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**Subject : Increase in Carrying Capacity of Crude Oil Pipeline (1,50,000 to 1,75,000 bopd) in existing Barmer (Rajasthan) to Bhogat (Gujarat) Pipeline by M/s Cairn India Limited - reg.**

**Ref. : (i) Ministry's letter no. J-11011/234/2007-IAII(I) dated 28<sup>th</sup> April, 2008, J-11011/34/2009-IAII(I) dated 24<sup>th</sup> August, 2009.**  
**(ii) Your letter no. nil dated 30<sup>th</sup> August, 2011.**

Sir,

Kindly refer to your letter dated 30<sup>th</sup> August , 2011 regarding above mentioned project, wherein you have requested to allow the increase in carrying capacity of Crude Oil Pipeline (1,50,000 to 1,75,000 bopd) in the existing Barmer (Rajasthan) to Bhogat (Gujarat) Pipeline.

2.0 The proposal was considered by the Expert Appraisal Committee (Industry-2) in its 28<sup>th</sup> meeting held during 20<sup>th</sup>– 21<sup>st</sup> October, 2011. The Committee noted that there is no change in the existing infrastructure to pump the crude oil. Existing pumps will be capable to pump the additional flow. Pipeline design and operating conditions regarding pressure and temperature will remain same. No change in storage inventory or power generation at any pipeline facility location. The proposed pipeline is not passing through any National Park/Wildlife Sanctuary/Coral reef/Eco-sensitive area and no environment clearance is required for capacity augmentation of the pipeline. The Committee recommended the capacity augmentation of the pipeline.

3.0 Since, the proposal involves capacity augmentation of the pipeline without any modification in the existing infrastructure, the Ministry has no objection for capacity augmentation from 1,60,000 bopd to 1,75,000 bopd. However, compliance to the following conditions shall be ensured:

- (i). No additional facilities, tankages or pipeline system will be installed.
- (ii). All the specific conditions and general conditions specified in the environmental clearance accorded vide Ministry's letter no. J-11011/234/2007-IAII (I) dated 28<sup>th</sup> April, 2008 (pipeline associated facilities), J-11011/34/2009-IAII(I) dated 24<sup>th</sup> August, 2009 shall be implemented.

- (iii). 'Consent to Establish and Operate' for the revised proposal shall be obtained from the Rajasthan Pollution Control Board and Gujarat Pollution Control Board.
- (iv). No further expansion or modifications in the plant shall be carried out without prior approval of the Ministry of Environment and Forests. In case of deviations or alterations in the project proposal from those submitted to this Ministry for clearance, a fresh reference shall be made to the Ministry to assess the adequacy of conditions imposed and to add additional environmental protection measures required, if any.
- 4.0 All other conditions also remain the same.
- 5.0 This issues with prior approval from the Competent Authority.
- 6.0 You are requested to keep this letter with the Environmental Clearance accorded vide letter No. J-11011/234/2007-IAII(I) dated 28<sup>th</sup> April, 2008, J-11011/34/2009-IAII(I) dated 24<sup>th</sup> August, 2009.

  
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