## JUSTIFICATION FOR LOCATING THE PROJECT IN THE FOREST AREA

The proposed land belongs to Mr. Phone Syih, a resident of the Vill. - Thangskai, P.O-Lumshnong, Meghalaya. He is ready to provide this land for limestone mining purposes to our company, for that we have obtained a consent letter from him. This land is located within the commercial range of our cement plant at Umpeh area of the same village and that is why we are showing our interest for mining of limestone in that area.

It has come to our knowledge that a Senior Officers Team (JIT-1) empowered by Govt. declared some part of this proposed land as forest land. But they did not allocate the particular part as forest and or non forest in their reports. Department of Forest (both State and Central) compelled us to apply for Forest Diversion Proposal (FDP) for the same land.

Now the management of the M/s Meghalaya Cements Limited decided to go for FDP and accordingly, application for the forest diversion proposal has been submitted on 28-10-2013 for diversion of 0.869 Hectare of deem private forest land for exploratory drilling activities from 96.35 Hectares Prospecting License (PL) area at Umnong, Thangskai, East Jaintia Hills.

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