## GODAVARI MINES&MINERALS

Mineral processors and Suppliers of China clay, and other industrial minerals Etc., RAMAVARAM VILLAGE, JAGGAMPETA-533435, EAST GODAVARI DIST.A.P.

Date: 06/09/2017

To

The Director IA(II),
Member Secretary – Expert Appriasal Committee (Violation cases)
Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change,
India Paryaraan Bhavan,
Jorbagh Road, Jorbagh,
New Delhi – 110003

Sir,

Sub: M/S Ramavaram china clay mine—Sy. No.19/1,Ramavaram Village, Jaggampet Mandal, East Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh- Submission of Form IM and Pre-Feasibility Report for consideration of granting of EC for B2 category mine under violation—request—reg

## Ref:

- 1) Mine Lease granted by Assistant Director of Mines & Geology Proce. No.1836/M/1998 dated 20.08.1998
- 2) Gazette Notification of MOEF &CC SO. No. 2601(E) dated 7<sup>th</sup> October, 2014
- 3) Gazette Notification of MOEF&CC SO 141(E) dated 15<sup>th</sup> January,2016
- 4) Gazette Notification of MOEF&CC SO2269(E) dated 1<sup>st</sup> July, 2016
- 5) Our application for Environmental clearance submitted in District Level Environmental committee dated 26.10.2016
- 6) Gazaette Notification of MOEF &CC SO. 804(E) dated 14.3.2017
- 7) Letter from Assistant Director of Mines & Geology Lr. No 3647/DEAC/2017 dated 17.08.2017

Mine lease was granted to M/S Ramavaram china clay Mine by Mines & Geology Department of Government of Andhra Pradesh vide reference 1<sup>st</sup> cited for an area of 0.607 Hectares(1.51 acres) for a period of 20 years in the year 1998

We have started the mine in 1998 based on the mine plan approved by the State Mines & Geology Department, Government of AP as there are no prior environmental clearance requirements in 1998 for mining below 5 hectares mines

Subsequently, the state Mines and Geology Department asked us to obtain environmental clearance under EIA notification dated 7<sup>th</sup> October, 2014. We have submitted an application to the district level Environmental Appraisal committee in October 2016.

The Assistant Director Mines & Geology, Government of Andhra Pradesh gave a letter vide reference 7<sup>th</sup> cited stating we need to approach MOEF &CC under Gazette Notification of March, 2017 under violation category

We would like to submit that , we will not come under violation category as there are no prior environmental clearance requirements under EIA Notification 2006 for mining areas below 5 hectars. We have started mining activity in 1998 where as the prior environmental clearance requirements for mining activity below 5 hectares came into place in 2014 only.

Further as our mining lease is granted to our mine in 1998, as per the EIA amendment notification  $4^{th}$  cited, cluster concept is not applicable to our mine

However, we are submitting our application for environmental clearance as per the directives of the District Environmental committee .As mine lease is 0.607 Hectors, this comes under category B2 project.

We are herewith submitting

- 1. Form I M
- 2. Approved mine plan
- 3. Environmental Management Plan

We kindly request to consider our case for appraisal and grant us EC at the earliest

With Kind regards,

**Yours Sincerely** 

For Ramavaram China Clay Mine

Sri.D.V.V.Ramanareddy