

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT FOR THE ATTENTION OF THE SHAREHOLDERS OF BHAGYASHREE LEASING AND FINANCE LIMITED

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CASH OFFER FOR ACQUISITION OF EQUITY SHARES FROM SHAREHOLDERS OF BHAGYASHREE LEASING AND FINANCE LIMITED ('the Target Company' or 'BLFL')

This Public Announcement ('PA') is being issued by Collins Stewart Inga Private Limited, ('CSIN' or the 'Manager to the Offer') for and on behalf of Mr. Vimalkumar K Jain, Mr. Inderkumar K Jain, Mr. Kewalkumar K Jain, Mr. Manish V Jain and Mr. Rajas V Jain (hereinafter jointly and severally referred to as 'the Acquirers') pursuant to regulation 10 and 12, in compliance with the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Substantial Acquisition of Shares and Takeovers) Regulations, 1997 and subsequent amendments thereto ('Regulations').

- Background of the Offer**
 - This offer is being made by Mr. Vimalkumar K Jain, Mr. Inderkumar K Jain, Mr. Kewalkumar K Jain, Mr. Manish V Jain and Mr. Rajas V Jain.
 - The Acquires have entered into 3 Share Purchase Agreements ('SPAs') on July 4, 2007 viz. (i) SPA – 1 with Promoter Sellers (ii) SPA – 2 and SPA- 3 with Other Sellers, to acquire an aggregate of 17,66,500 (Seventeen Lakh Sixty Six Thousand Five Hundred) ('Transaction Shares') fully paid-up equity shares of Rs. 10/- each, representing 50.47% of the equity share capital of the Target Company in the manner specified in Clause 1.3.1 of this Public Announcement, at a price of Rs. 18/- per equity share payable in cash, aggregating to Rs. 3,17,97,000/- (Rupees Three Crores Seventeen Lakhs Ninety Seven Thousand only).
 - The salient features of the SPAs are:
 - 1.3.1 The Promoter Sellers and Other Sellers have agreed to sell and the Acquirers have agreed to acquire 17,66,500 (Seventeen Lakh Sixty Six Thousand Five Hundred) fully paid-up equity shares vide the above-mentioned SPAs, details of which are as under:

(A) Details of Transaction shares are as under:

S. No	Names of the Sellers	No. of Equity Shares	% of present paid-up Capital
Promoter Sellers (SPA-1)			
1.	Mr. Anil K Malhotra	4,51,100	12.89
2.	Mr. Naresh K Malhotra	2,00,000	5.71
3.	Ms. Madhu Malhotra	50,000	1.43
4.	Ms. Seema Malhotra	20,000	0.57
5.	Ms. Parkash Wanti	10,000	0.29
6.	Anil K Malhotra (HUF)	10,000	0.29
7.	Naresh K Malhotra (HUF)	10,000	0.29
8.	B L Malhotra & Sons (HUF)	1,03,900	2.97
9.	Shivalik Securities Ltd.	1,70,000	4.85
10.	Chandrika Traders Ltd.	75,000	2.14
	Total I	11,00,000	31.43
Other Sellers			
1.	Isabella Traders Ltd. (SPA-2)	5,18,000	14.80
2.	G.S. Auto Leasing Limited (SPA-3)	1,48,500	4.24
	Total II	6,66,500	19.04
	Total I+II	17,66,500	50.47

(B) The Transaction Shares are proposed to be acquired by the Acquirers in the following manner:

S. No	Names of the Sellers	No. of Equity Shares	% of present paid-up Capital
1.	Vimalkumar K Jain	4,82,000	13.77
2.	Kewalkumar K Jain	4,82,000	13.77
3.	Inderkumar K Jain	4,82,000	13.77
4.	Manish V Jain	1,60,250	4.58
5.	Rajas V Jain	1,60,250	4.58
	Total	17,66,500	50.47

- 1.3.2 The sale of Transaction Shares is subject to the Acquirers complying with the SEBI (Substantial Acquisition of Shares and Takeovers) Regulation 1997 and amendments made thereto.
- 1.3.3 Upon completion of acquisition of Transaction Shares by the Acquirers pursuant to SPA-1, entered into with the Promoters of the Target Company; there shall be a change in control of the Target Company and the management of the Target Company would rest with the Acquirers.
- The Offer**
 - Pursuant to the above-mentioned SPAs, the Acquirers are making an Open Offer to the remaining shareholders (other than the Acquirers and Sellers) of BLFL to acquire upto 7,00,020 fully paid-up equity shares of Rs.10/- each representing 20% of the existing outstanding equity share capital of the Target Company, at a price of Rs. 19.25 per fully paid-up equity Share (the 'Offer price') payable in cash, in terms of regulation 20 of the Regulations (the 'Offer' or 'Open Offer').
 - The Offer to the shareholders of BLFL is hereby made in accordance with regulations 10 and 12 of the Regulations, on account of substantial acquisition of equity shares and proposed change in control of the Target Company as a consequence of the SPAs referred to in paragraph 1.2 above.
 - The equity shares tendered and accepted pursuant to the Offer will be acquired by the Acquirers only. For this purpose the Acquirers intend to use their personal resources. There are no Persons Acting in Concert with the Acquirers.
 - The Offer is subject to the terms and conditions set out herein and in the Letter of Offer that would be sent to the shareholders of BLFL.
 - Irrespective of the outcome of the SPAs, the Acquirers would complete the Offer formalities under the Regulations.
 - This is not a Competitive Bid.
 - In terms of regulation 21(5) of the Regulations, for the purpose of computing the percentage referred to in para 2.1 above, the voting rights as at the expiration of 15 days after the closure of the public offer shall be reckoned.
 - The Offer is not subject to any minimum level of acceptance.
 - As on the date of this Public Announcement, the Acquirers do not hold any equity shares of BLFL. The Acquirers have not acquired any equity shares of BLFL during the 12 months period preceding the date of this Public Announcement.
 - The Manager to the Offer does not hold any equity shares in the Target Company as on the date of this PA.
 - The Acquirers are permitted to revise the Offer upward upto seven working days prior to the date of closure of the Offer. In the event of such revision, an announcement will be made in the same newspapers where the PA has appeared and the revised offer price would be paid for all the equity shares tendered anytime during the Offer. If the Acquirers acquire equity shares of BLFL after the date of the Public Announcement upto seven working days prior to the closure of the Offer at a price higher than the Offer Price, then the highest price paid for such acquisition shall be payable for all the valid acceptances received under the Offer.
- The Offer Price.**
 - The equity shares of BLFL are currently listed on Bombay Stock Exchange Limited ('BSE') and Delhi Stock Exchange Association Limited ('DSE').
 - At the Annual General Meeting of the BLFL held on 30th September, 2005 consent of the members was accorded for delisting of Equity Shares of the Company from the DSE. However, application for delisting has not been made.
 - The annualised trading turnover during the preceding six calendar months ended June 2007 in each of the Stock Exchange where the shares are listed is as follows:

Name of the Stock Exchange	Total number of Shares traded during January 2007 to June 2007	Total number of listed shares	Annualized trading turnover (% of total listed shares)
BSE	6,78,900	30,00,100	45.26
DSE	Nil	30,00,100	Nil

(Source:BSE website)

- Based on the above information, the equity shares of BLFL are frequently traded on BSE and are infrequently traded on DSE within the meaning of explanation (i) to regulation 20(5) of the Regulations.
- In accordance with regulation 20(4) and 20(5) of the Regulations, the Offer price of Rs. 19.25 per equity share is higher of the following parameters:

a)	Proposed acquisition price under the SPAs	Rs. 18/- per equity share
b)	Highest price paid by the Acquirers for acquisition of any equity share of BLFL during the 6 months period preceding the date of the PA	Not Applicable
c)	Average of weekly high and low of the closing prices of the equity shares of BLFL during the 26 weeks preceding the date of PA (On BSE).	Rs. 19.23
d)	Average of daily high and low of the equity shares of BLFL during the 2 weeks preceding the date of PA (On BSE)	Nil

e) Other parameters with reference to the Target Company for	Period ended Feb. 20, 2007
Return on Net worth (%)	1.75%*
Book Value (Rs.)	10.55
Earnings Per Share (Rs.)	0.18*
Price / Earnings (PE) Ratio based on Offer Price**	106.94

(Source : Certified Accounts) * Annualised

** The Target Company is operating in the Industry category 'Finance and Investment' with an Industry PE of 21.3 [Source: 'Capital Market' Vol. XXIV/04, Apr. 23-May 06, 2007]. The industry PE is not strictly comparable as the Industry segment covered by the Capital Market consists of companies, which have varied and different businesses compared to BLFL and also vary widely in terms of financial parameters with BLFL.

Mr. Ramesh Ramu (Membership No. 40983) of M/s. Ramesh Ramu & Associate, Chartered Accountants, having its address 30 Prestige Point, 1st Floor, 283 Shukrawar Peth, Pune - 411002, vide report dated July 5, 2007, has stated that based on the decision of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in the case of Hindustan Lever Employees Union Vs Hindustan Lever Limited, 1995 (83 Com case 30), the value of the equity shares of BLFL is Rs. 4.80/- per share.

- 3.5 There is no non-compete agreement between the Acquirers and the Target Company or any other entity as envisaged under regulation 20(8) of the Regulations. No additional payment is being made by the Acquirers as non-compete fees.
- 3.6 The Offer Price of Rs. 19.25 per share offered by the Acquirers to the shareholders of BLFL under the proposed Open Offer is justified in terms of regulations 20(4) and 20(5) of the Regulations. In the opinion of the Manager to the Offer and Acquirers, the Offer Price is justified.
- 3.7 To the extent of the Offer Size, all equity shares of the Target Company that are validly tendered pursuant to this Offer are proposed to be acquired by the Acquirers. The equity shares will be acquired by the Acquirers free from all liens, charges and encumbrances and together with all rights attached thereto, including the right to all dividends, bonus and rights offer declared hereafter.

Information about the Acquirers

The Acquirers belong to the Kumar Properties Group of Pune, which is primarily engaged in the business of development of residential, commercial complexes and infrastructure projects and has also ventured in field of biotechnology.

Mr. Vimalkumar K Jain, son of Mr. Kesarimal Jain, aged 57 years is a Civil Engineer, residing at 11, Napier Road, Camp, Pune 411 001; he has an experience of 40 years in the field of construction of residential and commercial premises including infrastructure development projects, bio-technology and deals with matters related to purchase of land, properties and legal matters in this regard. The network of **Mr. Vimalkumar K Jain** as on April 30 2007, as certified by Mr. Nimit B. Gujrathi (Membership No. 106810) partner of M/s. Ramesh Ramu and Associates (Chartered Accountants) vide certificate dated July 5, 2007, is Rs. 1018 lakhs (Rupees One Thousand Eighteen Lakhs Only).

Mr. Inderkumar K Jain, son of Mr. Kesarimal Jain, aged 46 years is Bachelor of Law residing at Kumar Elite, Bunglow No 10, Lane No 4, CTS NO 110/ 111 Koreogan Park, Pune – 411001. He has an experience of 30 years in the field of construction of residential and commercial premises including infrastructure development projects. He also provides able direction in marketing and sales. The network of **Mr. Inderkumar K Jain** as on April 30, 2007 as certified by Mr. Nimit B. Gujrathi (Membership No. 106810) partner of M/s. Ramesh Ramu and Associates (Chartered Accountants) vide certificate dated July 5, 2007 is Rs. 1261 lakhs. (Rupees One Thousand Two Hundred Sixty One Lakhs Only)

Mr. Kewalkumar K Jain, son of Mr. Kesarimal Jain, aged 49 years having degree of B.Com and MBA (Finance), residing at 7, Kumar Castle, 1979, Convent Street, Pune – 411001. He has an experience of 35 years in the field of construction of residential and commercial premises including infrastructure development projects and handles matters related to Project Finance, tax and Administration. The network of **Mr. Kewalkumar K Jain** as on April 30, 2007, as certified by Mr. Nimit B. Gujrathi (Membership No. 106810) partner of M/s. Ramesh Ramu and Associates (Chartered Accountants) vide certificate dated July 5, 2007 is Rs. 1057 lakhs. (Rupees One Thousand Fifty Seven Lakhs Only)

Mr. Manish V Jain, son of Mr. Vimalkumar Jain, aged 36 years having degree of B.Sc. and MBA, residing at 11, Napier Road, Camp, Pune 411 001. He has an experience of 14 years in the field of construction of residential and commercial premises including infrastructure development projects and bio-technology projects. The network of **Mr. Manish V Jain** as on April 30, 2007, as certified by Mr. Nimit B. Gujrathi (Membership No. 106810) partner of M/s. Ramesh Ramu and Associates (Chartered Accountants) vide certificate dated July 5, 2007, is Rs. 387 lakhs (Rupees Three Hundred Eighty Seven Lakhs Only).

Mr. Rajas V Jain, son of Mr. Vimalkumar Jain, aged 35 years is a Civil Engineer, residing at Flat 901, Kumar Platinum, Opp. Lal level Synagogue, Wellesly Road, Pune 411001. He has an experience of 12 years in the field of construction of residential and commercial premises including infrastructure development projects and is in charge of technical modality and complex constructions. The network of **Mr. Rajas V Jain** as on April 30, 2007, as certified by Mr. Nimit B. Gujrathi (Membership No. 106810) partner of M/s. Ramesh Ramu and Associates (Chartered Accountants) vide certificate dated July 5, 2007, is Rs. 863 lakhs (Rupees Eight Hundred Sixty Three Lakhs Only).

Information about the Target Company / 'BLFL'

- 5.1 Bhagyashree Leasing and Finance Limited was incorporated on 8th August, 1994 as a Private Limited Company in the name of Bhagyashree Leasing and Finance Private Limited. It was subsequently converted into a Public Limited Company with effect from 13th August, 1994 and was rechristened as 'Bhagyashree Leasing and Finance Limited'. The Registered office of BLFL is situated at 618, Arenja Corner, Plot No. 71, Sector 17, Vashi, Navi Mumbai.
- 5.2 BLFL is registered as a Non Banking Financial Company ('NBFC') with RBI as per the Certificate of Registration bearing No. 13.00859 dated May 26, 1998 issued under Section 45IA of the Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934
- 5.3 BLFL is presently engaged in the business of leasing, finance and investment in shares and securities, bills discounting etc.
- 5.4 The issued, subscribed and paid-up capital of BLFL as on the date of this Public Announcement comprises of 35,00,100 fully paid-up equity shares of Rs.10/- each aggregating to Rs.350 lakhs. There are no partly paid-up equity shares of the Target Company as at the date of this Public Announcement. There are no outstanding instruments in the nature of warrants / fully convertible debentures / partly convertible debentures etc. which are convertible into equity at any later date. There are no shares under lock-in.
- 5.5 Out of the total paid-up Capital of 35,00,100 equity shares of Rs. 10/- each., only 30,00,100 fully paid-up equity shares of Rs. 10/- each are listed on Bombay Stock Exchange Limited, ('BSE') and Delhi Stock Exchange Association Ltd. ('DSE').
- 5.6 BLFL has made an application to the BSE for listing of 5,00,000 equity shares of Rs. 10/- issued on a preferential basis to the promoters on September 12, 2007 and their approval is awaited.
- 5.7 BLFL has not paid the listing fees of DSE since 1997.
- 5.8 There has been no merger, de-merger and spin off in the last three years in the Target Company.
- 5.9 The financial highlights of the Target Company are given below:

(Rs. Lakhs)		
Particulars	Amount	
	20-Feb-07	31-Mar-06
Type	Certified by Auditors of the Company	Audited
Total Income	7.69	3.81
Profit After tax	5.75	1.01
Paid-up equity capital	350.01	350.01
Reserves (excl Revaluation Reserves)	19.18	13.70
Earning Per Share (Rs. per share)	0.18*	0.02
Return on Networth (%)	1.75%*	0.28%
Book value (Rs. per share)	10.55	10.39
*Annualized		

(Source: Annual Reports and Certified financial statements)

- 5.10 The Target Company, had not complied with the provisions of Chapter II of the SEBI (Substantial Acquisition of Shares and Takeover) Regulations, 1997 for the years 1997 - 2002 and in this regard, through the SEBI Regularisation Scheme, 2002 has regularized the aforesaid non-compliance.

Reasons for the Acquisition and future plans

- 6.1 The Offer to the shareholders of BLFL, as explained in paragraph 2.1 above, is made pursuant to regulations 10 and 12 of the Regulations for substantial acquisition of equity shares accompanied with change of control / management of BLFL.
- 6.2 The Acquirers currently do not intend to dispose of or otherwise encumber any assets of the Target Company in the succeeding two years, except such disposals or encumbrances in the ordinary course of business of the Target Company and / or for the purposes of restructuring, rationalizing and / or streamlining various operations, assets, liabilities, investments, businesses or otherwise of the Target Company. Further, the Acquirers undertake not to sell, dispose off or otherwise encumber any substantial assets of the Target Company except with the prior approval of the shareholders of the Target Company, and in accordance with and subject to the applicable laws, permissions and consents, if any.
- 6.3 The Acquirers through BLFL intend to invest, incubate in corporate opportunities and also provide extensive insight and support on development of the existing business. The Acquirers would review various options to use the existing structure and converge their long term plans of building multiple revenue streams under BLFL. For this purpose, the Acquirers would suitably strengthen the Target Company with the requisite financial and human resources. The Acquirers will also impart support systems in the financial / human resources aspects for the existing business. The Acquirers reserve the right to modify the present structure in a manner which is useful to the larger interests of the Shareholders. Any change in the structure that may be effected will be in accordance with the applicable laws. The Acquirers may re-organize and / or streamline various businesses for commercial reasons and operational efficiencies.

Statutory Approvals and Other Approvals for the Offer

- 7.1 To the best knowledge and belief of the Acquirers, as on the date of this PA there are no other statutory approvals or approvals from the lenders required, for the acquisition of equity shares tendered pursuant to this Offer. If any other statutory approvals are required or become applicable, the Offer would be subject to the receipt of such other statutory approvals.
- 7.2 If any approval from Financial Institutions, Banks or any other institutions as may be required or the Offer would be subject to the receipt of such approval.
- 7.3 In case of delay in receipt of any approval, SEBI has the power to grant an extension of time to the Acquirers for payment of consideration to the Shareholders under the Offer provided that the Acquirers agrees to pay interest in accordance with regulation 22(12) of the Regulations. Further, if the delay occurs on account of willful default by the Acquirers in obtaining the requisite approvals, regulations 22(13) of the Regulations will also become applicable.

Disclosure in terms of regulation 21(2) of the Regulations

As this Offer, assuming full acceptance, will not result in the public shareholding falling to 25% or less of the voting capital of the Target Company, the provisions of Regulation 21(2) of the Regulations do not apply. During the Offer period the Acquirers may purchase additional equity shares of BLFL in accordance with the Regulations, to the extent and in the manner that the public shareholding of BLFL will not be reduced to 25% or less of its Voting Capital

Financial Arrangement for the Offer