PROFORMA OF SURETY BOND FOR CONTRACT PERFORMANCE SECURITY

(To be executed on non-judicial stamp paper of appropriate value)

Ref.....

Guarantee No.....

To,

Chief General Manager (Commercial)

Numaligarh Refinery Limited,

Pankagrant, PO: Numaligarh Refinery Project,

Dist-Golaghat (Assam), India, PIN-785699

Dear Sir (s),

In consideration of you, Numaligarh Refinery Limited, having its office at [122A, G.S. Road, Christianbasti Guwahati-781005] (hereinafter referred to as the "NRL", which expression shall unless it be repugnant to the subject or context thereof include its successors and assigns) having awarded the Contract to [insert name of the Contractor] having its registered office at [insert address of the Contractor] (hereinafter referred to as the "Contractor", which expression shall unless it be repugnant to the subject or context thereof include its/their executors, administrators, successors and assigns) in relation to [insert Contract Name/Work Description] pursuant to the Contract Agreement bearing Reference Number [insert reference number] (hereinafter collectively referred to as "Contract Documents"), we [insert name of the Guarantor] having our registered office at [insert registered address of the Guarantor] and one of its branches at [insert relevant branch address of the Guarantor] (hereinafter referred to as the "Guarantor", which expression shall include its successors and assigns), at the request of the Contractor, do hereby irrevocably, unconditionally, and without reservation guarantee the due and faithful performance, discharge, and compliance of all terms, conditions, and obligations under the Contract Documents by the said Contractor and unconditionally undertake to pay NRL forthwith on first demand without any demur, reservation, recourse, contest, protest, or proof of satisfaction or condition, and without reference to the Contractor, an amount of Rs. [insert amount] (hereinafter referred to as the "Guarantee Amount") as our primary obligation if the Contractor shall fail to perform, discharge, or comply with any of the terms, conditions, or obligations contained in the said Contract Documents.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Guarantor hereby unconditionally and irrevocably guarantees and affirms as follows:

- 1. This Performance Guarantee (hereinafter referred to as the "Guarantee") shall be a continuing guarantee and shall remain in full force and effect for all claims or demands made by the NRL on the Guarantor until the NRL discharges this Guarantee, subject however that the NRL shall have no claims under this Guarantee after [*insert time and date including at least 03 (three) months beyond the defect liability period, plus six months' claim period*] or any written extension(s) thereof.
- 2. In order to give full effect to this Guarantee, NRL shall be entitled to treat the Guarantor as the principal debtor. NRL shall have the fullest liberty without affecting in any way the liability of the Guarantor under this Guarantee from time to time to vary any of the terms and conditions contained in the said Contract Documents or to extend time for performance of the Contract or the validity period of the Performance Guarantee or the period for compliance with any obligations by the Contractor or to postpone for any

time and from time to time any of the powers exercisable by it against the said Contractor and either to enforce or forbear from enforcing any of the terms and conditions contained in the said Contract Documents or the securities available to NRL, and the Guarantor shall not be released from its liability under these presents by any exercise by NRL of the liberty with reference to the matters aforesaid or by reason of time being given to the said Contractor or any other forbearance, act or omission on the part of NRL or any indulgence by NRL to the said Contractor or by any change in the constitution of NRL or its absorption, merger or amalgamation with any other person or any other matter or thing whatsoever which under the law relating to Guarantee would but for this provision have the effect of releasing the Guarantor from its such liability.

- 3. It shall not be necessary for the NRL to proceed against the Contractor before proceeding against the Guarantor and the Guarantee herein contained shall be enforceable against the Guarantor as principal debtor notwithstanding the existence of any other undertaking or security for any indebtedness of the Contractor to the NRL and notwithstanding that any such security shall at the time when claim is made against the Guarantor or proceedings taken against the Guarantor hereunder, be outstanding or unrealized.
- 4. The amount stated by the NRL in any demand, claim or notice made with reference to this Guarantee shall as between the Guarantor and the NRL for the purpose of this Guarantee be final, conclusive and binding of the amount payable by the Guarantor to the NRL hereunder.
- 5. The liability of the Guarantor to the NRL under this Guarantee shall remain in full force and effect notwithstanding the existence of any difference or dispute between the Contractor and the NRL, the Contractor and the Guarantor and/or the Guarantor and the NRL or otherwise howsoever related to this Guarantee or the liability of the Contractor to the NRL, and notwithstanding the existence of any instructions or purported instructions by the Contractor or any other person to the Guarantor not to pay or for any cause withhold or defer payment to the NRL under this Guarantee, with the intent that notwithstanding the existing of such difference, dispute or instructions, the Guarantor shall be and remain liable to make payment to the NRL in terms thereof.
- 6. We, the Guarantor, further agree that NRL shall be the sole judge to decide as to whether the Contractor is in default of due and faithful fulfilment and compliance with the terms and conditions contained in the aforesaid Contract Documents and the decision of NRL that the Contractor is in default as aforesaid shall be final and binding on us, notwithstanding any differences between NRL and the Contractor or any dispute pending before any Court, Tribunal, Arbitrator or any other authority.
- 7. This Guarantee shall not be determined or affected by the liquidation or winding up or dissolution or change of constitution or insolvency of the Contractor or any change in the legal constitution of the Guarantor or the NRL.
- 8. Any notice by way of request, demand or otherwise hereunder shall be sufficiently given or made if addressed to the Guarantor and sent by courier or by registered mail or via email to the Guarantor at the address set forth herein.
- We undertake to make the payment on receipt of your notice of claim on us addressed to name of Guarantor along with branch address and delivered at our above branch and/or via email to: [*insert email ID*] which shall be deemed to have been duly authorized to receive the said notice of claim.
- 10. We, the Guarantor, further undertake not to revoke this Guarantee during its currency except with the previous express consent of NRL in writing.

- 11. The Guarantor declares that it has power to issue this Guarantee and discharge the obligations contemplated herein, the undersigned is duly authorised and has full power to execute this Guarantee for and on behalf of the Guarantor.
- 12. This Guarantee issued by us is in full compliance with applicable laws of India, as amended from time to time.
- 13. This Guarantee is for the benefit of NRL and its successors and assigns. This Guarantee is binding not only on the Guarantor, but also on the Guarantor's successors and permitted assigns. The Guarantor shall not assign its rights and obligations hereunder to any person, insurer, company or other entity except as permitted by NRL in writing.
- 14. Notwithstanding anything herein:
 - i. The Guarantor's liability under this Guarantee shall not exceed Rs. [*insert Guarantee Amount*];
 - ii. This Guarantee shall remain in force until [insert];
 - iii. This Guarantee shall have additional claim period of [*six*] months thereafter; and
 - iv. The Guarantor is liable to pay the Guarantee Amount or any part thereof under this Guarantee only if NRL serves upon the Guarantor a written claim or demand upon the Guarantor or any branch thereof on or before the aforesaid claim period.

Signed and sealed this $[\bullet]$ day of $[\bullet]$, $[\bullet]$ at $[\bullet]$.

SIGNED, SEALED, AND DELIVERED

For and on behalf of the Guarantor by:

(Signature)

(Name)

(Designation)

(Code Number)

(Address)

Instructions: -

- (a) The surety bond shall be from a Surety Insurer as per guidelines issued by Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI) as amended from time to time.
- (b) The surety bond should contain the name, designation and code number of the officer(s) signing the surety bond.
- (c) The address, telephone number, E-mail and other details of the head office of the surety insurer as well as of issuing branch should be mentioned on the covering letter of issuing branch. The letter may also include any web portal link, from where the Surety Bond can be confirmed by the Company.
- (d) The Insurance Surety Bond should be on Non-Judicial stamp paper/e-stamp paper of appropriate value as per Stamp Act prevailing in the state(s) where the Insurance Surety Bond is submitted or is to be acted upon or the rate prevailing in State where the Insurance Surety Bond is executed, whichever is higher. The Stamp Paper/e-stamp paper shall be purchased in the name of Bidder/Insurer issuing the Insurance Surety Bond.