

## **Production Sharing Contract Kharsang**

GEPL/CCF/2015/02

August 27, 2015

To

The Chief Conservator of Forests (Cons) & Nodal Officer Office of the PCCF Government of Arunachal Pradesh Itanagar

Sub.: Forest Clearance/No-objection for re-grant/extension of Kharsang Petroleum Mining Lease (PML) under Section 2 (iii) of FCA, 1980

Ref.: MoEF&CC letter no. F.No. 11-319/2015-FC dated July 31, 2015

MOEF&CC Guideline F.No. 8-118/2006-FC dated June 24, 2015

GEPL letter no. GEPL/CCF/2015/01 dated March 23, 2015

Director, Geology and Mining letter no. DGM/ML/GEPL/2248/2014 dated March 12, 2015

GEPL letter no. GEPL/GOAP/ML/2014/02 dated May 26, 2014

Dear Sir,

This is in reference to our application dated May 26, 2014, submitted to Director, Department of Geology and Mining, Government of Arunachal Pradesh, Itanagar, for Re-grant / Extension of the Kharsang Petroleum Mining Lease (PML), granted under the Petroleum and Natural Gas Rules, 1959, for an area of 11 square kilometres, with effect from 16.06.2015, in Changlang District of Arunachal Pradesh.

Post examination of the proposal, State Government of Arunachal Pradesh has forwarded the proposal to the Forest Department on March 12, 2015 for obtaining prior approval under Forest Conservation Act, 1980 for re-grant / extension of Kharsang PML. Subsequently, Form-A (Part-1) along with requisite annexures was submitted to your good office on March 23, 2015 for obtaining Forest Clearance exclusively for formal issuance of re-grant/extension of Kharsang PML in Arunachal Pradesh.

In this regard, MoEF&CC vide its letter dated July 31, 2015 has requested a revised proposal as per the relevant Rules and Guidelines issued under FCA, 1980, Forest (Conservation) 2<sup>nd</sup> amendment Rules, 2014 and the guidelines Forest (Conservation) Rules, 2003 with prescribed Part I, II, III, IV & V.

In accordance to the same and as per the Ministry's recent guidelines dated 24.06.2015, please find enclosed herewith duly filled up Form-A (Part-1) along with requisite annexures for obtaining clearance under Section 2(iii) of the FCA, 1980 for the entire forest land located within Kharsang PML without calling for any physical diversion of the forest land.

We would request you to kindly consider our proposal and accord the forest clearance under Forest Conservation Act, 1980 for the Kharsang PML area, so that the mining lease can be executed with the State Government of Arunachal Pradesh at the earliest to continue the petroleum operations.

GeoEnpro Petroleum Ltd.

We would be pleased to provide any additional information which you may require for the same.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,

Ajay Kumar Ray

**President** 

GeoEnpro Petroleum Limited

As Operator of Kharsang Oil Field

Encl.: As above

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