



Dated: 18th Sept. 2020

Dear Sir/Madam

We, Nitro Explosives (T) Ltd are constructing a manufacturing plant for emulsion at Mavuji, Kilwa, Lindi with the assistance of your esteemed institution Tanzania Investment Centre (TIC).

We had applied for availing the exemptions under your ambit to procure various equipment and tools for constructing the plant 3 years ago and we thank you for granting it. During this tenure we have regularly produced Plant Progress Reports and have hosted officials for site inspection as required by the statutes of TIC.

The construction of the plant infrastructure including its various buildings and the residency campus took us around two years to complete due to the remoteness of the site and soil conditions.

The main process for manufacturing emulsion is based on a used stirpot emulsion module procured from our partner Austin Powder's Argentina emulsion plant and using the latest systems around it for the other various equipment related to the manufacturing. In order to bring coherence between the conventional and latest system we are undergoing regular technical meetings and also for the logistic equipment/vehicles for transferring the manufactured emulsion.

As emulsion manufacturing requires using hazardous chemicals we have to design the systems as per world standards considering the outmost safety for all. All this parameters is also causing delay in the completion of the plant. We still have to design the control systems including the PLC for the emulsion module, construction of additional storage systems including silos and procure critical equipment and spares.

We have however, completed installation of more than 50% of the plant equipment. Most of the other balance equipment and construction materials have been already been ordered/purchased and some of them have already reached Tanzania but awaiting custom clearance and others are being in the process of being transported to Tanzania.

Furthermore, due to the COVID-19 Pandemic restrictions all procuring movements and vendors manufacturing process are being hindered.

We ourselves want to complete the plant as early as possible but it is taking its own due time due to technical and safety design parameters and the world pandemic situation is adding extra delays.

As we are writing to you, some of the equipment/materials ordered last year and early this year for manufacturing have arrived and are lying in Dar es Salaam port waiting for the Exemption extension from your respectful office.

Kindly find attached herewith

- **Annexure 1** Purchase Order PO 1430 Dated 28th August 2019 it was confirmed on 03rd June 2020 bearing 19 items.

- **Annexure 2** Invoice 8320000326 Second order Dated 01st February 2020, bearing 13 items.
- **Annexure 3** Invoice 8320000295 Third order dated 10th December 2019, bearing 1 item.
- **Annexure 4** Bill of lading No. DAR 203070 SACO SHIPPING LINE LTD, Equipment for bulk plant-Harmless goods in 2 cases.
- **Annexure 5** list of additional items which is still to come, 32 items.
- **Annexure 6** list of equipment and materials awaiting to be transported from South Africa
- **Annexure 7** Invoices of equipment and materials yet to be manufactured by vendors due to pandemic restrictions in South Africa

We hence, for the accomplishment of the Emulsion Plant in process, we humbly request you for the TIC exemption extension for another year and facilitate us to serve the country in its economy.

We hope to have a favourable response from you.

Thanking You
Yours Sincerely