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BEFORE THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE BOARD OF INDIA MUMBAI

CONSENT ORDER

ON THE APPLICATION SUBMITTED BY SHRI RAJESH NANUBHAI JHAVERI

IN THE MATTER OF OJAS TECHNOCHEM PRODUCTS LTD.

(CONSENT APPLICATION NO. 37/2007)

- 1. Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) conducted investigation under Section 11C of the SEBI Act, 1992 to examine possible irregularities in trading in the shares of Ojas Technochem Products Ltd. (OTPL), during November 1999 February 2000. The Investigation, *prima facie*, revealed that the applicant, Shri Rajesh Nanubhai Jhaveri has facilitated the allotment of shares on preferential basis by the OTPL without infusion of money into the company and masterminded the designs to manipulate the price of its shares.
- 2. Pursuant to the investigation, SEBI initiated proceedings under Section 11B of the SEBI Act, 1992 against the applicant. It issued show cause notices dated September 30, 2004 and November 17, 2006 alleging that the applicant had violated provisions of Regulation 3, 4(a), 4(b) and 4(d) of the SEBI (Prohibition of Fraudulent and Unfair Trade Practices Relating to Securities Market) Regulations, 1995. The applicant replied to the show cause notice dated September 30, 2004. An opportunity of hearing was granted to the applicant on July 24, 2007 which he did not avail.
- 3. While further proceedings in the matter were in progress, the applicant, vide letter dated July 17, 2007, proposed settlement of these proceedings through a consent order. High Powered Advisory Committee appointed by SEBI considered the consent terms proposed by the applicant and recommended the case for settlement. As per the terms of settlement, the applicant shall pay Rs.7,00,000/- (Rupees seven lakh only) as settlement charges.

4. For the sole purpose of settling the matter on hand and without admission or denial of guilt on the part of the applicant to the finding of fact or conclusion of law, the applicant has remitted a sum of Rs.7,00,000 (Rupees seven lakh only) vide demand draft No. 016565 dated July 25, 2008 drawn on Central Bank of India, Mumbai.

5. In view of the above, it is hereby ordered that this consent order disposes of the said proceedings under Section 11B of the SEBI Act, 1992 pending before SEBI against the applicant in the matter of Ojas Technochem Products Ltd.

6. This order is without prejudice to the right of SEBI to take enforcement action, including commencing / reopening of the pending proceedings against the applicant if:

a. any representation made by the applicant in the consent proceedings is subsequently discovered to be untrue.

b. the applicant breaches any of the clauses/ conditions of undertakings/ waivers filed during the current consent proceedings with SEBI.

7. This consent order is passed on the 4th September, 2008 and shall come into force with immediate effect.

T. C. NAIR WHOLE TIME MEMBER

M. S. SAHOO WHOLE TIME MEMBER