## **Fitch**Ratings

Mr. K M M Jabir Chief Executive Officer, Richard Pieris Finance Limited 69, Arpico Complex Hyde Park Corner Colombo 2.

September 26, 2019

Dear Mr. Jabir,

Re: Fitch rating action affecting the rating of Richard Pieris Finance Limited

Fitch (see definition below) has affirmed the ratings described below;

National Long-Term Rating of BBB+(lka); Stable Outlook

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We are pleased to have had the opportunity to be of service to you. If we can be of further assistance, please contact Jeewanthi Malagala, Senior Analyst at 2541900 ext. 20.

Sincerely,

Maninda Wickramasinghe CEO/Country Head

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