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Government of India
Ministry of Environment & Forests
(IA Division)

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CGO Complex, Lodhi Road
New Delhi – 110 003.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Sub: Applicability of environmental clearance for new / expansion of existing Aluminum recycling project (30,000 MTPA and above) - regarding

Ministry of Environment and Forests has received a reference from Metal Recycling Association of India seeking clarification regarding applicability of EIA Notification, 2006 for setting up of new / expansion of existing Aluminum recycling projects.

2. It is clarified that the Aluminum Recycling Units based on gas / oil fired furnace are not covered under the EIA Notification, 2006 and no environmental clearance is required for such projects under the provisions thereof. However, NOC under the Air and Water Acts, Authorization / Registration under the Hazardous Waste (Management, Handling and Transboundary Movement) Rules, 2008 as may be applicable to such cases may be required.

3. It is further suggested that the raw material used should not have radioactive and harmful alloying element additions like lithium, selenium, vanadium etc. and there should not be any hazardous chemical contamination. Preferably, natural gas should be used as fuel. In case of use of oil, it should have low sulphur concentration; otherwise, lime scrubbing should be done to mitigate the SO₂ emissions.

This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority.

Yours faithfully,


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