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18<sup>th</sup> Aug 2014

To,  
The Central Public Information Officer  
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From,  
Shivakumar Narayanan,  
State Business Development Manager – Tamilnadu,  
Reliance Industries Limited,  
No 89 -90, Dr Radhakrishnan Salai,  
6<sup>th</sup> Floor, Reliance Retail Building,  
Mylapore, Chennai – 600004

Sub: Information sought under the Right to Information Act 2005 on Construction of 765 KV Double circuit Transmission line associated with LTOA from Tuticorin to Dharmapuri – Casting of foundation for installation of tower (location no 101) at Reliance Industries Retail outlet land in Survey No 157/1A1 and S.No 157/1A2 situated on NH 47, Salem Road, Kaligoundanpalayam Village, Sankagiri Taluk, Salem District -Reg.

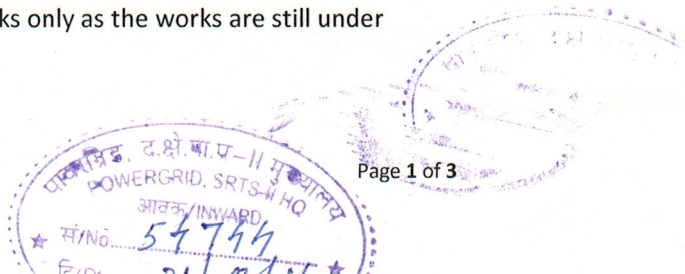
Ref: Your reply letter Ref: SR-II/RTI/F-250/2014/31980 dated 5<sup>th</sup> Aug 2014.

Sir,

We are in receipt of your reply for Information sought under the Right to Information Act 2005, letter Ref: SR-II/RTI/F-250/2014/31980 dated 5<sup>th</sup> Aug 2014. At the outset we are dismayed to note that certain relevant and specific information sought by us have not been disclosed.

Replies for Queries which don't reveal the exact facts are given below:

1. Your reply letter Ref: SR-II/RTI/F-250/2014/31980 dated 5<sup>th</sup> Aug 2014: In reply to Query No 2 it is stated that, "During execution of works at site due to various factors like techno economical/statutory clearance requirements, soil conditions etc. fine tuning of the route will be necessitated. On completion of the entire works, comprehensive approval for the entire constructed route will be obtained from the competent authority. The required details will be available on completion of entire works only as the works are still under



progress.” – It is difficult to believe that a public sector organisation like yours has undertaken such a large project with huge financial and third party implications without any initial approval. It cannot be accepted that the approval will be obtained only on completion of the entire works. There must be a process of initial approval and approval for every subsequent change made. We, therefore, seek such initial approval accorded for carrying out the work of installation of towers on this route and approval for every change made thereto till date with relevant details, annexures, and attachments.

2. In reply to query no. 4 it is stated that “Data like details of land with names of the owner covered along the route of the transmission line are not being collected and as such not available.” These details were sought in respect of the towers embedded in the 10 kms stretch on either side of our site. The reply given by you cannot be accepted on the face of it. It is unbelievable that the Corporation does not have the details of the land and owner of the land where the tower, which is an asset of the Corporation, is or is to be embedded. You are, therefore, once again requested to provide these details.
3. Your reply letter Ref: SR-II/RTI/F-250/2014/31980 dated 5<sup>th</sup> Aug 2014: Reply to Query No 6. Approval letter from Southern Railways has been enclosed. Approved Drawing No SA/E.31/II/12-13/39 as given in letter from Southern Railway Ref RBC.14.03022014-2 No.SA/E.31/II/12-13/39 dated 3<sup>rd</sup> Feb 2014 not provided, same may be given. Charges if any applicable shall be paid by us.
4. Your reply letter Ref: SR-II/RTI/F-250/2014/31980 dated 5<sup>th</sup> Aug 2014: Reply to Query No 7. Reply is specific only to objections. It does not state any request received for relocation of the proposed transmission line. You are, therefore, requested to provide the details of “all requests received for relocation” from the owners of land where the towers are embedded or are to be embedded. Proposed tower location in land belonging to Reliance Industries limited is given as 102. In all correspondences we are of the understanding that the tower location is 101. Kindly reconfirm.
5. Your reply letter Ref: SR-II/RTI/F-250/2014/31980 dated 5<sup>th</sup> Aug 2014: Reply to Query No 8. We require additional information in this regard. Please provide us details of all relocation proposals received to install tower/s from the original/initial plan to any other location from Tuticorin to Dharmapuri stretch.
6. Your reply letter Ref: SR-II/RTI/F-250/2014/31980 dated 5<sup>th</sup> Aug 2014: Reply to Query No 10. In your reply to our query, you have taken a stand that you are exempted from disclosing the information under section 8 (1) (j) of the RTI Act 2005, which is untenable & unsustainable under the RTI Act 2005 itself since we are not seeking any personal

information. Our query is seeking the details and copies of complaints, if any received against the officials in discharge of their official duties of the Powergrid Corporation Ltd, who were/ are involved in the laying of the above transmission line with details of action taken, if any to be furnished. We are surprised to see your reply taking shelter under section 8 (1) (j) of the RTI Act 2005. Our query referred above cannot be construed by any stretch of imagination that we are asking for the personal information which has no relationship to any public duty. In other words our query specifically sought the details of complaints while discharging their official duties laying of the transmission lines. It is needless to state that your reply is grossly misled placing reliance on section 8(1) (j) of the RTI Act 2005. Hence we request you to disclose the information with regard to the copies of complaints received and with the details of the actions taken against your officials in relation to laying of the transmission lines.

As an abundant caution, we are once again attaching pay order no...650445 for Rs...1.00/- towards fees for providing information sought for herein.

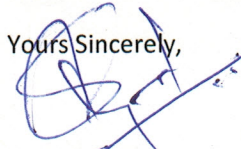
My Address for Communication is:

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Reply may be sent to the above communication address please.

Thanking You,

Yours Sincerely,



Shivakumar Narayanan

Copy to-ED/SRTS-II, Appellate Authority, POWERGRID,SR-II-for kind information please.(By Courier).

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