

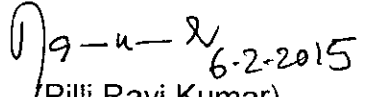
No. 23011/135/2013-CPD  
Government of India  
Ministry of Coal

Shastri Bhawan,  
New Delhi, the 06<sup>th</sup> February, 2015

Sub: Minutes of the meeting on Status of revised Third Party Sampling Mechanism held on 3<sup>rd</sup> February, 2015.

The undersigned is directed to forward herewith a copy of the minutes of the meeting on the above said subject held on 3<sup>rd</sup> February, 2015 under the Chairmanship of Joint Secretary (LA), Ministry of Coal for information and the necessary action.

Encl: as above

  
(Pilli Ravi Kumar)  
Under Secretary to the Govt. of India

Copy to:

1. Joint Secretary (OM) Ministry of Power, Shram Shakti Bhawan, New Delhi.
2. Chairman, Coal India Limited, 10, Netaji Subhas Road, Kolkata.
3. Chairperson, Central Electricity Authority, Sewa Bhavan, R.K. Puram, New Delhi.
4. CMD, NTPC, SCOPE Complex, Lodhi Road, New Delhi.
5. Director (Marketing), Coal India Limited, 15, Park Street, Kolkata.
6. CMDs all Subsidiaries of Coal India Ltd.
7. General Manager (S&M), Coal India Limited, 15, Park Street, Kolkata.
8. GM (S&M), CIL, Scope Minar, Laxmi Nagar, Delhi

Copy to :-

- (i) PPS to Joint Secretary (SKS)
- (ii) PS to Director (CPD)
- (iii) Technical Director, NIC Cell, Ministry of Coal with the request to upload it on the Website of the Ministry for information of all concerned.

**Minutes of the meeting on Status of revised Third Party Sampling to discuss the status of appointment of Third Party Sampling Agencies by the various Power Utilities and issues with respect to implementation of the revised sampling mechanism held on 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2015.**

**List of Participants is at Annexure.**

JS (SKS) who chaired the meeting welcomed the participants of meeting. Initiating the discussion, he requested the participants for highlighting the issues on the status of revised Third Party Sampling.

The following discussion and decisions took place during the course of the meeting:-

1. CIL circulated the empanelled list of 25 agencies, jointly drawn by Power Utilities and CEA, to all the Power Utilities and subsidiary coal companies for further action and also uploaded the same on CIL as well as subsidiary website on 22.08.2014.
2. CIL also circulated Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) for coal sampling and analysis at the loading end to all the coal companies on 08.09.2014. Coal companies further communicated the same to the Power Utilities / IPPs for implementation of the mechanisms of sampling analysis. The Coal companies also conducted meetings with the representatives of Power Utilities / IPPs during September and October 2014 and explained them the modalities and SOP. The SOP and various clauses of FSA are clear on issues to appoint Third Party by the Power Utilities / IPPs and sampling and analysis procedure to be adopted by the Third Party agency at the loading end.
3. It has been clarified by CIL that billing will be done as per provisions of FSA which stipulates that the initial coal bills are to be raised on the basis of declared GCV bands due to time gap between supply and sampling results. The final adjustment of claims / counter claims arising out due to variation in analysis results are to be done by issuing credit / debit notes. Thus, the final payment shall be based on the analysis results of 3<sup>rd</sup> Party Sampling.

4. The representatives of CIL stated that the analysis of the samples by the empanelled Third Party Agencies shall be carried out as per SOP. As per SOP para B(iv), it is clear that if the purchaser so wishes, it can get the sample tested/analyzed at any accredited Independent laboratory of the Third Party Sampler. It was further reiterated by CIL that Third Party may analyse the samples collected and prepared at the loading end at a accredited laboratory of their own choice but the option of the analysis of the coal samples in the laboratory of coal companies was kept open as an alternative if well-equipped laboratory of the Third Party sampler is not available.
5. It has already been clarified by CIL that since the Third Party agency will be appointed by the Power Utilities, the payment to the Third Party agency will be borne by the Power Utilities.
6. CIL / Coal companies were advised to pursue and hold another round of meetings within a week's time with the remaining Power Utilities / IPPs who have not yet appointed Third Party Sampler. These Power Utilities to be reminded regularly by email regarding appointment of Third Party Sampling Agencies.
7. SOP and other instructions/directives issued by CIL/Coal companies regarding Third Party Sampling should be uploaded on the website of CIL / Coal companies.
8. Final results of sampling and analysis should also be uploaded on website of CIL & coal companies.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the chair.

## **ANNEXURE**

List of the participants who attended the meeting on Status of revised Third Party Sampling to discuss the status of appointment of Third Party Sampling Agencies by the various Power Utilities and issues with respect to implementation of the revised sampling mechanism, held on 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2015.

### **Ministry of Coal**

1. Shri S. K. Singh, Joint Secretary ..... in the Chair.
2. Shri J. S. Bindra, Director

### **Ministry of Power**

3. Shri Ghanshyam Prasad, Director

### **Coal India Limited.**

4. Shri G. K. Vashistha, GM (S&M)
5. Shri L. K. Mishra, GM (S&M)
6. Shri N. K. Biswas, GM (QC)

### **Central Electricity Authority**

7. Shri M. P. Singh, Director
8. Shri S. K. Jain, Deputy Director

### **NTPC**

9. Shri K. Nath, GM