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Ref: GAIL/KKMBPL/5.5831/DFO- Dharmapuri /RL/2023/05

Date: 31/07/2023

To, Thiru. K.V. Appala Naidu, IFS., District Forest Officer, Dharmapuri Forest Division, Dharmapuri - 636705

Sub: Permission for laying proposed 24" Ø Steel Gas pipeline along with OFC duct along

Gummanur and Toppur Reserved Forest in Dharmapuri District in the state of Tamilnadu.

Ref.: 1) Online application on PARIVESH portal FP/TN/Pipeline/50403/2020 Dated 19.10.2022.

- 2) Your office letter Ref. No. C. NO. 148/2023/D, dated 17.03.2023.
- 3) GAIL's reply letter Ref. No. GAIL/KKMBPL/5.5831/DFO- Dharmapuri /RL/2023/01 dated 23.03.2023
- 4) Your office letter Ref. No. C. NO. 148/2023/D, dated 25.03.2023.
- 5) GAIL's reply letter Ref. No. GAIL/KKMBPL/5.5831/DFO- Dharmapuri /RL/2023/02 dated 24.04.2023
- 6) Your office letter Ref. No. C. NO. 148/2023/D, dated 24.05.2023.
- 7) GAIL's reply letter Ref. No. GAIL/KKMBPL/5.5831/DFO- Dharmapuri /RL/2023/03 dated 05/06/2023.
- 8) GAIL's reply letter Ref. No. GAIL/KKMBPL/5.5831/DFO- Dharmapuri /RL/2023/04 dated 09/06/2023
- 9) Your office letter Ref. No. C. NO. 148/2023/D, dated 24.07.2023.

## Dear Sir,

As you are aware that M/s GAIL (INDIA) LIMITED intends to lay 24" Ø Steel Gas pipeline along with OFC duct. The route of proposed pipeline KKBMPL-II (Krishnagiri-Salem) is 145.965 Km long from Thirumagondanahalli to Manjakalpatti will be laid almost parallel to existing Various Road (i.e. National Highway, State Highway, Major District Road, Other District Road and Asphalt Road) and will be passing through Tamilnadu State & lies in the Districts of Krishnagiri, Dharmapuri.

In the view of above, M/s GAIL (INDIA) LIMITED submitted the online application on PARIVESH portal under application no. FP/TN/Pipeline/50403/2020 dated 19.10.2022 under above cited Ref. No. 1. Thereafter, the proposal was discussed in the Project Screening Committee meeting held on 27.12.2022. After this meeting, we received MOM for the said meeting and in that shortcomings to the proposal are mentioned. Accordingly, M/S GAIL resubmitted the proposal with compliance of all points raised by PCCF, Chennai.

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Subsequently, the proposal was again discussed in the second Project Screening Committee meeting held on 23.02.2023 and where compliance given by GAIL was found satisfactory. Accordingly, PCCF forwarded the proposal to your good office for further process on 14.03.2023.

Thereafter your good office issued a query letter vide above cited Ref. No. 2. Accordingly, M/S GAIL has submitted the reply letter vide above cited Ref. No. 03. Then your good office issued a query letter vide above cited Ref. No.04. Accordingly, M/S GAIL has submitted the reply letter vide above cited Ref. No. 05.

Subsequently we have received a query letter from your end vide above cited Ref. No.06. Accordingly, M/S GAIL has submitted the reply letter vide above cited Ref. No. 07 & 08.

Now, we have received a query letter from your end vide above cited Ref. No. 09. Accordingly, we are herewith submitting the compliance with the following points:

- 1. GAIL is in the process to mark the actual area are to be diverted on ground with stations numbered along with GPS reading and GAIL will be in position to complete the same on or before 07.08.2023 and the same will be informed as soon as completed.
- 2. GAIL has already submitted the brief description on reason for proposing the said pipeline alignment in the forestland the same has been attached as Annexure - I for your ready reference.
- 3. As in the Thoppur RF area no alternate route was found because of the hilly terrain and at Gummanur RF area GAIL has proposed the pipeline along NH-844 as per the directions given by the nodal agency of TN Government TIDCO. We have uploaded the certificate dt 31.07.2023 vide Annexure - II that no alternate alignment possible in the additional information details section.
- 4. GAIL is in the process to obtain the FRA certificate from District Collector, Dharmapuri. In addition to this GAIL has already submitted the undertaking for submission of the FRA certificate before stage-II approval along with the proposal.

In the view of the above, it is once again requested to kindly process our application and help us to complete the project of national importance.

Since, it is a time bound project, committed to serve the Nation in better way, your most expeditious action is needed to grant the permission for laying of the pipeline along Gummanur and Thoppur Reserved Forest as early as possible.

Yours Sincerely,

For GAIL (India) Limited 31/2/2023

Authorized signatory

Encl.:

As Above.

एम. रविचंद्रन / M. RAVICHANDRAN उप महाप्रबंधक (निर्माण) / DY GENERAL MANAGER (CONSTRUCTION) गेल (इंडिया) लिमिटेड / GAIL (INDIA) LIMITED Chennai चेन्नई Corporate Identification No.L40200DL1984G01018976