PART II
Statutory Notifications (S. R. O.)

GOVERNMENT OF PAKISTAN
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN

NOTIFICATION

Islamabad, the 28th April, 2020

S. R. O. 347(I)/2020.—The following draft amendments to the Collateral Management Companies Regulations, 2019 proposed to be made by the Securities and Exchange Commission of Pakistan, in exercise of powers conferred under section 512 read with section 457 of the Companies Act, 2017 (XIX of 2017) and the Futures Market Act, 2016 (XIV of 2016) are hereby published for information of all persons likely to be affected thereby and notice is hereby given that objections thereon, if any, may be sent to the Commission within fourteen days of placement of the said draft amendments on the website of the Commission, namely:—

In the aforesaid Regulations,—

(1) In regulation 2, sub-regulation (1) clause (d), the definition of “Collateral Management Company” will be substituted by the following, namely,—

“(d) “Collateral management Company” or “CMC” means a kind of Agriculture Promotion Company as defined in Section 457(5) of the Act, registered with the Commission under these Regulation;”

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(2) In regulation 2, sub-regulation (1), clause (g) the definition of “Depositor of Produce” will be substituted by the following, namely,—

“(g) Depositor of Produce means a person who delivers produce to the Warehouse Operator for storage or transfer of ownership and such term shall, as the context may require, include the legal heirs, assignees, and any other successor-in-interest of such a person;”

(3) In regulation 2, sub-regulation (1), clause (h), the definition of “Electronic Warehouse Receipt” will be substituted by the following, namely,—

“(h) “Electronic Warehouse Receipt” of “EWR” means a de-materialized warehouse receipt issue by accredited Warehouse Operators in a manner prescribed by the Commission through the Electronic Warehouse Receipt System;”

(4) In regulation 2, sub-regulation (1), clause (j), the definition of “Eligible pledgee” shall be omitted;

(5) In regulation 2, sub-regulation (1), clause (k), and (l) shall be re-numbered as clause (j) and (k) respectively;

(6) In regulation 2, sub-regulation (1), the following new clause (l), shall be inserted after existing clause (k), namely,—

“(l) “Holder” means a person to whom a Warehouse Receipt has been assigned, sold, pledged or otherwise transferred by the Depositor of produce or any subsequent Holder.”

(7) In regulation 2, sub-regulation (1), clause (n), the definition of “Physical Warehouse Receipt” will be substituted by the following the new definition, namely,—

“(n) Goods Receiving Note” means a non-transferrable non-assignable note issued by a Warehouse Operator, evidencing the receipt of produce from a Depositor;”

(8) In regulation 2, sub-regulation (1), clause (p), the definition of “Standard Operating procedures” will be substituted by the following the new definition, namely,—

“(p) “Standard Operating Procedures” means procedures made be CMC under Regulation 11;”

(9) In regulation 2, sub-regulation (1), clause (q), the word “person” shall be substituted with the word “Depositor of Produce”.
In regulation 2, sub-regulation (1), clause (r), the definition of “Warehousing Guidelines” will be substituted by the following new definition, namely,—

“(r) “Warehousing Guidelines” means the guidelines issued by the CMC under Regulation 11;”

In regulation 6, sub-regulation (41), clause (m) shall be omitted and replaced by the following:

(m) provide for the Electronic Warehouse Receipts System to enable Financial Institutions and other commercial counterparties holding Warehouse Receipts to take un-encumbered legal and security title to such warehouse Receipt and the Produce covered by such receipts and aids in the development of the agricultural commodity financing market;

In regulation 6, sub-regulation (1), clause (n), after the words “at any time”, “in accordance with the undertaking made by the accredited Warehouses as provided in the Standard Operating Procedures;” shall be inserted.

In regulation 6, sub-regulation (1), the following new clause (o), shall be inserted after clause (n), namely,—

“(o) develop, implement and administer an Electronic Warehouse Receipts System enabling Warehouse Operators to issue Electronic Warehouse Receipts which are in a form which is assignable and transferable in a manner consistent with applicable laws concerning documents of title and electronic documents;”

In regulation 6, sub-regulation (1), the following new clause (p), shall be inserted after clause (o), namely,—

“(p) specify the qualification, code of conduct and practical training for Warehouse Operators, inspectors and Warehouse specialized staff;”

In regulation 6, sub-regulation (1), the following new clause (q), shall be inserted after clause (p), namely,—

“(q) promote professional organizations connected with warehousing and related logistical businesses;”

In regulation 6, sub-regulation (1), the following new clause (r), shall be inserted after clause (q), namely,—
“(r) determine the rate of, and levy, of fees and other charges assessed to Warehouse by the CMC;”

(17) In regulation 6, sub-regulation (1), the following new clause (s), shall be inserted after clause (r), namely,—

“(s) call for information from, undertaking inspection of, conducting inquiries and investigation including audit of Warehouse;”

(18) In regulation 6, sub-regulation (1), the following new clause (t), shall be inserted after clause (s), namely,—

“(t) specify minimum levels of insurance coverage, and the compulsory terms which must be provided for in policies of insurance by a Warehouse Operator;”

(19) In regulation 6, sub-regulation (1), the following new clause (u), shall be inserted after clause (t), namely,—

“(u) have its own inspection arrangements or list of third party examiners responsible for inspection of the Warehouses for the purpose of accreditation or annual inspection or as may be required by any relevant law;”

(20) In regulation 6, sub-regulation (1), the following new clause (v), shall be inserted after clause (u), namely,—

“(v) ensure that the sponsors and key executives of accredited Warehouse Operators meet the Fit and Proper Criteria as specified in the Standard Operating Procedures at all times;”

(21) In regulation 6, sub-regulation (1), the following new clause (w), shall be inserted after clause (v), namely,—

“(w) make an initial assessment report at the time of accrediting a Warehouse as well as annual assessment report in relation to each Warehouse accredited, and maintain a copy thereof for a minimum period of ten year;”

(22) In regulation 6, sub-regulation (1), the following new clause (x), shall be inserted after clause (w), namely,—

“(x) submit a monthly report to the Commission with regard to issuance of Certificate of Accreditation to Warehouses and ensure that the same information is available on its website;”

(23) In regulation 6, sub-regulation (1), the following new clause (y), shall be inserted after clause (x), namely,—
“(y) conduct stock audit, evaluation, and verification services;”

(24) In regulation 6, sub-regulation (1), the following new clause (z), shall be inserted after clause (y), namely,—

(z) ensure warehouse provide quality storage and preservation services for agricultural commodities. Provided that a CMC shall not own a warehouse without prior written approval of the Commission, subject to such terms and conditions as it may deem fit;”

(25) In regulation 6, sub-regulation (1), the following new clause (aa), shall be inserted after clause (z), namely,—

“(aa) carry out and perform such other functions as are conferred upon it by the Commission, or any applicable law’;

(26) The following now Regulation 6A shall be inserted after the Regulation 6, namely,—

“6A. Collateral Management Company’s Power to Inspect.— (1) The CMC shall inspect, and examine accredited Warehouses and Warehouses Operators for compliance with the applicable laws, these Regulations and the Standard Operating Procedures, pursuant to undertaking given be accredited Warehouses Operators given as a condition of accreditation.

(2) For purposes of implementing Sub-regulation (1) above, the CMC may call for information from, undertake inspection of itself of through a third-party inspector answerable to it), conduct an inquiry, or audit, any and all Warehouses accredited by it, as well as their Warehouse Operators.’

(27) In regulation 7, sub-regulation (3), clause (a), the wards “and secure” shall be inserted in the end, before the semi-colon.

(28) In regulation 9, the words “9, Permitted disclosure.— The CMC can disclose any information or documents—” shall be substituted by the words “9. Permitted disclosures.— (1) The CMC may disclose any information or documents—”.

(29) In regulation 9, sun-regulation (1), clause (a), the words “Depositor of Produce or any person holding such EWR” will be substituted by the words “the Depositor of Produce of any Holder of Warehouse Operator”.

(30) In regulation 9, sub-regulation (1), clause (b), shall be substituted by the following, namely,—
“(b) to a Court or other judicial or arbitral forum in the context of legal proceedings; or”

(31) In regulation 9, sub-regulation (1), clause (e), will be substituted by the following, namely,—

“(e) to auditors of the CMC, chartered accountants, or legal consultants of the CMC in order to enable them to discharge their duties; or”

(32) In regulation 9, sub-regulation (1), the following new clause (g), shall be inserted after clause (f), namely,—

“(g) to third-parties appointed in accordance with the policy approved under Regulation 8 hereinabove.”

(33) In regulation 9, the following new sub-regulation (2), shall be inserted after sub-regulation (1), namely,—

“(2) Disclosures other than those made in accordance with the foregoing Sub-regulation shall be strictly prohibited.”

(34) In regulation 10, sub-regulation (1), the words “the Eligible Pledges” will be substituted by the words “Holders and any other person to whom a CMC renders services”.

(35) In regulation 11, sub-regulation (1), the words “A CMC may grant certificate of accreditation to a Warehouse, subject to the fulfillment of following minimum conditions,—” shall be substituted by the words,—

“A CMC may grant certificate of accreditation to a Warehouse, subject to the fulfillment of the following minimum conditions, and such other conditions as provided in the Standard Operating Procedures,—”.

(36) In regulation 11, sub-regulation (1), clause (b), will be substituted by the following, namely,—

“(b) Warehouse shall be owned, operated and managed by a Warehouse Operator who satisfies the criteria set out in the Standard operating Procedures and the Warehousing Guidelines and shall manage and operate the Warehouse to the satisfaction of the CMC;”

(37) In regulation 11, sub-regulation (1), clause (C), will be substituted by the following, namely,—

“(c) The Warehouse Operator must submit registered title documents entitling the proposed Warehouse Operator to ownership and possession of the proposed Warehouse, the
terms and conditions of which, permit the carrying on of the proposed business on the premises. In addition, in the case of a registered indenture of lease or sub-lease, the Warehouse Operator must provide such additional waivers, indemnities, and consents from the ultimate owner of the property, as may be stipulated by the CMC pursuant to the Standard Operating Procedure;"

(38) In regulation 11, sub-regulation (1), clause (d), the words “being stored” will be substituted by “Proposed to be stored as required by the Warehousing Guidelines and Standard operating Procedures.”

(39) In regulation 11, sub-regulation (1), clause (e), before the semi-colon at the end, the words “as required by the Warehousing Guidelines” shall be inserted.

(40) In regulation 11, sub-regulation (1), clause (f), before the semi-colon at the end, the words “as required by the Warehousing Guidelines” shall be inserted.

(41) In regulation 11, sub-regulation (1), clause (g), before the semi-colon at the end, the words “as required by the Warehousing Guidelines” shall be inserted.

(42) In regulation 11, sub-regulation (1), clause (h), before the semi-colon at the end, the words “as required by the Warehousing Guidelines” shall be inserted.

(43) In regulation 11, sub-regulation (1), clause (i), before the semi-colon at the end, the words “as required by the Warehousing Guidelines” shall be inserted.

(44) In regulation 11, sub-regulation (1), clause (j), will be substituted by the following’ namely,—

“(j) Warehouse is comprehensively insured in accordance with the minimum terms of coverage, and compulsory terms to be included in any policies or bonds of insurance for coverage of a Warehouse and the stored Produce, as stipulated by the CMC or as may be provided in the Warehousing Guidelines and Standard Operating Procedures;”

(45) In regulation 11, sub-regulation (1), clause (k), words “pursuant to the standard operating procedure” shall be inserted in the end before the semi-colon.

(46) In regulation 11, sub-regulation (1), clause (m), will be substituted by the following, namely,—
“(m) Warehouse Operator has submitted an affidavit, and such other indemnities, consents, and waivers, as may be stipulated in the Standard Operating Procedure and which inter alia, stipulate that he is responsible to the Depositor of Produce and any Holder for ensuring maintenance of quantity, weight and quality of Produce that is covered by outstanding Warehouse Receipts as required by the Warehousing Guidelines and Standard Operating Procedures;”

(47) In regulation 11, sub-regulation (1), clause (n), will be substituted by the following, namely,—

“(n) Warehouse is electronically connected with the CMC and can be connected with the Futures Exchange as required by the Warehousing Guidelines and Standard Operating Procedures and accredited warehouse staff have been trained to input data and otherwise manage the EWR issuance and reporting procedures;”

(48) Regulation 11, sub-regulation (3), shall be omitted;

(49) In regulation 11, sub-regulation (5), the following proviso shall be added at the end after the full stop:—

“Provided that for the purpose of issuance of Standard Operating Procedures and Warehousing Guidelines, the approval of the Commission would only be to the extent of ascertaining consistency across the industry.”

(50) In regulation 11, sub-regulation (6), the words “Provided that the CMC shall appoint third party examiners for inspection of its own Warehouse(s),” shall be substituted by the words “Provided that the Warehouses legally or beneficially owned by a CMC shall be inspected by another CMC or by third party examiners appointed by the CMC that has accredited such Warehouse(s) and such arrangement will be notified to and approved in writing by the Commission;”

(51) Under regulation 11, sub-regulation (4),(5),(6),(7),(8) shall be renumbered as sub-regulation (3),(4),(5),(6) and (7) respectively;

(52) In regulation 12, sub-regulation (1), will be substituted by the following, namely,—

“12 Cancellation of Certificate of Accreditation.—(1) If the CMC becomes aware of information of the basis of which it is reasonable to conclude that the Warehouse Operator, in not in compliance with, the requirements of applicable law, these Regulations, or the Standard Operating Procedures of the Warehousing Guidelines, or the material written undertakings given by the Warehouse Operator to the CMC, the CMC may suspend or cancel the Warehouse’s
accreditation through a detailed written order, after giving the Warehouse Operator an opportunity of being heard;

Provided that, prior to cancellation of the accreditation, the CMC shall endeavor to insure, so far as it is able to do so:—

(i) That it has obtained protective orders from a court of law for purposes of protecting the Produce stored at the Warehouse; and

(ii) After consultation with the Depositor of Produce or Holder of outstanding Warehouse Receipts, that the Produce stored in the relevant warehouse has either been transferred to another accredited Warehouse, or released to the Depositor of Produce or the current Holder of outstanding Warehouse Receipt(s)."

(53) In regulation 12, sub-regulation (2) shall be substituted with the following, namely:—

“(2) Upon issuing such an order the CMC shall, within five working days thereof, notify the Commission, the Futures Exchange, and any known Holders of its decision to cancel the concerned Warehouse’s accreditation, along-with the grounds thereof, and provide a public notice of the same on its website and in at least two daily newspapers which are widely read in the area.”

(54) the following now Regulation 12A shall be inserted after the Regulation12,—

“12A. Instructions to Warehouses by the CMC.—(1) In the course of proceedings initiated under Regulation 12 herein-above, or if the CMC becomes aware of information on the basis of which it would be prudent to take steps to protect the interests of Depositors of Produce, Holders or other interested third-parties, pursuant to the written undertakings given by the Warehouse operator at the time of accreditation or subsequently, it may issue instructions to a Warehouse or Warehouse Operator accredited by it for, inter alia, any of the following matters:—

(a) the release of any or all Produce to a Depositor of Produce or current Holder, or any other person having a legal interest therein, or instructions to prevent or withhold the release of any Produce, the title to which is under dispute;

(b) the imposition of restrictions on any operational activities of the Warehouse, including its right to issue
(c) the release and transfer of any or all Produce deposited at the Warehouse, to any another location, as may be directed by the CMC;

(d) the suspension, cancellation, or imposition of terms, in respect of any one or all of the EWRs issued by the Warehouse;

(e) the replacement or replenishment, as the case may be, of any or all defective or deficient Produce stored at the Warehouse;

(f) reasonable capital expenditures as may be necessary for maintenance, refurbishment renovation, or redesign of the Warehouse, as per the CMC’s instructions;

(g) arranging for additional insurance coverage to be purchaser on terms, for a limit, and for the benefit of such persons, as may be stipulated by the CMC; and

(h) the carrying out of an audit, at the Warehouse’s own expense, through a reputable chartered accountant’s firm selected by the CMC.

(2) Any instructions issued by the CMC pursuant to Sub-regulation (1) above, shall be duly notified to the Commission no later than five working days thereafter.

(3) In order to procure the compliance of the warehouse operator with Instructions issued under the foregoing provisions, the Standard Operating Procedures, the Warehousing Guidelines, undertakings make be the Operator pursuant thereto, other applicable law, or in case it is necessary to take urgent action to protect the interests of Depositors of Produce, Holders, or other interested third-parties, the CMC shall apply to a Court of Law for equitable relief in the form of an injunction or specific performance. Such action shall be without prejudice to any other legal action which it may be appropriate to take.

(55) In regulation 13, sub-regulation (1) shall be substituted with the following, namely:

“The standard form Warehouse Storage Agreement between the accredited Warehouse Operators and the Depositor of Produce in the form annexed to the Standard Operating Procedures shall provide that upon the deposit of Produce in a Warehouse by a
Depositor of Produce, the warehouse Operator shall issue an EWR, which shall contain full particulars of the Produce, as specified under Regulation 14 along with the name of the Warehouse operator, and it shall be issued as per the format and containing the terms and conditions specified in the Standard Operating Procedure.

For the avoidance of doubt it is hereby clarified that a Warehouse Operator may not issue a receipt to itself as a Depositor of Produce.”

(56) The following new Regulation 13A shall be inserted after the Regulation 13, namely,—

“13A. Goods Receiving Note.—The standard form Warehouse Storage Agreement between the accredited Warehouse Operators and the Depositors of Produce in the form annexed to the Standard Operating Procedures shall further provide that:—

(1) In case it is not possible to issue an EWR for any reason upon the deposit of Produce in the Warehouse, a Goods Receiving Note shall be issued if requested by the Depositor of Produce. As soon as an EWR is able to be issued, the Goods Receiving Note must be surrendered to the Warehouse Operator and in substitution thereof, an EWR shall be issued. If a Warehouse Operator is unable to substitute a Goods Receiving Note with an EWR within two days because of failure of the Depositor of Produce to tender the Goods /receiving Note for cancellation, the Produce must be returned to the Depositor of Produce and the Goods Receiving Note will be cancelled.

(2) A Goods Receiving Note shall contain full particulars of the produce along with the name of the Warehouse Operator, and the name, CNIC number and address of the Depositor of Produce, and it shall be issued as per the format and containing the terms and conditions specified in the Standard Operating Procedure.

(3) A Goods Receiving Note shall contain terms:

(i) prohibiting its assignment or transfer in favour of any individual other than the Depositor of Produce who has actually deposited the Produce with the Warehouse; and
(ii) prohibiting the creation of any charge over the Goods Receiving Note and the Produce which it represents.”

(57) In regulation 14, sub-regulation (1) shall be substituted with the following, namely:—

“14. Standardization and issuance of EWR.—The standard form Warehouse Storage Agreement between the accredited Warehouse Operators and the Depositor of Produce and the terms, conditions and specifications of the EWR System in the form annexed to the Standard Operating Procedures and the undertaking by the Warehouse Operator given upon accreditation shall stipulate as follows:

(1) Following issuance of the Electronic Warehouse Receipt by the Warehouse operator following entry into the EWR System, the CMC shall be the repository and custodian of the EWR and shall control and maintain the records of such receipt in its EWR System as provided in the Standard Operating Procedure.”

(58) In regulation 14, sub-regulation (2) clause (d), after the word “name” the word “CNIC No.” shall be inserted.

(59) In regulation 14, sub-regulation (2) clause (g), the words “or reference to the applicable storage agreement;” shall be inserted in the end, before the semi colon.

(60) In regulation 14, sub-regulation (2), clause (l), the words “EWR holder” shall be substituted with the words “Depositor of Produce or Holder” and the words “the criteria predetermined by the CMC;” shall be substituted with the words “the policy terms required under the Standard Operating Procedures and Warehousing Guidelines;”

(61) In regulation 14, sub-regulation (2), clause (m), the words “the holder thereof, or that the Produce shall be delivered to the order of a named person; and” shall be substituted with the words “the Depositor of Produce or Holder of the Warehouse Receipt, or to the order of such person; and”

(62) In regulation 14, sub-regulation (2), clause (n), the words “required by the CMC” shall be substituted with the words “required under the Standard Operating Procedures applicable to the particular Warehouse and Produce.”

(63) The Regulation 15, shall be substituted with the following, namely:—

“15. Transferability of EWR.—The standard form Warehouse Storage Agreement between the accredited Warehouse Operators and the Depositor of Produce and the terms
conditions and specifications of the EWR Systems in the form annexed to the Standard Operating Procedure and the undertaking by the Warehouse Operator given upon accreditation shall stipulate as follows:

(1) The EWR issued by a Warehouse Operator and the Produce covered thereby may be issued to or transferred by way of security to a creditor as provided in the Financial Institutions (Secured Transactions) Act and Electronic Transactions Ordinance 2002, or may be sold to a buyer either directly or through a Futures Exchange under the process specified in the Standard operating Procedures. The Futures Exchange shall establish connectivity with the electronic warehouse receipt system of CMC and shall fulfill all the parameters, conditions instructions as specified in the Standard Operating Procedures.

(2) An EWR shall expressly stipulate that all the due to the Depositor of produce, and particularly rights pertaining to delivery of the Produce with which it deals, are equally for the benefit of a legally entitled Holder, including without limitation a creditor holding the EWR by way of security."

(64) The Regulation 16, shall be substituted with the following, namely:—

“16. Delivery of Produce.—(1) Upon receipt of authorization through the EWR System, a Warehouse Operator shall deliver the goods referred to in a Warehouse Receipt to the Depositor of Produce or subsequent Holder, or other lawful claimant, subject to payment of all outstanding dues to the Warehouse.

(2) Upon delivery of Produce to a Depositor of Produce or a legally entitled holder, the Electronic Warehouse Receipt issued in respect of such produce shall, to that extent, stand cancelled, and no further performance in respect thereof shall be due from the Warehouse or its Operator.

(3) The obligation of the Warehouse Operator in respect of release and delivery of Produce are set for the in the Standard Operating Procedures and undertaking given by the Warehouse Operator to the CMC at the time of accreditation. These shall be strictly monitored by the accrediting CMC and failure to comply by the Warehouse shall be grounds for cancellation of accreditation.”
(65) The Regulation 17 shall be omitted.

(66) In Regulation 18, sub-regulation (1), clause (g), the word “including its expiry;” shall be inserted before the semi-colon.

(67) In Regulation 18, sub-regulation (2), the words “the total value of the relevant Produce” shall be substituted with the words “the total indicative value of the relevant Produce (based upon declarations of the Warehouse Operators or Holders)”.

(68) In Regulation 18, sub-regulation (3), after the word “the Commission” the words “and the Exchange” shall be inserted.

(69) In Regulation 19, sub-regulation (1), shall be substituted with the following, namely:

“19. Pledging against EWR in respect of Produce.— The CMC, the EWR System, and the accredited Warehouse Operators under their written undertakings to the CMC shall adopt procedures to assist creditors and financial institutions to perfect a security interest in EWRs as Depositors of produce or Holders of documents of title under Section 11 and Section 14 of the Financial Institutions (Secured Transactions) Act 2016. Such procedures shall be contained in the Standard operating Procedures.”

(70) In Regulation 19, sub-regulation (3), shall be substituted with the following, namely:

“(3) A Depositor of Produce or a holder may create a charge over the EWR, by indorsing or causing a EWR to be issued to a creditor in the manner and mode as prescribed in the Standard Operating Procedures, from time to time.

For the purpose of creation of charge on an EWR, the Standard operating Procedure shall include forms of appropriate security agreements that may be used by Warehouse Operator Depositor of Produce/Holder, and Financial Institutions or other creditors.”

(71) In Regulation 19, sub-regulation (4), shall be substituted with the following, namely:

“(4) The CMC by virtue of its control over the EWR System shall give effect to the charge in favor of the Holder upon the instructions of Warehouse Operator on behalf of Depositor of Produce or such other person in whose favor EWR has been issued, within such time and in such manner as may be prescribed in the Standard operating Procedures, from time to time.
The Holder shall have priority claim to the EWR and the Produce covered thereby in accordance with Part-V of the Financial Institutions (Secured Transactions) Act 2016 and other applicable laws. The model EWR Security Agreement included in the Standard Operating Procedures shall provide that the Warehouse Operator shall not release the Produce from the warehouse without the written instruction of the Holder of the Warehouse Receipt.”

(72) In Regulation 19, sub-regulation (5), shall be substituted with the following namely:—

“(5) The model EWR Security Agreement shall provide that the Holder, upon satisfaction of its debt, shall release its title to the EWR and the Produce covered thereby in the manner and mode as may be prescribed in the Standard operating procedures.”

(73) In Regulation (19), sub-regulation (6), shall be substituted with the following, namely:—

“(6) Once the Holder has released the EWR it will be cancelled and re-issued to the entity named in the release or issued by the Holder. The change in the record of the EWR system shall be binding on every person concerned.”

(74) In Regulation 19, sub-regulation (7), shall be omitted.

(75) In Regulation 19, sub-regulation (8), shall be omitted.

(76) The Regulation 21, the words “under this Act, SECP Act, 1997” shall be substituted with the words “under this Regulation, the Standard Operating Procedures, the Companies Act 2017 and the Futures Market Act, 2016.”

(77) In Regulation 22, the following new sub-regulations (6) shall be inserted after sub-regulation (5), namely:—

“(6) In case of suspension or cancellation of registration of a CMC, the EWRs issued by Warehouse accredited by that CMC shall continue to bind the Warehouse, the Depositor of produce, and any third-parties having a legal interest therein.”

(78) In regulation 22, the following new sub-regulations (7) shall be inserted after sub-regulation (6), namely:—

“(7) A warehouse accredited by a CMC, whose registration is cancelled or withdrawn, may continue to operate normally, provided that it is able to obtain a certificate of accreditation from a registered CMC within two months or within such
period as may be specified by the Commission on a case to
case basis and subject to conditions or Limitations that it may
deem fit;”

(79) The Regulation 23, shall be substituted with the following,
namely:—

“23. Dissemination of information of Withdrawal of
Registration.— Upon withdrawal of registration of CMC, the
Commission shall publish the said information on its website,
and in widely circulated English and Urdu newspapers,
along-with the rationale for the said decision, and the order
shall also be placed by the Futures Exchange on its website.”

(80) The Regulation 24, shall be omitted.

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