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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

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Subject: Minutes of Standing Linkage Committee (Long-Term) on Cement Plants (Cement CPPs) held on 20th March, 2008 at Fazal Conventional Hall, Scope Complex, Lodhi Road, New Delhi.

The undersigned is directed to forward herewith the Minutes of the meeting of the Standing Linkage Committee (Long-Term) on Cement Plants held on 20th March, 2008 for information and necessary action.

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1)	Additional Secretary, Ministry of Coal	Chairman
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3)	Principal Adviser(Energy), Planning Commission, Yojana Bhawan New Delhi.	Member
4)	Adviser (Projects), Ministry of Coal	Member
5)	Director (Transport Planning), Ministry of Railways, Rail Bhawan, New Delhi. Shri Mukul Saran Marhar, Director (TP).	Member
6)	Joint Secretary (Ports), Ministry of Shipping, Transport Bhawan, New Delhi.	Member
7)	Joint Secretary, Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Deptt. Of Industrial Policy and Promotion, Udyog Bhawan, New Delhi.	Member
8)	Chairman, CIL, 10-Netaji Subhas Rd., Kolkata - 700091	Member
9)	CMD of BCCL, CCL, ECL, MCL, NCL, SECL & WCL and GM, NEC	Member
10)	Chairman-cum-Managing Director, Central Mine Planning & Design Instt Ltd., Gandwana Place, Kankar Rd., Ranchi.	Member
11)	Chairman-cum-Managing Director, SCCL, P.O. Kothagudem Collieries, Distt. Khammam-507101	Member

Copy for information and necessary action to:-

- 1) PS to MOS(Coal)
- 2) Sr. PPS to Secretary(Coal)
- 3) Director (CPD), Ministry of Coal.
- 4) Director(Marketing), CIL, 15-Park Street, Kolkata
- 5) Director(Technical), CIL, 10, Netaji Subhas Road, Kolkata.
- 6) Chief General Manager(CP), CIL, 10-Netaji Subhas Rd., Kolkata.
- 7) Shri Krishan Kumar, CGM, CIL, Scope Complex, Lodi Road, New Delhi.

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Copy also to NIC, Ministry of Coal with the request to placing the same on the Website of Ministry of Coal for wider publicity.

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**Minutes of the meeting of Standing Linkage Committee(LT)
on Cement captive power plants held at 2.00 P.M. on
20.3.2008**

Shri Rajiv Sharma, Addl. Secy.(LA), Ministry of Coal welcomed the members of the SLC(LT) and other participants from Coal companies. At the outset, he informed that the Committee would take up the proposal contained in the Agenda items in accordance with the New Coal Distribution Policy, which has been notified recently.

He also pointed out that as some applicants have either been granted coal blocks or may be acquiring coal blocks at a later date, the LOA to be granted to them would be converted into tapering linkage in case the allocation has already been made or it would get converted into tapering linkage, as and when coal block is allocated. The exact modalities for tapering linkage and quantity of tapering linkage would be worked out separately by the coal companies in consultation with Coal Controller and Ministry of Coal, if required, as per the extant Policy/Guidelines relating to Tapering Linkage.

AS(LA) also informed that as per new practice introduced after notification of New Coal Distribution Policy, the Committee would only authorize Coal India Ltd./Singareni Collieries Company Limited to issue Letter of Assurance (LOA) and subsequent action for issuance of LOA and other related activities would be carried out by CIL/SCCL/concerned coal companies in accordance with the provisions of the new Coal Distribution Policy and other Guidelines, instructions issued from time to time in this regard.

He recalled that in the SLC (LT) meeting for Cement held on 20.11.2007, it was decided that DIPP in consultation with Ministry of Power would finalise norms for cement CPPs and convey the same to the Ministry of Coal. He also noted that while considering the norms, DIPP was to keep in view the normative power requirement of cement plants and its installed capacity. However, the recommendations of Ministry of Power on revised norms did not address the issue of cement CPPs. Therefore, they were requested to participate in this meeting as Special invitee. Though the representative of MOP did not attend, the representative of DIPP informed that since cement CPPs are a part of cement industry, LOA/coal allocation to such plants, irrespective of capacity, need to be considered by the Committee. The Committee noted the recommendations of DIPP and directions of Competent Authority to consider cases of cement CPPs for issue of LOA.

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Dr. S.P. Seth, Additional Secretary (Coal), and Chairman of the Committee, endorsed the views of AS(LA) and also advised coal companies to ensure that coal is consumed by such units in most efficient manner and all relevant data of supply and consumption should be available on the website.

Director(Mktg.), Coal India Ltd.: He placed a copy of letter from Chairman, CIL informing that Coal India Limited is committed and would strive for giving effect to the New Coal Distribution Policy and is taking appropriate steps for implementing the policy and other related guidelines. He apprised the Committee about coal availability position. He, inter alia, informed that taking into consideration the existing LOA/linkage commitment of CIL and present production estimates, CIL would be constrained to meet new LOAs. It was clarified that all authorization on issue of LOAs are as per NCDP and coal companies are required to take necessary action pursuant thereto in accordance with provisions contained therein.

DIPP/Ministry of Commerce & Industry - The representative of DIPP informed that linkage for cement CPPs need to be considered, as they are part of the cement industry. In view of expected increase in demand as a result of economic growth, the cement sector is likely to witness a major growth. Since coal is a major input cost in determining cement prices, he requested that the pending cases of cement CPPs may be cleared during the present meeting.

SCCL: Director(Mktg.), inter-alia, informed that SCCL does not have high grade of coal from existing projects, it would come only from new projects which are yet to be commissioned, for allocation to cement plants. Therefore, for exploiting such projects, consumers would be required to pay "cost plus price" for such allocations.

Further, while considering the agenda, the Committee noted that DIPP was requested by Ministry of Coal to examine the new cement capacities and corresponding capacity of cement CPPs to be added vis à-vis capacities for which linkage/LOA already granted/recommended and thereafter make comprehensive recommendations commensurate with likely capacity addition. DIPP has, so far, not furnished any specific recommendations to that effect. Therefore, it was decided by the Committee that while Agenda item No.1 pertaining to deferred cases of the SLC (LT) meeting of 20.11.2007 in respect of Greenfield projects or cement CPPs may be taken up for consideration, the other agenda items on deferred enhancement cases of cement CPPs, other cases of cement CPPs

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recommended by DIPP and new cases of cement CPPs which were not in the agenda of 20.11.2007 may be deferred and would be taken up for consideration in its next meeting. Representative of DIPP agreed to furnish comprehensive report in this regard at the earliest.

The Committee, thereafter, discussed each agenda item and gave its recommendations. Recommendations of the Committee are given in **Annexure**.

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Annexure

Item No. I: Greenfield Projects of Cement CPPs

S. No.	Name of Cement Co.	Capacity	Source preferred by the applicant
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1	Sanghi Industries Ltd. Daica Village, Gurajala, Guntur Dt(AP)	15 MW	SCCL
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Keeping in view of the recommendations of the Ministry of Industry and the inputs provided during the meeting by the coal companies and also Department of Industry recommended for grant of LoA for capacity of **15 MW CPP** on normative basis on "Cost Plus Basis" to be settled between consumer and the coal company. **SCCL** would issue LOA as per the provisions of the New Coal Distribution Policy.

2	UltraTech Cement Ltd. IAP Cement Works, Tadpatnam, Anantapur (AP)	2 x 25 MW (50 MW)	SCCL
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Keeping in view of the recommendations of the Ministry of Industry and the inputs provided during the meeting by the coal companies and also Department of Industry recommended for grant of LoA for capacity of **2X25 MW (50 MW) CPP** on normative basis on "Cost Plus Basis" to be settled between consumer and the coal company. **SCCL** would issue LOA as per the provisions of the New Coal Distribution Policy.

3	Madras Cements Ltd Jayarthipuram, Tamil Nadu	2 x 18 MW (36 MW)	SCCL
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Keeping in view of the recommendations of the Ministry of Industry and the inputs provided during the meeting by the coal companies and also Department of Industry recommended for grant of LoA for capacity of **2X18 MW (36 MW) CPP** on normative basis on "Cost Plus Basis" to be settled between consumer and the coal company. **SCCL** would issue LOA as per the provisions of the New Coal Distribution Policy.

4	Madras Cements Ltd Aathiyur Works, Tamil Nadu	2 x 18 MW (36 MW)	SCCL
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Keeping in view of the recommendations of the Ministry of Industry and the inputs provided during the meeting by the coal companies and also Department of Industry recommended for grant of LoA for capacity of **2X18 MW (36 MW) CPP** on normative basis on "Cost Plus Basis" to be settled between consumer and the coal company. **SCCL** would issue LOA as per the provisions of the New Coal Distribution Policy.

5	J. K. Cement Ltd Nimbanera Cement Works, Rajasthan	22 MW	SECL
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Keeping in view of the recommendations of the Ministry of Industry and the inputs provided during the meeting by the coal companies and also Department of Industry, SECL recommended issue of LOA for **22 MW CPP**. SECL would issue LOA as per the provisions of the New Coal Distribution Policy.

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6 ACC Limited, Bargarh Cement Works, 30 MW MCL
Cement Nagar, P. O. Bardoli,
District Bargarh (Orissa)

Keeping in view of the recommendations of the Ministry of Industry and the inputs provided during the meeting by the coal companies and also Department of Industry, SLC(LT) recommended issue of LoA for **30 MW CPP**. CIL would issue LoA as per the provisions of the New Coal Distribution Policy.

7 M/s Jaykaycem Ltd 50 MW SCCL
Village Mudhapur Tehsil Modhol, District
Bagalkot (Karnataka)

Keeping in view of the recommendations of the Ministry of Industry and the inputs provided during the meeting by the coal companies and also Department of Industry recommended for grant of LoA for capacity of **50 MW CPP** on normative basis on "Cost Plus Basis" to be settled between consumer and the coal company. **SCCL** would issue LoA as per the provisions of the New Coal Distribution Policy.

8 Jaypee Himachal Cement Plant Tikri, 25 MW NCL/CCl
Solan (H.P.) SEC

Keeping in view of the recommendations of the Ministry of Industry and the inputs provided during the meeting by the coal companies and also Department of Industry, SLC(LT) recommended issue of LoA for **25 MW CPP**. CIL would issue LoA as per the provisions of the New Coal Distribution Policy.

9 Jaypee Siddhi Cement Plant Majhgawan, 35 MW NCL
Siddhi (MP) SEC

Keeping in view of the recommendations of the Ministry of Industry and the inputs provided during the meeting by the coal companies and also Department of Industry, SLC(LT) recommended issue of LoA for **35 MW CPP**. CIL would issue LoA as per the provisions of the New Coal Distribution Policy.

10 M/s Jaiprakash Associates Ltd (Dalla 27 MW NCL/CCl/SEC
Cement Plants), Sonebnadra UP

Keeping in view of the recommendations of the Ministry of Industry and the inputs provided during the meeting by the coal companies and also Department of Industry, SLC(LT) recommended issue of LoA for **27 MW CPP**. CIL would issue LoA as per the provisions of the New Coal Distribution Policy.

11 M/s Jaiprakash Associates Ltd (Crumar 38 MW NCL/CCl
Cement Plants), Mirzapur UP SEC

Keeping in view of the recommendations of the Ministry of Industry and the inputs provided during the meeting by the coal companies and also Department of Industry, SLC(LT) recommended issue of LoA for **38 MW CPP**. CIL would issue LoA as per the provisions of the New Coal Distribution Policy.

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- 12 Ambuja Cements Ltd Marwar Mundwa [50 MW SECI
District: Nagaur (Rajasthan)
Keeping in view of the recommendations of the Ministry of Industry and the inputs provided during the meeting by the coal companies and also Department of Industry, SLC(LT) recommended issue of LoA for **50 MW CPP**. CIL would issue LoA as per the provisions of the New Coal Distribution Policy.
- 13 Muri Industries Ltd [50 MW SECI (WCL
Korpana/Rajura,Chandrapur Maharashtra (2x25 MW)
Keeping in view of the recommendations of the Ministry of Industry and the inputs provided during the meeting by the coal companies and also Department of Industry, SLC(LT) recommended issue of LoA for **2x25 MW (50 MW) CPP**. CIL would issue LoA as per the provisions of the New Coal Distribution Policy.
- 14 Ambuja Cements Ltd [80 MW SECI
Amouja Nagar, District Junagadh (Gujarat)
Keeping in view of the recommendations of the Ministry of Industry and the inputs provided during the meeting by the coal companies and also Department of Industry, SLC(LT) recommended issue of LoA for **90 MW CPP**. CIL would issue LoA as per the provisions of the New Coal Distribution Policy.
- 15 Mrs. Vasavadatta Cement [27.5 MW SCCL
CPP at Sedam Guiberga, Karnataka of 9.5 MW
+ 18 MW)
Keeping in view of the recommendations of the Ministry of Industry and the inputs provided during the meeting by the coal companies and also Department of Industry recommended for grant of LoA for capacity of **9.5 -18 MW (27.5 MW) CPP** on normative basis on "Cost Plus Basis" to be settled between consumer and the coal company. SCCL would issue LoA as per the provisions of the New Coal Distribution Policy.
- 16 Grasim Industries Ltd Kotputli, Jaipur (Raj) [46 MW SECI
(2x23 MW)
Keeping in view of the recommendations of the Ministry of Industry and the inputs provided during the meeting by the coal companies and also Department of Industry, SLC(LT) recommended issue of LoA for **2x23 MW (46 MW) CPP**. CIL would issue LoA as per the provisions of the New Coal Distribution Policy.
- 17 Grasim Industries Ltd [7.5 MW SECI
Bira Whitej, Kharia Khangar (Rajasthan)
Keeping in view of the recommendations of the Ministry of Industry and the inputs provided during the meeting by the coal companies and also Department of Industry, SLC(LT) recommended issue of LoA for **7.5 MW CPP**. CIL would issue LoA as per the provisions of the New Coal Distribution Policy.

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18 Ultra Tech Cement Ltd (Awarpur Cement 33 MW WCL Works), Maharashtra

Keeping in view of the recommendations of the Ministry of Industry and the inputs provided during the meeting by the coal companies and also Department of Industry, SLC(LT) recommended issue of LoA for **33 MW CPP**. CIL would issue LoA as per the provisions of the New Coal Distribution Policy.

19 Deccan Cements Ltd. Bhavanipuram, 15 MW SCCL Neruducharia Mandal, Janpahad (PO), CPP Nalgonda, AP

Keeping in view of the recommendations of the Ministry of industry and the inputs provided during the meeting by the coal companies and also Department of Industry recommended for grant of LoA for capacity of **15 MW CPP** on normative basis on "Cost Plus Basis" to be settled between consumer and the coal company. **SCCL** would issue LoA as per the provisions of the New Coal Distribution Policy.

20 Lemos Cement Ltd 4 MW CC, Khalari Cément Plant, Ranchi, Jharkhand

Keeping in view of the recommendations of the Ministry of industry and the inputs provided during the meeting by the coal companies and also Department of Industry, SLC(LT) recommended issue of LoA for **4 MW CPP**. CIL would issue LoA as per the provisions of the New Coal Distribution Policy.

21 Raghuram Cements Ltd 70 MW SCCL Vill Naralingayaballi, Kamlaouram Mandal, Cuddapah Dist, AP

Keeping in view of the recommendations of the Ministry of industry and the inputs provided during the meeting by the coal companies and also Department of Industry recommended for grant of LoA for capacity of **70 MW CPP** on normative basis on "Cost Plus Basis" to be settled between consumer and the coal company. **SCCL** would issue LoA as per the provisions of the New Coal Distribution Policy.

22 Vasavadatta Cement 18 MW SCCL Unit IV, Sedam, Dist. Gulbarga, Karnataka (new plant)

Keeping in view of the recommendations of the Ministry of industry and the inputs provided during the meeting by the coal companies and also Department of Industry recommended for grant of LoA for capacity of **18 MW CPP** on normative basis on "Cost Plus Basis" to be settled between consumer and the coal company. **SCCL** would issue LoA as per the provisions of the New Coal Distribution Policy.

23 Diamond Cements 15MW SCCL Birapur PO Narsingarn Distt. Damoh, Madhya Pradesh,

Keeping in view of the recommendations of the Ministry of industry and the inputs provided during the meeting by the coal companies and also Department of Industry, SLC(LT) recommended issue of LoA for **15 MW CPP**. CIL would issue LoA as per the provisions of the New Coal Distribution Policy.

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24	Prism Cement Ltd. Village Manahari, Rampur Baghelan, Distt: Satna, MP	32MW	SCCL
SLC(ET) keeping in view the recommendations of the Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion (DIPP), rejected the request of the consumer.			
25	Penna Cement Ind. Ltd. Ganesnoahad(V), Damarchela(M), Nalgonda, Distt (AP)	60MW (2x30 MW)	SCCL
Keeping in view of the recommendations of the Ministry of Industry and the inputs provided during the meeting by the coal companies and also Department of Industry recommended for grant of LoA for capacity of 2x30 MW(60 MW) CPP on normative basis on "Cost Plus Basis" to be settled between consumer and the coal company. SCCL would issue LoA as per the provisions of the New Coal Distribution Policy.			
26	Manglam Cement Ltd. PO Aditya Nagar Morak, Distt: Kota (Rajasthan)	7.5 MW	Not applicable
DIPP informed that they have not received any formal application from the applicant. Therefore, SLC(ET) keeping in view the recommendations of the Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion (DIPP), rejected the request.			
27	Zawar Cement Ltd. Sarabas Distt Gulbarga, Karnataka	10.5 MW	SCCL
Keeping in view of the recommendations of the Ministry of Industry and the inputs provided during the meeting by the coal companies and also Department of Industry recommended for grant of LoA for capacity of 10.5 MW CPP on normative basis on "Cost Plus Basis" to be settled between consumer and the coal company. SCCL would issue LoA as per the provisions of the New Coal Distribution Policy.			
28	Sagar Cement Limited, Mattam Palli Vill. Mangal, Nalgonda, Andhra Pradesh	25 MW	SCCI
Keeping in view of the recommendations of the Ministry of Industry and the inputs provided during the meeting by the coal companies and also Department of Industry recommended for grant of LoA for capacity of 25 MW CPP on normative basis on "Cost Plus Basis" to be settled between consumer and the coal company. SCCL would issue LoA as per the provisions of the New Coal Distribution Policy.			
29	J.K. Cements Ltd. Nimphera Chittorgarh, Rajasthan	22 MW	SCCI
Keeping in view of the recommendations of the Ministry of Industry and the inputs provided during the meeting by the coal companies and also Department of Industry, SLC(ET) recommended issue of LoA for 22 MW CPP . CCI would issue LoA as per the provisions of the New Coal Distribution Policy.			

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30 Dalmia Cements (Bharat Ltd. Vill. Kallakudi, 27 MW SCCL/WCL
Nanganatham Distt. Perambalpur, TN) SECL

Keeping in view of the recommendations of the Ministry of Industry and the inputs provided during the meeting by the coal companies and the Department of Industry recommended for grant of LOA for import of **27 MW CPP** on normative basis on "Cost Plus Basis" to be settled between consumer and the coal company. **SCCL** would issue LOA as per the provisions of the New Coal Distribution Policy.

II. Enhancement cases – Cement CPPs - SLC [LT] recommended deferment of these cases and these would be taken up in its next meeting.

III. Other cases of cement CPPs recommended by DIPP - SLC [LT] recommended deferment of these cases and these would be taken up in its next meeting.

Agenda Item No. 2 – cases of cement CPPs – new cases recommended by DIPP – cases which were not in the agenda of 20.11.2007

SLC [LT] recommended deferment of these cases and these would be taken up in its next meeting.

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