without our knowledge or consent, by or between parties to the respective agreement.
- 4. The Bank hereby expressly agrees that the demand made on it under this Guarantee shall be conclusive evidence of that such payment is due and the Bank shall not require any other proof, in addition to the written demand from Beneficiary, made in any format, raised at the above mentioned address of the Bank, in order to make the said payment to the Beneficiary.
- 5. The Bank shall make payment hereunder notwithstanding any objection by [Insert name of the Bidder] and / or any other person or any dispute(s) raised by the [insert name of the Bidder] in any suit or proceeding pending before any court or tribunal relating thereto and the Bank's liability under this present being absolute and unequivocal. The Bank shall not require the Beneficiary to justify the invocation of this Guarantee, nor shall the Bank have any recourse against the procurer(s) in respect of any payment made hereunder.
- 6. This Guarantee shall be interpreted in accordance with the laws of India and the courts and tribunals at Ahmedabad shall have exclusive jurisdiction. The Bank represents that this Guarantee has been established in such form and with such content that it is fully enforceable in accordance with its terms as against the Bank in the manner provided herein.
- 7. This Guarantee shall not be affected in any manner by reason of merger, amalgamation, restructuring, liquidation, winding up, dissolution or any other change in the constitution of the Bank.
- 8. This Guarantee shall be a primary obligation of the Bank and accordingly the Beneficiary shall not be obliged before enforcing this Guarantee to take any action in any court or arbitral proceedings against the Bidder, to make any claim against or any demand on the Bidder or to give any notice to the Bidder or to exercise, levy or enforce any distress, diligence or other process against the Bidder. The Bank waives any such right to that extent.
- 9. The Bank further unconditionally agrees with the Beneficiary that the Beneficiary shall be at liberty, without Bank's consent and without affecting in any manner the Bank's obligations under this Guarantee, from time to time:
  - i. Vary and/or modify any of the terms of the E-Auction Process

Information Document;

- ii. Extend and/or postpone the time of performance of the obligations of the Bidder under the E-Auction Process Information Document; or
- iii. Forbear or enforce any rights exercisable by the Beneficiary against the Bidder under the terms of the E-Auction Process Information Document

and the Bank shall not be relieved from its liability by reason of any such act or omission on the part of the Beneficiary or any indulgence by the Beneficiary to the Bidder or other thing whatsoever which under the law relating to sureties would, but for this provision, have the effect of relieving the Bank of its obligations under the Guarantee.

- 10. The Bank hereby agrees and acknowledges that the Beneficiary shall have a right to invoke this Guarantee either in part or in full, as it may deem fit.
- 11. Our liability under this Guarantee is restricted to INR XXXX (Indian Rupees XXXX only) and it shall remain in force until [Insert Earnest Money Validity Date], with an additional claim period of 30 (thirty) days thereafter.
- 12. Failure to re-issue or extend this Guarantee in accordance with Clause 11 above shall entitle the Beneficiary to invoke this Guarantee.

In witness whereof the Bank, through its authorized officer, has set its hand and stamp
on thisday of at
Witness:
1
Signature
Name and Address.
Name:
2
Designation with Bank Stamp
Name and Address
Attorney as per power of attorney No
For:
[Insert Name of the Bank]
Banker's Stamp and Full Address:
Dated thisday of 20
Notes:
The Stamp paper should be in the name of the Bank.

#### **FORMAT B**

#### **EARNEST MONEY AMOUNT PAYMENT BY AN ASSOCIATE COMPANY**

To
Mr. Nitin Jain
Liquidator — PSL Limited
Having its Reg. Office at E- 10A, Kailash colony
Greater Kailash-I, New Delhi-110048
("Liquidator")

[Copy to:]

[Insert name of the Bidder with address]
Dear Sir,

**Sub:** Payment of the amounts of Earnest Money on behalf of the Bidder in relation to the auction of assets of PSL Limited.

In light of the bid for assets of PSL Limited submitted by [Insert name of the Bidder with address] in accordance with and subject to the provisions of the E-Auction Process Information Document dated [•] in relation to the captioned transaction ("E-Auction Process Information Document"), issued by the Liquidator,

[Insert name and address of the Associate Company and address of the head office] hereby declares and confirms it is [a / the] [Insert relationship of the Associate Company with the Bidder] of the Bidder ("Associate Company"), and the payment of the Earnest Money amount vide [Insert mode of payment] ("Payment") is on behalf of the Bidder. The Associate Company acknowledges that such amounts paid as Earnest Money shall be subject to the terms of the Process Memorandum and hereby waives any right to claim any refund or adjustment of the amounts of such Payment except in accordance with the terms of the E-Auction Process Information Document.

The Associate Company hereby represents and warrants that payment of amounts on behalf of the Bidder is in compliance with Applicable Law.

Capitalized terms used but not defined in this letter shall have the meanings ascribed to such terms in the E-Auction Process Information Document.

Thanking you,
Yours sincerely,

[Signature and name of the Authorised Officer of the Associate Company] Rubber stamp/seal of the Associate Company

#### **ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

We hereby acknowledge and confirm the statements set out above by the	Associate
Company.	
Yours sincerely,	
[Signature and name of the Authorised Officer of the Bidder]	
Rubber stamp/seal of the Bidder	

## ANNEXURE I AFFIDAVIT AND UNDERTAKING

Date:

Mr. Nitin Jain,
The Liquidator,
PSL Limited – In Liquidation
E-10A, Kailash Colony, Greater Kailash 1,
New Delhi

Sub: Disclosure of eligibility under **Section 29A** of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 and declaration for submitting bid for e-auction.

Dear Sir,

- A. I hereby submit this declaration under Section 29A of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 ("Code") as inserted by the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (Amendment) Act, 2018:
  - I have understood the provisions of section 29A of the Code as inserted by the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (Amendment) Ordinance, 2017. I confirm that neither XYZ Limited nor any person acting jointly with XYZ Limited or any person who is a promoter or in the management or control of XYZ Limited or any person acting jointly with XYZ Limited:
  - a. is an un-discharged insolvent;
  - b. is a wilful defaulter in accordance with the guidelines of the Reserve Bank of India issued under the Banking Regulation Act, 1949;
  - c. at the time of submission of the resolution plan has an account, or an account of a corporate debtor under the management or control of such person or of whom such person is a promoter, classified as non-performing asset in accordance with the guidelines of the Reserve Bank of India issued under the Banking Regulation Act, 1949 or the guidelines of a financial sector regulator issued under any other law for the time being in force and at least a period of one year has lapsed from the date of such classification till the date of commencement of the corporate insolvency resolution process of the corporate debtor.
  - d. has been convicted for any offence punishable with imprisonment:
    - for two years or more under any Act specified under the Twelfth Schedule;
    - for seven years or more under any law for the time being in force:
  - e. is disqualified to act as a director under the Companies Act, 2013;
  - f. is prohibited by the Securities and Exchange Board of India from trading in securities or accessing the securities markets;
  - g. has been a promoter or in the management or control of a corporate debtor in which a preferential transaction, undervalued transaction, extortionate

- credit transaction or fraudulent transaction has taken place and in respect of which an order has been made by the Adjudicating Authority under this Code;
- h. has executed an guarantee in favour of a creditor in respect of a corporate debtor against which an application for insolvency resolution made by such creditor has been admitted under this Code;
- i. is subject to any disability, corresponding to clauses (a) to (h) of Section 29A, under any law in a jurisdiction outside India; or
- j. has a connected person (as defined in Explanation to Section 29A) who is ineligible under clauses (a) to (i) of Section 29A.

I therefore, confirm that XYZ Limited is eligible to be bidder in accordance to Section 29A of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 ("Code") as inserted by the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (Amendment) Act, 2018.

- B. I undertake on behalf of XYZ Limited, that during the Liquidation Process, no person who would be considered as Connected Person and is not eligible to submit resolution plan under section 29A of Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 and the regulation 38 of IBBI (Insolvency Resolution Process of Corporate Persons) regulations, 2016 shall be engaged in the management and control of corporate debtor.
- C. I declare and undertake that in case the XYZ Limited becomes ineligible at any stage during the Liquidation Process, it would inform the Liquidator forthwith on becoming ineligible.
- D. I also undertake that in case the XYZ Limited becomes ineligible at any time after submission of the EMD, then the EMD would be forfeited and the same would be deposited in the account of PSL Limited in liquidation.
- E. I also further undertake that my winning bid Amount will remain binding unless rejected by the Liquidator.
- F. I confirm that the said declaration and disclosure is true and correct.
- G. I am duly authorised to submit this declaration by virtue of \_\_\_\_\_

(DEPONENT)

#### **VERIFICATION**

I, the deponent above, do hereby solemnly declare and affirm that the above statement given by me is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief and nothing stated above is false or misrepresentation or misleading.

(DEPONENT)

## ANNEXURE II

## **BID Application Form**

(Please fill up separate Bid application forms for each property)

Date:			
Mr. Nitin Jain,			
Liquidator,			
PSL Limited – In Liquidation			
Dear Sir,			
		nounced by you in the newspaper	
media journal).		`	
Details of Corporate Debtor:			
Name of Bank A/c	PSL LIMITED IN LIQUID	ATION	
Account Number	50200052360802		
Bank Name	HDFC Bank		
IFSC Code	HDFC0000092		
	•		
Details of Bidder / Bid Price Offe	ered		
Name of the Bidder			
Constitution of Bidder			
Contact No.			
Email ID			
PAN No.			
Address			
Details of Division / Asset/ Bloc	k:		
Sr. No. in sale notice for which	EMD deposited		
Description of Division			
Reserve Price of Division as per sales Notice			
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I/We/M/s. also enclose copies	of the required KY	C documents. We request you to	
•	•	ion portals for issue of an ID and	
password for us to enable us to take part in the E- Auction.			
	•		
Date:		Signature	
Place:		STAMP	

#### Terms and Conditions of the E-auction are as under:

In addition to the E-Auction Process Information Document, following terms and conditions apply:

- 1. E-Auction is being held on "AS IS WHERE IS, AS IS WHAT WHATEVER THERE IS AND WITHOUT RECOURSE BASIS IS," and will be conducted "On Line". The auction will be conducted through the approved service provider M/s E-Procurement Technologies Limited, at the web portal https://aaa.auctiontiger.net. E-Auction Process document containing E-Auction bid form, Declaration by bidders, General terms and conditions of online auction sales are available on Websites https://aaa.auctiontiger.net. Interested bidders can register, bid and receive confirmation of their bid online. The requisition additional information, of to psl.limited@aaainsolvency.com/nitinjain@aaainsolvency.com disclosing the identity of the Applicant.
- 2. The Prospective Bidders should make their own Independent inquiries regarding the encumbrances, title of assets put on auction and claims/rights/dues/ affecting the assets, and should conduct their own due-diligence prior to submitting their bid. The E-Auction advertisement does not constitute and will not be deemed to constitute any commitment or any representation of the Liquidator. The property is being sold with all the existing and future encumbrances/claims/dues/demands whether known or unknown to the Liquidator. Liquidator shall not be responsible in any of way for any third party claims/ rights/ dues.
- 3. The entire Eauction covers 3 options A,B and C (C1-C20). This Eauction document covers the terms and conditions only for Option/Block C (C1-C20), where the assets under Option/ Block C (C1-C20) are to be sold under piece meal basis. A separate Eauction document covers the terms and conditions for Option A and Option B to be sold as Corporate Debtor as a going concern. Option/Block A has an overriding preference over Option/Block B and Option/Block C (C1-C20), which means that if there is a bid received higher than or equal to the reserve price for Option/Block A, then the bids for Option/Block B as well as Option/Block C (C1-C20) shall ALL BE CANCELLED AND ALL CONSIDERED TO BE NULLIFIED, except in a case when the cumulative bid amounts received by adding the successful bids under both Option/Block B and Option/Block C(C1-C20) is higher than the bid received for Block A, wherein the Liquidator shall have the authority to decide between the bids received and declare a successful bidder, in order to maximize the value for the creditors/ stakeholders.
- 4. The Prospective Bidders should submit the evidence for EMD deposit like UTR number along with the Request Letter for participation in E-auction, self- attested copies of (i) Proof of identity (KYC) viz. Voter ID card/ Driving License/ Passport etc.,

- (ii) Current Address-Proof for communication, (iii) PAN card of Bidder, (iv) Valid Email ID, (v) contact number (Mobile/Landline) of the bidder etc., to the office of Liquidator by 24<sup>th</sup> December, 2020 till 5:00 PM. Scanned copies of the original of these documents can also be submitted to the Email ID of Liquidator.
- 5. Name of Eligible Bidders will be identified and conveyed by Liquidator to participate in online E-auction on the portal <a href="https://aaa.auctiontiger.net">https://aaa.auctiontiger.net</a>; "Auction Tiger". The Liquidator will provide User ID & Password to the Eligible Bidders after due verification of KYC of the Eligible Bidders.
- 6. It should be the responsibility of the interested bidders to inspect and satisfy themselves about the property before submission of the bid.
- 7. Liquidator has right to demand documents from bidder for the process and in case the documents are not provided, the liquidator may disqualify the bid.
- 8. The E-Auction/bidding of the assets of PSL Limited would be conducted exactly on the schedule Date & Time as mentioned against each property by way of inter-se bidding amongst the bidders. The bidder may improve their offer in multiple of "Bid Increment Amount" against each property. The bidder may improve their offer in multiple of "Bid Increment Amount" against each property. In case bid is placed in the last 5 minutes of the closing time of the E-auction, the closing time will automatically get extended for 5 minutes.
- 9. In case of the Successful Bidders, the EMD (whether in the form of a Demand Draft or a Bank Guarantee) may be banked or invoked. The EMD of unsuccessful bidders shall be refunded within 15 working days. The EMD shall not bear any interest.
- 10. The Letter of Intent will be issued to the successful bidder detailing the last date of total balance sale amount payable to the liquidator along with other Terms and Conditions. After signing of the letter of intent the successful would be required to pay the balance sale consideration within the stipulated time.
- 11. Any default in submission of the balance sale consideration by the successful bidder would entail forfeiture of EMD already deposited and the property shall be put to reauction and the defaulting bidder shall have no claim / right in respect of property / amount, whatsoever.
- 12. The Successful Bidder shall bear the applicable mutation fee and all the minor dues of land development agencies, local and municipal taxes, assessment charges, etc. in respect of the properties put on e-Auction.

13. The Liquidator is not bound to accept the highest offer and has the absolute right to accept or reject any or all offer(s) or adjourn / postpone/ cancel the E-Auction or withdraw any property or portion thereof from the auction proceedings at any stage without assigning any reason there for.

14. The sale certificate will be issued and / or transaction / sale documents executed in the name of Successful Bidder(s) / Successful E-Auction Process Applicant(s) only and will not be issued in any other name(s).

15. The sale shall be subject to conditions prescribed under the Insolvency & Bankruptcy Code, 2016, provisions and regulations thereunder.

16. The interested bidders may give offers either for one or more than one asset blocks. In case a bidder bids for more than one asset, he will be required to submit separate EMD amounts for each asset.

17. The decision of the Liquidator on declaration of Successful Bidder shall be final and binding on all the Bidders.

Date:	
Place: New De	lhi

Nitin Jain Liquidator

Reg No. IBBI/ IPA-001/ IP-P-01562/ 2019-20/ 12462

#### **Communication Address & Email ID:**

PSL LIMITED
Kachigam Daman,
Union Territory of Daman and Diu, India 396210
psl.limited@aaainsolvency.com

#### Registered Address & Email ID with IBBI:

E 337 Ground Floor, Greater Kailash – I, New Delhi 110048 nitinjain@ichinencapitalservices.com

(Mr. Nitin Jain is a Registered Insolvency Professional with Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India ("**IBBI**"). His Registration number is IBBI/IPA-001/IP-P-01562/2019-2020/12462. Mr. Nitin Jain has been appointed as a Liquidator of PSL Limited by NCLT, Ahmedabad Bench, vide its order dated September 11, 2020, published on September 14, 2020 at NCLT website. The affairs, business and property of PSL Limited (in Liquidation as Going Concern) are being managed by the Liquidator, Mr. Nitin Jain.)

# ANNEXURE III Declaration by Bidders

To, Mr. Nitin Jain, The Liquidator, PSL Limited - In Liquidation

Dear Sir,

- 1. I / We, the Bidder (s) aforesaid do hereby state that, I / We have read the entire terms and conditions for the sale of assets as specified in this EAuction Information Document for sale under Liquidation for Option/ Block C and have understood them fully. I / We, hereby unconditionally agree to confirm with and to be bound by the said terms and conditions and agree to take part in the Eauction process.
- 2. I / We declare that the Earnest Money Deposit (EMD), further deposit and the deposit towards purchase—price have been made by me / us as against my/our bid and that the particulars of remittance and all other information given by me/us in the online form is true and correct.
- 3. I / We further understand and agree that if any of the statement / information revealed by me / us is found to be incorrect and / or untrue, the bid submitted by me / us is liable to be cancelled and in such case, the EMD and / or any monies paid by me / us is liable to be forfeited by the Seller ("Liquidator") and the Seller will be at liberty to annul the offer made to me/us at any point of time.
- 4. I / We also agree that after my /our offer given in my /our bid for purchase of property (ies) is accepted by the Seller and if, I / We, fail to accept or act upon the terms and conditions of the sale or am / are not able to complete the transaction within the time limit specified for any reason whatsoever and /or fail to fulfil any / all the terms and conditions of the auction and offer letter, the EMD and other monies paid by me / us along with the online form and thereafter, are liable to be forfeited. The timeline for payment of final sale consideration may be extended by sole discretion of liquidator, to the extent permissible under the applicable laws and regulations. In case final sale consideration is not paid within timeline, the liquidator shall forfeit EMD and or Performance BG.
- 5. I / We understand that the EMD of all Bidders shall be retained by the Liquidator and returned only after the successful conclusion of the sale of property (ies). I /

We, state that I / We, have fully understood the terms and conditions therein and agree to be bound by the same.

- 6. I / We confirm that our participation in the E-auction process, submission of bid or acquisition of the property (ies) pursuant to the provisions of the E-Auction Process Information Document will not conflict with, or result in a breach of, or constitute a default under (i) our constitutional documents; or (ii) any applicable laws; or (iii) any authorization or approval of any government agency or body; or (iv) any judgment, order, injunction, decree, or ruling of any court or governmental authority, domestic or foreign binding on me / us; or (v) any agreement to which I am / we are a party or by which I am / We are bound.
- 7. The decision taken by the Liquidator with respect to the selection of the Successful bidder and communicated to us shall be binding on me/us.
- 8. I/We also undertake to abide by the additional conditions if announced during the E-auction including any announcement(s) on correction of and / or additions or deletions to the time of auction portal and property (ies) being offered for sale.
- 9. I/We confirm that the Seller and his employees, shall not be liable and responsible in any manner whatsoever for my/our failure to access and bid on the E-auction portal due to any unforeseen circumstances etc. before or during the auction event.
- 10. I/We hereby confirm that I/we are eligible to purchase the assets of the Company under Section 29A of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016.

(Signature with SEAL)

#### **ANNEXURE IV**

#### **Technical Terms & Conditions of E-auction sale**

- 1. Intending bidders shall have a valid e-mail ID, valid PAN Card and KYC document to register with the E- Auction Service Provider.
- 2. Intending bidders have to register with the E-auction service provider.
- 3. Only upon verification of the Online Form and confirmation of remittance of EMD will the Eligible Bidders be declared and thereafter, permitted to access the Platform for bidding for a particular Property.
- 4. The Bidder shall be solely responsible for all consequences arising out of the bid submitted by him (including any wrongful bidding) and no complaint/ representation will be entertained in this regard by the Agency/ the Seller. Hence, Bidders are cautioned to be careful to check the bid amount and alter/rectify their bid if required before confirming the bid submitted.
- 5. Bidders should not disclose their User ID as well as password and other material information relating to the bidding to anyone to safeguard its secrecy.
- 6. Bidders are advised to change the password immediately on receipt thereof.
- 7. The Affidavit and Declaration as per the formats set out in *Annexure I and III* must be executed in accordance with applicable law and it must be in issued in accordance with the constitutional documents of the Bidder, if applicable, after obtaining all corporate approvals as may be required. The extract of constitutional documents and certified copies of the corporate approvals must be enclosed with the declaration. In case of Bidder being an individual, the declaration must be personally signed by the Bidder. In case the Bidder is not an individual, the declaration must be signed by a person who is in full time employment of the Bidder and duly authorized to sign the same.
- 8. All the aforementioned documents are required to be uploaded on the portal and the original physical copies thereof shall be provided by the Successful Bidder to the Seller in accordance with the Process Sale Document.
- 9. All bids placed are legally valid bids and are to be considered as bids from the Bidder himself. Once the bid is placed, the Bidder cannot reduce or withdraw the bid for whatever reason. If done so, the EMD amount shall be forfeited.
- 10. The highest bid on the auction shall supersede all the previous bids of the respective Bidders. The Bidder with the highest offer/ bid does not get any right to demand for acceptance of his bid.

- 11. After the conclusion of the E-auction for each Property, the Successful Bidder shall be informed through a message generated automatically by the portal, of the outcome of the E-auction. A separate Intimation shall also be sent to the Successful Bidder. Date of sending the e-mail will be considered as the date of receipt of the Intimation i.e. Date of Intimation.
- 12. Bidders may encounter certain unforeseen problems such as time lag, heavy traffic, and system/ power failure at the Bidder's end. To avoid losing out on bidding because of above-mentioned reasons, it is advised not to wait for the last moment.