

JUSTIFICATION FOR LOCATING THE PROJECT IN FOREST AREA

GAIL (India) Ltd. has been setting up LMC (Last Mile Connectivity) i.e equipments and installation used for providing PNG connection as per PNGRB (Petroleum and Natural gas Regulatory Board) 2008 from GAIL SV-11 Chaubari to HPCL CGS Station Bareilly for an approximate length of 788 m from which the proposed route enroutes forest area for 316 m. The Start point (28.296956° N & 79.386331° E) and End point (28.293739° N & 79.382305° E) co-ordinates of the connectivity are mentioned above. The Pipeline route has been fixed considering technical and economic feasibility of the project by GAIL (India) Ltd. Since the proposed pipeline will be crossing protected forest in Bareilly District of Uttar Pradesh and as this is the most feasible route to connect HPCL CGS Station Bareilly, crossing of the forest area is unavoidable.

In view of above, the proposed pipeline route is the most suitable route from social, environmental and economic point of view as the successful commissioning of said pipeline will lead to environmental benefits and availability of cleaner fuel to the citizens of the region. It will also benefit industrial and commercial units by ensuring the uninterrupted supply of natural gas.

For GAIL (India) Ltd.,

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