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#### Before Javed K. Siddiqui, Executive Director (Company Law)

# In the matter of M/s. Mubarik Dairies Limited

(Under Sub-section (3) of Section 245 of the Companies Ordinance, 1984)

Number and date of Show cause notices EMD/Enf-II/571/2003

Dated February 07, 2005

& April 01, 2005

Date of hearing May 09, 2005

Present No one appeared

Date of Order May 12, 2005

Order

This Order shall dispose of the proceedings initiated against the Directors of M/s. Mubarik Dairies Limited (hereinafter referred to as the "Company") for default made in complying with the provisions of Sub-section (1) of Section 245 of the Companies Ordinance, 1984 (the "Ordinance").

2. The facts leading to this case, briefly stated, are that in terms of the provisions of Section 245 of the Ordinance, the Company was required to prepare and transmit to the members and simultaneously file with the Registrar and the Commission its quarterly accounts for the 1st quarter ended on September 30, 2004 and 2<sup>rd</sup> quarter ended December 31, 2004 by October 31, 2004 and February 28, 2005 respectively. The Company failed to file the aforesaid accounts with the Commission within the prescribed time. The failure of the Company to comply with the aforesaid requirements necessitated action against the Directors of the Company in terms of Sub-section (3) of Section 245 of the Ordinance. Consequently, show cause notices dated February 07, 2005 and April 01, 2005 were served on all the Directors including the Chief Executive of the Company calling upon them to show cause as to why penalties as provided under Sub-section (3) of Section 245 read with Section 476 of the Ordinance may not be imposed on them.

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3. No response was received from the Directors of the Company to the aforesaid notices. In order to give an opportunity of personal hearing, the hearing in case of show cause notice dated February 07, 2005 was fixed for March 24, 2005. However, no one appeared for hearing on the given date and time. To provide final opportunity, the matter was again fixed in case of both the notices on May 09, 2005 with the advice that in case the Chief Executive and Directors fail to attend the hearing, their cases will be decided on merit in accordance with law on the basis of well settled principles of natural justice and record available on the file. Again no one appeared on the date of hearing to defend the case. However, a letter dated May 07, 2005 was received from M/s. Sarwar Awan & Co., Chartered Accountants, on behalf of the Directors of the Company wherein request for adjournment of hearing up to June 07, 2005 was made on the plea that the working Director of the Company was out of town due to which they were unable to get the required information to present the case before the Commission. The plea taken by the consultants of the Directors for adjournment of hearing till June 07, 2005 was not found cogent as the Chief Executive and Directors of the Company have already been given ample time to respond to show cause notices and also two opportunities for personal hearings but they failed to attend hearings on both the occasions nor did they respond to the show cause notices and earlier notices of hearings. In the circumstances, I proceed to decide this case on its merits.

4. It is the duty of the Directors of the Company to ensure compliance with all the statutory requirements. Accordingly, the Directors of the company are responsible for timely preparation and submission of quarterly accounts to its members and file the same with the Registrar and the Commission within prescribed time, whereas they have failed to file the same with the Commission till to date even after issuance of show cause notices. This indicates that the Directors have no respect for the law and they have intentionally deprived the shareholders of their statutory right to receive the quarterly accounts of the Company. The Company has also not been compliant to the statutory provisions of law in the past in submission of quarterly accounts. I am, therefore, constrained to believe that the Company and its Directors including the Chief Executive have willfully and deliberately committed the defaults in preparation, circulation and filing of aforesaid quarterly accounts, which is established from record.

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5. In view of the above, the default under Sub-section (3) of Section 245 is considered willful and deliberate, however, instead of imposing the maximum fine of Rs. 100,000 on every Director and a further fine of Rs. 1,000 per day for the continuous default, I, impose a penalty of Rs.10,000 (Rupees ten thousand only) for each default under Sub-section (3) of Section 245 read with Section 476 of the Ordinance on the Chief Executive and each of the Directors of the Company. The details of the penalties imposed are as follows: -

		1 <sup>st</sup> quarter ended 30.9.2004	2 <sup>nd</sup> quarter ended 31.12.2004	Total
S. No.	Name	Penalty (Rupees)	Penalty (Rupees)	
1.	Mr. Khalid Suraj Bajwa, Chief Executive	10,000	10,000	20,000
2.	Mr. Hassan Kilde Bajwa, Director	10,000	10,000	20,000
3.	Mr. Zahid Mahmood Bajwa, Director	10,000	10,000	20,000
4.	Mr. Hameed Ali Qureshi, Director	10,000	10,000	20,000
5.	Mr. Naeem Ahmed Bajwa, Director	10,000	10,000	20,000
6.	Mr. Tahir Mehmood Bajwa, Director	10,000	10,000	20,000
7.	Mr. Waseem Anwar Khan, Director	10,000	10,000	20,000
	Total	70,000	70,000	140,000

6. The Chief Executive and Directors of M/s. Mubarik Dairies Limited are hereby directed to deposit the aforesaid fine aggregating to Rs.140, 000/- (Rupees One hundred & forty thousand only) in the designated bank account maintained in the name of Securities and Exchange Commission of Pakistan with Habib Bank Limited within thirty days from the receipt of this Order and furnish receipted vouchers or pay by a DD/pay order issued in the name of Commission for information and record, failing which proceedings under the Land Revenue Act,1967 will be initiated which may result in the attachment and sale of movable and immovable property.

Javed K. Siddiqui

Executive Director (CL)

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#### *In the matter of*

#### M/s. Redco Textiles Limited

Number and date of notices EMD/Enf-II/278/2003-

Dated July 06, 2004 & September 21, 2004

Date of hearing March 22, 2005

Present On Behalf of the Directors of the Company:

Mr. Shahid Farid Khan,FCA & & Bilal A. Niazi,

Company Secretary

#### Order

#### **Under Section 245 of the Companies Ordinance, 1984**

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This Order shall dispose of the proceedings initiated against the directors of M/s. Redco

Textiles Limited (hereinafter referred to as the "Company"), for default made in complying with the

provisions of Sub-section (1) of Section 245 of the Companies Ordinance, 1984 (the "Ordinance").

2. The facts leading to this case, briefly stated, are that in terms of the provisions of Section 245

of the Ordinance, the Company was required to prepare and transmit to its members and

simultaneously file with the Registrar and the Commission its quarterly accounts for the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter

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ended March 31, 2004 and  $3^d$  quarter ended June 30, 2004 by May 31, 2004 and July 31, 2004

respectively. The Company failed to file the aforesaid accounts with the Commission within the

prescribed time. Consequently, two show cause notices dated July 06, 2004 and September 21, 2004

were served on all the directors including the Chief Executive of the Company, calling upon them to

show cause as to why penalties as provided under Sub-section (3) of Section 245 read with Section

476 of the Ordinance may not be imposed on them. No reply was received to the aforesaid notices.

However, the Company filed the requisite accounts, which were received in the Commission on

August 24, 2004 and October 26, 2004 i.e. with a delay of 2 months & 24 days and 2 months & 26

days respectively.

3. In order to provide an opportunity of personal hearing, the matter was fixed on Qctober 28, 2004

which was adjourned several times either on the request of the Company or by the Commission and

finally fixed on March 22, 2005. On the date of hearing, Mr. Shahid Farid Khan of M/s. Shahid Tariq

& Co., Chartered Accountants, and Mr. Bilal A. Niazi, the Company Secretary appeared before me to

argue the case on behalf of the directors of the Company. They admitted the default and contended

that the delay in submission of quarterly accounts was not deliberate but due to the closure of the

Company's business. They further stated that the offices of the Company were taken over and closed

by the government, computers and records were destroyed and the directors were arrested. However,

they again tried and prepared new records. They assured strict compliance of the provisions of law in

future and prayed for a lenient view in the matter.

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4. I have given due consideration to the submissions of the respondents, advanced for late

filing of quarterly accounts. However, the circumstances and facts placed before me do not justify the

delay in preparation and circulation of the quarterly accounts. The plea of practical problems like

closure of Company's office by the Government is not a convincing reason. Offices of the Company

were closed /taken over by NAB in the year 1999/2000 for a period of nine months as mentioned by

the representatives and the Company had a sufficient time for taking remedial measures and

preparation of periodical accounts for subsequent periods which they have done as the accounts for the

quarter ended December 31, 2003 were also prepared and filed with the Commission though late. The

track record of the Company with regard to filing of quarterly accounts is also very poor. The

Company is committing defaults in filing of quarterly accounts since 2001 for which the directors

were penalized earlier also. It has been noticed that the directors have also failed to deposit the

penalties of Rs. 90,000/- imposed for the previous defaults. This led me to believe that the directors

have no respect for law and they have again deprived the shareholders of their statutory right to

receive the quarterly accounts of the Company within the prescribed time limit. Had there been serious

efforts on the part of the directors to manage the timely finalization of accounts, there would

have been no delay in preparation/circulation of the aforesaid accounts. The responsibility for

preparation and circulation of accounts rests with the directors of the Company and in case they do not

take appropriate action at appropriate time the default is considered willful.

5. Although the default is established, yet keeping in view the assurance given by the

respondents for timely compliance in future, I am inclined to take a lenient view in the

matter and, instead of imposing the maximum fine of Rs. 100,000 on every director and a

further fine of Rs. 1,000 per day for the continuous default, I impose the following fines

under Sub-section (3) of Section 245 of the Ordinance on the Chief Executive and

directors of the Company:-



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		2 <sup>nd</sup> quarter	3 <sup>rd</sup> quarter ended 30.6.2004	Total
S. No.	Name	Penalty (Rupees)	Penalty (Rupees)	
1.	Ms. Sarah Saif-ur- Rehman, Chief Executive	45,000	45,000	90,000
2.	Mr. Saif-ur- Rehman Khan, Director	15,000	15,000	30,000
3.	Mr. Mujeeb-ur- Rehman Khan, Director	15,000	15,000	30,000
4.	Mrs. Samina Asad Khan, Director	15,000	15,000	30,000
5.	Mr. Atiq-ur- Rehman Khan, Director	15,000	15,000	30,000
6.	Mrs.Taufeeqa Amanullah Khan, Director	15,000	15,000	30,000
7.	Mrs. Muneza Saif-ur- Rehman Khan, Director	15,000	15,000	30,000
	Total	135,000	135,000	270,000

6. The Chief Executive and directors of the Company are hereby directed to deposit the aforesaid fines in the designated bank account maintained in the name of Securities and Exchange Commission of Pakistan with Habib Bank Limited or pay through a demand draft in the name of Securities and

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Exchange Commission of Pakistan within thirty days from the receipt of this order and furnish

receipted vouchers to the Commission failing which proceedings for recovery of the fines as an arrear

of land revenue will be initiated. It should also be noted that the said penalty is imposed on the Chief

Executive and the directors in their personal capacity, therefore, they are required to pay the said

amounts from their personal resources.

Javed K. Siddiqui

Executive Director (Company Law)

Announced April 14,2005 ISLAMABAD.