## SHOW CAUSE NOTICE By Speed Post

No. 13016/33/2008-CA-I Government of India Ministry of Coal

New Delhi, dated I January, 2014

To,

Sir.

| 1. M/s. JLD Yavatmal Energy Ltd.,          | 2. M/s. R.K.M. Powergen Pvt. Ltd., 16, First |
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| Prithvi Vanaum, Gandhi Chowk, Dist.        | Canal Cross Road, Gandhi Nagar, Adyar,       |
| Yavatmal, Maharashtra.                     | Chennai-600020.                              |
| 3. M/s. Visa Power Ltd., HLL Building, 2nd | 4. M/s. Green Infrastructure Pvt. Ltd., 201, |
|  | Golf Apartment, Sujan Singh Park, Maharishi  |
| 700071.                                    | Raman Marg, New Delhi - 110003.              |
| 5. M/s. Vandana Vidyut Ltd., Vandana       |  |
| Bhawan, M.G. Road, Raipur - 492001.        |  |

Subject: Show Cause Notice to joint allocatees of Fatehpur East Coal block - regarding.

I am directed to refer to this Ministry's letter No. 38011/1/2007-CA-I dated 23.01.2008 conveying allocation of Fatehpur East Coal block in pursuance of the provisions contained in Section 3(3)(a)(iii) of the Coal Mines (Nationalisation) Act, 1973, subject to certain conditions. One of the conditions of allocation was that prospecting/exploration and preparation of GR have to be completed within 27 months from the date of allocation. Coal production from the captive block shall commence within 36 months (42 months in case the area is in forest land) in case of open cast mine and in 48 months (54 months in case the area falls under forest land) in case of UG mine from the date of preparation of GR. The end- use project schedule and the coal mine development schedule were to be modified accordingly and submitted to the Ministry within 6 months from the date of allocation.

- 2. Allocation letter also stipulates that allocation/mining lease of the coal block may be cancelled, inter-alia, on the following grounds:-
- a. Unsatisfactory progress of implementation of their specified end use plants.
- b. Unsatisfactory progress in the development of coal mining project.
- c. For breach of any of the conditions of allocation.



- 3. In order to expedite the development of the coal block, review meetings were held from time to time. In the review meeting held on 11/12.01.2012, it was noticed that the production from Fatehpur East Coal block will block will be started in the year 2011-2012 or the near future as per the indicated schedule. The Committee advised the allocattee to start mining/coal production in 2011-2012 or as per the indicated schedule of production failing which appropriate action will be initiated.
- 4. In the meantime, the Government has constituted an Inter-Ministerial Group (IMG) on 21.06.2012 under the Chairmanship of Additional Secretary, Ministry of Coal having members from Ministry/Department of Power, Steel, Industrial Policy & Promotion, Legal Affairs and Economic Affairs. IMG has the mandate to review the progress of development of allocated coal blocks and associated end use projects and to recommend action including de-allocation, if required. IMG in its 21st meeting held on 06.08.2013 inter alia considered the status of the development of the Fatehpur East Coal block prepared by the Coal Controller's Organisation (CCO) as on March, 2013 and noted that the progress of the block is unsatisfactory. It has been noticed that a number of important/critical milestones are pending. The details of milestones to be achieved and the time lapsed against each milestone, as reported by the Office of Coal Controller, are given in the table below:

| Mile Stones                        | Schedule date<br>of Completion                    | Actual<br>date of<br>Completio<br>n | Slippage<br>in<br>YY/MM<br>(as on<br>Mar.13) | Remarks   | Special<br>Observati<br>on                  |
|------------------------------------|---|-------------------------------------|--|---|---|
| Purchase of GR                     | 22.4.2010 (27<br>Months                           | 28.2.2011                           | 10 Months                                    |   |   |
| Submission of<br>Bank<br>Guarantee | 22.4.2008<br>(3 months                            | Yes                                 | -  |   |   |
| Mining Lease<br>Application        | 28.5.2011<br>(3 months<br>from GR<br>completion)) | 30.7.2010                           | -  | ML area:- 1728.208<br>Ha<br>Forest land:-<br>1093.485 Ha<br>Tenancy land:-<br>416.561 Ha<br>Govt land:-<br>218.162 Ha | Zero date<br>considere<br>d on<br>28.2.2011 |
| Submission of<br>Mining Plan       | 28.8.2011<br>(6 months<br>from)                   | 26.8.2011                           | -  |   |   |
| Approval of                        | 28.10.2011  | 27.4.2012                           | 6 months                                     |   |   |

| Mining Plan                            | (8 months<br>from)        |           |                 |   |   |
|--|---------------------------|-----------|-----------------|---|---|
| Application of<br>Previous<br>approval | 28.12.2011<br>(10 months) | 30.7.2010 | -               |   |   |
| Granting of<br>Previous<br>approval    | 28.1.2012<br>(11 months)  | Pending   | 1Yr 2<br>Months |   | Reply from<br>MOC on<br>clarification<br>sought by<br>Govt of CG<br>has been<br>submitted<br>on 25.2.13.    |
| Application of<br>Forest<br>clearance  | 28.2.2012<br>(12 months)  | 16.4.2011 | 7 months        | FC processing at DFO.   | Stg-I nFC is pending.   |
| Grant of Forest<br>Clearance           | 28.8.2012<br>(18 months)  | Pending   |                 |   |   |
| Application<br>EMP Clearance           | 28.2.2012<br>(12 months)  | 29.9.2012 | 7 Months        | Public hearing is<br>scheduled on<br>17.5.2013.   |   |
| Grant of EMP<br>Clearance              | 28.8.2012<br>(18 months)  | Pending   | 7 Months        |   |   |
| Grant of<br>Mining Lease               | 28.2.2013<br>(24 months)  | Pending   | 1 Month         |   |   |
| Application of<br>Land<br>Acquisition  | 28.9.2012<br>(19 months)  | Yes       | 6 Months        | Out of total<br>land 1913.208<br>Ha, the area<br>applied for<br>1728.208 Ha for<br>land<br>acquisition. | Land:<br>1728.208<br>Hec. Govt<br>land:<br>218.162 Ha<br>Pvt land:<br>416.561 Ha<br>Forest land<br>1093 Ha. |
| Completion of<br>Land<br>Acquisition   | 28.2.2014<br>(36 months)  | Pending   | -               |   |   |
| Application for opening permission     | 28.6.2014<br>(40months)   | Pending   | -               |   |   |
| Grant of<br>Opening<br>permission      | 28.7.2014<br>(41 Months)  | Pending   | -               |   |   |
| Coal<br>Production                     | 28.8.2014<br>(42 Months)  | Pending   | -               | OC mine<br>without forest<br>land   |   |

Keeping in view the unsatisfactory progress, IMG recommended to issue show cause notice for delay in development of coal block. The recommendation of IMG has since been considered and accepted by the Government.

- 5. Under the above circumstances, you are hereby called upon to show cause, on each milestone separately to this Ministry within a period of 20 days from the date of issue of show cause notice as to why the delay in the development of the coal block should not be held as violation of the terms and conditions of the allocation of Fatehpur East Coal block and why the block should not be de-allocated, failing which it would be presumed that your company has no explanation to offer and action as appropriate would be taken against your company for de-allocation of said coal block.
- 6. You are also requested to furnish a detailed status note on the progress of end use plant(s) (EUPs) for which the above mentioned coal block was allocated to you.

Yours' faithfully,

(S.K. Shahi) Director Tel: 23382807

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- (i) The Coal Controller, Coal Controller Organisation, 1- Council House Street, Kolkata.
- (ii) NIC, Ministry of Coal for uploading the letter on Ministry's website.