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Government of India
Ministry of Environment & Forests
(IA-III Division)

Paryavaran Bhawan,
CGO Complex, Lodhi Road,
New Delhi - 110 003,

Dated: 25th October, 2010

To

M/s Karaikal Port Private Ltd.,
Devs Ark, No. 284/1136,
Rajiv Gandhi Road, Kottivakkam,
Chennai - 600 096

Subject: CRZ clearance for permission to handle crude oil and petroleum products connecting Chidambaranar Oil Jetty at Nagore and KPPL jetty M/s Karaikal Port Private Trust - Reg.

This has reference to letter dated 15.04.2010 seeking prior CRZ Clearance under the Coastal Regulation Zone (CRZ) Notification, 1991. The proposal has been appraised as per prescribed procedure in the light of provisions under the Coastal Regulation Zone Notification, 1991 on the basis of the mandatory documents enclosed with the application viz., the Questionnaire, recommendation of Coastal Zone Management Authority, the additional clarifications furnished in response to the observations of the Expert Appraisal Committee constituted by the competent authority in its meetings held on 18th - 20th August, 2010.

2. It is interalia, noted that the proposal involves Chennai Petroleum Corporation Limited (An subsidiary of IOCL) owns and operates Chidambaranar Oil Jetty at Nagapatinam for transporting Crude Oil to their refinery. For better capacity utilization and efficiency in operation, Chennai Petroleum Corporation Limited proposes to transport Crude Oil by laying pipeline interconnecting Karaikal Port Berth facilities and their existing Chidambaranar Oil Jetty pipeline in Nagapatinam, Tamilnadu. Initial estimation of handling will be one million metric tonnes of Crude Oil and other petroleum products per annum. Karaikal Port Private Limited has identified Berth No. 1 for the above purpose. The Berth No. 1 is presently used for general and bulk cargo. The above change in use does not involve any additional construction activities.

3. Puducherry Coastal Zone Management Authority discussed the proposal in the 23rd meeting of the Puducherry Coastal Zone Management Authority held on 25.06.2010 and recommended the proposal for CRZ Clearance vide letter no. 448/DSTE/PCZMA/CLR/JE/2010/526 dated 16th July, 2010.

4. The Expert Appraisal Committee, after due consideration of the relevant documents submitted by the project proponent and additional clarifications furnished in response to its observations, have recommended

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for the grant of CRZ Clearance for the project. Accordingly, the Ministry hereby accords necessary CRZ Clearance for the above project as per the provisions of CRZ Notification, 1991 and its subsequent amendments, subject to strict compliance of the terms and conditions as follows:

5. SPECIFIC CONDITIONS:

Construction Phase

- (i) "Consent for Establishment" shall be obtained from Puducherry Pollution Control Committee under Air and Water Act and a copy shall be submitted to the Ministry before start of any construction work at the site.
- (ii) Oil contingency plan shall be implemented.
- (iii) Risk Assessment & Emergency Management Plan shall be prepared.
- (iv) Construction shall be carried out strictly as per the provisions of CRZ Notification, 1991. No construction work other than those permitted in Coastal Regulation Zone Notification shall be carried out in Coastal Regulation Zone area
- (v) There shall be no disposal of solid and liquid wastes in to the Coastal areas.
- (vi) Sewage Treatment facility should be provided in accordance with the CRZ Notification. Treated sewage shall be reused for flushing of toilets and horticulture purposes.
- (vii) The solid waste shall be properly collected, segregated and disposed as per the provision of Solid Waste (Management and Handling) Rules, 2000.
- (viii) Installation and operation of DG set if any shall comply with the guidelines of CPCB.
- (ix) Under the provisions of Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, legal action shall be initiated against the project proponent if it was found that construction of the project has been started without obtaining environmental clearance.

6. General Conditions:

- (i) The construction of the structures should be undertaken as per the plans approved by the concerned local authorities/local administration, meticulously conforming to the existing local and Central rules and regulations including the provisions of Coastal Regulation Zone Notification dated 19.02.1991 and the approved Coastal Zone Management Plan of Puducherry.
- (ii) In the event of any change in the project profile a fresh reference

- (iii) This Ministry reserves the right to revoke this clearance, if any, of the conditions stipulated are not complied with to the satisfaction of this Ministry.
- (iv) This Ministry or any other competent authority may stipulate any additional conditions subsequently, if deemed necessary, for environmental protection, which shall be complied with.
- (v) Full support should be extended to the officers of this Ministry's Regional Office at Bangalore and the offices of the Central and State Pollution Control Board by the project proponents during their inspection for monitoring purposes.

7. These stipulations would be enforced among others under the provisions of water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 the Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act 1981, the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, the Public Liability (Insurance) Act, 1991 and Municipal Solid Wastes (Management and Handling) Rules, 2000 including the amendments and rules made thereafter.

8. All other statutory clearances such as the approvals for storage of diesel from Chief Controller of Explosives, Fire Department, Civil Aviation Department, Forest Conservation Act, 1980 and Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972 etc. shall be obtained, as applicable by project proponents from the respective competent authorities.

9. The project proponent should advertise in at least two local Newspapers widely circulated in the region, one of which shall be in the vernacular language informing that the project has been accorded Environmental Clearance and copies of clearance letters are available with the Puducherry Pollution Control Board and may also be seen on the website of the Ministry of Environment and Forests at <http://www.envfor.nic.in>. The advertisement should be made within 10 days from the date of receipt of the Clearance letter and a copy of the same should be forwarded to the Regional office of this Ministry at Bangalore.

10. Environmental clearance is subject to final order of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in the matter of Goa Foundation Vs. Union of India in Writ Petition (Civil) No.460 of 2004 as may be applicable to this project.

11. Any appeal against this Environmental Clearance shall lie with the National Environment Appellate Authority, if preferred, within a period of 30 days as prescribed under Section 11 of the National Environment Appellate Act, 1997.

12. A copy of the clearance letter shall be sent by the proponent to concerned Panchayat, Zilla Parisad/Municipal Corporation, Urban Local Body and the Local NGO, if any, from whom suggestions/ representations, if any, were received while processing the proposal. The clearance letter shall also be put on the website of the company by the proponent.



13. Status of compliance to the various stipulated environmental conditions and environmental safeguards will be uploaded by the project proponent in its website.

14. The project proponent shall also submit six monthly reports on the status of compliance of the stipulated EC conditions including results of monitored data (both in hard copies as well as by e-mail) to the respective Regional Office of MoEF, the respective Zonal Office of CPCB and the SPCB.

15. The environmental statement for each financial year ending 31st March in Form-V as is mandated to be submitted by the project proponent to the concerned State Pollution Control Board as prescribed under the Environment (Protection) Rules, 1986, as amended subsequently, shall also be put on the website of the company along with the status of compliance of EC conditions and shall also be sent to the respective Regional Offices of MoEF by e-mail.



(Bharat Bhushan)
Director (IA-III)

25-8-2010

Copy to:

1. The Secretary, Department of Environment & Forests, Department of Science, Technology and Environment, Housing Board Building, Annanagar, Puducherry - 605 001.
2. The Chairman, Central Pollution Control Board, Parivesh Bhavan, CBD-cum- Office Complex, East Arjun Nagar, Delhi - 110 032.
3. The Chairman, Puducherry Coastal Zone Management Authority & The Director, Department of Science, Technology and Environment, Housing Board Building, Annanagar, Puducherry - 605 001.
4. The Chief Conservator of Forests, Ministry of Environment and Forests, Regional Office, Western Region, Kendriya Paryavaran Bhavan, Link Road No. 3, Ravishankar Nagar, Bangalore - 462016 Karnataka.
5. The Chairman, Puducherry Pollution Control Committee, Department of Science, Technology & Env Housing Board Complex, IIIrd Floor Pondicherry-600 005
6. Director (EI), Ministry of Environment and Forests.
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