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10th September 2016**To**

**The Director
Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
Paryavaran Bhawan,
CGO Complex, Lodhi Road,
New Delhi - 110 003**

Dear Sir,

Sub: Vedanta Limited (Formerly known as Sesa Sterlite Limited) MALCO Aluminium Works: Mettur Dam R.S, Salem Dt - **Amendment in Environmental Clearance – Reg.**

Ref: (i) Environmental Clearance Letter no. F.No. J-11011/481/2006-IA II (I), dated 24th March 2008.

The Madras Aluminium Company, commonly known as MALCO, was incorporated in 1961 in technical and financial collaboration with Montecatini of Italy as an integrated aluminium plant in the state of Tamil Nadu. MALCO started commercial production in 1965. In accordance with the BIFR scheme, in February 1995, MALCO was taken over by then Sterlite Group (Presently Vedanta Resources plc).

Ore bauxite was sourced from mines at Yercaud (Salem District) and Kolli Hills (Namakkal District). The company also installed a captive power plant (CPP) of 75 MW (3 x 25 MW) in 1999. It was one among the five integrated primary aluminium producers in India till 2009.

MALCO received the environmental Clearance for its capacity augmentation vide ref (i) to enhance its Refining, Smelting and Power plant capacities. Due to non-availability of raw material source and 40 years older technology, the integrated aluminium complex operations was temporarily suspended in 2009. However, MALCO augmented the capacity of Captive Power plant from 75 MW to 130 MW and started selling commercial power to State Grid.

Presently we are applying for amendment in Environmental Clearance for Aluminium Smelter **with technology upgradation [Soderberg Process to Prebake Process]** without change in augmented capacity ie:- 65000 TPA under the Section 7 (ii) of EIA Notification 2006 and the Power plant capacity remains the same.

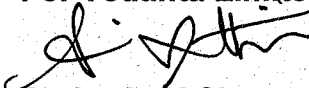
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We herewith submit Form 1 with necessary details as annexure to process the application for amendment in Environmental Clearance.

Thanking you,
Yours faithfully
For Vedanta Limited


Authorized Signatory

Encl: as above.



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