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Listing Department
National Stock Exchange of India
'Exchange Plaza', Bandra Kurla Complex,
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SUB : CLARIFICATION ON NEWS ITEM

Dear Sir,

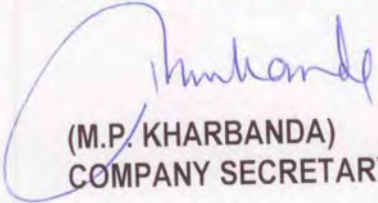
This is to inform that a news item in respect of our company appeared in today's edition of Economic Times and the Company has given a clarification thereon to the said newspaper.

We are enclosing the copy sent to the newspaper for your information and record.

Kindly acknowledge receipt.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,
for **MONNET ISPAT & ENERGY LIMITED**


(M.P. KHARBANDA)
COMPANY SECRETARY

CC :

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To,
The Editor.
The Economic Times.
New Delhi.

Date: 24.10.11

Subject: Article titled "Black Marketers Set to lose Coal Blocks" dated 24.10.2011.

Monnet Ispat & Energy Limited (MIEL) is the second largest coal based sponge iron company in India. Besides Sponge Iron, our facilities include captive power plants, steel making and allied facilities.

MIEL operates the single largest underground coal mine in the country since the year 2004 and has been consistently producing coal in a scientific and most efficient manner at productivity levels of 2.5 times the country's average.

With reference to the article published in The Economic Times dated October 24 2011 titled as "Black Marketers Set to lose Coal Blocks", the name of our company has also been mentioned and gives an impression as if Monnet Ispat is also indulging in illegal activities of black marketing of Coal. We as a company strongly deny any such allegations and would like to emphasize that MIEL operates in a transparent way with high standards of corporate governance and in strict compliance with law.

Even though the company produces close to a Million Tonne Per Annum of coal, for its captive consumption, but to meet its complete requirements of coal which are in excess of the production from our mines, the company buys coal in the open market through e-auction conducted by Coal India. Since our requirements of coal are more than what we can produce from our mines resulting in MIEL buying coal, therefore any alleged impression of sale of coal by the company in the market is devoid of any merits.

Further, MIEL has no knowledge or has got no intimation from any Government Authorities regarding any sort of scrutiny /inquiry. We have neither received any notice nor any sort of communication from any quarters from either State/ Central Government in this regard.

We therefore request you to kindly issue an appropriate clarification in your newspaper based on the above information to dispel any misgivings about the image and reputation of the company.

Sincerely

Neetal Naarang
Head, Corporate Communications

