

VIGIL MECHANISM(WHISTLE BLOWER POLICY) OF NITIN CASTINGS LIMITED

(Approved and adopted on the Board meeting of the Company dated 25.03.2017)

NITIN CASTINGS LIMITED WHISTLE BLOWER POLICY

1. Preface

1.1 The Company believes in the conduct of the affairs of its constituents in a fair and transparent manner by adopting highest standards of professionalism, honesty, integrity and ethical behaviour.

1.2 The Company is committed to developing a culture where it is safe for all employees to raise concerns about any poor or unacceptable practice and any event of misconduct.

1.3 Section 177 read with Rule 7 of The Companies (Meetings of Board and its Powers), 2014 and revised Clause 49 of the Listing Agreement , inter-alia, provides, a mandatory requirement, for all listed companies to establish a mechanism called “Vigil Mechanism(Whistle Blower Policy)” for directors and employees to report concerns about unethical behaviour, actual or suspected fraud or violation of the Company’s code of conduct or ethics policy.

1.4 The purpose of this policy is to provide a framework to promote responsible and secure whistle blowing. It protects directors and employees wishing to raise a concern about serious irregularities within the Company.

1.5 The policy neither releases directors and employees from their duty of confidentiality in the course of their work, nor is it a route for taking up a grievance about a personal situation.

2. Policy

2.1 This Policy is for the Directors and the Employees as defined hereinafter.

2.2 The Policy has been drawn up so that the Directors and Employees can be confident about raising a concern. The areas of concern covered by this Policy are summarized in paragraph 5.

3. Definitions

3.1 “Director” means a Director on the board of the Company whether whole-time or otherwise.

3.2 “Disciplinary Action” means any action that can be taken on the completion of / during the investigation proceedings including but not limiting to a warning, imposition of fine, suspension from official duties or any such action as is deemed to be fit considering the gravity of the matter.

3.3 “Employee” means every employee of the Company (whether working in India or abroad) including Japanese expatriates stationed in India.

3.4 “Protected Disclosure” means a concern raised by a written communication made in good faith that discloses or demonstrates information that may evidence unethical or improper activity.

3.5 “Subject” means a person against or in relation to whom a Protected Disclosure is made or evidence gathered during the course of an investigation.

3.6 “Whistle Blower” is someone who makes a Protected Disclosure under this Policy.

3.7 “Whistle Officer” or “Committee” means an officer or Committee of persons who is nominated/appointed to conduct detailed investigation.

3.8 “Ombudsperson” will be the chairman of the Audit Committee for the purpose of receiving all complaints under this Policy and ensuring appropriate action.

4. The Guiding Principles

4.1 To ensure that this Policy is adhered to, and to assure that the concern will be acted upon seriously, the Company will:

4.1.1 Ensure that the Whistle Blower and/or the person processing the Protected Disclosure is not victimized for doing so;

4.1.2 Treat victimization as a serious matter including initiating disciplinary action on such person/(s);

4.1.3 Ensure complete confidentiality.

4.1.4 Not attempt to conceal evidence of the Protected Disclosure;

4.1.5 Take disciplinary action, if any one destroys or conceals evidence of the Protected Disclosure made/to be made;

4.1.6 Provide an opportunity of being heard to the persons involved especially to the Subject; 5. Coverage of Policy

5.1 The Policy covers malpractices and events which have taken place/ suspected to take place involving:

1. Abuse of authority

2. Breach of contract

3. Negligence causing substantial and specific danger to public health and safety

4. Manipulation of company data/records

5. Financial irregularities, including fraud, or suspected fraud
6. Criminal offence
7. Pilferation of confidential/propriety information
8. Deliberate violation of law/regulation
9. Wastage/misappropriation of company funds/assets
10. Breach of employee Code of Conduct/Ethics Policy or Rules
11. Any other unethical, biased, favoured, imprudent event

5.2 Policy should not be used in place of the Company grievance procedures or be a route for raising malicious or unfounded allegations against colleagues.

6. Disqualifications

6.1 While it will be ensured that genuine Whistle Blowers are accorded complete protection from any kind of unfair treatment as herein set out, any abuse of this protection will warrant disciplinary action.

6.2 Protection under this Policy would not mean protection from disciplinary action arising out of false or bogus allegations made by a Whistle Blower knowing it to be false or bogus or with a mala fide intention.

6.3 Whistle Blowers, who make any Protected Disclosures, which have been subsequently found to be mala fide, frivolous or malicious shall be liable to be prosecuted under Company's Code of Conduct.

7. Anonymous Allegation :

Whistleblowers must put their names to allegations as follow-up questions and investigation may not be possible unless the source of the information is identified. Disclosures expressed anonymously will ordinarily NOT be investigated.

8. How to Report

A report of suspected violation may be made either with name or anonymously to :

corporate@nitincastings.com

or by sending a letter with name or an anonymously letter to the Company Secretary at :

Nitin Castings Limited

Prestige Precinct, 3rd Floor,
Almeida Road, Panchpakhadi,
Thane (West), India – 400 601
Tel : 91-22 – 2598 5900.

If you have any complaint against the Chairman of the Audit Committee or the member of the Audit Committee, your report may be made in sealed envelope to

Chairman,

Nitin Castings Limited
Prestige Precinct, 3rd Floor,
Almeida Road, Panchpakhadi,
Thane (West), India – 400 601
Tel : 91-22 – 2598 5900.

Such complaints may also be made by e mail to corporate@nitincastings.com.

A report should include maximum possible information about the suspected violation. Where possible, it should describe the nature of the suspected violation; the identities of persons involved in the suspected violation; a description of documents that relate to the suspected violation; and the time frame during which the suspected violation occurred. The named reporting person may be contacted for further information.

9. Investigations after Report

All reports under this Policy will be promptly and appropriately investigated by a Committee of Managing Director, Director, Finance & Company Secretary or Chairman of the Audit Committee or the Chairman, as the case may be, with assistance of such other person, as they deem fit and all information disclosed during the course of the investigation will remain confidential, except as necessary to conduct the investigation and take any remedial action, in accordance with applicable law. An investigation will be a neutral fact finding process with evidence. Everyone working for or with the Company has a duty to cooperate in the investigation of reports of violations. Failure to cooperate in an investigation, or deliberately providing false information during an investigation, will be the basis for disciplinary action. If, at the conclusion of its investigation, the Company determines that a violation has occurred, the Company will take effective remedial action commensurate with the nature of the offense. This action may include disciplinary action against the accused party, up to and including termination. Reasonable and necessary steps will also be taken to prevent any further violations of Company policy. Result of an investigation will be communicated to the

complainant and may be disclosed to employees/public. Summary of all reports and actions taken will be tabled at Audit Committee meetings.

10. Retaliation is not Tolerated

No one may take any adverse action against any employee for complaining about, reporting, or participating or assisting in the investigation of, a reasonably suspected violation with basis under this Policy. Incidents of retaliation against any employee reporting a violation or participating in the investigation of a reasonably suspected violation will result in appropriate disciplinary action against anyone responsible.

11. Confidentiality

Employees and Directors will maintain confidentiality obligations. Reporting in accordance with this Policy does not tantamount to breach of confidentiality obligations.

12. Malicious and unfounded allegations

Employees and Directors are not to make malicious or unfounded allegations but may make allegations in good faith where there is reasonable ground of suspicion and basis.

13. No protection from adverse action

This policy does not protect an employee from an adverse or a disciplinary action taken independent of any disclosure made pursuant to this policy.

14. Action in terms of other laws

This policy does not prevent a person or the Company from taking an action under any applicable law.

15. Document Retention

All documents related to reporting, investigation and enforcement pursuant to this Policy may be retained by the Company.

16. Modification

The Board of Directors of the Company can modify this Policy unilaterally at any time without notice.