

WEL/SEC/2017

July 24, 2017

To,

<p>The Manager, Dept. of Corporate Services, Bombay Stock Exchange Ltd, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Rotunda Bldg, Dalal Street, Fort Mumbai - 400 001 Scrip Code: 532553</p>	<p>The Asst. Vice President, Listing Department National Stock Exchange of (I) Ltd., Exchange Plaza, C-1, Block-G, Bandra Kurla Complex, Bandra (East), Mumbai - 400 051 NSE Symbol: WELENT</p>
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Dear Sir/Madam,

**Sub: Disclosure of information pursuant to Regulation 30 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015**


Pursuant to the Board Meeting held today at 24<sup>th</sup> July, 2017 evening please find the attached herewith the announcement made under the aforesaid regulations.

Please take note of the above.

Thanking you.

Yours Sincerely,

**For Welspun Enterprises Limited**  
(Formerly known as Welspun Projects Limited)

  
Shrinivas Kargutkar  
CFO



## **HAM portfolio strengthened: Sponsors two new projects; Applying for NBFC licence**

- **Agrees to acquire 49% stake in two HAM projects; Option to acquire remaining 51% when regulations permit**
- **To hold 60% stake in financial services initiative**

**Mumbai, July 24, 2017:** Welspun Enterprises Ltd. (“WEL” or “Company”), formerly Welspun Projects Ltd., part of the US\$ 2.3 billion Welspun Group, today announced its plans to expand its operations in infrastructure and to apply for NBFC (Non-Banking Financial Company) licence.

### **Infrastructure**

In the infrastructure space, WEL has agreed to acquire 49% stake in two NHAI Hybrid Annuity Model (HAM) projects from MBL Group, subject to necessary approvals and statutory compliances. WEL will be the sponsor to these two projects, thus expanding its HAM project portfolio to three projects.

The two projects are:

- a. 4-Laning of Chutmalpur-Ganeshpur section of NH-72A & Roorkee-Chutmalpur-Gagalheri section of NH-73
- b. 4-Laning of Gagalheri-Saharanpur-Yamunanagar (UP/Haryana Border) section of NH-73

The consideration for the stake purchase is Rs. 230 mn. The Company has the option to acquire the remaining 51% stake in these projects as and when the regulator (NHAI) permits. The consideration for the purchase of the remaining stake is fixed at Rs. 245 mn.

As per the Hybrid Annuity Model (HAM), the projects will have 40% financial support from NHAI. The debt component is estimated to be 48% of the project cost; and as sponsor, the balance will be funded by WEL (apart from the equity of MBL). WEL is in the process of completing documentations for financial closure and appointed date is expected to be announced by NHAI by the end of the month. The EPC contract of both projects will be executed by WEL.

A more detailed overview of the projects is given in the appendix.

Apart from this, as announced on 19<sup>th</sup> July 2017, WEL has emerged as the lowest bidder for the Aunta-Simaria HAM project from NHAI at the bid price of Rs. 10.45 bn.

### **Financial Services**

The Board of Directors of WEL has approved the proposal of its subsidiary, namely Welspun Financial Services Limited (WFSL), to apply to RBI for NBFC licence. WEL will be holding 60%

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stake in the subsidiary. The remaining 40% will be held by the Welspun promoter group. WFSL is in discussions to get on-board an experienced team of professionals as management/partners.

WEL would initially subscribe to 60% of the equity share capital of WFSL, up to an amount of Rs. 20 mn. The Board has given in-principle approval for maximum investment up to Rs.3.5 bn in the venture, from the Company's cash reserve. A Board delegated committee would be constituted to evaluate and take day-to-day decisions. The specific investment proposal and the business plan would be approved by the Board on obtaining NBFC License, post on-boarding the team. The Memorandum of Association is being suitably altered for this purpose.

### **Management Comments**

**Commenting on the developments, Mr. B. K. Goenka, Chairman, Welspun Group said,** "With a strong unlevered balance sheet and cash balance of over Rs. 10 bn, WEL is in a unique position to create value for its shareholders. With these two initiatives in sunrise industries, we are taking the right steps towards achieving this objective."

### **Conference call**

The management of WEL will host a conference call to discuss these developments and to answer investor queries. Details of the call are given below:

**Date: Wednesday, July 26, 2017**

**Time: 11:00 AM India Time**

Dial in:

India	Primary : +91 22 3960 0763
	Secondary : +91 22 6746 5863
USA Toll Free Number	1 866 746 2133
UK Toll Free Number	0808 101 1573
Singapore Toll Free Number	800 1012 045
Hong Kong Toll Free Number	800 964 448

**Appendix**

<b>Project Details</b>	<b>Package I</b>	<b>Package II</b>
Project Name	4-Laning of Chutmalpur-Ganeshpur section of NH-72A & Roorkee-Chutmalpur-Gagalheri section of NH-73	4-Laning of Gagalkerhi-Saharanpur-Yamunanagar (UP/Haryana Border) section of NH-73
State	Uttar Pradesh & Uttarakhand	Uttar Pradesh & Haryana
Estimated Project Cost – NHA	Rs. 8.1 bn	Rs. 10.1 bn
Length (km)	53.3	51.5
Construction Period	730 days	730 days
Operation Period	15 years post-COD	15 years post-COD
Bid Project Cost	Rs. 9.4 bn	Rs. 11.8 bn
First-Year O&M	Rs. 100 mn	Rs. 100 mn
Expected Fund Commitment from Sponsors	Rs. 1.1 bn	Rs. 1.4 bn

**About Welspun Enterprises Ltd. ([www.welspunenterprises.com](http://www.welspunenterprises.com))**

Welspun Enterprises Ltd. (WEL), formerly Welspun Projects Ltd., part of the Welspun Group, is an operating Company in the infrastructure business. The Company also has investments in Oil & Gas Exploration. The company, in its current form was created through the merger of Welspun Enterprises Ltd., Welspun Infratech Ltd., Welspun Plastics Private Ltd. and Welspun Infra Projects Private Ltd. with Welspun Projects Ltd through the Scheme of Amalgamation and Arrangement made effective from May 11, 2015.

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