

## SONATA Finance Private Limited

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Ref: SEBI/BSE/2023-24/12

Date: May 16, 2023

Scrip Code: 949876 Company Code: 10494

To,
The Manager
Listing Department
Bombay Stock Exchange Limited,
Phiroze Jeejeebhoy Towers,
Dalal Street, Mumbai- 400001

<u>Subject</u>: Intimation pursuant to Clause 19 of Part B of Schedule III under Regulation 51(2) of SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 ("LODR Regulations")- Resignation of Statutory Auditors of the Company

Dear Sir/Madam,

Pursuant to Clause 19 of Part B of Schedule III under Regulation 51(2) of the LODR Regulations read along with SEBI Circular No. CIR/CFD/CMD1/114/2019 dated October 18, 2019 and guidelines issued thereunder from time to time, we wish to inform that, M/s BSR & Co. LLP (Firm registration No. 101248W/W-100022) have tendered their resignation as the Statutory Auditors of the Company with effect from conclusion of the Board meeting scheduled to be held on May 30, 2023; wherein the audited financial statements for the financial year ended March 31, 2023 would be approved. The resignation has been tendered owing to the potential independence considerations, pursuant to the proposed change in the ownership of the company

The copy of the resignation letter dated May 15, 2023 with Annexure as received from M/s BSR & Co. LLP is attached herewith.

Request you to take the same on your record.

Thanking you,

For Sonata Finance Private Limited

Paurvi Srivastava Company Secretary

Enclosures: -

Resignation letter by M/s BSR & Co. LLP dated May 15, 2023.

CC:

Catalyst Trusteeship Limited (Debenture Trustee)

# BSR&Co.LLP

#### **Chartered Accountants**

14th Floor, Central Wing B Wing and North C Wing, Nesco IT Park 4, Nesco Center, Western Express Highway, Goregaon (East), Mumbai - 400 063. India Telephone: +91 22 6257 1000 Fax: +91 22 6257 1010

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The Board of Directors Sonata Finance Private Limited II Floor, CP. 1, P.G Towers Kursi Road, Vikas Nagar Lucknow- 226026 UTTAR PRADESH

15 May 2023

Dear Sirs,

As you are aware, we were appointed as the statutory auditors of Sonata Finance Private Limited ('the Company') pursuant to the shareholder's resolution dated 30 September 2021 to hold office for a period of 3 years.

We are in process of carrying out the statutory audit in respect of financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2023.

Please refer to our ongoing discussions in connection with our continuation as statutory auditors of the Company. As per our discussions, due to potential independence considerations under the applicable framework pursuant to the proposed change in ownership of the company, we would not be in a position to continue as statutory auditors of the Company after completion of audit for the year ended 31 March 2023.

Accordingly, we hereby tender our resignation as statutory auditor of the Company with effect from conclusion of the Board meeting wherein the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2023 would be approved, which as informed to us is scheduled on 30 May 2023. We have also discussed this matter with the management of the Company.

As per the requirements of the Companies Act 2013, we shall be forwarding the copy of ADT-3, as filed with the Registrar of Companies, in due course.

Please find attached in Annexure A, the information to be obtained by the Company from the auditors for the resignation as required by Securities and Exchange Board of India circular CIR/CFD/CMD1/114/2019 dated 18 October 2019.

Yours faithfully,

For BSR&Co.LLP

Chartered Accountants

Firm's Registration No: 101248W/W-100022

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**Pranav Gune** 

Partner

Membership No: 121058

## Disclosure of information from the statutory auditor upon resignation

| Sr.<br>No. | Particulars   | Details  |
|------------|---|--|
|            |   |  |
| 1.         | Name of the material subsidiary   | Sonata Finance Private Limited                           |
| 2.         | Details of the statutory auditor:   |  |
|            | a. Name   | BSR&Co.LLP   |
|            | b. Address  | 14 <sup>th</sup> Floor, Central B Wing and North C Wing, |
|            |   | Nesco IT Park 4, Nesco Center, Western Express           |
|            |   | Highway, Goregaon (East), Mumbai – 400063                |
|            | c. Phone Number   | +91-9820961476   |
|            | d. Email  | pgune@bsraffiliates.com                                  |
| 3.         | Details of association with the listed entity/                            |  |
|            | material subsidiary:  |  |
|            | a. Date on which the statutory auditor                                    | 30 September 2021  |
|            | was appointed   |  |
|            | b. Date on which the term of the statutory                                | Conclusion of the Company's AGM to be held in            |
|            | auditor was scheduled to expire   | the year 2023-24   |
|            | c. Prior to resignation, the latest audit                                 | Audit report for the year ended 31 March 2023            |
|            | report/limited review report  | expected to be issued on 30 May 2023                     |
|            | submitted by the auditor and date of its                                  |  |
|            | submission  |  |
| 4.         | Detailed reasons for resignation:   | Refer to the attached resignation letter                 |
| 5.         | In case of any concerns, efforts made by the                              | Not applicable   |
|            | auditor prior to resignation (including                                   |  |
|            | approaching the Audit Committee/Board of Directors along with the date of |  |
|            | communication made to the Audit   |  |
|            | Committee/Board of Directors)   |  |
| 6.         | In case the information requested by the                                  | Not applicable   |
| 0.         | auditor was not provided, then following shall                            | Not applicable   |
|            | be disclosed:   |  |
|            | oc disclosed.   |  |
|            | a. Whether the inability to obtain  |  |
|            | sufficient appropriate audit evidence                                     |  |
|            | was due to a management - imposed   |  |
|            | limitation or circumstances beyond the                                    |  |
|            | control of the management.  |  |
|            | b. Whether the lack of information would                                  |  |
|            | have significant impact on the  |  |
|            | financial statements/results.   |  |
|            |   |  |
|            | c. Whether the auditor has performed                                      |  |
|            | alternative procedures to obtain  |  |
|            | appropriate evidence for the purposes                                     |  |

| Sr. | Particulars  | Details |
|-----|--|---------|
| No. |  |         |
|     | of audit/limited review as laid down in SA 705 (Revised)   |         |
|     | d. Whether the lack of information was prevalent in the previous reported financial statements/results. If yes, on what basis the previous audit/limited review reports were issued. |         |
| 7.  | Any other facts relevant to the resignation:   | None    |

### **Declaration:**

- 1. We hereby confirm that the information given in this letter and its attachments is correct and complete.
- 2. We hereby confirm that there is no other material reason other than those provided above for resignation of my firm.

Yours faithfully,

### For B S R & Co. LLP

Chartered Accountants

Firm's Registration No: 101248W/W-100022

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### **Pranav Gune**

Partner

Membership No: 121058