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PUNJAB POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD

No. 30787

Dated. 08/12/23

To

The Member Secretary,
State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority,
O/o DECC, MGSIPA Complex, Sector-26,
Chandigarh.

Subject: Proceedings of the public hearing conducted on 11.09.2023 in connection with application filed by M/s Steeltech Alloys Pvt Ltd., for obtaining environmental clearance under EIA Notification, 2006 for the proposed expansion in the existing premises located in the revenue estate of Village Ismailpur, Bhadla Road, Tehsil Khanna, District Ludhiana.

It is intimated that the subject cited industry is an existing unit located in an area of 3.25 acres situated in the revenue estate of Village Ismailpur, Bhadla Road, Tehsil Khanna, District Ludhiana and is engaged in the manufacturing of steel ingots/billets @ 28,700 TPA by installing an induction furnace of 7 Ton/heat capacity. Now, the industry has proposed to expand its unit in the existing premises for increase in the manufacturing capacity of steel ingots/billets from 28,700 TPA to 36,750 TPA by increasing No. of heats i.e. 15 No. in first phase and 52,500 TPA in 2nd phase by (Total after expansion) by replacing existing induction furnace of 7 Ton/heat capacity with 1 No. induction furnace of 10 Ton/heat capacity alongwith CCM plant. The project is covered under the EIA notification No. S.O. 1533 (E) dated 14.9.2006 issued by Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, (MoEF&CC), Govt. of India, New Delhi and thus, the industry is required to obtain Environmental Clearance from State Environment Impact Assessment Authority (SEIAA), Punjab. As a part of the procedure for seeking environmental clearance, as notified by MoEF&CC, the project proponent has prepared draft EIA study report of the proposed project based on the Terms of Reference issued by the SEIAA, Punjab, vide No. SEIAA/PB/IND/203/TOR/01 dated 03.01.2023. The industry had submitted draft EIA study report and other required documents to the Board and had requested for conduct of public hearing of this project.

In compliance to the provisions of the EIA notification dated 14.9.2006 & Office Memorandum dated 14.09.2020, the date of public hearing was fixed as 11.09.2023. Public notices were published in two daily newspapers namely 'Hindustan Times' & 'Rozana Spokesman' on 09.08.2023 for getting responses from public and intimating date,

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time & venue of the public hearing. The copies of the said notices are enclosed herewith as **Annexure-I**. The public announcements and banners were displayed in the vicinity / nearby villages to give the wide publicity of the public hearing by the Board. Thereafter, public hearing for the said project was conducted on 11.09.2023. The public hearing process was supervised & presided over by the Additional Deputy Commissioner (Gen), Khanna, District Ludhiana in the presence of Environmental Engineer (Mega), PPCB, Head Office, Patiala & Asstt. Environmental Engineer, PPCB Regional Office, Fatehgarh Sahib. The public hearing was attended by 58 persons and entire process of the said hearing was videographed. A copy of the attendance containing the details of persons, who attended the said hearing along with copy of the (Pendrive) containing video recording, is enclosed herewith as **Annexure-II & III**, respectively. The site of the industry was visited by the Officers of the Board on 11.09.2023 and the comments regarding construction status, adequacy of pollution control proposal and suitability of site has been received from Senior Environmental Engineer, Zonal Office-2, Patiala vide letter No. 3938 dated 30.10.2023 (**Annexure-IV**). The gist of the comments as received from the Zonal Office-2, Patiala is as under:-

Construction status

No construction work of the proposed project has been started at site. Only boundary wall has been constructed at site.

Suitability of site

The site of the industry falls in Industrial Zone as per the notified Master Plan of Khanna uploaded online in the website of PUDA and as mentioned in the ToR issued by SEIAA, Punjab vide letter No. 01 dated 03.01.2023. Hence, the site is suitable for the installation of the proposed unit.

Adequacy of pollution control proposals

For discharge of emissions from 1 no. induction furnace of capacity 10 TPH, the industry has proposed to install side suction hood followed by pulse jet bag filter with as APCD. As per the current practice, the proposed arrangements for tapping of primary emissions are adequate in principle. But the industry is required to make adequate arrangements for control/tapping secondary emissions generated from the furnaces. Further, domestic & cooling tower blow down after treatment in septic tank will be used for plantation and dust suppression within the premises.

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As per the report of Zonal Office-2, Patiala, the industry has submitted proposal for developing green area @ 4533.63 sqm in new premises (i.e. 33.3% of total area of the project i.e. 13152.28 sqm). The green area proposed by the industry is adequate.

The proceedings of the public hearing reflecting the views & concerns expressed during the public hearing, duly signed by the Additional Deputy Commissioner (Gen), Khanna, District Ludhiana in the presence of Environmental Engineer (Mega), PPCB, Head Office Patiala & Asstt. Environmental Engineer, PPCB Regional Office, Fatehgarh Sahib, is enclosed herewith as **Annexure-V**. In addition to above, it is requested that the comments of the Board w.r.t construction status, adequacy of pollution control proposal and suitability of site may be considered while deciding application of the project proponent, seeking Environmental Clearance under EIA notification dated 14.09.2006.

DA/- As above

Endst. No. 30788

o/c Member Secretary
Dated 08/12/23

A copy of the above alongwith a copy of proceedings is forwarded to the Deputy Commissioner, Fatehgarh Sahib for information and necessary action. It is requested to get a copy of the proceedings of the public hearing displayed conspicuously at his office.

DA/- As above

Endst. No. 30789-92

o/c Member Secretary
Dated 08/12/23

A copy of the above alongwith a copy of proceedings is forwarded to the following for information and necessary action:

1. The Sr. Environmental Engineer, Punjab Pollution Control Board, Zonal Office-2, Patiala.
2. The Environmental Engineer (Computers) Punjab Pollution Control Board, Head Office, Patiala for displaying the proceedings of public hearing alongwith this letter on the web site of the Board.
3. The Environmental Engineer, Punjab Pollution Control Board, Regional Office, Fatehgarh Sahib. He is also requested to get a copy of the proceeding of the public hearing displayed conspicuously at his office. Also, a copy of the proceedings may be sent to the concerned Zila Parishad for displaying the same conspicuously.
4. M/s Steeltech Alloys Pvt Ltd., Village Ismailpur, Bhadla Road, Tehsil Khanna, District Ludhiana. The industry is advised to submit final EIA report after incorporating the grievances/suggestions raised by the public in the public hearing to the SEIAA & shall start developmental activities on its proposed project, only after obtaining Environmental Clearance and Consent to Establish (NOC) from the Punjab Pollution Control Board.

DA/- As above

o/c Member Secretary
Dated 08/12/23