F. No.8-77/2013-FC Government of India Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change (Forest Conservation Section)

Indira Paryavaran Bhawan Jor Bagh Road, Aliganj, New Delhi-110001. Dated: 12th June, 2015.

To

Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Central), Ministry of Environment & Forests Regional Office (SZ), Kendriya Sadan, 4th Floor, E&F Wing, II Block, Koramangala, Banglore-560034

Diversion of 109.17 ha of forest land for renewal of Mining Lease No. 2346 to an Sub: extent of 103.73 ha for mining and other allied activities and 5.44 ha for approach rods outside the Mining Lease area located at Bedara Bommanahalli and other Villages in Nirthadi reserve Forest, Holalkere Range, Chitradurga Division, Chitradurga District, Karnataka State in favour of M/s. Mineral Enterprises Limited, Sir.

I am directed to refer to the State Government's letter No. FEE 23 FFM 2013 dated 26.09.2013 on above mentioned subject seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and to request the Regional Office (Southern Zone), Bangalore of this Ministry to carry out inspection of the area proposed for diversion outside the mining lease and submit a report to this Ministry for further necessary action in the matter

Yours faithfully

Jun -(B.K. Singh) Director (Forest Conservation)

- 1. The Principal Secretary (Forest), Government of Karnataka, Bangalore
- 2. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Government of Karnataka, Bangalore
- 3. The Nodal Officer, O/o the PCCF, Government of Karnataka, Bangalore
- 4. User Agency: M/s Mineral Enterprises Limited, Khanija Bhavan, No. 49, 3rd Floor, West 5. Monitoring Cell 6. Guard file

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