BEFORE THE ADJUDICATING OFFICER SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE BOARD OF INDIA SETTLEMENT ORDER No.: SO/AS/VC/2024-25/7402

In respect of:

Sr. No.	Settlement Application No.	Name of the Applicant	PAN
1	7402/2023	Patels Airtemp (India) Limited	AABCP1375K

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- Securities and Exchange Board of India (hereinafter referred to as "SEBI") initiated adjudication proceedings under Section 15A(b) the SEBI Act, 1992 against Patels Airtemp (India) Limited (hereinafter referred to as "Noticee / Applicant") for the alleged violation of the provisions of Regulation 30(2) read with Clause 4(d) of Para A of Part A of Schedule III of SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 (hereinafter referred to as "LODR Regulations") and Regulation 4(1)(c) read with 30(2) of the LODR Regulations.
- 2. Vide order dated July 31, 2023, Mr. Shashikumar Valsakumar was appointed as the Adjudicating Officer (hereinafter referred to as "AO") under Section 15-I of the SEBI Act, 1992 and Rule 3 of SEBI (Procedure for Holding Inquiry and Imposing Penalties) Rules, 1995 (hereinafter referred to as "SEBI Adjudication Rules") read with Section 19 of the SEBI Act, 1992, to inquire into and adjudge under the provisions of the Section 15A(b) the SEBI Act, 1992, for the violations alleged to have been committed by the Noticee. Thereafter, pursuant to transfer of erstwhile AO, Mr. Shashikumar Valsakumar, undersigned was appointed as AO in the matter vide order dated July 22, 2024.
- 3. A Show Cause Notice bearing reference no. SEBI/HO/EAD-8/SKV/VC/36027/2023 dated September 01, 2023 (hereafter referred to as

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"SCN") was issued to the Noticee in terms of the provisions of Rule 4(1) of the SEBI Adjudication Rules, calling upon the Noticee to show cause why an inquiry should not be held and penalty not be imposed, under Section 15A(b) the SEBI Act, 1992 for violating the provisions of Regulation 30(2) read with Clause 4(d) of Para A of Part A of Schedule III of LODR Regulations and Regulation 4(1)(c) read with 30(2) of the LODR Regulations.

- 4. Pending Adjudication Proceedings, the Noticee proposed to settle the instant proceedings initiated against it, without admitting or denying the findings of facts and conclusions of law, through a settlement order and filed settlement application dated October 10, 2023 with SEBI in terms of the provisions of SEBI (Settlement Proceedings) Regulations, 2018 (hereinafter referred to as "Settlement Regulations").
- 5. Pursuant to the meeting with the Internal Committee of SEBI on June 19, 2024 in terms of the Settlement Regulations, Noticee *vide* letter dated July 01, 2024, proposed Revised Settlement Terms. The High Powered Advisory Committee (hereinafter referred to as "HPAC") in its meeting held on July 29, 2024 considered the settlement terms proposed and recommended the case for settlement as follows:
 - (a) The applicant will pay ₹28,53,180/- (Rupees Twenty Eight Lakh Fifty Three Thousand One Hundred Eighty Only) as settlement amount towards the settlement terms, and
 - (b) The applicant may be advised to take appropriate action against the individuals responsible for the irregularities, under intimation to SEBI.
- 6. In terms of Regulation 14(3) of the Settlement Regulations, the recommendations of the HPAC were placed before the Panel of Whole Time Members of SEBI on September 20, 2024. The recommendations of the HPAC were accepted by the Panel of Whole Time Members of SEBI on September 20, 2024. In view thereof, *vide* e-mail dated September 20, 2024, the applicant was

advised to identify the individuals responsible for the irregularities and take appropriate action against them. Accordingly, applicant, *vide* e-mail dated September 30, 2024, has submitted the certified copy of the resolution passed by the Board of Directors of the Company on September 28, 2024 taking action against the concerned individual.

- 7. Thereafter, the Panel of Whole Time Members of SEBI approved the recommendation of the HPAC on November 05, 2024. Subsequently, the applicant remitted the said settlement amount on November 12, 2024. The credit of said amount has been confirmed by the concerned department of SEBI from the report generated through the shareportal.
- 8. Therefore, in view of the acceptance of the settlement terms and the receipt of settlement amount as above by SEBI, the instant adjudication proceedings initiated against the Noticee *vide* SCN bearing reference no. SEBI/HO/EAD-8/SKV/VC/36027/2023 dated September 01, 2023 is disposed of in terms of Section 15JB of the SEBI Act, 1992 read with Regulation 23(1) of the Settlement Regulations on the basis of the settlement terms.
- 9. This order is without prejudice to the right of SEBI to take enforcement actions, in terms of Regulation 28 of the Settlement Regulations, including restoring or initiating the proceedings in respect to which the settlement order was passed against the applicant, if:
 - i. any representations made by the Applicant in the settlement proceedings are subsequently found to be untrue; or
 - ii. the Applicant breaches any of the clauses / conditions of undertakings waivers filed during the current settlement proceedings.
- 10. This settlement order is passed on this day of **November 19, 2024** and shall come into force with immediate effect.

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11. In terms of Regulation 25 of the Settlement Regulations, copies of this order are being sent to the applicant viz. Patels Airtemp (India) Limited and also to SEBI.

Date: November 19, 2024 Place: Mumbai ASHA SHETTY ADJUDICATING OFFICER

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