April 12, 2016

Dy. General Manager
BSE Limited
Corporate Relationship Department
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Mumbai – 400 001.

The Manager
Listing Department
National Stock Exchange of India Ltd.
Exchange Plaza (5th Floor)
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Bandra-Kurla Complex, Bandra (E)
Mumbai – 400 051.

Dear Sir,

Sub- : Disclosure under Regulation 30 of SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015

The Company has been sourcing its coal requirement through imports. Coal so imported was classified as steam coal by the Company and duties paid accordingly. According to Customs Department, this coal merited classification as bituminous coal.

In the financial year 2013, the tariff of bituminous coal was higher than steam coal. Hence the Company paid the differential duty with interest "under protest".

The Commissioner of Customs (Preventive) in adjudication of our "payment under protest" has upheld the Customs Departments classification and demanded fine amounting to Rs. 23.25 cr and a further penalty of Rs. 9.86 cr.

The management believes that this demand is unjustified and is taking steps to challenge it, as per the options available to it.

This disclosure is being made, pursuant to Regulation 30 of SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,
for Tata Sponge Iron Limited

(Sanjay Kasture)
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