MINUTES OF THE CFE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 19.09.2018
AT ANDHRA PRADESH POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD,
NEAR PUSHPA HOTEL CENTRE, BEHIND SUNRISE HOSPITALS,
KASTURIBAIPET, VIJAYAWADA, A.P.

The following were present:

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<td>Dr. A. Gangagni Rao, Senior Principal Scientist, IICT, Hyderabad</td>
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The Member Secretary has welcomed the members of the Committee. After general introductory remarks on the items placed before the CFE Committee, the Committee took up agenda, item wise. The decisions of the CFE Committee on each item are recorded below.
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ITEM NO. 1  Exploratory drilling for Oil & Gas well NGS - AA, Peda Nanadamuru (V), Pedana (M), Krishna District - Issue of CFE & CFO - Reg.

The Committee noted the following:

a) M/s. ONGC Ltd., applied for CFE of the Board for exploratory drilling of Oil and Gas at NGS-AA, well, Peda Nanadamuru (V), Pedana (M), Krishna District.

b) MoEF&CC, Gol, issued E.C vide order dt. 14.06.2013 for 25 exploratory drilling wells in KG basin. This well is one among them.

c) The proponent has paid the CFE & CFO fee. As per Circular Memo No.11 / EC / CFE / ROs & ZOs / 2011 – 5055 Dt: 02-02-2013, the issue of CFE & CFO of the Board may be considered to the Oil / Gas Exploratory Drilling Activities of ONGC at a time as the activity is of temporary in nature.

After detailed discussions, the Committee recommended to issue CFE &CFO to the project.


The Committee noted the following:

1. The Board issued CFE to the industry vide order dt. 06.11.2015.

2. Now the industry obtained E.C for expansion of the Cement grinding capacity from 2.0 million TPA to 4.0 million TPA and applied for CFE for expansion.

3. The RO recommended not to consider the proposal as the industry is yet to comply with the conditions stipulated in the EC/CFE/CFO

4. It is observed that due to the proposed expansion, area allocated for green belt would be reduced from 2.06 Ha to 1.5 Ha i.e.; less than the 33% of the total area. Hence, the industry is not complying with the following condition stipulated vide CFE order dt. 06.11.2015:

   “Green belt shall be developed in an area of 8.24 acres out of total area of 15 acres as committed and as mentioned in the site layout plan submitted vide I r. dt. 26.10.2015.”

5. Railway siding upto the plant is not completed and started production on lower volumes in the existing unit and at present, the raw material fly ash is transporting through Road transport from power plants and clinker is also transporting through Road transport from the Port for existing unit, for which EC was issued under B2 project stipulating a condition that transportation of raw material and finished products shall be primarily through Railways/Water ways of More than 90%.

6. As per the letter issued by the Institute of Remote Sensing based on the satellite imaginary, the High Tide Line (HTL) of Buckingham canal is more than 100 m from the Plant. But, as per the physical verification, the distance from the water spread area of B-Canal during High Tide time to the Eastern boundary of the factory is about 90 m, which needs to be verified.

7. The industry is not having 20 m width all along four sides to develop green belt to comply the Board’s condition No.20 & 21 stipulated in the CFO of the Board vide order dated 04.05.2018 for the existing unit and the expansion has proposed on south side without maintaining even width of 10 m.

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8. The issue was placed before the CFE committee in the meeting held on 06.09.2018. The representatives of the project proponent did not attend the meeting. They have informed vide mail dt. 05.09.2018 that their Director technical was out of station due to pre-occupancy and would not attend the CFE Committee meeting. It was requested to place their item in the next CFE Committee meeting. After detailed discussions, the Committee recommended to invite the industry to the next CFE Committee meeting. The Committee noted that the industry has to comply with conditions stipulated in the consent orders issued by the Board. Hence, the industry shall be requested to furnish condition-wise compliance report.

9. Accordingly, this office vide mail dt. 11.09.2018 requested the industry to furnish the above information while attending the CFE committee meeting.

The representatives of the project proponent attended the meeting. They have submitted reply to above mentioned points and time bound action plan to comply with the conditions stipulated by the Board, vide IR dt. 18.09.2018. It was informed that at present they are having 25 acres of land in their possession. Out of that, they would develop greenery in 33% of the area. M/s. AP GENCO has given permission to use their road to transport the raw materials and products. There are some land issues to install the conveyors. It is expected that these disputes would be sorted out shortly. Then, the conveyors will be laid.

After detailed discussions, the Committee recommended to issue CFE

ITEM NO. 3 M/s. Sarda Metals & Alloys Ltd., APIIC, Industrial Area, Kantakapalli (V), Kothavalasa (M), Vizianagaram District - Issue of amendment to CFE order - Reg.

The Committee noted the following:


b) The Board issued CFE order dt. 24.01.2011 and CFE amendment order dt. 11.05.2011. The project cost is Rs. 1997 Crores.

c) The Board issued CFO order dt. 17.03.2015. It is valid upto 31.05.2016. It is auto renewed upto 31.05.2021.

d) As per the CFE order dt. 24.01.2011, green belt of width 15 m shall be developed along the boundary of the industry. Green belt development shall be developed in minimum area of 92.72 acres. It was reported that bushes were existing and one row of plantation taken up by the industry. Hence, the industry has to develop green belt during this monsoon season.

e) The industry has obtained EC (amend) order dt. 2.07.2018 for Ferro Alloys (3 x 33 MVA for 1, 50, 000 TPA); Sinter Plant (1,25,000 TPA); CPP (1 x 80 MW) with the following specific conditions:
   • The EC will be construed to the above facilities and valid up to 25th November 2019 for implementation and start of production operations.
   • In case the project proponent fails to implement and start of production operations before 25-11-2019, shall obtain the environmental clearance as de-novo as per procedure envisaged in the EIA Notification, 2006.

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f) The following points are observed from the report of the Regional Officer:

i. The Board issued CFE order and its amendment order with the quantities of production capacity, water consumption, waste water generation, Solid waste generated **much higher than** the quantities mentioned in the CFO orders.

ii. In the current proposal, the industry has proposed to change the configuration of furnaces from 2 x 33 MVA to 3 x 33 MVA without changing the production capacity of Ferro Alloys – 1,50,000 TPA.

iii. The industry has proposed to drop some of the facilities / products viz., Arc Furnace, Coke Oven with Stamp charging, Iron Ore crushing plant and reduce the capacity of Rolling Mill from 4,50,000 TPA to 3,50,000 TPA.

Hence, the present proposal may not be considered as expansion. This is change in configuration of Furnaces. An amendment to CFE order may be issued.

The representatives of the project proponent attended the meeting. They have submitted reply to above points through handout.

After detailed discussions, the Committee recommended to issue amendment to CFE order. Incorporating revised quantities.


The Committee noted the following:

a) M/s. Crest Cellulose Private Limited has obtained Environmental Clearance for the proposal to manufacture Synthetic Organic Chemical unit to produce both formulation chemicals and Active Pharmaceutical Ingredient (API) under two phases vide order No.SEIAA/AP/ NLR-318/2013497, Dt.25.10.2013 from SEIAA.

b) The industry has obtained CFE vide order No.209/PCB/CFE/RO-NLR/HO/2014-6670 Dt.04.03.2014 to manufacture the following products:

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**Total (Phase-I)** 56111.11
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**Total (Phase-II)** 3866.67

**Grand Total (Phase I+II)** 59977.78
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c) Subsequently, obtained CFO from the Board for both phases.

d) Later, during the CFO renewal, the industry applied CFO for Phase-1 products i.e. formulation chemicals only and not applied for Phase-II products viz., Metformin HCL, Metaprolol Tartrate, Metaprolol Succinate, Stavudine, Lamotrigine, Domepridine and dropped the Phase-II products and requested the Board to remove Phase-II products mentioned in CFO.

e) The Board issued CFO for Phase-1 products duly mentioning a condition that the industry shall not manufacture Phase-II products without prior permission from the Board along with other conditions vide order dated 17.01.2017. It is valid upto 31.12.2021.

f) The industry installed 6.0 TPH Coal fired Boiler & a coal fired Thermic fluid heater of capacity 30.0 Lakh K.Cal/Hr. The industry provided Dust collector followed by Bag filters as APCE and a common stack of height 30 m for dispersion of flue gases and DG Set of capacity 750 KVA.

g) The industry has installed Coal fired thermic fluid Heater of capacity 30.0 Lakh K.cal/hr capacity without prior permission from the Board and while issuing CFO renewal for Phase-1 products, the Board stipulated a condition at Sl. No.15 of Sch. B condition “the industry shall obtain CFO of the Board for operation of Coal fired thermic fluid heater” in the CFO order dated 17.01.2017 issued by the Board.

h) The industry now applied for CFE of the Board for installation of Coal fired thermic Fluid Heater of capacity 30 Lak K.cal/hr through single desk on 29.08.2018.

i) The industry has to explain the necessity of thermic fluid heater in formulation unit.

After detailed discussions, the Committee recommended to issue amendment to CFO after receipt of justification for installation of thermic fluid heater.


The Committee noted the following:

a) M/s. APMDC Ltd., obtained EC for Mangampet Barytes project towards a peak production capacity of 0.162 Million TPA of Dolomite and 0.969 Million TPA of Black Shale from mining lease area of 221.89 Ha. vide order dt. 29.08.2018. Conditions were incorporated that the EC was issued subject to Court orders.

b) Now, M/s. APMDC Ltd., applied for CFE of the Board for the same products and quantities as mentioned in EC order.

c) STP is to be provided to treat the domestic effluents (33 KLD) as Septic tank may not be sufficient.

d) In the EC one of the specific condition is as following:

"The State Government concerned shall ensure that mining operation shall not be commenced till the entire compensation levied, if any, for illegal mining paid by the Project proponent through their respective Department of Mining & Geology in strict compliance of judgement of Hon’ble Supreme Court dt. 02.08.2017 in Writ Petition (Civil) No. 114 of 2014 in matter of Common Cause versus Union of India & Ors."

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The representatives of the project proponent attended the meeting. They have informed as following:

- Some of the particulars of the mining proposal are changed due to techno economic feasibility. The revised details of the mining would be submitted.

- All the employees would not work at one place. Some of them work in the office, some of them work in the mining area, some of them work in transportation of ore etc., The total domestic waste water may not be generated at one place. Separate septic tanks would be constructed to dispose the domestic waste water generated. Hence, STP may not be required to treat the domestic waste water.

- The MoEF&CC, GoI, New Delhi had stipulated that the EC order is subject to final orders of Court of law, as a precautionary measure only. There are no Court cases pending against this mining activity.

After detailed discussions, the Committee recommended to issue CFE to the mining project duly incorporating the revised details of the mining to be submitted by the project proponent.


The Committee noted the following:


b) Now, the industry applied for CFE for Change of Product Mix without increase in production capacity and pollution load.

c) Regional Officer reported that in the proposed product mix, Process water will be increased and the industrial cooling water will be reduced, as the industry is providing dry vacuum pumps as alternate to steam jet ejector system. Overall water consumption will remain same as existing.

d) As per CFE order dt. 09.06.2016 the industry was permitted to install 12 TPH and 8 TPH Coal fired boilers of which 8 TPH is standby. The industry installed them. Now the industry proposed to install an additional Coal fired boiler of 16 TPH and proposed to keep existing 12 TPH boiler also as standby. The industry shall furnish the justification for the same.

The representatives of the project proponent attended the meeting. They have informed as following:

- The existing boilers of capacity 12 TPH & 8 TPH are became old and efficiency is reduced. Hence, the new 16 TPH boiler is proposed to install for better efficiency. After commissioning new 16 TPH boiler, the boilers of capacity 12 TPH & 8 TPH would be kept as standby.

After detailed discussions, the Committee recommended to issue CFE for change of product mix.
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ITEM NO. 7 M/s. Sri Siva Sankara Stone crusher (Formerly M/s. Sri Lakshmi Stone Crusher), Sy. No. 240/4, Vankayalapadu (V), Edlapadu (M), Guntur District – Re-consideration of CFE expansion application – Reg.

The Committee noted the following:

1. M/s. Sri Siva Sankara Stone Crusher is operating Stone Crusher, having CFO of the Board to produce 50 TPD stone Chips with validity upto 31.03.2021.

2. The industry applied for CFE expansion to increase the production capacity from 50 TPD to 1100 TPD. But, the JCEE, ZO: Vijayawada issued CFE to 50 TPD capacity only vide order dt. 30.04.2018 as the industry dismantled the existing stone crusher and not meeting the stone crusher guide lines.

3. Now, the proponent requested the Board to reconsider their proposal and issue CFE for expansion of the unit from 50 TPD to 1100 TPD as was considered in case of M/s. Sri Balaji Stone Crusher, Perecherla (V), Guntur Dist.

4. Earlier, in the CFE meeting held on 22.09.2015, a decision was taken that the siting guidelines will not be applicable to the expansion projects. This may be communicated to all ROs/ZOs in the form of a circular.

The representatives of the project proponent attended the meeting. They have informed as following:

- The distance between the cluster of stone crushers situated at Vankayalapadu (V) and Perecherla (V) is about 20 km.

- The existing stone crusher is situated in a cluster of 8 stone crushers. Stone quarry is also situated in the vicinity. Photographs of the existing premises are submitted.

- There is no change in the location of the new stone crusher.

- Capacity of the stone crusher would be increased by installing modern equipment for the viability of the project. Pollution generated would be minimum due to installation of the modern equipment.

- Adequate cladding, sprinklers, rain gun, greenery, covered conveyors etc., would be provided to minimise the dust pollution.

- Requested to issue orders permitting expansion of the stone crusher.

After detailed discussions, the Committee recommended to direct ZO: Vijayawada to issue CFE for expansion after receipt of commitment from the project proponent on above points.

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ITEM NO. 8  M/s. Prabhakar Aluminum Profiles, R.S.No. 90/1A, Eluru Road, Pedapadu (V) & (M), West Godavari District – CFE rejected at ZO: Visakhapatnam – Industry request for re-consideration – Reg.

The Committee noted the following:

a) M/s. Prabhakar Aluminum Profiles, applied for CFE of the Board for establishment of Aluminum Profiles manufacturing unit at R.S.No. 90/1A, Eluru Road, Pedapadu (V) & (M), West Godavari District.

b) The Zonal Office, Visakhapatnam rejected CFE to the proposed unit vide order dt. 28.07.2018 for the following reasons:

i. The proposed industry is a pollution potential industry.

ii. The proposed industry location falls within 10 km radius of Kolleru lake i.e., Kolleru lake is existing at a distance of about 6 km from proposed industry and also the nearest water body i.e., Pedapadu vaagu which joins Kolleru lake is at a distance of about 250 m from the proposed site.

iii. The Board vide letter dated 09.10.2007 informed to the Govt. that the Board decided not to consider the applications of the industries within a radius of 10 KMs around Kolleru Lake & also the Board is not permitting pollution potential industries / additional pollution loads within 10 Km radius of Kolleru Lake and decided not to consider the application of the industries within a radius of 10 km around Kolleru lake as per the Board resolution of 117th meeting held on 13.08.2007.

c) The Board vide circular No. 14/33587/98/PCB/Legal/2001-935, dt. 20.08.2001 communicated a copy of the Hon’ble High Court order dt. 30.07.2001 in WP.No.33587/98 filed by Dr. T. Patanjali Sastri against APPCB and others w.r.t. activities in the catchment area of lake causing pollution to Kolleru lake. It was directed that the respondents shall forthwith take adequate steps for stoppage and regulation of effluents discharged from the industries and municipalities into Kolleru lake and strictly adhere to the standards, laid down by MoEF, GoI for the purpose of preservation and maintenance of the lake and ecology.

d) Based on above orders of Hon’ble Court, the Board requested M/s. Liquors India Ltd., Kaikaram (V), Ungutur (M), West Godavari District to choose alternative site to establish the industry vide letter dt. 07.12.2005 and directed to return the application of M/s. Sentini Bioproducts (P) Ltd., Pulla (V), Bhimadole (M), West Godavari District vide letter dt. 10.02.2006. Further, the APIIC was requested to choose alternative sites away from the catchment area of Kolleru lake to develop industrial estates vide ir. dt. 13.04.2005 keeping in view of orders of Hon’ble High Court.

e) The industry submitted a representation dt.06.09.2018, to reconsider the Board’s decision as they are going to install scrubber as air pollution control equipment to the furnace.

f) The RO: Eluru, while forwarding the proponent’s representation to Head office submitted that the Govt. Chief Whip and Denduluru Hon’ble MLA Sri Chintamaneni Prabhakar requested the Board to re-consider the Board decision and issue necessary permissions to the industry.

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The Hon’ble High Court order mainly relates to discharge of effluents from industries into the lake and Municipalities. The proposed industry is basically an air polluting industry and no waste water generation from the industry except domestic waste water 1 KLD.

The representatives of the project proponent attended the meeting. They have informed as following:

- The raw materials i.e., Aluminum Ingots / Scrap is obtained from Nalco / Imported from other countries.
- About 400 Tons of Aluminum profiles are being obtained from the other States to meet the demand in our State. Hence, the industry is proposed near their native village to create employment to the qualified youth.
- It is an air polluting industry. The water used for cooling would be recycled. Domestic waste water generated is 1 KLD. It would be disposed into septic tank followed by soak pit.
- Requested to issue CFE for the project.

After detailed discussions, the Committee recommended to inform the project proponent that the decision taken by the ZO: Visakhapatnam rejecting the proposal vide order dt. 28.07.2018 keeping in view of Court orders, holds good.

A letter shall be addressed to the Standing Counsel of APPCB seeking opinion on whether CFE can be given to air polluting industries within 10 km radius in the catchment of Kolleru lake keeping in view of the Court orders.

ITEM NO. 9  

The Committee noted the following:

a) The Board issued CFE (exp) order dt. 17.04.2017. In the order the Board issued CFE to expand the existing plant to manufacture Agro Chemicals, API Products, generate electricity and to establish Chlor-alkali Plant. The abstract of the products is as following:

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* Included the existing product quantities in Phase - 1

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b) The above expansion project is under construction. The number of permitted Agro Chemicals are 25 Nos. with production capacity of 70 TPD (Phase – I) and 70 TPD (Phase – II).

c) In order to meet the market demand, the industry had applied for Change of Product Mix. The Board accorded CFE for Change of Product Mix vide order dt. 16.07.2017. The number of permitted Agro Chemicals are 50 Nos. with production capacity of 26.245 TPD.

d) The Board issued CFO (exp) order dt. 14.02.2018. The number of permitted Agro Chemicals are 50 Nos. with production capacity of 40 TPD. In this CFO (exp) order, the 50 products mentioned in the CFE Change of Product Mix order were considered. But, the production capacity was mentioned as 40 TPD instead of 26.245 TPD.

e) Now, the industry applied for Change of Product Mix. The quantities of production capacity, water consumption, waste water generation, Solid waste etc., are compared with the quantities mentioned in the above CFO (exp) order.

f) As per the present practice, the industry is required to compare the proposed products, pollution loads etc., with the existing products, pollution loads etc., mentioned in the one CFE order only.

g) But, in this particular case the industry has considered the existing products (50 Nos.) from CFE Change of Product Mix order dt. 16.07.2017 and quantities of the production capacity from CFE (exp) order dt. 17.04.2017 (relating to 25 products).

h) Thus, in this particular case products, pollution loads etc., mentioned in CFE orders dt. 17.04.2017, 16.07.2017 & CFO (exp) order dt. 14.02.2018 are to be compared with new proposal.

i) The RO reported that the industry is developing green belt in the extent of 12.0 acres. However, green belt was not up to mark and not meeting the standard of 33% of total plant area. The industry has to develop green belt in the vacant places during this monsoon.

The representatives of the project proponent attended the meeting and informed vide Ir. dt. 19.09.2018 as following:

- The Board issued CFE expansion The Board issued CFE (exp) order dt. 17.04.2017. The number of permitted Agro Chemicals are 25 Nos. with production capacity of 70 TPD (Phase – I) and 70 TPD (Phase – II). Against the above CFE, they have obtained CFO for Change of product mix with partial expansion from 26.25 TPD to 40 TPD vide APCCB/VSP/VSP/209/HO/CFO/2018 dt. 14.02.2018. While applying for this CFO for partial expansion, they have considered products mentioned in EC and CFE only for capacity enhancement to an extent of 13.75 TPD.

- Syngenta Crop Science, Switzerland and Arysta Life Sciences, Japan are their major customers which were recently taken over by Chem China and United Phosphorus Limited respectively. In view of this, they likely to lose substantial business. To mitigate risk, they are closely working with other global companies to manufacture new Agrochemicals and intermediates. In view of this, they have requested to give consent for increasing number of products from 50 to 75.

- The proposed capacity and pollution loads as per their application are well within permitted limits as per the EC and CFE.

- They committed to increase area of the Green Belt as per the recommendation of the Committee.

After detailed discussions, the Committee recommended to issue CFE for change of product mix.
GENERAL:

Earlier, in the CFE meeting held on 22.09.2015, a decision was taken that the siting guidelines will not be applicable to the expansion projects. In this meeting also the Committee opined that by installing modern equipment, the pollution generated from new units would be reduced to a great extent even though there is an expansion in the production capacity of the unit. Hence, the siting guidelines formulated by the Board for various units are made applicable for the new industries only. The siting guidelines are not be applicable to expansion of existing units having valid consents (even if they dismantle the existing units and construct new units with higher capacities) and the units located in IEs / IDAs / Industrial Parks / Notified Industrial area.

This is to be communicated to all ROs/ZOs in the form of a circular, so that there may not be any ambiguity.

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