



Press release

Cummins conferred with the CII National Award for “Excellence in Energy Management 2010”

*The Company's rural electrification project piloted in Kolha in Orissa won under the category of
Innovative Energy Saving Product / Service Award*

Chennai/Pune, September 2, 2010: The rural electrification project initiated by Cummins in collaboration with Cummins Engine Research Facility (CERF) at IIT Bombay, piloted in the village Kolha in Orissa has been conferred with the 11th National Award for “Excellence in Energy Management 2010” by the Confederation of Indian Industry. The award was presented by Dr. Ajay Mathur, Director General, Bureau of Energy Efficiency at a ceremony held today in Chennai. At the forum the Company showcased the award winning indigenously developed technology which enables the generator set to run on Straight Vegetable Oil (SVO).

Four years ago, Cummins India Limited had collaborated with CERF, IIT Bombay for developing a sustainable and replicable electrification model for remote villages across India. The main objective of the program was to develop and establish a Distributed Generation Model for rural electrification that is economically sustainable, scalable and uses the “Right Technology” for electricity generation, utilizing locally available renewable energy sources (Straight Vegetable Oil from non edible oil seeds grown locally), whilst minimizing overall carbon emissions. On August 15, 2009, the pilot project was initiated in Kolha, a lesser known tribal village approximately 2.5 hours away from the Orissa State Capital of Bhubaneswar.

Speaking about the recognition, Anant J.Talaulicar, Chairman and Managing Director, Cummins India Limited said, “We are honoured to receive the recognition conferred upon us by the Confederation of Indian Industry. In our close to half a century of operations in India, we have been committed to deploying our technology and human expertise towards the development of both the nation’s economy and its people. We believe that this rural electrification initiative using locally available, low cost, renewable energy sources is an important first step taken in the direction of electrifying remote villages and hence making people’s lives better in the rural



sections of our nation. We are working on replicating the model in other villages over time. In fact, we have recently launched a similar project in a remote village called Padarwadi in Maharashtra.”

The pilot project for rural electrification that was validated in Kolha, has been replicated by Cummins in Padarwadi, a remote village 800 meters downhill from Bhimashankar. The Distributed Generation Model implemented in Padarwadi village uses SVO extracted from locally available Pongamia seeds to generate electricity. As rice is the only grain that is grown in the village, the project was conceived with the intention of helping the villagers operate a rice mill, procured through contributions made by them and a loan provided by the NGO, Maharashtra Arogya Mandal. In addition to running the rice mill, the electricity generated is also being used for farming, that helps garner additional revenue.

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