INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

- **1.** OEM offer is invited in two-part bid- Technical, Techno Commercial Bid and Price Bid from eligible bidders.
- 2. Offers should strictly be in accordance with the tender terms & conditions and our specifications. Bidders are requested to carefully study all the documents/ annexures and understand the conditions, specifications, drawings etc. before submitting the tender and quoting the rates. In case of doubt, written clarifications should be obtained, but this shall not be a justification for request for extension of due date for submission of bids.

3. REFERENCE FOR DOCUMENTATION:

After finalization of Contract / Purchase Order, the number and date of Contract/Purchase Order must appear on all correspondence, drawings, invoices, dispatch advices, (including shipping documents if applicable) packing list and on any documents or papers connected with this order.

4. LANGUAGE OF BID:

The Bid and all supporting documentation and all correspondence exchanged by bidder and Corporation, shall be written in English language only.

5. All documents attached with the Bid Qualification Cum Techno Commercial Bid, price bid and all corrigenda issued shall form the part of the tender.

6. EARNEST MONEY DEPOSIT (EMD):

Bidder shall submit EMD as mentioned in bid document:

NOT APPLICABLE AS M/s ABB INDIA LTD IS REGISTERED BIDDER OF BPCL (REFINERIES).

- 7. Documents to be submitted by MSE (Micro/Small Enterprise) Bidder as defined in the MSMED Act 2006:
 - 1. Copy of all pages of EM-II certificate, issued by the appropriate authorities mentioned in the Public Procurement Policy of MSE's 2012/ UAM/NSIC Certificate/Udyam Registration (whichever is the latest document as per MSMED Act).
 - 2. Additionally, all bidders quoting as MSE, should submit **CA certificate** along with relevant MSE certificate to avail the benefits of Public Procurement Policy as per MSMED Act 2006/Public Procurement Policy Order 2012 (as amended from time to time).

In case CA certificate is not submitted, bidder shall not considered as MSE and such bidder shall not be eligible to avail the benefits of Public Procurement Policy as per MSMED Act 2006/Public Procurement Policy Order 2012 (as amended from time to time). CA certificate is not required if the vendor submits valid NSIC certificate.

- Bidder shall have to upload scanned copy of CA certificate with stamp of TPIA mentioning as 'Verified from Original' (TPIA Certification not required if the CA certificate in original is submitted before tender due date/ before opening of bid).
- The CA certificate should be dated after the date of floating of tender and shall be specific to the tender for which bid is being submitted.
- Format of the CA certificate is attached as Annexure-A for reference and bidder needs to submit certificate strictly in the said format.

To avail purchase preference: Vendor's declaration/affidavit in their organization/company letter head, stating that in the event of award of contract, all the ordered supplies shall be made from the unit for which the MSE certificate has been submitted.

8. DECLARATIONS/ UNDERTAKINGS BY BIDDERS:

Bidders have to mandatorily submit the following declarations/undertakings:

Annexure-A: Certificate confirming eligibility for benefits of public procurement policy issued by Chartered Accountant. This annexure is mandatory for Micro / Small bidders seeking benefits under MSMED Act, 2006 and other notifications/circulars issued from time to time in this regard.

Annexure-B: Compliance of Restrictions for Countries which share land with India { Restrictions under Rule 144(xi) of the General Financial Rules, 2017–Reference OM no. 6/18/2019 — PPD dtd. 23.07.2020 (read along with any subsequent clarifications/amendments thereof) issued by Ministry of Finance, Public Procurement Division (https://doe.gov.in/procurement-policy-divisions)}.

<u>Annexure-C-</u> Bidder is not serving any Holiday Listing orders issued by BPCL or MOPNG debarring them from carrying on business dealings with BPCL/MOPNG or serving a banning order by another Oil PSE.

<u>Annexure-D-</u> Bidder is not under liquidation, court receivership or similar proceeding.

<u>Annexure-E-</u> Declaration for Understanding of Scope of work of the tender.

Annexure-F- Declaration for Acceptance of BPCL GCC/GPC and social media Policy.

Annexure-G- Confirmation of HSN/SAC code and GST % and PBG.

9. SUBMISSION OF BIDS:

- i Upload a scanned copy (in pdf or jpg format) of the following documents:
 - All the Bid Qualification Documents certified by **Bidder/CA** "Verified with Originals"
 - MSE Certificate and CA Certificate (*Where the bidder is quoting as MSE*)

In case the no. of pages to be uploaded are more, then the same can also be zipped and uploaded.

10. ACCEPTANCE/EVALUATION OF BIDS BY THE CORPORATION: BID QUALIFICATION & TECHNO-COMMERCIAL BID

Price bid of only those bidders who qualify in the Bid Qualification cum Technocommercial bid shall be opened.

- i. The Corporation reserves the right to reject any and /or every tender without assigning any reason whatsoever and/or place order on one or more bidders and/ or carry out negotiations with bidder in the manner considered appropriate by the Corporation.
- ii. Purchase preference to MSE vendors will not be applicable for all works contract tenders.

11. EVALUATION METHODOLOGY:

The tender for PROCUREMENT OF SPARES FOR ABB MAKE PLC SYSTEM AT MUMBAI will be invited through OEM Tender, as two part bid.

Part-1 would cover Technical and Techno-commercial aspects.

Part-2 would be the Price Bid.

- a) Bidders shall be evaluated based on Technical requirements first and accordingly Price bid of the qualified bidders shall be opened.
- b) The bid evaluation and award of the job will be done on Overall Landed Cost basis.

12. LIQUIDATED DAMAGES FOR DELAY:

GST is applicable on LD amount and that the same will be collected in addition to LD amount.

13. PERFORMANCE SECURITY (PERFORMANCE BANK GURANTEE / SECURITY DEPOSIT/ RETENTION MONEY):

The successful contractor/vendor will have to provide Performance Security of 5% of the Basic Value of Contract/Purchase order unless otherwise specified in the Special Conditions of Contract.

The performance security deposit shall be obtained in terms of Performance Bank guarantee or demand draft only. Retention of deposit money from running bills is not permitted for this tender. If the bidder does not accept the performance security deposit in terms of performance bank guarantee or demand draft during the tendering stage, then such bids shall be rejected outrightly. If a successful L1 bidder fails to submit a Performance Bank guarantee or demand draft after award of job then such an act shall be considered a breach of contract and further action of contract termination and holiday listing shall be carried out

Rest of the conditions of GCC/GPC related to Performance Security Deposit will remain same.

14. NEW STATUTORY LEVIES:

The taxes, duties, rates, and Cess quoted shall be final. New tax, if any, introduced later shall be on BPCL account from the date of bid submission (or extended date, if any) up to contract period. During contractual period, any variation in existing taxes, duties, rates and cess shall be borne by BPCL. Any upward statutory variation in taxes, duties rates and cess (including any new tax) beyond contractual completion date shall be borne by the bidder. However, in case of downward variation, the same shall be passed on to BPCL.

- **15.** Bidders may have to attend the concerned office of the Corporation for clarifications and/or prebid meeting and/or negotiations/clarifications if required at their own cost, in respect of their bids without any commitment from the Corporation.
- **16.** It shall be understood that every endeavour has been made to avoid errors which can materially affect the basis of the tender and the successful bidder shall take upon himself and provide for risk of any error which may subsequently be discovered and shall make no subsequent claim on account thereof.

17. List of abbreviations used:

- The terms "BPC", "BPCL", The Corporation, the Company and Owner in the appropriate context means Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited, the Company registered under Companies Act 1956 and includes its successors and assignees.
- The term "LOA" in the appropriate context means Letter of Acceptance
- The term "PO" in the appropriate context means Purchase Order.
- The term "OLA" in the appropriate context mean Outline Agreement.

18. MANDATORY PROTECTIVE CLOTHING (Applicable for services where contract manpower is to be engaged)

- 1. The entry to work site will be permitted to workers with requisite PPEs.
- 2. The contractor will mandatorily provide Boiler Suit/ Overall to all his workers.
- 3. The fabric used for the Boiler Suit/ Overall shall be fire resistant with (FR) with 80% cotton to give comfort and skin friendly feel, 19% polyester as the outer surface to maintain shape and colour and 1% anti-static to ensure nil generation of static electricity.
- 4. The entire fabric shall be FR treated and would last 60-100 washes. This protective clothing will give protection up to 45 sec in case of a major disaster and shall comply with EN ISO 11612, 11611, 1149-5 and 61482

19. START-UPS MEDIUM ENTERPRISES:

In case a start-up is interested in supplying the tendered item, but does not meet the Pre-Qualification Criteria (PQC)/ Proven Track Record (PTR) of Prior Turnover norm as indicated in the tender document, i.e., in this case the Bid Qualification Criteria (BQC) mentioned above, the start-up shall be requested to write a detailed proposal separately and not against the present tender requirement, to the tender issuing authority about its product. Such proposals should be accompanied by relevant documents in support of Start-ups as under:

- i. Certificate of Recognition issued by Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion (DIPP), Ministry of Commerce and Industry, GOI.
- ii. Certificate of Incorporation/Registration.
- iii. Audited P&L statement of all the Financial Years since incorporation. In case where balance sheet has not been prepared, bidder shall submit a certificate in original from its CEO/CFO stating the turnover of the bidding entity separately for each Financial Year since incorporation along with a declaration stating the reason for not furnishing the audited P&L Statement. The certificate shall be endorsed by a Chartered Accountant/Statutory Auditor
- iv. Such proposal will be examined by the tender issuing authority who may consider inviting a detailed offer from the startup with the intent to place a trial order or test order provided the startup meets the Quality and Technical specifications.
- v. In case the startup is successful in the trial order, it shall be considered for PQC exemption/relaxation (as the case may be) for the next tender for such item till the time the entity remains a startup.

20. HOLIDAY LISTING:

The vendors / contractors are expected to adopt the ethics of highest standards and a very high degree of integrity, safety and quality consciousness, commitment and sincerity towards the work undertaken and dealing with BPCL in such matters. Also, while participating in the tender and performing the contracts, Contractors are required to meet certain performance criteria and adherence to the terms and conditions of the tender / contract. BPCL shall have the right to remove from the list of approved suppliers / contractors or to ban business dealings, if any agency has been found to have committed misconduct or fraud or poor performance or anything unethical not expected from a reputed agency. The guidelines and procedures for Holiday Listing as adopted by BPCL and available separately in BPCL website shall be applicable in the context of all tenders floated and consequently, all Orders / Contracts / Purchase Orders placed, by BPCL. It can be accessed using the following link:

http://bharatpetroleum.in/pdf/holidaylistingpolicyfinal.pdf

21. PAYMENT METHOD:

Successful bidder shall be issued with GEM contract copy. This shall be the legal contract copy for execution of the job awarded. Bidders shall be bound to follow the timelines, terms and conditions as per GEM contract.

To process the payments, BPCL shall be issuing a separate BPCL Contract (OLA: Outline Agreement) / Purchase Order (PO) copy. Successful bidder shall not hold the job execution for BPCL OLA/PO. BPCL has a system of Digital Invoice Management (DIM) and Electronic Measurement Book (E-MB) for billing and measurement submission process. Successful bidders shall get themselves registered on DIM through the link https://econnect.bpcl.in/. The bidder shall use E-MB application (only for works/service contracts) for submitting the job measurements for approval to Engineer In-charge. Help documents for these processes shall be shared with successful bidder along with the BPCL PO copy on demand.

Annexure: A

Date:_____

CERTIFCATE CONFIRMING ELIGIBILTY FOR BENI POLICY	EFITS OF PUBLIC PROCUREMENT
GEM BID No	
This is to confirm that we have verified the investment limpertaining to M/s and certify that they satisfy the elimand other notifications/circulars issued from time to time in the Micro/Small enterprise under the said Act and are eligible to policy for the tender mentioned above.	gibility criteria as per MSMED Act, 2006 as regard. Accordingly, M/s is a
In case applicable: Based on our verification of share holding pattern and other deta the eligibility criteria under SC/ST provision of Public Pro notifications/circulars issued from time to time in this regard pertaining to SC/ST under the act.	ocurement Policy Order 2012 and other
In case applicable: Based on our verification of share holding pattern and other details, it is certified that <i>M/s</i> meets the eligibility criteria under Women Entrepreneur provision of Public Procurement Policy Order 2012 and other notifications/circulars issued from time to time in this regard and are hence eligible to claim benefits pertaining to Women Entrepreneur under the Act.	
Name of CA Firm:	[Signature of Authorized Signatory]
	Name:
Date:	Designation:
	Seal:
	Membership no.:
	UDIN No.:

Annexure-B

<u>Undertaking with respect to Compliance of Restrictions for Countries which</u> <u>share land border with India – as stipulated by Govt. of India.</u>

(On Company Letter Head, to be signed by the duly authorized person)

Date: _____

GEM BID	O No. –	
	etroleum Corporation CS, Pipelines, Mumbai	
Dear Sir/I	/Madam,	
	with the guidelines issued for compliance of ia – as issued by Govt. of India in July'202	Restrictions for Countries which share land border 0,
	ve read the clause regarding restrictions or land border with India and on sub-contracti	n procurements from a bidder of a country which ng to contractors from such countries.
a.		such a country or if from such a country has been I hereby certify that this bidder fulfills all le to be considered*.
b.	registered with the competent authority from such countries unless such contra	such a country or if from such a country has been and will not sub-contract any work to a contractor actor is registered with the competent authority. It requirements in this regard and is eligible to be ving possibility of sub-contracting)
I/We here	eby certify that I/We fulfill all requirements	s in this regard and am/are eligible to be considered.
[* Where attached]	'	ion by the Competent Authority shall be
Place:		
Date:		
	[Si	ignature of Authorized Signatory of
	Bi	dder]
		nme: signation:
	Sea	al:

Annexure-C

FORMAT for Declaration of Holiday Listing orders issued by BPCL or MOPNG debarring us from carrying on business dealings with BPCL/ MOPNG or serving a banning order by another Oil PSE.

(On Company Letter Head, to be signed by the duly authorized person)

Date: _____

GEM BID No. –	
To, Bharat Petroleum Corporation Ltd , P&CS, Pipelines, Mumbai	
Dear Sir/Madam,	
MPONG debarring us from carry on Business dea. Under the Prevention of Corruption Actb. The Indian Penal Code or any other law f	ot serving any Holiday Listing orders issued by BPCL or alings with BPCL/MOPNG or convicted of an offence, 1988: OR for the time being in force, for causing any loss of life or lth as a part of execution of Public Procurement Contract
Date.	[Signature of Authorized Signatory of
	Bidder]
	Name:
	Designation:
	Seal:

Annexure-D

FORMAT FOR DECLARATION OF LIQUIDATION, COURT RECEIVERSHIP OR SIMILAR PROCEEDING.

(On Company Letter Head, to be signed by the duly authorized person)

Date:	
GEM BID No	
To, Bharat Petroleum Corporation Ltd , P&CS, Pipelines, Mumbai	
Dear Sir/Madam,	
I/We We declare and confirm that we are not u	nder liquidation, court receivership or similar proceeding.
Place:	
Date:	
	[Signature of Authorized Signatory of
	Bidder]
	Name:
	Designation:
	2 vo.g
	Seal:

Annexure-E

Declaration for Understanding of Scope of work of the tender

(On contractor company letter head)

To,	
Bharat Petroleum Corporation	
Ltd, P&CS, Pipelines, Mumbai	
SUBJECT: Confirmation of understa	nding and acceptance of tender scope of work
GEM bid no.:	_
I/We hereby confirm that we have read and u	understood the scope of work including corrigendum for above
mentioned bid number on GEM. We have n	o deviation from published scope of work.
We agree to comply to all the terms and cor	nditions as mentioned in tender documents
we agree to compry to an the terms and cor	iditions as mentioned in tender documents.
Place:	
Date:	
	[Signature of Authorized Signatory of
	Bidder]
	Didder j
	~~
	Name:
	Designation:
	Seal:

Annexure-F

Declaration for Acceptance of BPCL GCC/GPC and social media Policy

(On contractor company letter head)

To, Bharat Petroleum Corporation Ltd, P&CS, Pipelines, Mumbai

SUBJECT: Acceptance of BPCL GCC/GP	C and Social Media Policy
GEM bid no.:	
Business Partners and agree to abide by it.	and Conditions for Acceptable Use of Social Media by bove conditions may result in disciplinary action, or a of BPCL GCC/GPC are accepted by us.
Place:	
Date:	
	[Signature of Authorized Signatory of
	Bidder]
	Name:
	Designation:
	Seal:

Annexure-G

CONFIRMATION OF HSN / SAC CODES /GST AND PERFORMANCE SECURITY DEPOSIT IN THE FORM OF PBG $\,$

(To be submitted on company letter head)

I hereby confirm that the HSN/SAC codes and GS as below:	ST for the GEM BID No.	shall be
HSN for Goods:		
SAC codes for services:		
GST %:		
(For multiple items, bidder shall dec	lare above details for each item separately)	
I hereby confirm that I shall submit Security Depe Guarantee on award of contract.	osit for Performance in the form of Performa	nce Bank
Place:		
Date:		
	[Signature of Authorized Signatory of	
	Bidder]	
	Name:	
	Designation:	
	Seal:	

SCOPE OF WORK FOR SUPPLY OF ABB PM 864A (AC800M Family) PLC SPARES

1.0 INTRODUCTION

In pipeline locations have ABB male PLC system for pipeline location automation & for execution of interlocks for Main line pump & booster pump of the Mumbai & Washala location. The existing ABB male PLC system needs to be upgrade for accommodating logic of new booster pumps & new lube oil system logic of MLP's at Mumbai & Washala. Additional AI DI, DO & others ABB PLC cards need to be procured for the execution of this new PLC logic. BPCL intends to procure new/additional ABB PLC cards at Mumbai Pipeline location

1.0 BRIEF DESCRIPTION:

The Mumbai Manmad Bijwasan pipeline (MMBPL) of M/s BPCL is a multiproduct pipeline for transfer of MS (Euro-VI), SKO& HSD (Euro- VI) products for a distance of 1384 KM from Mumbai Refinery to Bijwasan (Delhi).

ABB make PLC Systems have been installed as a main PLC cum RTUs in at Mumbai and Washala stations of MMBPL with the following station addresses:

a) MUMBAI REFINERY:

Mumbai Despatch Terminal, Mumbai Manmad Bijwasan Pipeline Bharat Petroleum Corporation Ltd., Refinery, Mahul, Chembur, Mumbai - 400 074.

b) WASHALA INTERMEDIATE PUMPING STATION:

Village Washala, Kasara, Taluka Station Shahapur, Dist.Thane, Maharastra

System Description & location:

SR. NO.	LOCATION	SYSTEM DESCRIPTION
1	MUMBAI	PM 864A (AC800M Family) with RTU560 DNP
ı	REFINERY	3 Module & Scadavantage HMI System
	WASHALA	
2	INTERMEDIATE	PM 864A (AC800M Family) with RTU560 DNP
	PUMPING	3 Module & Scadavantage HMI System
	STATION	-

1.1 VENDOR SCOPE OF SUPPLY:

Vendor need to supply ABB PLC cards as per Specifications provided.

1.2 SCOPE OF WORK:

- 1. Material to be supplied as per specification/features required by BPCL
- 2. Warranty card to be provided to be provided with ABB PLC cards/spares.
- 3. Transportation of material to Pipelines locations shall be in scope of vendor.
- 4. Material condition shall be good and date of manufacturing shall not be more than two year old.
- 5. Any damaged item will not be accepted.
- 6. Vendor shall visit site and extend support for installation/calibration & commissioning of radar level transmitter. Payment for these supervision visits shall be made on Manday basis.

1.4 WARRANTY:

Vendor shall repair or replace at his

option, free of cost, whole or any portion of material, which under normal or proper use and maintenance proves defective in material and/or workmanship within 12 months from the date of dispatch of material, provided prompt notice is given of such defects. Such replacements shall be

effected within a reasonable time actually required to do so.

1.5 <u>COMPLETION PERIOD:</u>

Supply of materials (Line item: 10 TO 110) shall be completed against LOA/OA/ Purchase Order at the earliest but in any case, not later than 20 weeks from the date of LOA/OA or Purchase order or whichever is earlier.

1.6 PAYMENT TERMS:

100% payment within 30 days will be made after successful completion of supply of ABB PLC Spares/cards at BPCL sites.

1.7 SCOPE OF SUPPLY/BOQ:

S. No	Particulars	QTY	UOM
10	Profibus DP-V1 Communication Interface: CI840A	1	NO
20	Analog Input Module, 8Ch:AI810	2	NO
30	Digital Input Module,16 Ch: DI810	2	NO
40	Digital Output Module, 16 Ch:DO810	1	NO
50	Digital Input Module, S/R,16 Ch: DI840	2	NO
60	Digital output Module, S/R,16 Ch:DO840	1	NO
70	Termination Unit for AI810, DI810, DO810:TU810V1	3	NO
80	Termination Unit for DI840, DO840:TU843	2	NO

90	Profibus VIPA 972-0DP10 Connector: Profibus connector	5	NO
100	Profibus cable per Mtr: Profibus cable	20	MTR
110	Modbus Based Annunciator Window (16 Window) Type: MBAS 0600 Model:416B0SMP0, Make: Minilec: Annunciator	1	NO

1.8 DELIVERY ADDRESS:

MUPL CONTROL ROOM, MAHUL REFINERY, MUMBAI Mumbai Dispatch Terminal control room, MUPL, BPCL, Mahul Refinery, Chembur, Mumbai-74 Mb No- 8826321083.

General Purchase Conditions

The following conditions shall be applicable for all Non Hydrocarbon procurement unless specifically mentioned in the Special Purchase Conditions.

Date: 26.04.2024

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GENERAL PURCHASE CONDITIONS

1. **DEFINITIONS**:

The following expressions used in these terms and conditions and in the purchase order shall have the meaning indicated against each of these:

- 1.1. **OWNER:** Owner means Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited (a Government of India enterprise), a Company incorporated in India having its registered office at Bharat Bhavan, 4 & 6 Currimbhoy Road, Ballard Estate, Mumbai 400038 and shall include its successors and assigns (hereafter called BPCL as a short form).
- 1.2. **VENDOR:** Vendor means the person, firm or the Company/ Corporation to whom this Request for quotation (RFQ)/purchase order is issued and shall include its successors and assigns.
- 1.3. **INSPECTOR:** Person/ agency deputed by BPCL for carrying out inspection, checking/testing of itemsordered and for certifying the items conforming to the purchase order specifications..
- 1.4. **GOODS/ MATERIALS:** means any of the articles, materials, machinery, equipments, supplies, drawing, data and other property and all services including but not limited to design, delivery, installation, inspection, testing and commissioning specified or required to complete the order.
- 1.5. **SITE/ LOCATION:** means any Site where BHARAT PETROLEUM CORPORATION LIMITED desires to receive materials any where in India as mentioned in RFQ.
- 1.6. "RATE CONTRACT" means the agreement for supply of goods/ materials between Owner and Vendor, for a fixed period of time (i.e till validity of Rate Contract, with no commitment of contractual quantity) on mutually agreed terms and conditions. The actual supply of goods/ materials shall take place only on issue of separate purchase orders for required quantity as and when required by Owner.

2. REFERENCE FOR DOCUMENTATION:

- 2.1. The number and date of Collective Request for Quotation (CRFQ) must appear on all correspondence before finalization of Rate Contract / Purchase Order.
- 2.2. After finalization of Contract / Purchase Order: The number and date of Rate Contract/ Purchase Order must appear on all correspondence, drawings, invoices, dispatch advices, (including shipping documents if applicable) packing list and on any documents or papers connected with this order.
- 2.3. In the case of imports, the relevant particulars of the import Licence shall be duly indicated in the invoice and shipping documents as well as on the packages or consignments.

3. RIGHT OF OWNER TO ACCEPT OR REJECT TENDER:

The right to accept the tender will rest with the Owner.

4. LANGUAGE:

The Bid and all supporting documentation and all correspondence whatsoever exchanged by Vendor and Owner, shall be in English language only. In case any of the supporting documents (either technical or financial) are not in English language, then the English translation copy of the same shall also be furnished duly certified, stamped and signed by local Chamber of Commerce of bidder's country or Indian embassy in bidder's country or their embassy in India.

5. PRICE:

Unless otherwise agreed to the terms of the RFQ, price shall be:

Firm and no escalation will be entertained on any ground, except on the ground of statutory levies applicable on the tendered items.

6. TAXES AND DUTIES:

All vendors shall have GST registration in the concerned State as applicable and vendor shall quote their GSTIN number in the quotation wherever required.

6.1 GST:

6.1.1. GST extra as applicable at the time of delivery within scheduled delivery period will be payable by BPCL against documentary evidence. Vendor shall mention in their offer, the percentage of GST applicable at

present. Any upward variation in GST rates, beyond the contractual delivery period, shall be to vendor's account.

- 6.1.2. In case GST is not applicable at present: In case GST gets levied due to change in turnover of Vendor/Supplier, shall be borne by the vendor/supplier. If GST becomes applicable due to change in the law in future, the same will be borne by vendor subject to 6.1.1. In case of change in stand of vendor/supplier about applicable rate of GST towards higher side, the same will not be payable.
- 6.1.3. Owner shall take Input Tax Credit of the GST paid on the material supplied for both GST and cess component as applicable and accordingly GST / Cess should be quoted separately wherever applicable.

Vendor shall ask the transporter of the goods to hand over the copy of GST invoice (transporter's copy) at the time of delivery of goods at owner's site.

6.1.4 The vendor shall take steps viz. mention relevant GSTIN of BPCL in GST invoices and returns, uploading invoice in GSTR 1, payment of the tax liability on the said invoices and filing of Returns etc. and comply with all the requirements of applicable laws including GST laws for the time being in force to enable the OWNER to avail tax credit/s including input tax credit.

Deferment of GST Amounts shall be done for those vendors who have got instances of open mismatches due to non-compliance. Open mismatches refer to cases whereby OWNER could not claim the GST Input Tax Credit in the month of payment of invoice due to non-compliance/ delayed compliance by the VENDOR. Accordingly, Over and above any payment term mentioned in the tender including that mentioned in the GPC/GCC, payment to VENDOR by OWNER for the basic amount (i.e. amount excluding GST) shall be made as mentioned in GPC/GCC or as mentioned anywhere else in the tender as applicable. However, GST amount of the Invoices shall be paid only after theamount gets reflected in the return (GSTR-1 Return of outward supplies/GSTR-3B) submitted by the vendor on GSTIN portal (GSTR 2B of OWNER) to the satisfaction of OWNER. Till such time GST amount with correct details is reflected in GSTIN portal to satisfaction of OWNER, amount shall be withheldby OWNER.

Over and above, VENDOR is also required to issue e-invoice if the same is applicable to the OWNER. In absence of GST e-invoice, any loss of Input TaxCredit to the OWNER shall be indemnified by the VENDOR.

Deferment of GST amounts to the vendors are subject to compliance of any applicable Act.

- In case of vendors for whom deferment of GST amounts were not done, Anyloss or non-availability of input tax credit by the OWNER due to non- compliance of applicable tax law including but not limited to GST laws in force or otherwise, on the part of VENDOR, an amount equivalent to any tax liability accruing to the OWNER and/or to the extent of any loss accrued to the OWNER due to the non-availability of input tax credit or any liability accrued to the OWNER shall either stand cancelled or deducted from the payment due to the VENDOR or shall be reimbursed by the VENDOR as thecase may be till such default is either rectified or made good by the VENDORand the OWNER is satisfied that it is in a position to claim valid input tax credit within the timelines as per applicable laws.
- 6.1.6 Any cost, liability, dues, penalty, fees, interest as the case may be which accrues to the OWNER at any point of time on account of non-compliance of applicable tax laws or rules or regulations thereof or otherwise due to defaulton the part of VENDOR shall be borne by the VENDOR. An amount equivalent to such cost, liability, dues, penalty, fees, and interest as the case may be shall be reimbursed by the VENDOR within 30 days. Any GST as may be applicable on such recovery of amount shall also be borne by VENDOR andsame shall be collected by the OWNER.

6.2 FREIGHT:

6.2.1 Freight: Firm freight charges to be quoted as indicated in the Tender documents. Freight shall be payable after receipt of the Material(s) at the site, unless otherwise specified.

- **6.3. NEW STATUTORY LEVIES:** All new statutory levies leviable on sale of finished goods to owner, if applicable are payable extra by BPCL against documentary proof, within the contractual delivery period.
- **VARIATION IN TAXES/ DUTIES:** Any increase/decrease in all the above mentioned statutory levies on the date of delivery during the scheduled delivery period on finished materials will be on BPCL's account. Any upward variation in statutory levies after contractual delivery date shall be to vendor's account.
- 6.5 INCOME TAX (WITHHOLDING TAX): In the case of availment of services from Non Resident Vendors who are claiming benefits offered under the Double Taxation Avoidance Agreements signed by India with the Government of the other country (i.e. the country of the Vendor), such Non Resident Vendors are required to provide the Tax Residency Certificates at the time of submission of Bid documents. The Tax Residency Certificates shall contain the following details:
 - a) Name of Vendor (assessee);
 - b) Status (Individual, Company, firm etc.) of assessee;
 - c) Nationality (in case of individual);
 - d) Country or specified territory of incorporation or registration (in case of others);
 - e) Assessee 's tax identification number in the country or specified territory of residence or in case no such number, then, a unique number on the basis of which the person is identified by the Government of the country or the specified territory;
 - f) Residential status for the purpose of tax;
 - g) Period for which the certificate is applicable; and
 - h) Address of the applicant for the period for which the certificate is applicable.

The Tax Residency Certificate shall be duly verified by the Government of the Country or the specified territory of the assessee of which the assessee claims to be a resident for the purposes of tax.

7. INSPECTION:

- 7.1. Materials shall be inspected by BPCL approved third party inspection agency if applicable before dispatch of materials. However, arranging and providing inspection facilities is entirely vendor's responsibility and in no way shall affect the delivery schedule.
- 7.2 Scope of Inspection shall be as per RFQ or as specified in the Special Purchase Conditions.

 Materials shall be inspected as per scope of inspection by TPIAs which are registered under "NABCB accredited bodies as per requirement of ISO/IEC 17020 as Type A" in QCI's NABCB website as on the date of Inspection of Goods. The link is as below:

 http://nabcb.qci.org.in/accreditation/reg_bod_inspection_bodies.php
- 7.3. Unless otherwise specified, the inspection shall be carried out as per the relevant standards/ scope of inspection provided alongwith the Tender Enquiry/Purchase Order.
- 7.4. BPCL may, at its own expense, have its representative(s) witness any test or inspection. In order to enable BPCL's representative(s) to witness the tests/ inspections, BPCL will advise the Vendor in advance whether it intends to have its representative(s) be present at any of the inspections.
- 7.5. Even if the inspection and tests are fully carried out, the Vendor shall not be absolved from its responsibilities to ensure that the Material(s), raw materials, components and other inputs are supplied strictly to conform and comply with all the requirements of the Contract at all stages, whether during manufacture and fabrication, or at the time of Delivery as on arrival at site and after its erection or start up or consumption, and during the defect liability period. The inspections and tests are merely intended to prima-facie satisfy BPCL that the Material(s) and the parts and components comply with the

requirements of the Contract. The Vendor's responsibility shall also not be anywise reduced or discharged because BPCL or BPCL's representative(s) or Inspector(s) shall have examined, commented on the Vendor's drawings or specifications or shall have witnessed the tests or required any chemical or physical or other tests or shall have stamped or approved or certified any Material(s).

7.6. Although material approved by the Inspector(s), if on testing and inspection after receipt of the Material(s) at the location, any Material(s) are found not to be in strict conformity with the contractual requirements or specifications, BPCL shall have the right to reject the same and hold the Vendor liable for non-performance of the Contract.

8. SHIPPING:

8.1 SEA SHIPMENT: All shipment of materials shall be made by first class direct vessels as per procedure detailed hereunder. The Foreign Supplier shall arrange with Vessels Owners or Forwarding Agents for proper storage of the entire Cargo intended for the project in a specific manner so as to facilitate and to avoid any over carriage at the port of discharge. All shipment shall be under deck unless carriage on deck is unavoidable.

The bills of lading should be made out in favour of `Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited or order'.

All columns in the body of the Bill of Lading namely marks and nos., material description, weight particulars etc., should be uniform and accurate and such statements should be uniform in all the shippingdocuments. The freight particulars should mention the basis of freight tonnage, heavy lift charges, if any, surcharge, discount etc. clearly and separately. The net total freight payable shall be shown at thebottom.

SHIPPING DOCUMENTS: All documents viz. Bill of Lading, invoices, packing list, freight memos, country of origin certificates, test certificate, drawings and catalogues should be in English language.

In addition of the bill of lading which should be obtained in three stamped original plus as many copies as required, invoices, packing list, freight memos, (if the freight particulars are not shown in the bills of lading), country of origin certificate, test/ composition certificate, shall be made out against each shipment in as many number of copies as shown below.

The bill of lading, invoice and packing list specifically shall show uniformly the mark and numbers, contents case wise, country of origin, consignees name, port of destination and all other particulars as indicated under clause 2. The invoice shall show the unit rates and net total F.O.B. prices. Items packed separately should also be invoiced and the value shown accordingly. Packing list must show apart from other particulars actual contents in each case, net and gross weights and dimensions, and the total number of packages. All documents should be duly signed by the Vendor's authorised representatives.

In the case of FOB orders, shipping arrangements shall be made by the Chartering Wing of the Ministry of Surface Transport, New Delhi through their respective forwarding agents. The names and addresses of forwarding agents shall be as per Special Purchase Conditions. Supplier shall furnish to the respective agents the full details of consignments such as outside dimension, weights (both gross and net) No of packages, technical description and drawings, name of supplier, ports of loading, etc. 6-weeks notice shall be given by the supplier to enable the concerned agency to arrange shipping space.

The bill of lading shall indicate the following:

Shipper: Vendor's Name

Consignee: Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited

In case of supplies from USA, Export Licences, if any required from the American Authorities shall be obtained by the U.S. Suppliers. If need be assistance for obtaining such export licences would be available from India Supply Mission at Washington.

8.2 AIRSHIPMENT: In case of Airshipment, the materials shall be shipped through freight consolidator (approved by us). The airway bill shall be made out in favour of BHARAT PETROLEUM CORPORATION LIMITED.

TRANSMISSION OF SHIPPING DOCUMENTS for both modes of shipment viz. Sea and/or Air: Foreign Supplier shall obtain the shipping documents in seven complete sets including three original stamped copies of the Bill of Lading / Airway bill as quickly as possible after the shipment is made, and airmail/send scanned copies by e-mail as shown below so that they are received at least three weeks before the Vessels arrival or immediately in case of Air shipment. Foreign Supplier shall be fully responsible or any delay and/ or demurrage in clearance of the consignment at the port due to delay in transmittal of the shipping documents.

If in terms of letter or otherwise, the complete original set of documents are required to be sent to BPCL through Bank the distribution indicated below will confine to copies of documents only minus originals.

<u>Documents</u>	BPCL
Bill of Lading/Airway Bill	4 (including 1 original)
Invoice	4
Packing List	4
Freight Memo	4
Country of Origin Certificate	4
Third party inspection certificate	4
Drawing	4
Catalogue	4
Invoice of Third Party	4
for inspection charges whenever app	licable.

9. INDIAN AGENT COMMISSION:

Any offer through Indian agents will be considered only after authorization mentioning them as Indian agents, is received from Vendor. Indian agents commission if applicable will be payable only in Indian currency. Indian agents should be registered with Directorate General of Supplies and Disposals, Government of India and agency commission will be payable only after registration with DGS&D, New Delhi.

10. ORDER AWARD/ EVALUATION CRITERIA:

Unless otherwise specified, Order award criteria will be on lowest quote landed price basis. Landed price will be summation of Basic Price, Packing & Forwarding Charges, GST, Freight, Inspection Charges, Supervision of Installation & Commissioning and other taxes & levies, loading etc., if any, reduced by Input tax Credits as applicable.

11. CONFIRMATION OF ORDER:

The vendor shall acknowledge the receipt of the purchase order within 10 days of mailing the same. The vendor shall sign, stamp the acknowledgement copy of the purchase order and return the same to BPCL.

12. PAYMENT TERMS:

12.1. Unless otherwise specified, 100% payment shall be made within 30 days from date of receipt and acceptance of materials at Site against submission of Performance Bank Guarantee (PBG) for 10% of basic order value if PBG is applicable for the tender. The eligible MSME bidders can avail Bill discounting facility as follows.

- 12.2. In the case of imports, payment will be made on submission of original documents directly to Owner (Telegraphic Transfer-TT) or through Bank (Cash against documents-CAD) or through Irrevocable Letter of Credit.
- 12.3. Unless otherwise mentioned, the specified documents (All documents listed below (one original and two copies) should be submitted to originator of P.O. (the name and contact details of whom are given in PO) and payments for despatches will be made by the originator of Purchase Order:
 - a) Invoice
 - b) GST invoice
 - c) The Lorry Receipt of the consignment
 - d) Packing list for the consignment
 - e) Third Party Inspector's Certificate covering the invoiced Material(s)/ Release Note, wherever applicable
 - f) Manufacturers Test/Composition Certificate, wherever applicable
 - g) Drawing(s)/Catalogue(s) covering the Material(s), wherever applicable
 - h) Guarantee/Warranty Certificate(s), wherever applicable.
 - i) Original Receipt for other statutory levies as applicable.
 - j) Performance Bank Guarantee as applicable.
- 12.4. The eligible MSME bidders can avail the discounting facility as follows: -

Trade Receivables Discounting System (TReDS) is an institutional mechanism set up in order to facilitate discounting of trade receivables of MSMEs from corporate buyers through invoice discounting by multiple financiers. Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited (BPCL) is registered with TReDS platform of the aggregators M/s. Receivables Exchange of India Ltd (RXIL), M/s Invoice mart and M/s. M1 xchange. The eligible MSME bidders can avail the discounting facility by registering either in one or multiple TReDS platform of the aggregators. It enables the sellers (MSMEs) to discount their invoices through the aggregators to the financiers at competitive rates thus unlocking their working capital swiftly.

13. GUARANTEE/ WARRANTY:

- 13.1. Materials shall be guaranteed against manufacturing defects, materials, workmanship and design for a period of 12 months from the date of commissioning or 18 months from the date of dispatch whichever is earlier. Warranty for replacement of material / accessories should be provided free of charges at our premises. The above guarantee/warranty will be without prejudice to the certificate of inspection or material receipt note issued by us in respect of the materials. In case the defect arises within the abovementioned Defect Liability Period (DLP) and the same is repaired/replaced, the DLP for the repaired/replaced job/item will be extended suitably so as to cover the original DLP. However, in no case, such extension will exceed 24 months from date of start of initial DLP.
- 13.2. All the materials including components and sub contracted items should be guaranteed by the vendor within the warranty period mentioned above. In the event of any defect in the material, the vendor will replace / repair the material at BPCL's concerned location at vendor's risk and cost on due notice.
- 13.3. In case, vendor does not replace / repair the material on due notice, rejected material will be sent to the vendor on "Freight to pay" basis for free replacement. Material after rectification of defects shall be dispatched by the vendor on "Freight Paid" basis. Alternatively, BPCL reserves the right to have the material repaired / replaced at the locations concerned, at the vendor's risk, cost and responsibility.
- 13.4. The Vendor shall provide similar warrantee on the parts, components, fittings, accessories etc. so repaired and / or replaced.

14. PERFORMANCE BANK GUARANTEES:

14.1. Vendor will have to provide Performance Bank Guarantee for 10% of the basic value of purchase order unless otherwise specified. This bank guarantee shall be valid (shall remain in force) for guarantee period (as mentioned in the guarantee clause), with an invocation period of six months thereafter. In the case of Indigenous vendors, the Performance Bank Guarantee shall be given on a non-judicial stamp paper of appropriate value (currently Rs 100). PBG format is as per Annexure-I.

In case, PBG is not provided by the Vendor, 10% of the basic value shall be retained in lieu of PBG, till the expiry of guarantee and claim period.

In the case of imports, the Supplier shall furnish the Performance Bank Guarantee (as per Annexure-I) through the following:

- (a) Branches of Indian scheduled banks operating in their Country.
- (b) Foreign bank operating in their Country which is counter guaranteed by branches of Indian scheduled banks operating in their Country/India.
- (c) Indian branches of foreign banks.
- (d) Foreign bank operating in their Country counter guaranteed by their Indian branch.

However, in respect of (c) and (d) above, the Indian branch of foreign banks should be recognized as scheduled bank by Reserve Bank of India.

14.2. If Vendor wants to submit the PBG at Contract level to avoid multiple number of PBG (i.e. PBG issued against every purchase/ call off order) then the validity of PBG will be calculated as mentioned below:

Validity of PBG = Rate Contract Issue Date (Start Date of Rate Contract) + Rate Contract Period (validity of Rate Contract) + Contractual Delivery Period of material + Contractual Guarantee period + 6 month (for invocation / Claim).

14.3 Process for submitting Bank Guarantee / PBG under SFMS (Structured Financial Messaging System) mode as follows:

Vendors shall insist their Bank for issuance of SFMS Bank Guarantee for faster payments. Vendors shall provide BPCL's Bank Account No. & IFSC Code (Details given below) to their Bank as beneficiary at the time of application for Bank Guarantee in favor of BPCL. Issuing Bank shall issue the Bank Guarantee & send SFMS message to BPCL's Bank confirming the authenticity of Bank Guarantee who in turn shall send the confirmation to BPCL. Vendor should ensure the following for issue of E- bank guarantee:

- a. The issuing bank is on SFMS platform
- b. SFMS Message type used is 760 COV and SFMS Delivery report/ Message copy is sent along with original BG c. For BG amendment, message type 767COV is to be used.
- d. SFMS contains following details:
- i. Beneficiary's bank name: ICICI Bank
- ii. IFSC Code: ICIC0000393
- iii BPCL'S Customer ID: 8PCL583493800
- e. BG Issuing Bank should send the BG Issuance advice through SFMS to BPCL's designated Banker: ICICI Bank, Backbay Branch, Mumbai (IFSC: ICIC0000393).

f.BG Issuance advice should mention applicable Unique Identifier Code (UIC) in row/ field number 7037 of SFMS Delivery Report.

- a. BPCL Location: Kharghar, Navi Mumbai
- b. Head office: Ballard Estate c. UIC: BPCL583493800
- g. The Original BG should be submitted along with print out of SFMS Delivery report from the BG Issuing Bank Branch.
- h. SFMS BG will help in faster verification of BGs and prompt release of payments to Vendors.

15. PACKING & MARKING:

15.1 PACKING:

15.1.1 Packing shall withstand the hazards normally encountered with the means of transport for the goods of this purchase order including loading and unloading operation both by crane and by pushing off.

In the case of imports, all equipments/ materials shall be suitably packed in weather proof, seaworthy/airworthy packing for ocean/air transport under tropical conditions and for rail or road or other appropriate transport in India. The packing shall be strong and efficient enough to ensure safe preservice upto the final point of destination.

Raw/Solid wood packaging material of imported items has to be appropriately treated & marked as per International Standard of Phytosanitary Measures (ISPM-15") for material originating from the contracting countries to the International Plant Protection Convention or the members of Food & Agriculture Organization. Material from non-contracting parties would have to be accompanied by a phytosanitary certificate of the treatment endorsed. The Custom Officer at Indian Port shall not release the material without appropriate compliance of the above provisions w.e.f. 01.11.2004.

- 15.1.2 The packing specification incorporated herein are supplementary to the internal and external packing methods and standards as per current general rules of J.R.A. Good Tariff Part-I. All packaging shall be done in such a manner as to reduce volume as much as possible.
- 15.1.3 Fragile articles should be packed with special packing materials depending on the type of Materials and the packing shall bear the words "HANDLE WITH CARE GLASS FRAGILE, DON'T ROLL THIS END UP. THIS END DOWN," to be indicated by arrow.
- 15.1.4 Chemicals in powder form, catalyst, refractories and like materials etc. shall be packed in drums, cans and tins only. However, Catalyst may be supplied in Jumbo bags.
- 15.1.5 The hazardous materials shall be packed in accordance with the applicable rules, regulations and tariff of all cognizant Government Authorities and other Governing bodies. It shall be the responsibility of the seller of hazardous materials to designate the material as hazardous and to identify each material by its proper commodity name and its hazardous material class code.
- 15.1.6 All packages requiring handling by crane should have sufficient space at appropriate place to put sling of suitable dia (strength). Iron/Steel angle should be provided at the place where sling marking are made to avoid damage to package/ equipment while lifting.
- 15.1.7 Item shipped in bundles must be securely tied with steel wire or strapping. Steel reinforcing rods, bars, pipes, structural members etc. shall be bundled in uniform lengths and the weight shall be within the breaking strength of the securing wire or strapping.
 - In the case of imports, for bundles the shipping marks shall be embossed on metal or similar tag and wired securely on each end.
- 15.1.8 All delicate surfaces on equipment/ materials should be carefully protected and printed with protective paint/compound and wrapped to prevent rusting and damage.
- 15.1.9 All mechanical and electrical equipment and other heavy articles shall be securely fastened to the case bottom and shall be blocked and braced to avoid any displacement/ shifting during transit.
- 15.1.10 Attachments and spare parts of equipment and all small pieces shall be packed separately in wooden cases with adequate protection inside the case and wherever possible should be sent along with the main equipment. Each item shall be suitably tagged with identification of main equipment, item denomination and reference number of respective assembly drawing. Each item of steel structure and furnaces shall be identified with two erection markings with minimum lettering height of 15mm. Such markings will be followed by the collection numbers in indelible ink/paint. A copy of the packing list shall accompany the materials in each package.

- 15.1.11 All protrusions shall be suitably protected by providing a cover comprising of tightly bolted wooden disc on the flanges. All nozzles, holes and openings and also all delicate surfaces shall be carefully protected against damage and bad weather. All manufactured surfaces shall be painted with rust proof paint.
 - In the case of imports, for bulk uniform material when packed in several cases, progressive serial numbers shall be indicated on each case.
- 15.1.12 Wherever required, equipment/ materials instruments shall be enveloped in polythene bags containing silicagel or similar dehydrating compound.
- 15.1.13 Pipes shall be packed as under:
 - (a) Upto 50mm NB in wooden cases/ crates.
 - (b) Above 50mm NB and upto 100mm NB in bundles and should be strapped at minimum three places.
 - (c) Above 100mm NB in loose.
- 15.1.14 Pipes and tubes of stainless steel, copper etc. shall be packed in wooden cases irrespective of their sizes.
- 15.1.15 Pipes with threaded or flanged ends shall be protected with suitable caps covers, before packing. In the case of imports, all pipes and sheets shall be marked with strips bearing progressive no.
- 15.1.16 Detailed packing list in waterproof envelope shall be inserted in the package together with equipment/materials. One copy of the detailed packing list shall be fastened outside of the package in waterproof envelope and covered by metal cover.
- 15.1.17 The supplier shall be held liable for all damages or breakages to the goods due to the defective or insufficient packing as well as for corrosion due to insufficient protection.
- 15.1.18 Packaged equipment or materials showing damage defects or shortages resulting from improper packaging materials or packing procedures or having concealed damages or shortages, at the time of unpacking shall be to the supplier's account.

All packages which require special handling and transport should have their Centres of Gravity and the points at which they may be slung or gripped clearly indicated and marked "ATTENTION SPECIAL LOAD HANDLE WITH CARE" both in English/ Hindi Languages.

In the case of imports, a distinct colour splash in say red black around each package crate/ bundle shall be given for identification.

- 15.1.19 Along with the packed material, supplier should attach material list, manuals/instructions and also the Inspection certificate/ release note, wherever applicable.
- 15.2. **MARKING:** The following details to be written on the side face of packing:
 - a) Purchase Order Number
 - b) Consignee Name & Address
 - c) Vendor Name
 - d) Batch no with manufacturing date
 - e) Procedure (in brief) for handling
 - f) Date of dispatch etc.
 - g) Expiry Date, if applicable
- 15.3 IMPORTED ITEMS: On three sides of the packages, the following marks shall appear, clearly visible, with indelible paint and on Vendor's care and expenses.

BHARAT PETROLEUM CORPORATION LIMITED

(With detailed address as given in Special Purchase Conditions)

From :

To : Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited

With detailed address as given in Special Purchase Conditions)

Order No.: Rev. No.:

Item

Equipment Nomenclature :

Net weight : Kgs. Gross weight : Kgs.

Case No. : of Total cases:

Dimensions :

Import License No. :

NOTE:

Marking shall be bold - minimum letter height 5 cm. For every order and every shipment, packages must be marked with serial progressive numbering.

Top heavy containers shall be so marked either Top Heavy or Heavy Ends.

When packing material is clean and light coloured, a dark black stencil paint shall be acceptable. However, where packaging material is soiled or dark, a coat of flat zinc white paint shall be applied and allowed to dry before applying the specific markings.

In case of large equipments like vessels, heat exchangers, etc. the envelope containing the documents shall be fastened inside a shell connection, with an identifying arrow sign "documents" using indelible paint.

16. DELIVERY:

- 16.1. Unless otherwise mentioned, Vendor is requested to quote their best delivery schedule from the date of receipt of Purchase order.
- 16.2. Time being the essence of this contract, the delivery mentioned in the purchase order shall be strictly adhered to and no variation shall be permitted except with prior authorization in writing from the Owner. Goods should be delivered, securely packed and in good order and condition, at the place of delivery and within the time specified in the purchase order for their delivery.
- 16.3. The contractual delivery period is inclusive of all the lead time for engineering/ procurement of raw material, the manufacturing, inspection / testing, packing, transportation or any other activity whatsoever required to be accomplished for affecting the delivery at the required delivery point.
- 16.4. Unless otherwise specified, Material(s) shall not be despatched without prior inspection and/or testing and Release Order/Material(s) Acceptance Certificate issued by the Inspector(s).
- 16.5. BPCL shall have the right to advise any change in despatch point or destination in respect of any Material(s). Any extra expenditure incurred by the Vendor on this account supported by satisfactory documentary evidence, will be reimbursed to the Vendor by BPCL.

17. UNLOADING AND STACKING:

Unloading and stacking will be arranged by BPCL. The Vendor shall send BPCL information of the proposed consignment well in advance by telegram/fax/e-mail/courier to enable BPCL to take necessary action.

18. TRANSIT INSURANCE:

Unless otherwise mentioned,

- 18.1. Transit Insurance shall be covered by BPCL against its Mega Package Policy only where risk/reward has been transferred to BPCL.
- 18.2 In the case of imports, insurance against all marine and transit risk shall be covered under the Owner's marine policy. However, the Vendor shall ensure that in effecting shipments clear bill of lading/airway bill are obtained and the carrier's responsibility is fully retained on the Carriers so that the consignee's interests are fully secured and are in no way jeopardized.
- 18.3. The Vendor shall send BPCL information of the proposed consignment well in advance by fax/e-mail/courier to enable BPCL to take necessary action for the transit insurance of the consignment. Any failure by the Vendor to do so shall place the consignment at the Vendor's risk.
- 18.4. In the case of imports, as soon as any shipment is made, the Foreign Supplier shall send advance information by way of e-mail to Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited, (with detailed address as given in Special Purchase Conditions and/or purchase order) giving particulars of the shipments, vessels name, port of shipment, bill of lading number and date, total FOB and freight value.

19 VALIDITY OF OFFER:

The rates quoted against this tender shall be valid for a period of 90 Days from the date of opening of the tender unless otherwise specified in the Special Purchase Conditions.

20. DELIVERY DATES AND PRICE REDUCTION SCHEDULE:

- 20.1. The time and date of Delivery of Material(s) as stipulated in the Contract shall be adhered to on the clear understanding that the Price(s) of the Material(s) has/have been fixed with reference to the said Delivery date(s).
- 20.2. If any delay is anticipated by the Vendor in the delivery of the Material(s) or any of them beyond the stipulated date(s) of Delivery, the Vendor shall forthwith inform BPCL in writing of such anticipated delay and of the steps being taken by the Vendor to remove or reduce the anticipated delay, and shall promptly keep BPCL informed of all subsequent developments.
- 20.3. The delivery period quoted must be realistic & specific. The inability of successful Vendors to execute orders in accordance with the agreed delivery schedule will entitle BPCL, at its options, to:
- 20.3.1. Accept delayed delivery at prices reduced by a sum equivalent to half percent (0.5%) of the basic value of any goods not delivered for every week of delay or part thereof, limited to a maximum of 5% of the total basic order value. LR date will be considered as delivery completion date for calculation of price reduction in the case of ex works contract. Date of receipt of materials at owner's premises shall be considered for calculation of price reduction for F.O.R destination contract.

In the case of imports, the contractual delivery date shall be considered from the date of Letter of Credit (L/C) or the date of L/C amendment because of Buyer's fault plus one week (to take care of transit time for receipt of L/C) plus the delivery schedule as indicated by the vendors.

In case of the shipment taking place on "Cash against documents", the contractual delivery shall be taken from the date of purchase order plus one week (to take care of transit time for receipt of order) plus delivery period.

Further the date of B/L or House airway bill shall be considered to find out the delay with respect to contractual delivery date. In case of FOB shipments if the vessel is not available then the intimation by

vendors regarding readiness of the goods for the shipment shall be considered for calculating the delay if any. So vendor shall inform the readiness of material for shipment on FOB (Free on Board) basis/ FCA (Free on Carrier) basis.

20.3.2. Cancel the order in part or full and purchase such cancelled quantities from elsewhere on account at the risk and cost of the vendor, without prejudice to its right under 20.3.1 above in respect of goods delivered.

21. RISK PURCHASE CLAUSE:

BPCL reserves the right to curtail or cancel the order either in full or part thereof if the vendor fails to comply with the delivery schedule and other terms & conditions of the order. BPCL also reserves the right to procure the same or similar materials/equipment through other sources at vendor's entire risk, cost and consequences. Further, the vendor agrees that in case of procurement by the owner from other sources the differential amount paid by the owner shall be on account of the vendor together with any interest and other costs accrued thereon for such procurement.

22. FORCE MAJEURE

Circumstances leading to force majeure

- (a) Act of terrorism;
- (b) Riot, war, invasion, act of foreign enemies, hostilities (whether war be declared or not), civil war, rebellion, revolution, insurrection of military or usurped power;
- (c) lonising radiation or contamination, radio activity from any nuclear fuel or from any nuclear waste from the combustion of nuclear fuel, radioactive toxic explosive or other hazardous properties of any explosive assembly or nuclear component;
- (d) epidemics, earthquakes, flood, fire, hurricanes, typhoons or other physical natural disaster, but excluding weather conditions regardless of severity; and
- (e) freight embargoes, strikes at national or state-wide level or industrial disputes at a national or state-wide level in any country where Works are performed, and which affect an essential portion of the Works but excluding any industrial dispute which is specific to the performance of the Works or the Contract. For the avoidance of doubt, inclement weather, third party breach, delay in supply of materials (other than due to a nationwide transporters' strike) or commercial hardship shall not constitute a Force Majeure event.

• Notification of Force Majeure

Contractor shall notify within [10(ten)] days of becoming aware of or the date it ought to have become aware of the occurrence of an event of Force Majeure giving full particulars of the event of Force Majeure and the reasons for the event of Force Majeure preventing the Affected Party from, or delaying the Affected Party in performing its obligations under the Contract.

• Right of either party to terminate

If an event of Force Majeure occurs and its effect continues for a period of 180 (one hundred eighty days) or more in a continuous period of 365 (three hundred sixty five) days after notice has been given under this clause, either Party may terminate the Contract by issuing a written notice of 30 (thirty) days to the other Party.

• Payment in case of termination due to Force Majeure

The Contract Price attributable to the Works performed as at the date of the commencement of the relevant event of Force Majeure.

The Contractor has no entitlement and Owner has no liability for:

- Any costs, losses, expenses, damages or the payment of any part of the Contract Price during an event of Force Majeure; and
- b) Any delay costs in any way incurred by the Contractor due to an event of Force Majeure. Time extension for such cases will be worked out appropriately.

23. ARBITRATION CLAUSE:

Any dispute or difference whatsoever arising out of or in connection with this Agreement including any question regarding its existence, validity, construction, interpretation, application, meaning, scope, operation or effect of this contract or termination thereof shall be referred to and finally resolved through arbitration as per the procedure mentioned herein below:

- (a) The dispute or difference shall, in any event, be referred only to a Sole Arbitrator
- (b) The appointment and arbitration proceedings shall be conducted in accordance with SCOPE forum of Arbitration Rules for the time being in force or as amended from time to time
- (c) The Seat of arbitration shall be at (Region/HQ from where the tender has been floated)
- (d) The proceedings shall be conducted in English language
- (e) The cost of the proceedings shall be equally borne by the parties, unless otherwise directed by the Sole Arbitrator.

In the event of any dispute or difference relating to the interpretation and application of the provisions of commercial contract(s) between the Central Public Sector Enterprises (CPSEs)/Port Trusts inter se and also between CPSEs and Government Departments/Organizations (excluding disputes concerning Railways, Income Tax, Customs & Excise Departments*), such dispute or difference shall be taken up by either party for its resolution through AMRCD as mentioned in DPE OM no.4(1)/2013-DPE(GM)/FTS-1835 dated 22-05-2018.

(* The exclusion would also include disputes concerning GST, State level Sales Tax / VAT etc; though not mentioned explicitly)

24. INTEGRITY PACT (IP):

Vendors are requested to sign & return our pre-signed IP document, if applicable. This document is essential & binding. Vendor's failure to return the IP document duly signed along with Bid Document may result in the bid not being considered for further evaluation.

25. RECOVERY OF SUMS DUE:

Whenever, any claim against vendor for payment of a sum of money arises out of or under the contract, the owner shall be entitled to recover such sums from any sum then due or when at any time thereafter may become due from the vendor under this or any other contract with the owner and should this sum be not sufficient to cover the recoverable amount of claim(s), the vendor shall pay to BPCL on demand the balance remaining due.

26. CONFIDENTIALITY OF TECHNICAL INFORMATION:

Drawing, specifications and details shall be the property of the BPCL and shall be returned by the Vendor on demand. The Vendor shall not make use of drawing and specifications for any purpose at any time save and except for the purpose of BPCL. The Vendor shall not disclose the technical information furnished to or organized by the Vendor under or by virtue of or as a result of the implementation of the Purchase Order to any person, firm or body or corporate authority and shall make all endeavors to ensure that the technical information is kept CONFIDENTIAL. The technical information imparted and supplied to the vendor by BPCL shall at all time remain the absolute property of BPCL. Imparting of any confidential information by the Vendor will be breach of contract.

27. PATENTS & ROYALTIES:

The vendor shall fully indemnify BPCL and users of materials specified herein/supplied at all times, against any action, claim or demand, costs and expenses, arising from or incurred by reasons of any infringement or alleged infringement of any patent, registered design, trademark or name, copy right or any other protected rights in respect of any materials supplied or any arrangement, system or method of using, fixing or working used by the vendor. In the event of any claim or demand being made or action sought against BPCL in respect of any of the aforesaid matter, the vendor shall be notified thereof immediately and the vendor shall at his/its own expense with (if necessary) the assistance of BPCL (whose all expense shall be reimbursed by the vendor) conduct all negotiations for the settlement of the same and/or litigation which may arise thereof.

28. LIABILITY CLAUSE:

In case where it is necessary for employees or representatives of the Vendor to go upon the premises of owner, vendor agrees to assume the responsibility for the proper conduct of such employees/representatives while on said premises and to comply with all applicable Workmen's Compensation Law and other applicable Government Regulations and Ordinances and all plant rules and regulations particularly in regard to safety precautions and fire hazards. If this order requires vendor to furnish labour at site, such vendor's workmen or employees shall under no circumstances be deemed to be in owner's employment and vendor shall hold himself responsible for any claim or claims which they or their heirs, dependent or personal representatives, may have or make, for damages or compensation for anything done or committed to be done, in the course of carrying out the work covered by the purchase order, whether arising at owner's premises or elsewhere and agrees to indemnify the owner against any such claims, if made against the owner and all costs of proceedings, suit or actions which owner may incur or sustain in respect of the same.

29. LIMITATION OF LIABILITY FOR GOODS PROCUREMENT:

The aggregate total liability of the Contractor to Owner under the Contract shall not exceed the total Contract Price, except that this Clause shall not limit the liability of the Contractor for following:
(a) In the event of breach of any Applicable Law;

- (b) In the event of fraud, willful misconduct or illegal or unlawful acts, or gross negligence of the Contractor or any person acting on behalf of the Contractor; or
- (c) In the event of acts or omissions of the Contractor which are contrary to the most elementary rules of diligence which a conscientious Contractor would have followed in similar circumstances; or
- (d) In the event of any claim or loss or damage arising out of infringement of Intellectual Property; or
- (e) For any damage to any third party, including death or injury of any third party caused by the Contractor or any person or firm acting on behalf of the Contractor in executing the Works.

Neither Party shall be liable to the other Party for any kind of indirect or consequential loss or damage like, loss of use, loss of profit, loss of production or business interruption which is connected with any claim arising under the Contract.

30. COMPLIANCE OF REGULATIONS:

Vendor warrants that all goods/Materials covered by this order have been produced, sold, dispatched, delivered and furnished in strict compliance with all applicable laws, regulations, labour agreement, working condition and technical codes and statutory requirements as applicable from time to time. The vendor shall ensure compliance with the above and shall indemnify owner against any actions, damages, costs and expenses of any failure to comply as aforesaid.

31. REJECTION, REMOVAL OF REJECTED GOODS AND REPLACEMENT:

In case the testing and inspection at any stage by inspectors reveal that the equipment, materials and workmanship do not comply with specification and requirements, the same shall be removed by the vendor at his/its own expense and risk, within the time allowed by the owner. The owner shall be at liberty to dispose off such rejected goods in such manner as he may think appropriate. In the event the vendor fails to remove the rejected goods within the period as aforesaid, all expenses incurred by the owner for such disposal shall be to the account of the vendor. The freight paid by the owner, if any, on the inward journey of the rejected materials shall be reimbursed by the vendor to the owner before the rejected materials are removed by the vendor. The vendor will have to proceed with the replacement of the equipment or part of equipment without claiming any extra payment if so required by the owner. The time taken for replacement in such event will not be added to the contractual delivery period.

32. NON-WAIVER:

Failure of the Owner to insist upon any of the terms or conditions incorporated in the Purchase Order or failure or delay to exercise any rights or remedies herein, or by law or failure to properly notify Vendor in the event of breach, or the acceptance of or payment of any goods hereunder or approval of design shall not release the Vendor and shall not be deemed a waiver of any right of the Owner to insist upon the strict performance thereof or of any of its or their rights or remedies as to any such goods regardless of when such goods are shipped, received or accepted nor shall any purported oral modification or revision of the order by BPCL act as waiver of the terms hereof. Any waiver to be effective must be in writing. Any lone incident of waiver of any condition of this agreement by BPCL shall not be considered as a continuous waiver or waiver for other condition by BPCL.

33. NEW & UNUSED MATERIAL:

All the material supplied by the vendor shall be branded new, unused and of recent manufacture.

34. PURCHASE PREFERENCE CLAUSE:

Owner reserves its right to allow Public Sector Enterprises (Central/State), purchase preference as admissible/ applicable from time to time under the existing Govt. policy. Purchase preference to a PSE shall be decided based on the price quoted by PSE as compared to L1 Vendor at the time of evaluation of the price bid.

Owner reserves its right to allow Micro and Small Enterprises (MSEs), MSEs owned by Women Entrepreneurs and MSEs owned by Scheduled Caste (SC) or the Scheduled tribe (ST) entrepreneurs, purchase preference as admissible/applicable from time to time under the existing Govt. policy. Purchase preference to a MSE, a MSE owned by women entrepreneurs and a MSE owned by SC/ST entrepreneurs shall be decided based on the price quoted by the said MSEs as compared to L-1 Vendor at the time of evaluation of the price bid.

Bidders claiming purchase preference as MSE need to submit the following documents:

- Self-attested copy of all the pages of the EM-II certificate/Udyog Adhar Memorandum issued by the appropriate authorities mentioned in the Public procurement policy of MSEs-2012 and
- Vendor's declaration/affidavit in their organization/Company letter head, stating that, in the
 event of award of contract, all the ordered supplies shall be made from the unit for which MSE
 certificate has been submitted.

35. CANCELLATION:

- 35.1. BPCL reserves the right to cancel the contract/purchase order or any part thereof through a written notice to the vendor if:
- 35.1.1. The vendor fails to comply with the terms of this purchase order/contract.
- 35.1.2. The vendor becomes bankrupt or goes into liquidation.
- 35.1.3. The vendor fails to deliver the goods on time and/or replace the rejected goods promptly.
- 35.1.4. The vendor makes a general assignment for the benefit of creditors.
- 35.1.5. A receiver is appointed for any of the property owned by the vendor.
- 35.2. Upon receipt of the said cancellation notice, the vendor shall discontinue all work on the purchase order matters connected with it. BPCL in that event will be entitled to procure the requirement in the open market and recover excess payment over the vendor's agreed price if any, from the vendor and also reserving to itself the right to forfeit the security deposit if any, made by the vendor against the contract. The vendor is aware that the said goods are required by BPCL for the ultimate purpose of materials production and that non-delivery may cause loss of production and consequently loss of profit to the BPCL. In this-event of BPCL exercising the option to claim damages for non delivery other than by way of difference between the market price and the contract price, the vendor shall pay to BPCL, fair compensation to be agreed upon between BPCL and the vendor. The provision of this clause shall not prejudice the right of BPCL from invoking the provisions of price reduction clause mentioned in 20.3.1 as aforesaid.

36. ANTI – COMPETITIVE AGREEMENTS/ABUSE OF DOMINANT POSITION:

The Competition Act, 2002 as amended by the Competition (Amendment) Act, 2007 (the Act), prohibits anti- competitive practices and aims at fostering competition and at protecting Indian markets against anti- competitive practices by enterprises. The Act prohibits anti- competitive agreements, abuse of dominant position by enterprises, and regulates combinations (consisting of acquisition, acquiring of

control and M&A) wherever such agreements, abuse or combination causes, or is likely to cause, appreciable adverse effect on competition in markets in India. BPCL reserves the right to approach the Competition Commission established under the Act of Parliament and file information relating to anti-competitive agreements and abuse of dominant position. If such a situation arises, then Vendors are bound by the decision of the Competitive Commission and also subject to penalty and other provisions of the Competition Act.

37. ASSIGNMENT:

The Vendor does not have any right to assign his rights and obligations under these general purchase conditions without the prior written approval of BPCL.

38. GOVERNING LAW:

These General Purchase Conditions shall be governed by the Laws of India.

39. AMENDMENT:

Any amendment to these General Purchase Conditions can be made only in writing and with the mutual consent of the parties to these conditions.

40. NOTICES:

Any notices to be given hereunder by a Party to the other shall be in English and delivered by hand or sent by courier or facsimile to the other Party at the address or facsimile number stated below or such other address or number as may be notified by the relevant Party from time to time.

41. POLICY ON HOLIDAY LISTING:

The guidelines and procedures for Holiday Listing are available separately in BPCL website and shall be applicable in the context of all tenders floated and consequently all orders/ contracts / purchase orders. It can be accessed using the following link: http://bharatpetroleum.in/pdf/holidaylistingpolicyfinal.pdf.

42. ORDER OF PRECEDENCE FOR PURCHASES:

- 1. Purchase Order
- 2. Detailed letter of Acceptance along with its enclosures
- 3. Letter of Award / Fax of Acceptance
- 4. Job Specifications (specific to particular job only)
- 5. Drawings
- 6. Special Purchase Conditions (SPC)
- 7. Technical Specifications
- 8. Instructions to Bidders
- 9. General Purchase Conditions (GPC)
- 10. Other Documents

Additionally, any variation or amendment / change order issued after signing of formal contract shall take precedence over respective clauses of the formal contract and its Annexures.

43. TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE:

The purchaser may, by written notice of 14 days sent to the seller, cancel the contract, in whole or part, at any time for his convenience. The notice of cancellation shall specify that cancellation is for the

purchaser's convenience, the extent to which performance of work under the contract is cancelled and the date upon which such cancellation becomes effective.

The goods that are complete and ready for shipment within 30 days after the seller's receipt of notice of cancellation shall be purchased by the purchaser at contract terms and prices. For the remaining goods, the purchaser may opt:-

a. To have any portion completed and delivered at the contract terms and prices

and / or

b. To cancel the remainder and pay to the seller an agreed amount for partially completed goods and materials and parts previously procured by the seller.

44. BUILDING AND OTHER CONSTRUCTION WORKERS CESS:

- a. Bidders to note that under Building and other Construction Workers Welfare Act (Re&CS) Act 1996, Cess is applicable to contracts executed outside Factory Area (e.g. construction of new industrial installation, office & residential buildings etc.) as per the provisions applicable under 'The Building and Other Construction Workers Welfare Cess Act 1996'.
- b. The contractor must be registered with the concerned authorities under the Building and other Construction Workers" (RE&CS) Act, 1996 or in case of non-registration; the contractor should obtain registration within one month of the award of contract.
- c. The contractor shall be responsible to comply with all provisions of the Building and Other Construction Workers" (RE&CS) Act, 1996, the Building and other Construction Workers" Welfare Cess Act, 1996, the Building and other Construction Workers" (RE&CS) Rules, 1998 and the Building and other Construction Workers Welfare Cess Rules, 1998.
- d. Cess, as per the prevailing rate (presently 1%), shall be deducted at source from bills of the contactors by the Engineer-in-Charge and remitted to the "Secretary, Building and other Construction Workers Welfare Board" of the concerned State.
- e. The contactor shall be responsible to submit final assessment return of the Cess amount to the assessing officer after adjusting the Cess deducted at source.

BPCL			
			
VENDOR			

Please sign & return all the pages of GPC as a token of your acceptance of all the terms & conditions as mentioned.

PERFORMANCE BANK GUARANTEE (On Non-judicial paper for appropriate value)

To,	
Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited	
Dear S	Sir.
In cor shall includ dated furnis and /	nsideration of the Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited, (hereinafter called 'the Company' which expression include its successors and assigns) having awarded to M/s. (Name) (Constitution)(address) (hereinafter referred to as "The vendor" which expression shall wherever the subject or context so permits de its successors and assigns) a supply contract in terms interalia, of the Company's Purchase order No
succe (Curre by the Comp	(Name)(constitution)(hereinafter called "the Bank" which expression shall include its ssors and assigns) hereby jointly and severally undertake and guarantee to pay to the Company inency) forthwith on demand in writing and without protest or demur of any and all moneys any wise payable e Vendor to the Company under in respect of or in connection with the said supply contract inclusive of all the pany's losses and expenses and other moneys anywise payable in respect to the above as specified in any are of demand made by the Company to the Bank with reference to this Guarantee upto an aggregate limit of figures)Rs(in words)
AND t	the Bank hereby agrees with the Company that
(i)	This Guarantee/undertaking shall be a continuing guarantee and shall remain valid and irrevocable for all claims of the Company and liabilities of the vendor arising upto and until midnight of
	This date shall be 6 months from the last date of guarantee period.
(ii)	This Guarantee/ Undertaking shall be in addition to any other guarantee or security of whatsoever that the Company may now or at any time otherwise have in relation to the vendor's obligation/liabilities under and

- /or connection with the said supply contract, and the Company shall have full authority to take recourse to or reinforce this security in preference to the other security(ies) at its sole discretion, and no failure on the part of the Company in enforcing or requiring enforcement of any other security shall have the effect of releasing the Bank from its liability hereunder.
- (iii) The Company shall be at liability without reference to the Bank and without effecting the full liability of the Bank hereunder to take any other security in respect of the vendor's obligations and /or liabilities under or in connection with the said supply contract and to vary the terms vis a vis the vendor of the said supply contract or to grant time and/ or indulgence to the vendor or to reduce or to increase or otherwise vary the prices of the total contract value or to release or to forbear from enforcement all or any of the obligations of the vendor under the said supply contract and/ or the remedies of the Company under any other security(ies) now or hereafter held by the Company and no such dealing(s), variation(s), increase(s) or the indulgence(s) or arrangement(s) with the vendor or release or forbearance whatsoever shall have the effect of releasing the Bank from its full liability to the Company hereunder or of prejudicing rights of the Company against the Bank.

- (iv) This Guarantee /Undertaking shall not be determined by the liquidation or winding up or dissolution or change of constitution or insolvency of the vendor but shall in all respects and for all purposes be binding and operative until payment of all moneys payable to the Company in terms hereof.
- (v) The Bank hereby waives all rights at any time inconsistent with the terms of the Guarantee/ Undertaking and the obligations of the Bank in terms hereof shall not be anywise affected or suspended by reason of any dispute or disputes having been raised by the vendor (whether or not pending before any Arbitrator, officer, Tribunal or Court) or any denial of liability by the vendor or any other order of communication whatsoever by the vendor stopping or preventing or purporting to stop or prevent any payment by the Bank to the Company in terms hereof.
- (vi) The amount stated in any notice of demand addressed by the Company to the Guarantor as liable to be paid to the Company by the vendor or as suffered or incurred by the Company on account of any losses or damages of costs, charges and or expenses shall as between the Bank and the Company be conclusive of the amount so liable to be paid to the Company or suffered or incurred by the Company, as the case may be and payable by the Guarantor to Company in terms hereof.

Yours faithfully,

(Signature)

NAME & DESIGNATION

NAME OF THE BANK

NOTES:



BHARAT PETROLEUM CORPORATION LIMITED SOCIAL MEDIA POLICY FOR BUSINESS PARTNERS

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TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR ACCEPTABLE USE OF SOCIAL MEDIA BY BUSINESS PARTNERS

1. OBJECTIVE

Social media has become part of everyday life and a means of communication and sharing information with others. Every organization recognises the benefits that social media tools can provide, and also reckons the challenges it brings.

These terms and conditions ("**Social Media T&Cs**") seek to provide clear guidance on acceptable standards of conduct and practices to be followed by the Business Partners (as defined below) of Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited ("**Corporation**"), in the usage of social media tools during and post their association with the Corporation. These terms and conditions are intended to protect and safeguard inter alia the interests and reputation of the Corporation, in the access, use of or participation on Social Media (as defined below) platforms by such constituents.

It is important to maintain the highest degree of professional standard that is associated with the Corporation's name, brand and reputation. Constituents must constantly be aware of the risk of damaging the Corporation's name or reputation in public forums. These terms and conditions should be adhered to by each constituent at all times and should be read harmoniously and in conjunction with the terms of their engagement with the Corporation, as well as other applicable policies and directions issued by Corporation, from time to time, including the Relevant Documents (as defined below).

1.1. Social Media

Social Media includes any web or mobile based platform that enables an individual or agency to communicate interactively and enables exchange of user generated content. The term "Social Media" describes internet-based technologies and practices that people use to share opinions, insights, experiences and perspectives. It may be internal (housed within the Constituent's technology infrastructure and open for use only by the Constituents) or public (widely available to the population of internet users).

These terms and conditions are applicable equally to a wide range of websites and mobile phone / tablet applications, including the following:

- (a) Social Networking sites, for example Facebook, Twitter, and LinkedIn.
- (b) Media Sharing sites, for example Instagram, Snapchat, YouTube
- (c) Discussion forums, for example Reddit, Quora, Digg, Glassdoor
- (d) Content Curation network, for example Pinterest, Flipboard

- (e) Blogging and Publishing sites, for example WordPress, Tumblr, Medium including blogs
- (f) Interest-based network, for example Goodreads, Houzz
- (g) Information sharing sites, such as Wikipedia
- (h) Opinion sites (e.g. Yahoo! Answers)
- (i) Any other social media platform/s

1.2. Scope and Applicability

These Social Media T&Cs are applicable to all Business Partners (as defined below), including any prospective partners of the Corporation (the "Constituents").

The Social Media T&Cs provides a framework for the usage of Social Media by the Constituents and non-conformance with these Social Media T&Cs or any other applicable policy or directions issued by the Corporation as may be relevant to the Constituents, may result in penalties ranging from financial to legal liabilities, as set out under the respective contractual understanding between each Business Partner and the Corporation.

1.3. Relevant Documents

These Social Media T&Cs have been formulated in line with the Framework & Guidelines for Use of Social Media for Government Organizations, issued by the Department of Electronics and Information Technology, Ministry of Communications & Information Technology, Government of India.

In addition, these Social Media T&Cs must be read in conjunction with the underlying contract documents including the following documents (collectively, the "Relevant Documents"), as may be applicable to each Constituent:

- (a) General Conditions of Contract for vendors (relevant clauses are placed at Annexure I);
- (b) Transportation Contract Agreement Bulk LPG Transportation Contract By Road (relevant clauses are placed at Annexure II);
- (c) PCVO, Retail and Lubes Transport guidelines.

2. CONTENT GUIDELINES

This section seeks to set out the guidelines for content management as well as administration rights of all official Business Partner Social Media accounts and ensure accountability of the authorised representatives of such Business Partner.

The following guidelines on content sharing ("Content Guidelines") must be followed, in relation to all content created, posted or shared on Social Media:

- (a) All post and other content shared via Social Media shall abide by applicable laws, including the Information Technology Act, 2000 and rules made thereunder, as amended.
- (b) The content posted or shared though official Social Media accounts, shall be relevant, engaging and in line with the Corporation's brand and communication strategy, whether in the form of text, images, gifs, videos, etc.
- (c) The Constituents shall be mindful of content and the tone associated with it. A negative tonality, sarcasm, dry humour, pun, memes, etc. should be avoided to steer clear from any controversy.
- (d) The Constituents shall be careful and ensure that any content posted or shared through the official Social Media accounts does not bring disrepute to the Corporation. Opinion or comments on political observations, religious beliefs, gender biases, etc. must be avoided while operating official Social Media accounts. In the use of official Social Media accounts, the Constituents shall refrain from forwarding or sharing any videos or images or messages, which are considered inappropriate or any content that is considered offensive, obscene or derogatory in nature.
- (e) The Constituents shall be cognizant of concerns regarding confidentiality and disclosure requirements, and must at all times, adhere to the Relevant Documents as well as these terms and conditions, to understand what shall be disclosed on a public platform. For instance any communication marked as "privileged" or "restricted" or "confidential" or "not for circulation" should not be shared on Social Media. The Constituents are absolutely prohibited from disclosing commercially sensitive, anticompetitive, private or confidential information. If unsure whether the information that is proposed to be shared falls within one of these categories, authorised representatives of the Constituent may discuss with the concerned official as designated by the Corporation.
- (f) The Constituents shall ensure that any references to the Corporation or its employees, or other customers, partners and vendors do not contravene any non-disclosure agreements. The Constituents shall avoid disclosure of any information pertaining to any employee / vendor / customer or individual associated with the Corporation, without their prior consent.
- (g) The Constituents shall be vigilant about tagging, mentions and conversations around the Corporation. If it notices any customer complaint, dealer/ distributor/ vendor grievances, media story etc., the same may be flagged to the official channels of the Corporation and will be responded to by authorized personnel within the Corporation.
- (h) In the operation of official Social Media accounts, the Constituents shall be cognizant of maintaining professional etiquette for all interactions and shall not initiate or engage in discussions which may be characterised as showcasing a personal opinion such as political or religious beliefs. In

addition, official Social Media accounts should not share any content or comment that may be viewed as colouring the relations between the Corporation and the Government of India or any Ministry / Department of the Central or State Governments.

(i) The Constituents, particularly in the use of official Social Media accounts, shall only post original content, which is free of any copyright infringement or plagiarism. To ensure the reputation and principles of the Corporation are safeguarded, all Constituents must avoid posting content that violates the law, infringes the intellectual property rights of the Corporation and its group companies or of any individual or organization. Any inadvertent posts, which violates these principles, must be removed / deleted immediately upon becoming aware of the implications as set out in these guidelines.

As responsible business partners of the Corporation, the following points must be strictly observed and followed by the Constituents:

- (i) Text, photos, images, musical work in any form, video clips, movie clips, or any other content for which the Constituent does not own copyright, must not be used in any form, and in particular for official purposes to promote any activities related to the Corporation, without obtaining consent from the copyright owner. If the copyright owner for such work cannot be identified or if the consent for use of such work is not provided by the copyright owner, the work must not be used by the Constituent.
- (ii) Capturing photographs and/or videos of the Corporation's offices, facilities, and other establishments (within or outside) or customer sites is strictly prohibited. Any such illegal images and/or videos of the Corporation's establishments, offices, facilities and factories or other sites and whether directly emailing or otherwise circulating such content via Social Media posts on the Internet, shall attract legal consequences. Official visual materials may be availed from the Corporation and can be requested through email, to the relevant State / Territory team.
- (iii) Creation, sharing and/or distribution of videos which make use of unlicensed music is strictly prohibited.
- (iv) Unauthorized videos of any events hosted by the Corporation, whether within or outside the Corporation's premises that may be captured by Constituents shall not be shared/distributed on Social Media.
- (v) All Constituents must take due care to protect the Corporation's copyright and intellectual property within and outside the organization.

- (j) The authorised personnel operating official Social Media accounts of respective Business Partner shall not post unverified news, or news from dubious 'sources', that may project the Corporation in a negative light.
- (k) The admins operating official Social Media accounts shall clearly state the source and give due disclaimers while quoting any third-party content through such Social Media accounts.
- (I) Additionally, content on official Business Partner Social Media Accounts shall be limited to the coverage of activities related to the business only. However, these accounts can re-share / retweet the posts of Corporation's official Social Media accounts, subject to the veracity of such accounts.

3. ACCEPTABLE USAGE OF SOCIAL MEDIA BY BUSINESS PARTNERS

The following guidelines are applicable to vendors, suppliers and other contractors of the Corporation ("Business Partners"), and these are intended to supplement, and do not to replace the terms and conditions or any other agreement or guidelines (including the applicable provisions set out under Annexure I or II of these Social Media T&Cs), which are currently in place to regulate the conduct of such Business Partners:

- (a) Business Partners have the discretion to decide whether their Social Media accounts will be used for personal or professional purposes. However, in any event, whether such Social Media accounts are used for official purposes or personal purposes, to the extent that they declare their affiliation with the Corporation in any way, it is deemed that they will abide by these terms and conditions read with the applicable contractual provisions and the Framework & Guidelines for Use of Social Media for Government Organizations, issued by the Department of Electronics and Information Technology, Ministry of Communications & Information Technology, Government of India.
- (b) Only official Business Partners accounts are eligible to declare their association with the Corporation or using any content owned by or belonging to the Corporation, including logo, product specifications, product pictures, product catalogues, etc. Such accounts may only post content that are official in nature and reasonably expected to promote the activities specific to its business. Such official Business Partner Social Media account shall be akin to a professional page to promote business interactions and shall not post any content which may showcase the account as expressing opinion on ancillary matters which are not in furtherance of the objective set out under the Relevant Documents, such as posts related to entertainment industry, or political views etc. However, such affiliation or use of Corporation's content, such as logo, product pictures etc. is only limited to use by official Social Media accounts of such Business Partner, and will not, at any time, be used by any authorised or other personnel of such Business Partner, in the operation of a personal Social Media account.

- (c) Every Business Partner's official or personal (individual) Social Media account is prohibited from posting / circulating any official communication / document or disclosing any business-related or other confidential information, pertaining to the Corporation, in accordance with the Relevant Documents.
- (d) Each Business Partner Social Media account, particularly those accounts which have been permitted to acknowledge their association with the Corporation, has an obligation to exercise caution in the posting or sharing of content on Social Media, and shall undertake adequate diligence prior to posting any content. In particular, such accounts shall be fully cognizant of posting or providing traction to any 'fake news' and shall refrain from posting or sharing unlawful, controversial or unverified news, or news from dubious 'sources', particularly in relation to the Corporation and the Central / State Governments.
- (e) The Business Partner Social Media account which are maintained for official purposes, shall refrain from engaging in unlawful or inappropriate posts or sharing any content that may be defamatory or may have the effect of downplaying the Corporation's business or competitors. In addition, such account should also not post or share content using derogatory language or is likely to demean sentiments of anyone with whom they engage in any public communication using Social Media.
- (f) Business Partners using Social Media for official purposes and especially those accounts that have been approved by the Corporation, shall maintain professional and proper etiquette in online interaction via Social Media and shall not engage in inappropriate behaviour. Such inappropriate behaviour includes but may not be limited to posting, sharing or endorsing in any form, any content which may be considered as:
 - (i) Divisive, unethical or unlawful at the workplace;
 - (ii) False, or derogatory, or amounting to bullying, trolling, intimidating, or harassing including using offensive, defamatory, threatening, discriminating, obscene or insulting language;
 - (iii) A misrepresentation of the Corporation, such as creating any unofficial groups or networks (whether intentional or unintentional) using the Corporation's name, logo, or email address;
 - (iv) Compromising the confidentiality (of the Constituents and/or the Corporation's information), or creating a conflict of interest;
 - (v) Disclosing commercially sensitive, anticompetitive, or information which is marked as restricted for internal circulation within the Corporation;
 - (vi) Misleading and misrepresentative, such as creating or endorsing any video channel / account representing the Corporation or any specific Business Unit, or otherwise posting or sharing any content owned by the

Corporation, unless such content has been posted on verifiable official Social Media accounts of the Corporation;

- (vii) Amounting to pornographic material (that is, writing, pictures, films and video clips of a sexually explicit nature) or content that could be considered as offensive, obscene or criminal; or
- (viii) Creating or likely to create any liability (whether criminal or civil, for the Corporation).

Where evidence of misuse or inappropriate behaviour is brought to the notice of the Corporation, the Corporation may undertake a more detailed investigation in accordance with its procedures, which may involve the examination and disclosure of records by those nominated to undertake the investigation and any witnesses involved in the investigation. If necessary, action may be taken against such Business Partner under the respective contractual agreement and in case required, such information may be handed to authorities in connection with the investigation.

- (g) Any violation of these Social Media T&Cs shall be treated as violation of General Conditions of Contract of the Corporation and may invite action by the Corporation as deemed fit, based on the sole discretion of the Corporation.
- The Corporation has a zero-tolerance policy for any complaints that may be (h) brought to its notice via Business Partner Social Media accounts. In the event the Business Partner or its associates etc. are dissatisfied with the Corporation, or have any unresolved query or grievance against the Corporation or any individual who is in the employment or association of the Corporation, the Business Partner or such person associated with it must reach out to the designated official and follow the hierarchy established within the Corporation. All such communication must follow the formal processes that are available as per contractual agreement with the Corporation. In the event the Business Partner, whether by itself or its employee or associate publishes any such information on Social Media or discloses details of any complaint or dispute with the Corporation on a public forum through Social Media, it will be in breach of the terms of these T&Cs and its agreement with the Corporation, and the Corporation will have the right to pursue such legal remedies as may be appropriate and available under law.
- (i) Upon termination or expiry of the Relevant Document / underlying contractual agreement between the Corporation and the Business Partner, the Business Partner shall ensure that all references and posts which disclose any affiliation with the Corporation has been scrubbed from the Business Partner's Social Media account and a formal written declaration to this effect must be provided to the Corporation, within 7 days of such termination or expiry.

4. ENFORCEABILITY AND COMPLIANCE

- 4.1. These Social Media T&Cs are construed to be a part of the Relevant Documents and form an integral part of the contractual understanding between the Corporation and the Business Partner.
- 4.2. Any violation of the Social Media T&Cs shall be treated as violation of respective contractual understanding between the Corporation and the Business Partner, and may invite appropriate action by the Corporation as deemed fit.
- 4.3. The Business Partner agrees and understands that all activities of the Business Partner's official Social Media Account is subject to monitoring and periodic audits by the Corporation, if required.
- 4.4. The Business Partner will provide its written acknowledgement to these Social Media T&Cs, in the form set out in Annexure III, failing which the Corporation may take such action as may be necessary to ensure compliance with these terms and conditions.
- 4.5. The concerned official of the Corporation shall be responsible for reviewing the compliance of these Social Media T&Cs as may be required to ensure that it meets legal requirements and reflects best practice.

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ANNEXURE I

GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT FOR VENDORS

Clause 34: Contractor's Subordinate Staff and Their Conducts:

34.2 If and whenever any of the Contractor's or sub-contractor's agents, sub-agents, assistants supervisor or other employees shall in the opinion of Engineer-in-Charge be <u>quilty of any misconduct</u> or be incompetent or insufficiently qualified or negligent in the performance of their duties or <u>that in the opinion of the owner or Engineer-in-Charge</u>, it is undesirable for administrative or any other reason for <u>such person or persons to be employed in the works</u>, the contractor, if so directed by the Engineer-in-Charge, shall at once remove such person or persons from employment thereon. Any person or persons so removed from the works shall not again be employed in connection with the works without the written permission of the Engineer-in-Charge. Any person so removed from the works shall be immediately replaced at the expense of the contractor by a qualified and competent substitute. Should the contractor be requested to repatriate any person removed from the works he shall do so and shall bear all costs in connection herewith.

34.3 The contractor shall be responsible for the proper behaviour of all the staff, supervisor, workmen and others and shall exercise a proper degree of control over them and in particular, and without prejudice to the said generality, the contractor shall be bound to prohibit and prevent any employees from trespassing or acting in any way detrimental or prejudicial to the interest of the community or of the properties or occupiers of land and properties in the neighbourhood and in the event of such employee so trespassing, the contractor shall be responsible therefore and relieve the Owner of all consequent claims or actions for damages or injury or any other grounds whatsoever. The decision of the Engineer-in-Charge upon any matter arising under this clause shall be final. Contractor shall ensure that none of their employees are ever engaged in any anti-national activities.

Clause 44: Liens

44.2 <u>Contractor will not disclose details of the work to any person or persons except those engaged in its performance, and only to the extent required for the particular portion of the work being done.</u> Contractor will not give any items concerning details of the work to the press or a news disseminating agency without prior written approval from Engineer-in-Charge. Contractor shall not take any pictures on site without written approval of Engineer-in-Charge.

ANNEXURE II

TRANSPORTATION CONTRACT AGREEMENT FOR BULK LPG TRANSPORTATION CONTRACT BY ROAD

Clause 28:

- (a) The Transporter shall remain at all times liable to the Corporation for any loss or damage caused to any building, plant machinery or the property of the Corporation due to careless, negligent, inexperienced act or default of the Transporter, their agents, representative or employees. The Corporation shall be entitled to deduct from the amounts payable to the Transporter under this Agreement or otherwise the loss or damages so suffered.
- (b) The Transporter will be liable for any loss and/or injury to Corporation's employee due to careless, negligent, wrongful act or default of the Transporter, his/their representatives or employees in carrying out the job under this contract.

Clause 38:

All terms & conditions stipulated in the Guidelines for Bidders, Tender Terms & Conditions, Declarations, Agreement, Industry Bulk LPG Transport Discipline Guidelines and other documents furnished with the Tender and related correspondence shall form part of the contract. The Corporations are entitled to frame and implement the Policy(ies) applicable to Transporters, and to modify and amend the same from time to time, and that the Policy(ies) as framed, amended and modified would be binding on the Transporters, immediately upon being communicated to them.

Clauses from Transportation Agreement of Retail and MAK Lubricants

ANNEUXRE III

FORMAT OF ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

[insert details to whom such acknowledgement may be addressed]		
[in the case of an individual or sole proprietorship] I ar, an inhabitant of and carrying o business of		
OR		
We are [insert names of all partners of firm] carrying on business a		
under the firm name and style of M/s		
OR		
[insert name of Limited Company or a Co-operative Society / Trust Co-operative incorporated under the laws of India and having its Registered Office a		
I / We have entered into a [insert name of agreement] dated [insert date] ("Agreement") for the [insert purpose], with Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited ("BPCL").		
In furtherance thereof, we have been provided with a copy of the Terms and Conditions for Acceptable Use of Social Media by Business Partners, issued by the Corporation.		
I / We have read and understood BPCL's Terms and Conditions for Acceptable Use of Social Media by Business Partners and agree to abide by it.		
I / We understand that any violation of the above conditions may result i disciplinary action, or termination or revocation of the Agreement.		
In acknowledgement thereof, please see below our acceptance of the Terms an Conditions for Acceptable Use of Social Media by Business Partners, issued b the Corporation, duly signed and acknowledged by [insert name], in the capacit of our authorised representative.		
A copy of such authorisation is also attached for your record.		
(Signature & seal)		
Name: Designation: Date:		