F.No.13/10/2020-HSMD Government of India Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (HSM Division)

Indira Paryavaran Bhawan Jor Bagh Road New Delhi- 110003 Dated: 19th October, 2023

Subject: Prior Informed Consent (PIC) for import of 9,487.5 kg (275 Flasks) mercury from Japan to India by M/s Purple Products Pvt. Ltd.

The undersigned is directed to refer to your applications dated 22.08.2023 and 15.09.2023 for seeking Prior Informed Consent (PIC) to import 2,587.5 kg (75 flasks) and 10,350 kg (300 flasks) of mercury from Japan to be supplied to M/s Anita Industries and M/s Industrial Electronics, respectively, for manufacture of BP Apparatus.

- 2. It has been noted that M/s Anita Industries has obtained Consent under the white category to manufacture BP Apparatus from the Delhi Pollution Control Committee vide Ref. No. DPCC/CMC/WHITE/2018/4073555, dated 16/05/2020.
- 3. The maximum production of BP Apparatus by M/s Anita Industries is 22,846 pieces and the corresponding consumption of mercury is 2,070 kg (60 Flasks) (FY 2022-23) according to the data of the last three years.
- 4. Ministry has granted PICs for import of total 3760.5 kg (109 flasks) (1,863 kg / 54 flasks and 1,897.5 kg / 55 Flasks) of mercury from Japan for M/s Anita Industries vide letters dated 26.04.2022 and 24.03.2023, respectively.
- 5. Further, M/s Anita Industries vide letter dated 13.10.2023 has stated that out of the 3760.5 kg (109 flasks), 3,174 kg (92 flasks) has been received, and out of the received quantity, 3,036 kg (88 flasks) has been consumed and the balance quantity is 138 kg (4 flasks).
- 6. M/s Industrial Electronics has obtained Consent to Operate from Maharashtra Pollution Control Board for their four plants to manufacture total 4,32,000 BP instruments/annum.
- 7. The maximum production of BP Apparatus by M/s Industrial Electronics is 2,34,500 pieces and the corresponding consumption of mercury is 15,870 kg (460 Flasks) (FY 2021-22) according to the data of the last three years.
- 8. Further, Ministry vide letters dated 09.11.2021, 25.10.2022 and 15.02.2023 has granted PIC for import of total 20,355 kg (590 flasks) for M/s Industrial Electronics. M/s Industrial Electronics, vide letter dated 14.09.2023, has communicated that out of the 20,355 kg (590 flasks) mercury supplied by M/s Purple Products, 1,380 kg (40 flasks) is

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left in the inventory. M/s Industrial Electronics has requested M/s Purple Products to import and supply 10,350 kg (300 flasks).

- 9. Further, the Ministry is in receipt of two Form A sent by the National Focal Point (NFP) to Minamata Convention, Japan vide emails dated 14.08.2023 and 29.08.2023 for seeking consent for export of 2,587.5 kg (75 flasks) and 10,350 kg (300 flasks), respectively.
- 10. Upon examination of your applications, it has been proposed to provide PIC for import of total 9,487.5 kg (275 Flasks) of mercury from Japan, out of which 2,587.5 kg (75 Flasks) is to be supplied to M/s Anita Industries for the application dated 22.08.2023 and 6900 kg (200 flasks) is to be supplied to M/s Industrial Electronics for the application dated 15.09.2023.
- 11. Imported mercury is proposed to be stored at M/s Baya Logisolutions Pvt. Ltd. at Uran, Raigad Dist., Maharashtra.
- 12. It has been noted that Consent to Operate (CTO) for M/s Baya Logisolutions Pvt. Ltd. from Maharashtra Pollution Control Board (MPCB) has expired on 30.08.2023. It has further been noted that M/s Baya Logisolutions Pvt. Ltd. has applied for renewal for CTO for interim storage facility. M/s Purple Product has submitted a declaration stating that the process of renewal of CTO is underway and mercury will not be stored at Baya Logisolutions until the renewal of the CTO is secured from MPCB.
- 13. Letter of Intent is available from M/s Baya Logisolutions Pvt. Ltd. to store mercury from the present importer vide dated 21.12.2019.
- 14. The Ministry has examined the application. The National Focal Point of the Minamata Convention for India, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change hereby grants Prior Informed Consent (PIC) for import of total 9,487.5 kg (275 Flasks) of mercury from Japan by M/s Purple Products Pvt. Ltd., out of which 2,587.5 kg (75 Flasks) is to be supplied to M/s Anita Industries for the application dated 22.08.2023 and 6900 kg (200 flasks) is to be supplied to M/s Industrial Electronics for the application dated 15.09.2023.
- 15. The following conditions are stipulated for compliance by the importer:
 - The consignment for import of mercury should not be contaminated with any other material or waste.
 - ii. The import shall be only for the intended use as allowed under the Minamata Convention on Mercury.
 - iii. In case of any illegal imports, the consignment will have to be sent back to the exporting country and the importer shall bear the cost for the same.
 - iv. The import shall be regularly monitored by the concerned SPCBs/PCCs and the Ministry shall be kept informed.
 - In case, the importer supplies it to other end user(s), if the end user in the present application does not take the full quantity, the importer shall provide the details of

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the end user(s) as prescribed in the Form 'X' before the mercury is supplied to the end user(s) who meet(s) all the conditions as laid out in Form 'X'.

- vi. Importer shall file returns to the Ministry and concerned SPCB/PCC for the quantity of mercury supplied to end user(s) within 6 months from the date of import or within 3 months from the date of supply to the end user. In case of non-supply of mercury to end user, the status of storage shall be submitted within 6 months from the date of import.
- vii. Importer shall be allowed for future imports only upon submission of statement regarding the supply/consumption/utilisation of imported mercury.
- viii. Mercury shall be stored at the interim storage facility only when the CTO is renewed by Maharashtra Pollution Control Board.
- 16. The consent is valid for the above-mentioned consignment/quantities and can be used one time only. The approval is subject to the provision of information by Exporting Party as contained in Section C of Form A.

This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority.

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- 1. The National Focal Point to Minamata Convention, Japan.
- 2. The Director General of Foreign Trade, Udyog Bhawan, New Delhi.
- 3. The Central Board of indirect Taxes & Customs, Dept. of Revenue.
- 4. The Member Secretary, Maharashtra Pollution Control Board-with a request to monitor the storage, transport and consumption of mercury.
- 5. The Member Secretary, Delhi Pollution Control Committee with a request to monitor the transport and consumption of mercury.
- 6. M/s Anita Industries
- 7. M/s Industrial Electronics and Allied Products

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