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To

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**Subject: Majhgawan Limestone Mining Project of M/s Jaiprakash Associates Limited located in village(s) Majhgawan, Patna, Sarada, Kariyajhar, Piprav, Malgaon, Dhorahra, Tehsil Rampur Naikin, District Sidhi, Madhya Pradesh- environmental clearance regarding**

Sir,

This has reference to your letter No. JAL/JSCP/2007-08 dated 16.10.2007 and subsequent letters dated 10.04.2008, 06.05.2008, 14.08.2008, 28.08.2008 and 10.09.2008 on the subject mentioned above. The proposal is for opening of a new mine for extraction of 1.25 million tonnes per annum (million TPA) of limestone to meet the captive requirement of their cement plant at Sidhi, which has a production capacity of 2 million TPA of cement. The terms of reference for this project were prescribed on 18.6.2007. The total mine lease area of the project is 430.952ha, out of which 322.49ha is an agricultural land and 108.462ha is wasteland. No forestland is involved. Area proposed for mining is 202.252ha, an area of 27.85ha is kept for temporary waste storage, 103.1ha for infrastructure, 34.9ha for safety barrier and 62.85ha is part of Bansagar Canal. The Son River is located at a distance of 9.5km from the mine lease boundary. The Bansagar Canal passes through the mine lease area. In addition, first order streams exist in the northern side of the mine lease area, which will be suitably diverted by providing garland drainage system and also protective bund will be provided on the banks of the garland drainage system. The flow of all streams after diversion will meet to the original discharge point of the mine lease area from where it will let into drainage system network. The Son River which is notified as Crocodile Sanctuary falls within 10 km of the mine lease boundary and the Chief Wildlife Warden, Madhya Pradesh issued NOC to the project on 13.08.2008 and stated that it is unlikely to have adverse impact due to mining on the sanctuary, however, as an abundant caution they have suggested two conditions relating to monitoring of the water quality of Son River and removal of silt load from going into the Son River. It has been reported that the project area does not

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