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Chairman

Public Utilities Commission of Sri Lanka.

GOVERNMENT POLICY IN RESPECT TO THE ELECTRICITY INDUSTRY AS PER SECTION 5 OF THE SRI LANKA ELECTRICITY ACT AND SECTION 30 OF THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF SRI LANKA ACT

I refer to your latter No. PUC/LIC/2021/MOP/01 dated July 26, 2021, on the above subject.

Please find enclosed herewith the Cabinet Decision dated July 26, 2021, with respect to Submission of Nationally Determined Contributions to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change related to the Paris Agreement, which is self-explanatory.

Further, the Board of CEB at its meeting held on July 20, 2021 has taken a decision to proceed with finalization of the LCLTGEP of CEB pursuant to the Government policy decision enshrined in "Vision for Prosperity/@ლადადადა දැන්ම", addition of 70% of NCRE and 30% of other resources and to submit such draft plan for approval of the PUCSL.

Secretary

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CABINET DECISION

. Given below is an extract of Item No.(28) of the Minutes of the Cabinet Meeting held on 2021-07-26.

Item No.(28)

Cabinet Paper No.21/1352/321/012-L a Note to the Cabinet dated 2021-07-22 by the Minister of Environment on "Submission of the Nationally Determined Contributions to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change related to the Paris Agreement" - (Cabinet decision dated 2021-07-12 on CP No.21/1259/321/012 refers) the above Note was considered along with the further clarifications made by the Minister of Environment at this meeting, stating that the National Determined Contributions of the Power Sector have been formulated to be in line with the Green Socio-Economic Policy of the Government and the key highlights prepared accordingly are indicated among others, in Annex-01 to the Note. After discussion, Cabinet decided to grant its concurrence to include the contents under paragraphs 01 and 02 in the Note, in the Nationally Determined Contributions to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change related to the Paris Agreement, in addition to the approval granted at its meeting held on 2021-07-12.

It was also decided to treat this decision as confirmed and to authorize the Secretary to the Cabinet of Ministers to convey the same to the relevant authorities for necessary action accordingly.

Action by:

My/Power - to be brought to the notice of the Hon. Minister - copy of Note annexed.

My/Environment - to be brought to the notice of the Hon. Minister.

State Ministry of Solar Power, Wind and Hydro Power Generation

Projects Development - copy of Note annexed.

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Annex 1

Key highlights of Sri Lanka's Nationally Determined Contributions and Vision for a Low Carbon Future

Sri Lanka is highly vulnerable to the adverse impacts of climate change. The country focuses on building the resilience of Agriculture, Fisheries, Livestock, Health, Water, Biodiversity, Coastal and Marine, Tourism, Urban Planning and Human Settlement sectors

Sri Lanka's per capita greenhouse gas emission in 2010 was 1.02 tons and its global cumulative contribution in 2019 was 0.03%.

Despite this low carbon footprint and highly vulnerable status, Sri Lanka commits to increase 32% forest cover by 2030 and reduce greenhouse emissions by 14.5% for the period of 2021-2030 from Power (electricity generation), Transport, Industry, Waste, Forestry, and Agriculture

In order to realize this ambitious target, Sri Lanka further commits;

- > To achieve 70% renewable energy in electricity generation by 2030
- > To achieve Carbon Neutrality by 2050 in electricity generation
- No capacity addition of Coal power plants

Sri Lanka has already launched following major initiatives;

- > Adopting 'Colombo Declaration on Sustainable Nitrogen Management' with an ambition to halve nitrogen waste by 2030
- Banning agro-chemicals and chemical fertilizer
- Promoting organic fertilizer and farming
- Banning single-use plastics
- > Promoting E-mobility
- Promoting circular economy

Sri Lanka expects to achieve its Carbon Neutrality by 2060

Copied to:

Secretary to the President - copy of Note annexed.

Secretary to the Prime Minister - copy of Note annexed.

My/Economic Policies & Plan Implementation - copy of Note amexed.

Foreign Ministry - copy of Note annexed. My/Finance - copy of Note amexed.

Secretary, Presidential Task Force for the creation of a Green Sri Lanka with Sustainable Solutions to Climate Changes - copy of Note annexed.

W.M.D.J. Fernando

Secretary to the Cabinet of Ministers

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