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**Subject: Non-Holding of Annual General Meeting for the year ended December 31, 2018.**

Dear Sir,

We write with reference to PSX letter no. PSX/Gen-2640 dated June 20, 2019 and earlier correspondences held on the subject matter. In this respect, we would like to submit our following response on the cited observations for your kind consideration:

- i. Keeping in view the circumstances arising on account of ongoing investigations by the law enforcement agencies, the external auditors of the Bank, M/s. Deloitte Yousuf Adil, Chartered Accountants neither completed their half-yearly review assignment nor initiated their annual audit assignment for the year 2018. Moreover, the auditors decided to submit resignation on February 12, 2019. Since half-yearly review of the financial statements for June 30, 2018 was not completed, the Bank was unable to finalize and publish those financial statements. Consequently, the Bank could not finalize and publish the financial statements for the period ended September 30, 2018, December 31, 2018 and March 31, 2019.
- ii. Owing to the aforesaid resignation by the external auditors, a casual vacancy had arisen in the office of the external auditors of the Bank on February 12, 2019. Thereby, after having received the consent to act as auditors, the board of directors of the Bank, in compliance of section 246(6) of the Act, approved the appointment of M/s. Baker Tilly Mehmood Idrees Qamar, Chartered Accountants as the replacement external auditors of the Bank for FY-2018 in their board meeting held on February 18, 2019.
- iii. Accordingly, the replacement external auditors are currently re-performing the unfinished half-yearly review assignment of the financial statements for the six months' period ended June 30, 2018 as the same was not completed by the ex-auditors. Moreover, they are simultaneously performing the annual audit assignment for year ended December 31, 2018. Once these extensive audit assignments are completed, all the relevant financial statements will be submitted to the board of directors for their consideration, approval and onward submission to the regulatory bodies. We may also highlight that all these audit assignments are currently in the advanced stages of review and finalization.
- iv. Due to the timeframe that is required to complete the audit assignments, together with the fact that replacement auditors initiated their assignments by the end of February-2019, it was practically not possible for the Bank to comply with the applicable timelines for completing the applicable requirements of the laws and regulations for the aforesaid matters.

**COMMITTED TO YOU**

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In light of above explanation and facts, we may submit that the delay in holding of board meeting for finalization and publication of above referred financial statements was beyond the control of management. We therefore hereby request you to condone this delay and further assure you that the best efforts are being made by both the management and the auditors for earliest completion of the audit assignments which will enable finalization and publication of the financial statements for the periods ended June 30, 2018, September 30, 2018, December 31, 2018 and March 31, 2019.

We look forward for kind consideration of Exchange together with the usual support and cooperation in this matter.

Thanking You,

Very truly yours,

For and on behalf of  
Summit Bank Limited



**Syed Muhammad Talib Raza**  
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