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Date: 30.03.2021 Ref. No.: FB: 01/5(K)-625(a)/2020

To. The Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer (FC Act) Office of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF Aranya Bhawan, Panjabari Guwahati PIN: 781037

Sub: Application for Forest Clearance under Section 2(ii) of FC Act 1980 for drilling exploratory location (Loc. KNEB) in Dhansiri Reserve Forest under Karbi Anglong West Forest Division in OALP Block: AA-ONN-2010/2, Karbi Anglong District, Karbi Anglong Autonomous Council, Assam

Sir,

Reference above, we would like to inform you that OIL India Limited (OIL) has been awarded NELP-IX Block AA-ONN-2010/2 for oil/gas exploration in Karbi Anglong district, Karbi Anglong Autonomous Council of Assam for an area of 396 Sq.km. Petroleum Exploration License (PEL) was granted to OIL by Government of Assam on 20.11.2014 (Annexure-I). As a part of committed work programme with MoPNG, Government of India, OIL needs to drill two (2) number of exploratory wells in this area. This exploration block falls mainly in Dhansiri Reserve Forest and Daldali Reserve Forests. Seismic survey has already been completed in this NELP block.

Two exploratory locations (Loc. KNEA and Loc KNEB) have been identified for drilling out of which Loc. KNEB (Latitude: 25° 48' 10.13" N, Longitude: 93° 30' 56.66" E) falls in northern part of Dhansiri Reserve Forest under Karbi Anglong West Forest Division and is about 7 km via NH-36 from Diphu town towards Dimapur. It is 2 km south of Daldali Railway Station.

For information that initial online application was submitted in parivesh portal on 23.10.2020 (proposal No. FP/AS/MIN/51724/2020) where the location was mentioned as KA-2. The location is now renamed as KNEB as the location has been approved by OIL management for drilling. As such Loc KA-2 and KNEB represent the same location to be drilled in Dhansiri Reserve Forest.

View above, we are submitting herewith the documents as per your EDS dated 09.11.2020 and also request you to consider the location name as KNEB for the drilling location in Dhansiri Reserve Forest of Karbi Anglong District, Karbi Anglong Autonomous Council in Assam.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully. OIL INDIA LIMITED

Nodal Officer (EC/FC/NBWL) OIL INDIA LIMITED

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Chief General Manager (HSE) &

Nodal Officer For Resident Chief Executive

Encl. as above