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The Dean (Research & Consultancy) NIT, Tiruchirappalli Tanjore Main Road, National Highway 67 Near BHEL Trichy, Tiruchirappalli (Tamil Nadu) PIN: 620015

Subject: Submission of New Research & Development Project Proposals FY: 2021-22

Dear Sir,

As you may be aware, GAIL (India) Limited is India's largest Natural Gas company involved in Transportation, Distribution and Marketing of Natural Gas in the country. GAIL also have business interests in several fields related to natural gas and its derivatives like Liquid Hydrocarbons, LPG Transmission, Petrochemicals, City Gas Distribution, E&P and Renewable Energy. GAIL employs the best-in-class technologies in all its operations and lays special emphasis on regularly updating and improving its processes and systems to keep pace with latest technologies. GAIL has taken good strides in its business and is India's youngest Maharatna Company. More details on GAIL activities are available at GAIL's website: www.gailonline.com

GAIL pursues a focused R&D strategy to further its competitive edge in its existing businesses by improving operational efficiency while also exploring new resources of energy to meet the growing demand of India's populace for clean energy. GAIL has completed over 50 collaborative R&D projects and filed about 32 patents jointly with premier educational Institutes / CSIR Labs. GAIL is currently pursuing 22 R&D projects through various Institutes /CSIR Laboratories

The present Government Guidelines require the PSUs to focus on commercialization of R&D achievement, Innovation or technological upgradation leading to efficiency in operations, or reduction in operating cost.

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GAIL intends to spend significant budget on R&D efforts and has framed R&D strategy to help achieving its goal. GAIL has a Research Advisory Council (RAC) comprising external experts to recommend and guide our R&D efforts.

GAIL is interested to further broad base the R&D efforts and hereby requests R&D proposals from your Institute on innovative ideas that can be customized for GAIL's business application. Hence, we request your good self to widely circulate this letter amongst your R&D faculty to enable submission of R&D Project proposals for considering sponsorship. A format for submission of proposals along with draft clauses and broad terms and conditions governing the project proposals are enclosed at Annexure- I & II for immediate reference and ease of submission/ evaluation. The Proposals should be supplemented with Techno-Commercial features along-with Industrial Application in line with GAIL's Thrust areas (Annexure-III-Part-I & II). The R&D proposals may be forwarded through email at: cor&d@gail.co.in. with a copy to rahul.sharma@gail.co.in.

Alternatively, Scientists can also submit a preliminary Abstract (2 to 5 pages) of their proposals relevant to GAIL on which GAIL team shall interact with the faculties to develop the final proposal.

Though the R&D proposals can be sent on a continuous basis, it is advised to submit the same by 25.12.2021 so that such proposals may be considered in the upcoming meetings of the RAC of GAIL.

We shall be glad to provide any clarifications, if required, on the matter including direct discussions with the concerned.

Thanking you and looking forward to an encouraging & quick response.

Yours sincerely,

(Sanjeev Kumar)

CGM (R&D and Start-up)

Encl: As above

Copy to: Director, NIT- Tiruchirappalli