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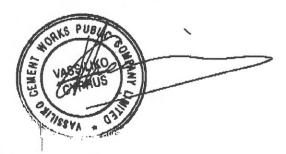
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Reference letter on the performance of Ecofors

We hereby certify that following the installation of the Ecofor system on our cement mills 2/3/4, since 1999, we have observed the following very encouraging results on the performance of our mills.

- Increase in production by 18, 11 & 8 % on mills 2, 3 &4 respectively (at same blaine and fineness).
- Reduction in grinding media wear rate by 10 gms/tn (32 vs 22).
- 3. No formation of coating on the mill lining and grinding media Surfaces are very clean.
- 4, Maintenance free system The devices operate without any maintenance.
- 5. The devices were paid back soon after installation (7 to 12 months).
- 6. Tests were made to turn off the devices and we observed a substantial reduction in the mill productivity. This proved that the devices are performing very well whilst operating.
- 7. At certain cases (3 times) we observed for a couple of days sudden reduction of productivity, and after investigating we found out that the Ecofor cable was disconnected from the separator shell because of manual intervention of the maintenance people working on the separator. After reconection productivity was restored to previous value. The static charges are removed from the mill circuit after connecting the separator and mill gearboxes to the ecofors by cabling. Power supply to the Ecofors is normally 240 volts.
- 8. Flowability and pack-set of cement were improved drastically since the installation of the Ecofors.
- 9. The increase in productivity is beyond that achieved to addition of grinding aids. Addition of grinding aids continued as before. The total rise in productivity with grinding aids and ecofors averages 25%.
- 10. Net savings of 0.25\$ per tonne ground are achieved by using together grinding aids and ecofors. Most of the savings are due to ecofors, since they are paid back and no extra cost is associated from their present use.

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