The Board has issued CFO &HWA to M/s. Sembcorp Energy India Limited (formerly M/s. Thermal Powertech Corporation India Limited), Painampuram & Nelaturu Villages, Muthukur Mandal, SPSR Nellore District for Power Generation of 1320 MW on 21.11.2016 duly stipulating conditions including that the industry shall relocate the CAAQM station provided at Sea intake point to suitable location in consultation with RO, Nellore. This condition was stipulated based on the earlier CFO inspection report submitted by the RO on 29.10.2016. The industry approached the RO, Nellore with a request for permission to continue in plant CAAQM stations at existing locations.

In this connection, the RO: Nellore reported the following:

1. It is to submit the Board while issuing CFO to the industry stipulated the following condition along with other conditions :-

| Condition No.22 | The industry shall relocate the CAAQM Station provided at sea intake point to suitable location in consultation with RO, Nellore. |

2. In this regard, the industry furnished a letter wherein it was informed that they have installed the CAAQM stations at following places covering all four directions of their main plant operations :-

1) CAAQM 1 stationed beside Occupational Health Centre (near to Coal Handling Plant control room) – West Direction
2) CAAQM 2 stationed behind Administrative building – North West (NW) Direction
3) CAAQM 3 stationed at Sea Water Pump House – East Direction
4) CAAQM 4 stationed beside Canteen area – South West (SW) Direction

3. As per the CFO stipulated condition No.22, they have to relocate the CAAQM 3 station to suitable location. Also informed that all the CAAQM stations are located so as to cover all four directions of their main plant operations and CAAQM station 3 at sea water intake point area is within the industry premises, which would help in monitoring baseline Air Quality data in Upwind direction and requested the Board to give permissions to continue CAAQM 3 station at the existing location.

4. In view of the above, the request of industry may be examined and to issue necessary directions to M/s. Sembcorp Energy India Limited (formerly M/s. Thermal Powertech Corporation India Limited).

The RO was subsequently asked to justify the request of the industry for retaining the CAAQM - 3 at the existing location. In reply, the RO submitted that the industry provided closed conveyor system for transportation of coal from Krishnapatnam port to onsite, which is passing near to the CAAQM station - 3 and it is possible to record AAQM levels to monitor fugitive emissions if any, during transportation of coal from the Krishnapatnam port.

The issue is placed before the Committee for review and recommendations.

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