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Government of India  
Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas  
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Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi  
March 20, 2007

To

The DG  
DGH  
New Delhi

Subject: Gazette Notification dated 1<sup>st</sup> September 2006, regarding  
upgradation of powers and functions of DGH

Sir,

I am directed to refer to this Ministry's earlier letter No.O-19024/17/2000-ONGDV dated 15<sup>th</sup> February 2007 and your letter No.DO/DGH/MOP&NG/GN/2007 dated 27<sup>th</sup> February 2007 on the above subject.

2. The matter has been considered in the Ministry. It is clarified that the main objective of delegation of power is to utilize the technical expertise of DGH for better management of petroleum reservoirs and to help them function as a repository of relevant technical data.

3. As regards DGH approving payments for contractors, such as payments towards unfinished committed work programme under the PSC and accepting such payments on behalf of GOI, it is clarified that this falls within the purview of the Government. DGH need to make recommendations to the Government on all payment matters.

4. This issues with the approval of the competent authority.

Yours faithfully,

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