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Sub: Disclosure under Clause 36 of the Listing Agreement.

Dear Sir,

This is to inform that the Ministry of Coal, Govt. of India has issued a direction to the nominated authority for allotment of Utkal - D & E coal mines in favour of NALCO under Rule 8(2)(a)(ii) and Rule 11(1) of the Coal mines (Special Provisions) Rules, 2014.

A copy of the letter received from the Ministry of Coal and a Press Release being issued in this connection, are enclosed for kind information.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,
For National Aluminium Co. Ltd.


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Encl.: As above

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Government of India

Ministry of Coal

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi,

Dated the 11th September, 2015,

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject : Direction of the Central Government to the Nominated Authority for allotment of Utkal D & E coal mines under Rule 8 (2)(a) (ii) and Rule 11 (1) of the Coal Mines (Special Provisions) Rules, 2014

The undersigned is directed to say that M/s NALCO Limited (a Navratna Public Sector Enterprise), the prior allottee for Utkal E coal mine had requested Ministry of Coal for allotment of Utkal - D & E coal mines to meet their requirement of coal on the ground that the company has already implemented vertical expansion project in its Aluminium Smelter and Captive Power Plant which was cleared by the Govt. of India at an expenditure of nearly Rs. 3000 crores solely considering supply of coal from the Utkal -E coal block and has also incurred an expenditure of Rs. 126 crore (approx.) for the development of Utkal-E coal mine. Utkal D & E coal mines have been combined for conservation of about 20 MT of coal getting locked up in common barrier.

2. The request of M/s NALCO Limited has been considered and it has been decided with approval of the Competent Authority to allot Utkal D & E coal mines in the State of Odisha to M/s NALCO for meeting the requirement of their Captive Power Plants (Unit 9 -12) in accordance with the provisions of Section 5 (1) of the Coal Mines (Special Provisions) Act, 2015 read with Rule 11 (10) of the Coal Mines (Special Provisions) Rules, 2014, subject to the condition that additional coal from the mines will be utilised by M/s NALCO Limited for their other Captive Power Plant Units and an equal amount of linkage from Coal India Limited will be surrendered by them.

3. Accordingly, the Nominated Authority is hereby directed to execute an Allotment Order in favour of M/s NALCO Limited in accordance with Rule 8(2)(a)(ii) and Rule 11(1) of the Coal Mines (Special Provisions) Rules, 2014.

Sd/-

(A K Das)

Under Secretary to the Government of India

Tel. No. 23073936

The Nominated Authority,
Ministry of Coal

Copy to :

1. Secretary, Ministry of Mines, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.
2. Chief Secretary, Government of Odisha, Bhubaneswar.
3. CMD, M/s NALCO Limited, Nalco Bhawan, Bhubaneswar.
4. CMD, Coal India Limited, Kolkata
5. CMD, CMPDI Ltd, Ranchi
6. CMD, Mahanadi Coalfields Limited, Sambalpur, Odisha

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Press Release

Centre allots Utkal D & E Coal Blocks to NALCO

Bhubaneswar, 15.09.2015: National Aluminium Company Limited (NALCO), the Navratna PSU, Under Ministry of Mines, Govt. of India has been allocated Utkal D and E Coal Blocks, in Angul district of Odisha, where the company's 4.6 lakh tonne Aluminium Smelter and 1200 MW Captive Power Plant are located.

"The company's smooth operation and expansion plans hinged on the allocation of these blocks," says Shri T.K. Chand, CMD, NALCO. "With this, NALCO's captive resources add 200 million tonnes of coal, which will see the company through the next three decades and more," a much relieved Shri Chand added.

It may be mentioned that Utkal E Coal Block was allotted to NALCO by Govt. of India in 2004. The company had spent Rs.126.34 crore for this block, including Rs.98 crore towards compensation against land acquisition. The company had also spent considerably on infrastructural facilities and various CSR activities in the area. However, the cancellation of allocation of Utkal E Coal Block, following Supreme Court's order to de-allocate 204 coal blocks across the country, came as a setback to the company. NALCO was pursuing with Govt. of India for re-allocation of coal block under the allocation route, as the end-use investment had already been made.

Now that Govt. of India has appreciated the dire needs of NALCO and decided to allocate the coal blocks in favour of the company, CMD Shri T.K. Chand has thanked the Ministry of Mines and Ministry of Coal for allocating the mines that will enable the company to meet its expansion plans. "A sense of gratitude and euphoria has engulfed the entire company, since this momentous decision is intricately woven with the dreams and aspirations of NALCO Collective," Shri Chand concluded.