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पर्यावरण, वन एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्रालय MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS & CLIMATE CHANGE Regional Office (WCZ) Ground Floor, East Wing New Secretariat Building Civil Lines, Nagpur - 440001 apccfcentral-ngp-mef@gov.in

Dated: 2nd May, 2017

F. No. 6-MHC 033/2014-BHO 1707

To



The Secretary, Govt. of Maharashtra, Revenue & Forest Department, Mantralaya, Mumbai-400032

Sub: Proposal for change in the alignment of pipe line requiring additional 0.8878 ha Forest land (in addition to previously sanctioned area 9.4040 ha) for laying of HPCL's Uran Chakan/ Shikrapur LPG Pipeline along with 6" dia Optical Fiber Cable (OFC) in Forest land in Raigad District in the State of Maharashtra – regarding.

Sir.

I am directed to refer to the State Government of Maharashtra's letter no. FLD-11317/CR-42/F-10 dated 6.02.2017 on the above subject seeking prior approval of the Central Government under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and to inform that proposal was considered by the 2nd Regional Empowered Committee (REC) in its 1st meeting held on 17th to 18th April, 2017 and the Committee, after detailed discussion and examination of the proposal on its merit, approved the proposal for change in the alignment of pipe line requiring additional 0.8878 ha Forest land (in addition to previously sanctioned area 9.4040 ha) for laying of HPCL's Uran Chakan/ Shikrapur LPG Pipeline along with 6" dia Optical Fiber Cable (OFC) in Forest land in Raigad District in the State of Maharashtra. The Committee also recommended that revised Stage-lapproval shall be issued by the Regional Office, only after receipt of the additional information as sought by the Regional Office, vide its letter dated 22.03.2015.

In view of the above, I am directed to request the State Government to submit information as desired by the REC, as indicated above, to the Regional Office for further necessary action in the matter.

Yours faithfully,

(Charan Jeet Singh)

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Copy to:

i. The PCCF, Government of Maharashtra, Nagpur.

- ii. The Addl. PCCF & Nodal Officer (FCA), M. S. Nagpur, 1st Floor, B Wing, Van Bhawan, Civil Lines, Nagpur–440 001.
- iii. User agency.
- iv. Guard file

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