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Government of India Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change Impact Assessment (IA) Division

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> > Dated: 02.04.2018

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Sub: Clarification regarding appplicability of EIA Notification 2006 for coal tar pitch melting - reg.

The Ministry is in receipt of a number of requests for clarification on the applicability of EIA Notification 2006 for coal tar pitch melting.

- 2. The matter was examined in the Ministry and it has been decided that the process of melting of coal tar pitch involves only physical change from solid (granular) form to liquid form and the process involves no emissions into the air.
- 3. In view of the above, it is informed that coal tar pitch melting does not attract the provisions of the EIA Notification 2006 as amended from time to time.
- 4. This OM is issued in supersession of the OM of even number dated 27.02.2018
- 5. This issues with the approval of the competent authority.

(Sharath Kumar Pallerla)
Director (S)

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