

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING  
BETWEEN  
THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
(DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY)  
AND  
THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
(MINISTRY OF POWER)

PREAMBLE

The Government of India, Ministry of Power hereinafter called Ministry of Power and the Government of United States of America, Department of Energy, hereinafter called the Department of Energy desirous of conducting bilateral energy consultations have agreed as follows:

ARTICLE I

Within the framework of common interest and mutual benefit of both countries, the U.S. Department of Energy and the Ministry of Power have agreed to establish a sub-ministerial working group on energy which will conduct energy consultations between the two agencies (hereinafter referred to as the "Group"). The purpose of this group is to enhance the understanding of energy issues and to promote the exchange of information on energy policies, programmes and technologies by consultations.

## ARTICLE II

The objective of this group include consultations:

- A) To discuss current and prospective energy developments in both countries, the Asia region and the world at large.
- B) To facilitate an exchange of information and assessments on energy demand and supply forecasts for the two countries.
- C) To exchange views on energy and related environmental policies, including global climate change, and to discuss programmes of both countries relating to the exploration, development, management, and environmental concerns of major energy resources including renewable energy resources and to the efficient and environmental responsible transport and use of energy.
- D) To review and exchange information on energy technologies including renewable energy technologies and applied energy research and development.

## ARTICLE III

For the purpose of promoting closer contacts and mutually beneficial consultations, the arrangements for the group's meeting will be as follows:-

- A) The group will consist of senior sub-ministerial officials from the U.S. Department of Energy and



the Ministry of Power. Other agencies and entities may be invited to participate in the consultations as appropriate.

- B) The U.S. Department of Energy and the Ministry of Power will each appoint an official who will make preparations for the meeting and who will have responsibility for maintaining mutual contact during the time when meetings are not held.

#### ARTICLE IV

The work programme of the group will be guided by the following procedures:

- A) The meeting will be held periodically, usually on an annual basis, alternately in the United States and India.
- B) Special meetings may be held if both the U.S. Department of Energy and the Ministry of Power so decide.
- C) The dates of the meetings will be determined at least one month in advance pursuant to discussions between the U.S. Department of Energy and the Ministry of Power.
- D) The subjects to be discussed at the meetings will be mutually determined by the U.S. Department of Energy and the Ministry of Power.

#### ARTICLE V

These consultations will be held in accordance with the laws and regulations in the United States and India.

## ARTICLE VI

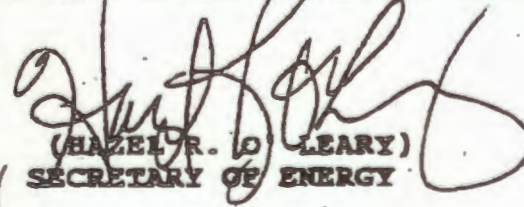
These consultations will not affect existing arrangements in place or under discussion between the U.S. Government and the Government of India organisations, or involving the U.S. Department of Energy and the Ministry of Power.

## ARTICLE VII

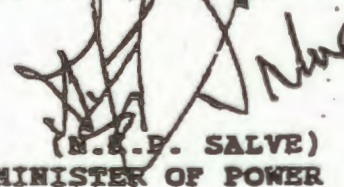
Consultations under this Memorandum of Understanding shall cease five(5) years after the date of signature, unless the U.S. Department of Energy and the Ministry of Power decide in writing that continued consultations would be beneficial.

Signed in duplicate at New Delhi, India, this 13th day of July, 1994.

For the Department of Energy  
of the United States of America

  
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For the Ministry of Power  
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MINISTER OF POWER

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