# **KUSUM INDUSTRIAL GASES LTD**

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## NOTICE OF 41<sup>st</sup> ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the **41**<sup>st</sup> Annual General Meeting of the Members of **Kusum Industrial Gases Limited** will be held on **Friday, the 25<sup>th</sup> August, 2023 at 1.00 p.m.** through Video Conferencing ("VC") or Other Audio Visual Means ("OAVM") to transact the following businesses:

## **ORDINARY BUSINESS:**

1. To receive, consider and adopt the audited Balance Sheet as at 31st March, 2023 and the Statement of Profit & Loss for the year ended on that date and the Reports of the Board of Directors and the Auditors thereon.

## 2. Appointment of Statutory Auditor to fill casual vacancy:

To consider and if thought fit, to pass, with or without modification(s), the following Resolution as an Ordinary Resolution:

"**RESOLVED THAT** pursuant to the provisions of Section 139 of the Companies Act, 2013 read with the Companies (Audit and Auditors) Rules, 2014 (The Rules), including any statutory modification(s) thereof for the time being in force M/s Sourabh Majumdar & Associates, Chartered Accountants (Firm Registration No324201E), who was appointed as Auditors of the Company by the Board of Directors on recommendation of the Audit Committee, to fill up the casual vacancy caused by the resignation of M/s Ray & Co., Chartered Accountants (Firm Registration No.313124E), be and is hereby appointed as statutory auditor of the company to hold office for the period of Five (5) consecutive Years, from the conclusion of the 41<sup>st</sup> Annual General Meeting till the conclusion of the 46<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of the Company at such remuneration as may be mutually decided by the Board of Directors of the Company and the Statutory Auditors."

"**RESOLVED FURTHER THAT** the Board of Directors of the Company (including its Committee thereof), be and is hereby authorized to do all such acts, deeds, matters and things as may be considered necessary, desirable or expedient to give effect to this resolution."

By order of the Board

Regd. Office : 3-F, Park Plaza, 71, Park Street Kolkata–700016 Dated : 27.05.2023

-/Sd (Rajiv Agarwal) Director (DIN: 00056650)

#### NOTES:

 The Ministry of Corporate Affairs, Government of India ("MCA") vide its General Circular Nos. 20/2020 and 10/2022 dated 05 May, 2020 and 28 December, 2022 respectively, and other circulars issued in this respect ("MCA Circulars") allowed, inter-alia, conduct of AGMs through Video Conferencing / Other Audio-Visual Means ("VC/ OAVM") facility. The Securities and Exchange Board of India ("SEBI") also vide its Circular No. SEBI/HO/CFD/PoD-2/P/ CIR/2023/4 dated 05 January, 2023 ("SEBI Circular") has provided certain relaxations from compliance with certain provisions of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 ("Listing Regulations"). In compliance with these Circulars, provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 ("the Act") and the Listing Regulations, the 41<sup>st</sup> AGM of the Company is being conducted through VC/ OAVM facility, which does not require physical presence of members at a common venue. The deemed venue for the 41<sup>st</sup> AGM shall be the Registered Office of the Company

- 2. Keeping the convenience of the Members positioned in different time zones, the Meeting has been scheduled at 1.00 p.m.
- 3. IN TERMS OF THE MCA CIRCULARS AND SEBI CIRCULAR NO. SEBI/HO/CFD/ CMD1/CIR/P/2020/79 DATED MAY 12, 2020, THE REQUIREMENT OF SENDING PROXY FORMS TO HOLDERS OF SECURITIES AS PER PROVISIONS OF SECTION 105 OF THE ACT READ WITH REGULATION 44(4) OF THE LISTING REGULATIONS, HAS BEEN DISPENSED WITH. THEREFORE, THE FACILITY TO APPOINT PROXY BY THE MEMBERS WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE AND CONSEQUENTLY, THE PROXY FORM AND ATTENDANCE SLIP ARE NOT ANNEXED TO THIS NOTICE CONVENING THE 41<sup>st</sup> AGM OF THE COMPANY (THE "NOTICE").

However, in pursuance of Section 113 of the Act and Rules framed thereunder, the corporate members are entitled to appoint authorized representatives for the purpose of voting through remote e-Voting or for the participation and e-Voting during the AGM, through VC or OAVM. Institutional Shareholders (i.e., other than individuals, HUF, NRI, etc.) are required to send scanned copy (PDF / JPG Format) of the relevant Board Resolution / Power of Attorney / appropriate Authorization Letter together with attested specimen signature(s) of the duly authorized signatory(ies) who are authorized to vote, to the Scrutinizer through e-mail at <u>sushiltiwari associates@rediffmail.com</u> with a copy marked to <u>evoting@nsdl.co.in</u>

- **4.** Since the AGM will be held through VC or OAVM, no Route Map is being provided with the Notice.
- **5.** In case of Joint-holders, the Member whose name appears as the first holder in the order of names as per the Register of Members of the Company will be entitled to vote during the AGM.

## 6. Dispatch of Annual Report through E-mail

In accordance with the MCA Circulars and the said SEBI Circular dated May 12, 2020, the Notice alongwith the Annual Report of the Company for the financial year ended March 31, 2023, will be sent only through e-mail, to those Members whose e-mail addresses are registered with the Company or the Registrar and Share Transfer Agent (the "RTA"), i.e., M/s. Niche Technologies Private Limited or the Depository Participant(s). The Notice and the Annual Report for the financial year ended March 31, 2023 shall be available on the website of the Company *viz.*, www.kusumindustrialgasesltd.co.in and of the Stock Exchanges where Equity Shares of the Company are listed. The Notice shall also be available on the e-Voting website of the agency engaged for providing e-Voting facility, i.e., National Securities Depository Limited (NSDL), *viz.*, www.evoting.nsdl.com

#### 7. PROCEDURE FOR ATTENDING THE AGM THROUGH VC OR OAVM

Members will be able to attend the AGM through VC or OAVM or view the live webcast of the AGM provided by NSDL at https://www.evoting.nsdl.com by using their remote e-Voting login credentials and selecting the EVEN for the AGM.

Further details in this regard are annexed separately and form part of this Notice.

#### 8. PROCEDURE FOR REMOTE E-VOTING AND E-VOTING DURING THE AGM

In accordance with the provisions of Section 108 and other applicable provisions, if any, of the Act, Rule 20 of the Companies (Management and Administration) Rules, 2014 and amendments thereto, read together with the MCA Circulars and Regulation 44 of the Listing Regulations,

The Company has engaged the services of NSDL to provide remote e-Voting facility and e-Voting facility during the AGM to all the eligible Members to enable them to cast their votes electronically in respect of the businesses to be transacted at the Meeting. The instructions to cast votes through remote e-Voting and through e-Voting system during the AGM are annexed separately and form part of this Notice.

The remote e-Voting period will commence on Tuesday, August 22, 2023 (9:00 A.M. IST) and will end on Thursday, August 24, 2023 (5:00 P.M. IST). During this period, the Members of the Company, holding shares either in physical or dematerialized mode, as on the cut-off date, i.e., Friday, August 18, 2023, may cast their vote by remote e-Voting. The remote e-Voting module shall be disabled by NSDL for voting thereafter. Only those Members who are present in the Meeting through VC or OAVM facility and have not cast their votes on resolutions through remote e-Voting and are otherwise not barred from doing so, shall be allowed to vote through e-Voting system during the AGM. However, Members who would have cast their votes by remote e-Voting may attend the Meeting, but shall neither be allowed to change it subsequently nor cast votes again during the Meeting and accordingly, their presence shall also be counted for the purpose of quorum under Section 103 of the Act. The Members, whose names appear in the Register of Members / list of Beneficial Owners as on Friday, August 18, 2023 being the cut-off date, are entitled to vote on the Resolutions set forth in the Notice. The voting rights of the Members shall be in proportion to their share(s) of the paid-up equity share capital of the Company as on the cut-off date. A person who is not a member as on the cut-off date, i.e., Friday, August 18, 2023 should treat this Notice for information purpose only.

The Board of Directors has appointed **Mr. Sushil Tiwari, Practicing Company Secretary** (M.No. 6199 and C.P. No. 1903), 31A, S. P. Mukherjee Road, Kolkata - 700025 as the Scrutinizer for scrutinizing the process of remote e-Voting and also e-Voting during the Meeting in a fair and transparent manner. The Scrutinizer shall, immediately after the conclusion of the Meeting, count the votes cast at the Meeting and thereafter unblock the votes cast through remote e-Voting in presence of atleast two witnesses not in employment of the Company and submit a Consolidated Scrutinizer's Report of the total votes cast in favour or against, if any, not later than 48 hours after the conclusion of the Meeting. Thereafter, the Results of e-Voting shall be declared forthwith by the Chairman or by any other director/person duly authorised in this regard. The Results declared along with the Report of the Scrutinizer shall be placed on the Company's website (www.kusumindustrialgasesltd.co.in) and on the e-Voting website of NSDL (*www.evoting.nsdl.com*) immediately after the results are declared and shall simultaneously be communicated to the Stock Exchanges where the equity shares of the Company are listed. The results declared along with the said Report shall also be made available for atleast 3 days on the Notice Boards of the Company at its Registered /Corporate Office in Kolkata.

Subject to the receipt of requisite number of votes, the businesses mentioned in the Notice / the resolution(s) forming part of the Notice shall be deemed to be passed on the date of the AGM, i.e. Friday, the August 25, 2023. Members holding shares in physical mode or whose e-mail addresses are not registered, may cast their votes through e-Voting system, after registering their e-mail addresses by sending the following documents to the Company at kusumindustrial@gmail.com or to the RTA at nichetechpl@nichetechpl.com:

- (i) Scanned copy of a signed request letter, mentioning the name, folio number / demat account details & number of shares held and complete postal address;
- (ii) Self-attested scanned copy of PAN Card; and
- (iii)Self-attested scanned copy of any document (such as AADHAAR card / latest Electricity Bill
  / latest Telephone Bill / Driving License / Passport / Voter ID Card / Bank Passbook

particulars) in support of the postal address of the Member as registered against their shareholding.

Members, who hold shares in physical mode and already having valid e-mail addresses registered with the Company / the RTA, need not take any further action in this regard.

# 9. Procedure for raise Questions / seek Clarifications

(a) As the AGM is being conducted through VC or OAVM, the Members are encouraged to express their views / send their queries well in advance for smooth conduct of the AGM but not later than 5:00 P.M. (IST) Monday, August 21, 2023, mentioning their names, folio numbers / demat account numbers, e-mail addresses and mobile numbers at <u>kusumindustrial@gmail.com</u> and only such questions / queries received by the Company till the said date and time shall be considered and responded during the AGM.

(b) Members willing to express their views or ask questions during the AGM are required to register themselves as speakers by sending their requests from Monday, August 14, 2023 (9:00 A.M. IST) to Monday, August 21, 2023 (5:00 P.M. IST) at <u>kusumindustrial@gmail.com</u> from their registered e-mail addresses mentioning their names, folio numbers / demat account numbers, PAN details and mobile numbers. Only those Members who have registered themselves as speakers will be allowed to express their views/ask questions during the AGM. The Chairman of the Meeting / the Company reserves the right to restrict the number of questions, time allotted and number of speakers to ensure smooth conduct of the AGM.

(c) Members seeking any information on the financial accounts, operations or any matter to be placed at the AGM, are requested to write to the Company till 5.00 P.M. (IST) on Monday, Monday, August 21, 2023 through e-mail at <u>kusumindustrial@gmail.com</u> and the same will be suitably replied by the Company.

## **10.** Procedure for inspection of documents

All documents referred to in the Notice shall be made available for inspection by the Members of the Company, without payment of fees upto and including the date of AGM. Members desirous of inspecting the same may send their requests at <u>kusumindustrial@gmail.com</u> from their registered e-mail addresses mentioning their names and folio numbers / demat account numbers.

During the AGM, the Register of Directors and Key Managerial Personnel and their shareholding maintained under Section 170 of the Act and the Register of Contracts or arrangements in which Directors are interested maintained under Section 189 of the Act shall be made available for inspection upon login at NSDL e-Voting system at <a href="https://www.evoting.nsdl.com">https://www.evoting.nsdl.com</a>

#### **11. Book Closure Period**

The Share Transfer Books and Register of Members of the Company will remain closed from **Saturday, August 19, 2023 to Friday, August 25, 2023 (both days inclusive)** for the purpose of the AGM.

By order of the Board

**Regd. Office :** 3-F, Park Plaza, 71, Park Street Kolkata – 700 016

Dated: 27.05.2023

-/Sd (Rajiv Agarwal) Director (DIN: 00056650)