

## **NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS TO CONFIRM THEIR TAX STATUS**

Dear Shareholders,

As per the provisions of Section 150 of the Income Tax Ordinance, 2001 (“Ordinance”) different rates are prescribed for deduction of withholding tax on the amount of dividend paid by the companies. The Current withholding tax rates are as under:

- (a) For Filers of Income Tax Return: 12.50%
- (b) For Non-Filers of Income Tax Return: 20.00%

All the shareholders whose names are not entered into the Active Tax-payers list (ATL) provided on the website of the Federal Board of Revenue (“FBR”), despite the fact that they are Filers, are advised to make sure that their names are entered into ATL before the date of issuance of Dividend Warrants, otherwise tax on their Dividend will be deducted @ 20% instead of @ 12.50%.

The Corporate Shareholders having CDC account are required to have their National Tax Number (NTN) updated with their respective Participants, whereas corporate physical shareholders should send a copy of their NTN certificates to the Company or Company’s Share Registrar and Share Transfer Agent , M/s. JWAFFS REGISTRAR SERVICES (PVT) LIMITED.

The shareholders while sending NTN or NTN certificates, as case may be, must quote Company name and their respective Folio Numbers.

As per FBR’s clarification, the valid Exemption Certificate under Section 159 of the Ordinance is mandatory to claim exemption of withholding tax under Clause 47B of Part-IV of Second Schedule to the Ordinance. Those who fall in the category mentioned in above Clause must provide valid Tax Exemption Certificate to our Shares Registrar; otherwise tax will be deducted on dividend amount as per rates prescribed in Section 150 of the Ordinance.

For shareholders holding their shares jointly, as per the clarification issued by the FBR, withholding tax will be determined separately on ‘Filer / Non-Filer’ status of Principal shareholder as well as Joint-holder(s) based on their shareholding proportions. All shareholders who hold shares jointly are therefore requested to provide shareholding proportions of Principal Shareholder and Joint-holder(s) in respect of shares held by them to the Registrar and Shares Transfer Agent in writing as follows:

Folio / CDC Account No.	Total Shares	Principal Shareholder		Joint Shareholder(s)	
		Name and CNIC No.	Shareholding Proportion (No. of Shares)	Name and CNIC No.	Shareholding Proportion (No. of Shares)