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CCOM'S CIRCULAR NO. 5/2013

Subject: Approval of Mining Plan for the applications filed with State Government prior to 24-06-2009-withdrwal of CCOM Circular No. 7/2011 dated 06-09-2011.

Ministry of Mines, Government of India vide letter No. 7/60/2006-MIV dated 24/06/2009 issued guidelines regarding submission of mineral concession proposals under Section 5(1) of the Mines and Minerals (Development & Regulation) Act, 1957. The guidelines, inter alia, specified, that-

• "in future the establishment of the existence of mineralization should not merely be indicative but should be sufficiently quantified through documentary evidence, etc., so as to enable preparation of an optimal and scientific mining plan. In other words, even if not formally prospected, the detail should be of a level akin to prospecting" (para 4.2) and "as such details indicating proven/probable reserves as per UNFC and grade of ore, along with documentary proof of mineralization are to be enclosed with the proposal". (para 4.3)

The CCOM's Circular No. 7/2011 dated 06-09-2011 states that for applications for grant of Mining Lease applied prior to 2008 for homogenous mineral deposits wherein the mineral resources could not be estimated with the UNFC codes in its totality, the mining plan may be approved subject to the fulfillment of certain technical conditions as prescribed in the circular.

It is seen that this instruction is not in conformity with the guidelines circulated by the Ministry of Mines, as extracted above. In view of this reason, and since the guidelines dated 24-06-2009 issued by Ministry cover all types of minerals, including homogenous minerals, the CCOM circular no. 7/2011 dated 06-09-2011 stands withdrawn.

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3) Shri. Ajay Kadian, Under Secretary to the Government of India, Ministry of Mines, New Delhi with reference to letter No. 10/32/2013-MV dated 11th October, 2013.

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