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Shri C K Mishra
Secretary
Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change

Sub: Request for interim relief to Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) applicants under e-Waste rules for importing their products into India

Respected Sir,

Greetings from MAIT, the apex body representing the ICT Hardware Sector in India!

I am writing to you with reference to E-Waste Regulations currently under implementation. MAIT members have wholeheartedly supported this excellent initiative of the Ministry of Environment and Forests and we continue to encourage the industry for proactive compliance.

I would like to bring to your kind attention that some of our industry members have applied for e-Waste registration at Central Pollution Control Board. While the applications are being processed, the business critical consignments of applicants get stuck at customs due to unavailability of EPR.

I request your kind intervention for granting interim relief to such applicants by informing the Customs authorities to clear such blocked shipments against an undertaking from the companies.

Look forward to your kind intervention.

With warm regards,

Anwar Shirpurwala
Chief Executive Officer

CC: Shri S P Singh Parihar, Chairman, Central Pollution Control Board