



**SME Leasing Limited**  
(A subsidiary of SME Bank Ltd.)

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SMEL/2024/0243  
September 6, 2024

Ms. Zeest Zehra Jatoi  
Assistant Manager, Listed Companies Compliance - RAD  
Pakistan Stock Exchange Limited  
Stock Exchange Building  
Stock Exchange Road  
Karachi

Dear Madam

Re: **Winding Down/Liquidation of SME Leasing Limited**

We are enclosing herewith a letter from SME Bank Limited along with letter of Ministry of Finance, Government of Pakistan on the subject noted above.

You may please inform the TRE Certificate Holders of the Exchange accordingly

Yours truly

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Company Secretary (Officiating)



SMEBL: HO: Compliance &RMD: 2024/2498

September 02, 2024

**Mr. Asghar Maqsood,**  
Chief Executive Officer,  
SME Leasing Ltd.  
Suit No 304, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Business Arcade  
Shahrah -e- Faisal  
**Karachi.**

**Subject: WINDING DOWN / LIQUADATION OF SME LEASING**

Dear Mr. Asghar,

We may advise that owing to Federal Cabinet's decision on 17 March 2023 for winding down of SME Bank Ltd, Board of the Bank, being parent company, in its meeting # 132 held on 29 Aug 2024 deliberated different options as Way-forward for SME Leasing. The Board also reviewed & noted the performance of the SME Leasing during the outgoing year and its accumulated loss. Finance Division letter # F.No.3(27) IF-III/2005-564 dated August 27, 2024 (copy enclosed) on the subject noted above was also shared in the aforesaid Board meeting.

2. Keeping in view the ongoing winding down process of the Bank, adverse financial & operational performance of SME Leasing and the instructions from the Finance Division, the Board of SME Bank Ltd has resolved as follow:

- I. **Resolved that** the management of SME Leasing Company is advised to develop an action plan with specific time lines to scale down its business and operations, leading to the winding up of the SME leasing and to approach its shareholders for approval of special resolution for winding down of the SME Leasing, at an appropriate time in alignment with the time lines of the action plan as mentioned herein first.
- II. **Resolved that** the management of the SME Leasing Company is directed to inform the SECP in the hearing, as and when held pursuant to the show cause notice issued to it by SECP, that the management and the parent company are not in a position to meet the MCR of SECP by injecting more equity in the company and SECP may therefore proceed in accordance with the Law.

Please note that the Management of the Bank has also been advised to separately take up the matter with the SECP as advised by the Finance Division in its most recent communication of 27th August 2024 relating to SME Leasing Company, which has already been done.

3. You are therefore advised to proceed further swiftly as per above decisions / directions of the Board of SME Bank Ltd. being parent company. The contents of this letter, along with action plan in compliance to 2 (I) and 2(II) may also be placed before the Board of Directors of SME Leasing Company limited.

Regards

  
2/9/2024

**ABDUL RAZZAQ**  
Head Compliance & Risk Management Division  
**051-9221926**

F.No.3(27)IF-III/2005-564  
Government of Pakistan  
Finance Division  
(Internal Finance Wing)  
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SME Bank Limited  
Office of the President & CEO  
Dy. No. 2806  
Date 28/08/24

Islamabad, the 27<sup>th</sup> August, 2024

The President,  
SME Bank Limited,  
Islamabad.

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MR. Abdul  
Razaq

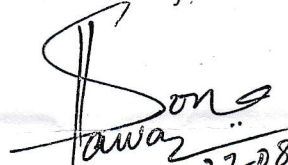
Subject:- SME LEASING – A SUBSIDIARY OF THE SME BANK LIMITED

Dear Sir,

I am directed to refer to Finance Division's letter of even number dated 19-02-2024, on the subject noted above.

2. Keeping in view the fact that winding down process of SME Bank Limited is at an advanced stage, it is advised that liquidation of SME Leasing Limited may be pursued with the Securities and Exchange Commission of Pakistan (SECP) at the earliest. In this regard, the SME Bank as a major shareholder may also maintain the same stance during the upcoming hearings/meetings/correspondence with the SECP.

Yours sincerely,

  
(Sonia Nawaz) 27-08-2024  
Section Officer (IF-II)  
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