

ENGAGEMENT OF THIRD PARTY SAMPLERS BY THE  
POWER UTILITIES / POWER PRODUCERS

**Section-1;**

**Preamble:**

During the meeting held by Hon'ble MOS(IC) for Power, Coal and New & Renewable Energy with Association of Power Producers on 20th June 2014 where officials of Ministry of Coal / Ministry Of Power, CEA and different power producers were present, it was agreed that in addition to the agency engaged by CIL, a panel of reputed "third party sampling companies" would be drawn up by a committee consisting of representatives from power utilities and CEA with the concurrence of CIL. The panel drawn up by the said committee would be notified by CIL. The Power utilities/ developers will select and appoint the third party samplers from the panel duly finalized by CEA and empanelled by CIL for carrying out collection, preparation of coal samples at loading end of subsidiary coal company and the analysis / testing of coal samples at their [Third Party Samplers] own Laboratory duly nominated by CEA / CIL for this purpose.

Further in the meeting held on 19.8.2014 at Haryana Govt. Secretariat, Chandigarh between MOS (I/C) Coal / Power / NRE, along with representatives of MOC, MOP, CEA, CIL and Chief Minister of Haryana along with other dignitaries of Haryana Govt. where Sri Devendra Singh, Principal Secretary (Power), Haryana State Government raised the issue of quality of coal and envisaged on Independent Third Party Sampling by Power Utilities / developers. In the meeting Hon'ble MOS (I/C) Coal/Power/NRE directed that independent Third Party Sampling to be undertaken by Power Utilities has already been decided and CIL & CEA are already jointly in process of implementation of the same. It was reiterated that Power Utilities shall carry out Third Party sampling and analysis at their own independent Laboratory.

In the note dated 20.8.14 of CIL processed for this purpose, Chairman CIL has directed to put in place the standard operating procedure for the same (Copy enclosed). Accordingly the observations of CIL for the standard operating procedures to be adopted are given in the next section.

**Section-II;**

**Standard operating procedure for coal sampling and analysis at loading end:**

**A. Modalities for collection of sample:-**

1. Collection of sample should be strictly as per guidelines given by Coal Controller office / Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS).
2. Provisions of above modalities are already laid down in FSA signed between the Coal Company and the Power Utilities which already has approval of the CIL Board [Schedule-V of FSA Models for Power Utilities]. A set of the detailed modalities for third party sampling to be engaged by Power Utility is enclosed.

**3. Collection of samples shall be as mentioned below:-**

- (i) Coal samples may be collected by both third party agencies viz. parties appointed by CIL and Power Utilities / developers for sampling procedure like sample preparation, testing & analysis.

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(iii) Samples may be drawn independently by both third party and post sampling assignments may be undertaken independently. In this case there may be possibility of variation in results for inherent nature of coal.

**B. Preparation and analysis of coal samples:-**

(i) Modalities for storage and preparation of joint samples would be strictly as per guidelines given by Coal Controller office / Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS). Provisions of above modalities are already laid down in FSA [Schedule-V of FSA Models for Power Utilities copy enclosed in section-III].

(ii) Preparation of coal samples collected by third party samplers shall be done at the loading end of subsidiary coal company.

(iii) Analysis / testing of the prepared sample may be done at the coal companies laboratories which are already infrastructurally well equipped.

(iv) If the purchaser so wishes, it can get the sample tested / analysed at any accredited independent laboratory of the Third Party Sampler nominated by CEA / CIL for this purpose.

(v) In case of dispute, referee samples would be kept for 14 days before sending for further testing at CIMFR (finalized by CEA) or until the results of the sample is accepted whichever is earlier.

Submitted for kind approval of the above modalities / SOP before circulating to Subsidiary Coal Companies.

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