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F. No. J-11013/11/2009-IA II (I)

To

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**Sub: Establishment of 1.0 MTPA capacity cement grinding unit at Athipattu Village Ponneri Taluk in Thiruvallur District, Tamil Nadu by M/s Zuari Cement Limited-clarification on clearance reg.**

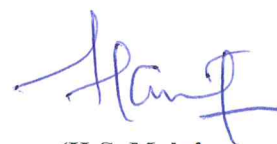
Sir,

This has reference to your letter no. nil dated 23<sup>rd</sup> February, 2009 seeking clarification under EIA Notification, 2006 for the above mentioned project.

2.0 The Ministry has examined the matter. It is noted that M/s Zuari Cement Limited have proposed to establish a cement grinding unit (1.0 MTPA) at Athipattu Village, Ponneri Taluka in Thiruvallur District of Tamil Nadu. The company has obtained the "Consent to Establish" from the Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board prior to publication of EIA Notification 2006 dated 14<sup>th</sup> September 2006 vide consent orders no. 3196 dated 2<sup>nd</sup> February, 2006 under Air Act and 3252 dated 2<sup>nd</sup> February, 2006 under Water Act. It is also noted that Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board (TNPCB) has extended the validity period of the consents on 25<sup>th</sup> March, 2008. As per the clarification issued through a circular by the Ministry vide F. No. J-11013/41/2006-IA-II (I) dated 21<sup>st</sup> November, 2006 and considering the facts presented by the project authorities, the Consent to establish has been accorded by the TNPCB before 14<sup>th</sup> September, 2006 i.e. 02.02.2006, the Committee decided that project does not attract the provision of the EIA notification, 2006.

3.0 Since "Consent to Establish" from the Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board has been accorded on 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2006 i.e. prior to publication of EIA Notification 2006 environmental clearance for the cement grinding unit (1.0 MTPA) is not required.

4.0 This is issued with the approval of the Competent Authority.

  
**(H.S. Malviya)**  
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