

COMMUNICATION ON TAX DEDUCTION AT SOURCE (TDS) ON DIVIDEND DISTRIBUTION

Date: July 17, 2023

Dear Shareholders,

We are pleased to inform you that the Board of Directors of the Company, at their Meeting held on May 17, 2023, have recommended a **Final Dividend of ₹1 per Equity Share of ₹2** each for the Financial Year ended March 31, 2023. This dividend will be paid / dispatched within a period of 30 days from the conclusion of the Annual General Meeting, subject to approval of the shareholders of the Company.

The said dividend will be payable to those shareholders whose name appears in the records of Depositories as beneficial owners of the shares as at the close of business hours on August 08, 2023 *(Record Date)*. Further, the details as appearing in the records of Depositories on the Record Date shall be considered as final.

As you may be aware that pursuant to the provisions of Income-tax Act, 1961 ('Act'), as amended by the Finance Act, 2020, dividend distribution tax has been abolished and has introduced a system of tax on dividend in the hands of shareholders for dividends paid or distributed by a company after 1st April, 2020. Accordingly, the Company would be required to apply withholding tax / deduct taxes at source ('TDS') at the prescribed rates on the dividend paid to its shareholders. The withholding tax rate would vary depending on the residential status of the shareholder and the documents submitted by them and as acceptable to the Company.

This communication provides a brief summary of the applicable TDS provisions under the Act for Resident and Non-Resident shareholder categories.

No tax will be deducted on payment of dividend to the resident individual shareholder if the total dividend, paid during Financial year ('FY') 2023-24, does not exceed INR 5,000/-

A. RESIDENT SHAREHOLDERS:

A.1 Tax deductible at source for Resident Shareholders (other than resident individual shareholders receiving dividend not exceeding INR 5,000 during the FY 2023-24)

S	Particulars	Withholding	Declaration /
No.		tax rate	documents required
1	Valid PAN updated with the	10%	N.A.
	Depository Participant in case shares		
	are held in dematerialized form; or		
	Registrar and Transfer Agent ('RTA')		
	in case shares are held in physical		
	form and no exemption sought by		
	Shareholder		
2	No / Invalid PAN/ Inoperative PAN /	20%	N.A.
	Specified person as		
	per section 206AB functional portal		
3	Availability of lower/nil tax deduction	Rate specified in	 Copy of PAN card
	certificate issued by Income Tax	Lower tax	 Copy of lower tax
	Department u/s 197 of the Act	withholding	withholding
		certificate	certificate obtained
		obtained from	from Income Tax
		Income Tax	Department
		Department	

A.2 <u>Nil Tax Deductible at Source</u> on dividend payment to Resident Shareholders if the Shareholders submit documents mentioned in the below table with the Company/RTA on or before August 08, 2023.

S.	Particular	Declaration / documents required
No.		
1	An Individual furnishing Form 15G/ 15H	Copy of PAN card
		• Declaration in Form No. 15G (Annexure 1 applicable to an individual who is less than 60 years) / Form 15H (Annexure 2 applicable to an Individual who is 60 years and above), fulfilling prescribed conditions. All fields in form are mandatory. Incomplete forms will not be accepted. Form should be submitted only if aggregate dividend receivable from Company exceeds Rs 5,000.
		 Shareholders are requested to submit Form 15G/15H considering the dividend already paid in FY 2023-24.
2	Shareholders to whom section 194 of the Act	Copy of PAN card
	does not apply such as	 Self-declaration (Format enclosed in
	LIC, GIC, etc.	Annexure 3), along with adequate
		documentary evidence (e.g, registration
		certificate), to the effect that the no tax withholding is required as per provisions of section 194 of the Act.
3	Shareholders covered u/s 196 of the Act such as	Copy of PAN card
	Government, RBI, Mutual	 Self-declaration (Format enclosed in
	Funds specified u/s	Annexure 3), along with adequate
	10(23D), corporations	documentary evidence, substantiating
	established by Central Act and exempt from Income Tax.	applicability of 196 of the Act.
4	Category I and II Alternative Investment Fund (AIF)	 Copy of PAN card Documentary Evidence that person is covered by Notification No. 51/2015 dated 25 June 2015 and Self-declaration <i>(Format enclosed in</i> <i>Annexure 3)</i> that AIF's income is exempt under Section 10 (23FBA) of the Act and they are governed by SEBI regulations as applicable to Category I or Category II AIFs, along with a copy of registration certificate.

5	Any other entity exempt from withholding tax	Copy of PAN card
	under the provisions of	 Self-declaration (Format enclosed in
	section 197A of the Act	Annexure 3) along with adequate
	(including those	documentary evidence, substantiating the
	mentioned in Circular No.	nature of the entity
	18/2017 issued by CBDT)	• Copy of the lower tax withholding certificate obtained from the Income Tax Department (except those covered by Circular 18/2017)

B. NON-RESIDENT SHAREHOLDERS:

Tax deductible at source for non-resident shareholders.

S.	Category	Withholding tax	Declaration / documents required
No.		rate	
NO. 1	Non-Resident /Foreign Institutional Investors (FIIs) / Foreign Portfolio Investors (FPIs)	rateAs per Section195 of the Act -20% (plusapplicablesurcharge andcess) or tax treatyratewhichever isbeneficial	 Non-resident shareholders may opt for tax rate under Double Taxation Avoidance Agreement ("Tax Treaty") read with Multilateral Instrument ("MLI") provisions. To avail beneficial rate of tax treaty following tax documents would be required: Self-Attested Copy of PAN card (if available) Copy of Tax Residency certificate issued by revenue authority of country of residence of shareholder for the financial year 2023-24 (covering the period from April 1, 2023 to March 31, 2024) Digital Form 10F filed electronically at the link https://eportal.incometax.gov.in/ to avail Treaty Benefit
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			4. Self-declaration confirming not having a Permanent Establishment in India, eligibility to Tax Treaty Benefit read with MLI provision, if any and do not/ will not have place of effective management in India as per Annexure 4 [on shareholder's letterhead] <i>(Format enclosed in</i> <i>Annexure 4)</i>
			(Note: Application of beneficial Tax Treaty Rate shall depend upon the completeness and satisfactory review by the Company of the documents submitted by the shareholders. In case the documents are found to be incomplete, the Company reserves the right to not consider the tax rate prescribed under the tax treaty).
			• Tax shall be deducted at 20% (plus applicable surcharge and cess) if any of the above document are not provided and dividend already paid in FY 2023-24 will also be considered for determining the surcharge.
2	Alternative Investment Fund – Category III located in International Financial Services Center	10% (plus applicable surcharge and cess)#	 Copy of PAN card (if available) Self-declaration (Format enclosed in <i>Annexure 5</i>) along with adequate documentary evidence substantiating the nature of the entity.

3	Sovereign Wealth funds and Pension funds notified by Central Government u/s 10(23FE) of the Act	NIL	 Copy of the notification issued by CBDT substantiating the applicability of section 10(23FE) of the Act issued by the Government of India. Self-Declaration (<i>Format enclosed</i> <i>in Annexure 6 and 7</i>) that the conditions specified in section 10(23FE) have been complied with
4	Subsidiary of Abu Dhabi Investment Authority (ADIA) as prescribed under section 10(23FE) of the Act	NIL	Self-Declaration <i>(Format enclosed in Annexure 8)</i> substantiating the fulfillment of conditions prescribed under section 10(23FE) of the Act
5	Availability of Lower/NIL tax deduction certificate issued by Income Tax Department u/s 195 or 197 of the Act	Rate specified in Lower tax withholding certificate obtained from Income Tax Department	Copy of the lower tax withholding certificate obtained from Income Tax Department

[#]In case PAN is not updated with the Company's RTA i.e, KFin Technologies Private Limited ('KFintech') or depository; or PAN is not available; and information sought in the declaration are not provided, higher rate of withholding tax as per section 206AA shall be applied.

Notes:

i. The Company will issue a soft copy of the TDS certificate to its shareholders through email registered with the Company / KFintech post payment of the dividend. Shareholders will be able to download the tax credit statement from the Income Tax Department's website https://incometaxindiaefiling.gov.in (refer to Form 26AS).

- ii. The aforesaid documents such as Form 15G/ 15H, documents under section 196, 197A, FPI Registration Certificate, Tax Residency Certificate, Lower Tax certificate etc. can be uploaded on the link <u>https://ris.kfintech.com/form15/emailregister.aspx?q=0</u> on or before 11:59 PM on August 08, 2023 to enable the Company to determine the appropriate withholding tax rate applicable. In case where a copy of documents (such as, PAN card, Registration certificate, etc.) is provided, the copy should be self- attested by the Shareholder or its authorized signatory. Any communication in relation to tax rate determination/deduction received post August 08, 2023 shall not be considered.
- iii. Determination of withholding tax rate is subject to necessary verification by the Company of the shareholder details as available with the Depository participant in case shares are held in dematerialized form; or KFintech in case shares are held in physical form as on the Record Date, and other documents available with the Company / KFintech. Shareholders holding shares under multiple accounts under different residential status / category and single PAN, may note that, higher of the tax rate as applicable to different residential status/ category will be considered for their entire shareholding under different accounts.
- iv. In case of resident shareholders, as per Section 206AB of the Act which is applicable from 1 July 2021, if the income-tax returns for the immediately preceding financial years is not filed within the time limit prescribed under Section 139(1) of the Income Tax Act, 1961 and the aggregate of the amount of tax deducted at source and tax collected at source in case of such shareholder is Rs. 50,000 or more in preceding financial year, then the Company would withhold tax at higher of the following rates:
 - a. Twice the rate specified in the relevant provisions of the Income Tax Act, 1961
 - b. Twice the rate or rates in force
 - c. 5%

Where sections 206AA and 206AB are applicable i.e. the specified person has not submitted the PAN as well as not filed the return; the tax shall be deducted at the higher of the two rates prescribed in these two sections.

The term 'specified person' is defined in sub section (3) of section 206AB who satisfies the following conditions:

- A person who has not filed the income tax return for previous year immediately prior to the previous year in which tax is required to be deducted, for which the time limit of filing of return of income under section 139(1) of the Income Tax Act has expired; and
- The aggregate of TDS and TCS in his case is ₹ 50,000 or more in each of the previous year.

The non-resident who does not have the permanent establishment is excluded from the scope of a specified person.

Company will rely upon results provided by the functional utility of the income tax department to determine applicability of section 206AB.

Section 139AA of the Act

Further, as per Section 139AA of the Income Tax Act, every person who has been allotted a PAN and who is eligible to obtain Aadhaar, shall be required to link the PAN with Aadhaar. In case of failure to comply to this, from 1 July 2023, the PAN allotted shall be deemed to be invalid/inoperative and tax shall be deducted at the rate of 20% as per the provisions of section 206AA of the Act. The Company will be using functionality of the Income-tax department for the above purpose. Shareholders may visit https://www.incometax.gov.in/iec/foportal/ for FAQ issued by Government on PAN Aadhar linking.

- v. In case withholding tax is deducted at a higher rate, an option is still available with the shareholder to file the return of income and claim an appropriate refund. No claim shall lie against the Company for any taxes deducted by the Company.
- vi. In the event of any income tax demand (including interest, penalty, etc.) arising from any misrepresentation, inaccuracy or omission of information provided by the shareholder, the shareholder will be responsible to indemnify the Company and also, provide the Company with all information / documents and co-operation in any tax proceedings.
- vii. This Communication is not exhaustive and does not purport to be a complete analysis or listing of all potential tax consequences in the matter of dividend payment. Shareholders should consult their tax advisors for requisite action to be taken by them.
- viii. In case of any discrepancy in documents submitted by the shareholder, the company will deduct tax at a higher rate as applicable, without any further communication in this regard.
- ix. In terms of Rule 37BA of Income Tax Rules 1962 if dividend income on which tax has been deducted at source is assessable in the hands of a person other than the deductee, then the deductee should file declaration with Company in manner prescribed by Rules by 31 August 2023.

Other Information

• For shareholders having multiple accounts under different status / category

Shareholders holding equity shares under multiple accounts under different status / category and single PAN, may note that, higher of the tax as applicable to status in which shares are held under a PAN will be considered on their entire holding in different accounts.

• Clearing member should ensure that as on record date no shares are lying in their account.

No communication on the tax determination / deduction shall be entertained after 08th August 2023.

We request your cooperation in this regard.

For Sterlite Technologies Limited

Amit Deshpande

General Counsel & Company Secretary (ACS 17551)

Name of the Company	DP. ID – Client ID/ Folio No.
STERLITE TECHNOLOGIES LIMITED	

INCOME-TAX RULES, 1962

¹FORM NO. 15G

[*See* section 197A(1), 197A(1A) and rule 29C]

Declaration under section 197A(1) and section 197A(1A) to be made by an individual or a person (not being a company or firm) claiming certain incomes without deduction of tax

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3. Stat	(1	evious year (for which de Y 2023-24		is being 1	made) 5. Resid	lentialS	tatus ⁴
6. Flat	/Door/Block No.	7. Name of	Premises	8. Road/\$	Street/Lane	9. Are	a/Locality
10. To	wn/City/District	11. State		12. PIN		13. En	nail
S	lephone No. (with ID Code) and obile No.	und Act,	Vhether a er the Inc 1961 ⁵ essment y	ome-tax (b) If ye		No	tax
	timated income fo eclaration is made	r which this		which	nated total ind i income men included ⁶		
18. De	tails of Form No.	15G other th	an this fo	rm filed o	during the prev	vious ye	ear, if any ⁷
Tota	l No. of Form No.	15G filed	Aggrega		t of income fo lo.15G filed	r which	ı Form
19. De	tails of income for	r which the	declaratio	n is filed			
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Annexure 1

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Declaration/Verification¹⁰

*I/We.....do hereby declare that to the best of *my /our knowledge and belief what is stated above is correct, complete and is truly stated. *I/We declare that the incomes referred to in this form are not includible in the total income of any other person under sections 60 to 64 of the Income-tax Act, 1961. *I/We further declare that the tax *on my/our estimated total income including *income/incomes referred to in column 16 *and aggregate amount of *income/incomes referred to in column 18 computed in accordance with the provisions of the Income-tax Act, 1961, for the previous year ending on <u>31-MAR-2024</u>. relevant to the assessment year <u>2024-2025</u>.will be *nil*. *I/We also declare that *my/our *income/incomes referred to in column16 *and the aggregate amount of *income/incomes referred to in column16 *and the aggregate amount of *income/incomes referred to in column16 *and the aggregate amount of *income/incomes referred to in column16 *and the aggregate amount of *income/incomes referred to in column16 *and the aggregate amount of *income/incomes referred to in column16 *and the aggregate amount of *income/incomes referred to in column16 *and the aggregate amount of *income/incomes referred to in column18 for the previous year ending on <u>31-MAR-2024</u>. relevant to the assessment year <u>2024-2025</u> will not exceed the maximum amount which is not charge-able to income-tax.

<i>Place:</i>	
Date:	Signature of the Declarant ⁹

Substituted by IT (Fourteenth Amdt.) Rules 2015, w.e.f. 1-10-2015. Earlier Form No.15G was inserted by the IT (Fifth Amdt.)Rules, 1982, w.e.f. 21-6-1982 and later on amended by the IT (Fifth Amdt.) Rules, 1989, w.r.e.f. 1-4-1988, IT (Fourteenth Amdt.) Rules, 1990, w.e.f. 20-11-1990 and IT (Twelfth Amdt.) Rules, 2002, w.e.f. 21-6-2002 and substituted by the IT (Eighth Amdt.) Rules, 2003, w.e.f. 9-6-2003 and IT (Second Amdt.)Rules, 2013, w.e.f. 19-2-2013.

PART II

[To be filled by the person responsible for paying the income referred to in column 16 of Part I]

person responsible	e for	paying	
paying		p	g 5
5. Email	7. Telephone No. Code) and M) 8. A	mount of income paid ¹²
	nich Declaration is DD/MM/YYYY)		h the income has been l (DD/MM/YYYY)

Date: Signature of the person responsible for paying the income referred to in column16ofPartI

*Delete whichever is not applicable.

¹As per provisions of section 206AA(2), the declaration under section 197A(1) or 197A(1A) shall be invalid if the declarant fails to furnish his valid Permanent Account Number (PAN).

²Declaration can be furnished by an individual under section 197 A (1) and a person (other than a company or a firm) under section 197A(1A). ³The financial year to which the income pertains.

⁴Please mention the residential status as per the provisions of section 6 of the Incometax Act, 1961.

⁵Please mention "Yes" if assessed to tax under the provisions of Income-tax Act, 1961 for any of the assessment year out of six assessment years preceding the year in which the declaration is filed.

⁶Please mention the amount of estimated total income of the previous year for which the declaration is filed including the amount of income for which this declaration is made. ⁷Incase any declaration(s) in Form No.15G is filed before filing this declaration during the previous year, mention the total number of such Form No.15G filed alongwith the aggregate amount of income for which said declaration(s) have been filed.

⁸Mention the distinctive number of shares, account number of term deposit, recurring deposit, National Savings Schemes, life insurance policy number, employee code, etc.

⁹Indicate the capacity in which the declaration is furnished on behalf of a HUF, AOP, etc.

¹⁰Before signing the declaration/verification, the declarant should satisfy himself that the information furnished in this form is true, correct and complete in all respects. Any person making a false statement in the declaration shall be liable to prosecution under section 277 of the Income-tax Act, 1961 and on conviction be punishable-

- (i) in a case where tax sought to be evaded exceeds twenty-five lakh rupees, with rigorous imprisonment which shall not be less than six months but which may extend to seven years and with fine;
- (ii) in any other case, with rigorous imprisonment which shall not be less than three months but which may extend to two years and with fine.

¹¹The person responsible for paying the income referred to in column16 of Part I shall allot a unique identification number to all theFormNo.15G received by him during a quarter of the financial year and report this reference number alongwith the particulars prescribed in rule 31A(4)(vii) of the Income-tax Rules, 1962 in the TDS statement furnished for the same quarter. Incase the person has also received FormNo.15H during the same quarter, please allot separate series of serial number for FormNo.15G and FormNo.15H.

¹²The person responsible for paying the income referred to in column 16 of Part I shall not accept the declaration where the amount of income of the nature referred to in sub-section (1) or sub-section (1A) of section 197A or the aggregate of the amounts of such income credited or paid or likely to be credited or paid during the previous year in which such income is to be included exceeds the maximum amount which is not chargeable to tax. For deciding the eligibility, he is required to verify income or the aggregate amount of incomes, as the case may be, reported by the declarant in columns 16 and 18.

Name of the Company	DP. ID – Client ID/ Folio No.
STERLITE TECHNOLOGIES LIMITED	

¹**FORM NO. 15H**

[See section 197A(1C) and rule 29C]

Declaration under section 197A(1C) to be made by an individual who is of the age of sixty years or more claiming certain incomes without deduction of tax.

PART I											
1. Name of Assessee (Declarant)		2. Permanent Account Number or Aadhaar Number of the Assessee ¹			3. Date of Birth(DD/MM/YYYY)						
4. Previous year(P.Y.) ³ (for which declaration is being made)		5. Flat/Door/Block No.		6. Name of Premises							
FY 2023-24											
7. Road/Stree	et/Lane	8. Area/Loc	ality 9. Town/City/Distr		ct	10. State					
11. PIN	12. Ema	il	13. Telephone No. (wi			th STD Code) and Mobile No.					0.
14 (<i>a</i>) Whether assessed to tax4:					Yes	;		No			
(b) If yes, latest assessment year for which assessed											
15. Estimated income for which this declaration is made											
16. Estimated total income of the P.Y. in which income mentioned in column 15 to be included ⁵											
17. Details of Form No.15H other than this form filed for the previous year, if any ⁶											
Total No. of Form No.15H filed Aggregate amount of income for which Form No.15H filed								d			
18. Details of income for which the declaration is filed											
No.	rele	tification number of relevant tment/account, etc.7			Nature of income	come Section which dedu			Amount of income		

Signature of the Declarant

1. Substituted by the IT (Fourteenth Amdt.) Rules, 2015, w.e.f. **1-10-2015**. Earlier Form No. 15H was amended by the IT (Fifth Amdt.) Rules, 1982, w.e.f. 21-6-1982, IT (Fifth Amdt.) Rules, 1989, w.r.e.f. 1-4-1988, IT (Fourteenth Amdt.) Rules, 1990, w.e.f. 2011-1990, IT (Twelfth Amdt.) Rules, 1992, w.e.f. 1-6-1992, IT (Seventh Amdt.) Rules, 1995, w.e.f. 1-7-1995, IT (Thirty-second Amdt.) Rules, 1999, w.e.f. 19-11-1999, IT (Twelfth Amdt.) Rules, 2002, w.e.f. 21-6-2002, IT (Eighth Amdt.) Rules, 2003, w.e.f. 96-2003, IT (Fourteenth Amdt.) Rules, 2003, w.e.f. 1-8-2003 and IT (Second Amdt.) Rules, 2013, w.e.f. 19-2-2013.

Declaration/Verification⁸

I do hereby declare that I am resident in India within the meaning of section 6 of the Income-tax Act, 1961. I also hereby declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief what is stated above is correct, complete and is truly stated and that the incomes referred to in this form are not includible in the total income of any other person under sections 60 to 64 of the Income-tax Act, 1961. I further declare that the tax on my estimated total income including *income/incomes referred to in column 15 *and aggregate amount of

*income/incomes referred to in column 17 computed in accordance with the provisions of the Income-tax Act, 1961, for the previous year ending on <u>31-MAR-2024</u> relevant to the assessment year <u>2024-2025</u> will be *nil*.

 Place:

 Date

 Signature of the Declarant Signature

PART II [To be filled by the person responsible for paying the income referred to in column 15 of Part I]

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1. Name of the person responsible for paying			2. Unique Identification No. ⁹				
3. Permanent Account Number or Aadhaar Number of the person responsible for paying	4. Complete Addres	SS		5. TAN of the person responsible for paying			
6. Email	7. Telephone No. (with STD Code) and Mobile No.			8. Amount of income paid ¹⁰			
9. Date on which Declaration is received (DD/MM/YYYY)		10. Date on which the income has been paid/credited (DD/MM/YYYY)					
Place							

Place:

*Delete whichever is not applicable.

- 1. As per provisions of section 206AA(2), the declaration under section 197A(1C) shall be invalid if the declarant fails to furnish his valid Permanent Account Number or Aadhaar Number.
- 2. Declaration can be furnished by a resident individual who is of the age of 60 years or more at any time during the previous year.
- 3. The financial year to which the income pertains.
- 4. Please mention "Yes" if assessed to tax under the provisions of Income-tax Act, 1961 for any of the assessment year out of six assessment years preceding the year in which the declaration is filed.
- 5. Please mention the amount of estimated total income of the previous year for which the declaration is filed including the amount of income for which this declaration is made.
- 6. In case any declaration(s) in Form No. 15H is filed before filing this declaration during the previous year, mention the total number of such Form No. 15H filed along with the aggregate amount of income for which said declaration(s) have been filed.
- 7. Mention the distinctive number of shares, account number of term deposit, recurring deposit, National Savings Schemes, life insurance policy number, employee code, etc.
- 8. Before signing the declaration/verification, the declarant should satisfy himself that the information furnished in this form is true, correct and complete in all respects. Any person making a false statement in the declaration shall be liable to prosecution under section 277 of the Incometax Act, 1961 and on conviction be punishable—

- (i) in a case where tax sought to be evaded exceeds twenty-five lakh rupees, with rigorous imprisonment which shall not be less than six months but which may extend to seven years and with fine;
- (ii) in any other case, with rigorous imprisonment which shall not be less than three months but which may extend to two years and with fine.
- 9. The person responsible for paying the income referred to in column 15 of Part I shall allot a unique identification number to all the Form No. 15H received by him during a quarter of the financial year and report this reference number along with the particulars prescribed in rule 31A(4)(vii) of the Income-tax Rules, 1962 in the TDS statement furnished for the same quarter. In case the person has also received Form No.15G during the same quarter, please allot separate series of serial number for Form No.15H and Form No.15G.
- 10. The person responsible for paying the income referred to in column 15 of Part I shall not accept the declaration where the amount of income of the nature referred to in section 197A(1C) or the aggregate of the amounts of such income credited or paid or likely to be credited or paid during the previous year in which such income is to be included exceeds the maximum amount which is not chargeable to tax after allowing for deduction(s) under Chapter VI-A, if any, or set off of loss, if any, under the head "income from house property" for which the declarant is eligible. For deciding the eligibility, he is required to verify income or the aggregate amount of incomes, as the case may be, reported by the declarant in columns 15 and 17.

¹[**Provided** that such person shall accept the declaration in a case where income of the assessee, who is eligible for rebate of income-tax under section 87A, is higher than the income for which declaration can be accepted as per this note, but his tax liability shall be nil after taking into account the rebate available to him under the said section 87A.]

¹. Inserted by Income-tax (4th Amendment) Rules, 2019, w.e.f. **22-5-2019**.

Annexure 3

DECLARATION FOR RESIDENT SHAREHOLDER

(To be declared by resident shareholder for availing the NIL tax rate deduction on dividend payment under the Income Tax Act, 1961)

Date: xxxxxxxx

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Sterlite Technologies Limited,

Subject: Declaration regarding Category and beneficial ownership of shares

Ref: PAN

Folio Number / DP ID/ Client ID - (Please specify all the account details)

With reference to the captioned subject, and in relation to the appropriate withholding of taxes on the Dividend payable to me / us by Sterlite Technologies Limited ('the Company'), I / We hereby declare as under:

- 1. I / We, (*Full name of the shareholder*), holding share/shares of the Company as on the record date, hereby declare that I am / we are tax resident of India for the period April 2022 March 2023 (Indian Fiscal Year).
- 2. I / We hereby declare that (Strike out whatever is not applicable)

*We are **Insurance Company** and are the beneficial owner of the share/shares held in the Company; and we are submitting a self-attested copy of PAN Card.

OR

*We are a **Mutual Fund** specified in Section 10(23D) of the Income Tax Act, 1961 and are the beneficial owner of the share/shares held in the Company; and we are submitting self-attested copy of the PAN Card and registration certificate.

OR

*We are **Alternative Investment Fund (AIF)** established in India and are the beneficial owner of the share/shares held in the Company; and our income is exempt under Section 10(23FBA) of the Act. We are governed by SEBI regulations as Category I or Category II AIF; and we are submitting a self-

attested copy of the PAN card and registration certificate. We also affirm that income from such shares is not categorized as Income under the 'Profits and gains from business or profession'.

OR

*We are *[Nature of the entity]* and are the beneficial owner of the share/shares held in the Company; and are not subject to withholding tax as per section 194/196/197A of the Income Tax Act, 1961; and we are submitting a self-attested copy of the documentary evidence supporting the exemption status (e.g. relevant copy of relevant rule, registration, notification, order, etc.) along with a self-attested copy of the PAN card.

- 3. I / We will indemnify and hold harmless the Company for any tax, interest, penalty or related cost that the Company may incur due to non-withholding or withholding of tax at lower rate arising out of any acts of commission or omission initiated by the Company by relying on my/ our above averment.
- 4. I / We hereby confirm that the above declaration should be considered to be applicable for all the shares held in the Company under PAN / accounts declared in the form.

Thanking you.

Yours faithfully,

For (Name of the shareholder)

<<insert signature>>

Authorized Signatory -

Notes:

1. *Delete whichever is not applicable.

Date:

To Sterlite Technologies Limited

Subject: Declaration regarding Tax Residency and Beneficial Ownership of shares

Ref: PAN – Mention PAN of Shareholder **Folio Number / DP ID/ Client ID** – Mention all the account details

With reference to the captioned subject, and in relation to the appropriate withholding of taxes on the Dividend payable to me / us by **[Name of Company]** (the Company), I / We hereby declare as under:

- 1. I/We, Full name of the shareholder _______, holding share/shares of the Company as on the record date, hereby declare that I am /we are tax resident of country name for the period April 2023-March 2024 (Indian Fiscal Year) as per tax treaty between India and country name (hereinafter referred to as 'said tax treaty').
- 2. I / We hereby declare that, I am /we are the beneficial owner of the share/shares held in the Company as well as the dividend arising from such shareholding; and I/ we have the right to use and enjoy the dividend received/ receivable from the above shares and such right is not constrained by any contractual and/ or legal obligation to pass on such dividend to another person.
- 3. I/We confirm that we are not resident in India and we do not have Place of Effective Management (POEM) in India.
- 4. I/We confirm that I/We are entitled to claim the benefits under the Treaty as modified by the multilateral convention to implement tax treaty related measures to prevent base erosion and profit shifting (MLI) including but not limited to the Principal Purpose Test (PPT), limitation of benefit clause (LOB), Simplified Limitation of Benefits (SLOB), period of holding of shares etc. as applicable. We specifically confirm that my affair / affairs were not arranged such that the main purpose or the principal purpose thereof was to obtain tax benefits available under the applicable tax treaty.
- 5. I/We confirm that I/We have not entered into an impermissible avoidance arrangement i.e. an arrangement, the main purpose or one of the main purposes of which is to obtain a tax benefit and it (a) creates rights, or obligations, which are not ordinarily created bet-ween persons dealing at arm's length (b) results, directly or indirectly, in the misuse, or abuse, of the provisions of this Act (c) lacks commercial substance or is deemed to lack commercial substance under section 97, in whole or in part; or (d) is entered into, or carried out, by means, or in a manner, which are not ordinarily employed for bona fide purposes.
- 6. I/We hereby furnish a copy of valid Tax Residency Certificate dated ______ having Tax Identification number______ issued by ______ along with a copy of Form 10F duly filled and signed for the period April 2023-March 2024.

- I/We further declare that I/we do not have and will not have any taxable presence, fixed base or Permanent Establishment in India as per the said tax treaty during the period April 2023 – March 2024.
- 8. If, I /We have any PE or fixed base in India as construed under relevant Articles of the applicable tax treaty but the dividend income receivable by me/us from investment in the shares of the Company is not effectively connected to said permanent establishment in India. Further I/We hereby declare and confirm that I/We do not fall under the definition of 'specified person' as provided in section 206AB of the IT Act
- 9. I/ We further indemnify the Company for any penal consequences arising out of any acts of commission or omission initiated by the Company by relying on my/ our above averment.
- 10. I/We hereby confirm that the above declaration should be considered to be applicable for all the shares held in the Company under PAN/ accounts declared in the form.

The shareholders are required to provide a Declaration strictly as per the specified format given above, failing which the Company reserves the right to deny the Treaty benefits.

Thanking you. Yours faithfully, For Name of the shareholder <<insert signature>>

 Authorized Signatory - Name and designation

 Contact address:
 [Please insert]

 Email address:
 [Please insert]

 Contact Number:
 [Please insert]

 Tax Identification Number
 [Please insert]

Note: Kindly strikethrough whichever is not applicable

(*In case of any Authorised Signatory being other than Director/ Managing Director, please attach the valid Power of Attorney authorising the individual as an Authorised Signatory)

The shareholders are required to provide a Declaration strictly as per the specified format given above, failing which the Company reserves the right to deny the Treaty benefits.

DECLARATION FOR ALTERNATIVE INVESTMENT FUND - CATEGORY III LOCATED IN INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL SERVICES CENTER

Date: xxxxxxxxxx

То

Sterlite Technologies Limited,

Subject: Declaration regarding registration number and nature

I / We, [...] do hereby solemnly declare as follows:

- a. I / We, am / are registered with Securities Exchange Board of India ('SEBI') as a Category III Alternative Investment Fund, holding the registration number XXXXX and complying with all regulations as prescribed by SEBI during the year 2023-24.
- b. I am / We are registered with SEBI under the status as *Limited Liability Partnership/ *Body Corporate or Company / *Trust and have obtained the necessary certificates as prescribed.
- c. I / We are located in any International Financial Services Center.
- d. I/ We further declare that all the units of the Alternative Investment Fund are held by non-residents other than units held by a sponsor or manager.

(Name, designation & signature of the Shareholder)

Trust/ Company/ Limited Liability Partnership Seal (if applicable)

Date: Place: Address: Email and Telephone: PAN/Tax identification number (country of residence):

Notes:

1. *Delete whichever is not applicable.

[To be provided on Shareholder's Letter head]

Annexure 6

DECLARATION FOR SOVEREIGN WEALTH FUNDS

(To be declared by non-resident shareholder as prescribed under section 10(23FE) of the Income-tax Act, 1961 for NIL deduction on payment of dividend)

Date: xxxxxxxxxx

То

Sterlite Technologies Limited,

Subject: Declaration regarding fulfillment of prescribed conditions under section 10(23FE) of the Income tax Act, 1961

We, [.....] do hereby solemnly declare as follows:

- We certify that we are compliant with the conditions as stipulated under provisions of section 10(23FE) of the Act during the year 2023-24.
- We also certify that we comply with the conditions laid down in the notification number XXXX issued by CBDT dated DD-MM-YYYY.

(Name, designation & signature of Non-resident Shareholder)

Company Seal (if applicable)

Date: Place: Address: Email and Telephone: Tax identification number (country of residence): [To be provided on Shareholder's Letter head]

Annexure 7

DECLARATION FOR PENSION FUNDS

(To be declared by non-resident shareholder as prescribed under section 10(23FE) of the Income-tax Act, 1961 for NIL deduction on payment of dividend)

Date: xxxxxxxxxx

То

Sterlite Technologies Limited,

Subject: Declaration regarding fulfillment of prescribed conditions under section 10(23FE) of the Income tax Act, 1961

We, [.....] do hereby solemnly declare as follows:

- We certify that we are compliant with the conditions as stipulated under provisions of section 10(23FE) of the Act during the year 2023-24.
- We also certify that we comply with the conditions laid down in Rule 2DB of Income-tax Rules, 1962(*notified vide Notification No.* 67/2020 [F. No. 370142/28/2020-TPL] / GSR 508(E)).

(Name, designation & signature of Non-resident Shareholder)

Company Seal (if applicable)

Date: Place: Address: Email and Telephone: Tax identification number (country of residence):

Annexure 8

DECLARATION FOR WHOLLY OWNED SUBSIDIARY OF ABU DHABI INVESTMENT AUTHORITY

(To be declared by non-resident shareholder as prescribed under section 10(23FE) of the Income-tax Act, 1961 for NIL deduction on payment of dividend)

Date: xxxxxxxxxx

То

Sterlite Technologies Limited,

Subject: Declaration regarding fulfillment of prescribed conditions under section 10(23FE) of the Income tax Act, 1961

I / We, [...] do hereby solemnly declare as follows:

- We are residents of the United Arab Emirates (UAE) and are a wholly owned subsidiary of Abu Dhabi Investment Authority.
- We also certify that the investment made by us is directly / indirectly out of the funds owned by the Government of UAE.
- We certify that we are compliant with the conditions as stipulated under provisions of section 10(23FE) of the Act during the year 2023-24.

(Name, designation & signature of Non-resident Shareholder)

Company Seal (if applicable)

Date: Place: Address: Email and Telephone:..... Tax identification number (country of residence):