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Ref : Public Notice Ref. No. PNGRB / AUTH / 3-PPPL (2) / 2019 dated 12.03.2019 of Application of M/s Numaligarh Refinery Limited u/ Rule 19 (2) for Dedicated Pipeline for transportation of High-Speed Diesel from Siliguri Marketing Terminal of Numaligarh Refinery Limited (NRL) to Petroleum Product Storage Depot at Parbatipur.

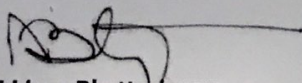
Dear Madam,

This is with reference to the aforementioned public notice wherein the Board asked the interested party to submit their views on Application of M/s Numaligarh Refinery Limited u/ Rule 19 (2) for Dedicated Pipeline for transportation of High-Speed Diesel from Siliguri Marketing Terminal of Numaligarh Refinery Limited (NRL) to Petroleum Product Storage Depot at Parbatipur. In this connection, our submissions are as follows:

- Regulation 19 (2) (a) of the Authorisation Regulation states that "the entity proposing to lay, build, operate or expand a dedicated pipeline to transport petroleum products to a specific customer and is not for resale after the appointed day shall submit details on pipeline length, route, capacity and details of the customers served along with the DFR of the project to the Board at least thirty days before the proposed commencement of laying and building of the dedicated pipeline."
- In the present application, the customer Bangladesh Petroleum Corporation (BPC) for whom dedicated Pipeline has been proposed is a marketing & Distribution company of petroleum products in Bangladesh. Hence, the customer (BPC) will resell the products among their customers.
- Therefore, the proposed pipeline does not fall within the definition of dedicated pipeline, and the application of dedicated pipeline as per the provision of PNGRB authorization regulations cannot be considered.

We would therefore submit to the Board that the application submitted by NRL for dedicated pipeline should be rejected under the existing regulatory framework.

Thanking you
Yours faithfully,



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