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Shri Bharat Kumar Sharma
Member Secretary
CPCB

Subject: Request for immediate and urgent issuance of appropriate Instructions to Customs & Port Authorities to ensure seamless flow of consignments of EEE covered under EWMR rules 2022

Ref: CPCB Notification no File No: CP-22/40/2023-WM-III-HO-CPCB-HO dated 31st August 2023.

Respected Sir,

Greetings from MAIT!

This bears reference to the CPCB instructions notice to Customs vide File No:CP-22/40/2023-WM-III-HO-CPCB-HO.

We would like to highlight that a lot of producers have got their migration of applications approved on the E-Waste EPR Portal but haven't got the EPR authorization certificates yet. As you already know, today is the last date for the release of imported consignments of producers of notified EEE items (106 EEE items) and post which Customs will halt the consignments which will be a major disruption to the business and it is against the motto of Ease of Doing Business.

In another case, in line with CPCB's guidance Producers filed E-Waste Amendment Authorisation Applications at least a month ago, as per the requirement of the online EPR portal, and since then have not received the approval of the amendment application. Despite repeated follow-ups with Officials at CPCB, the amendment applications have not been processed and in many cases, no acknowledgement has been issued by CPCB. In many cases, CPCB has raised a query on the application at the end moment.

This is creating an unnecessary inconvenience and business risk for the industry as the Customs might halt the consignments post 15th September 2023.

It is our urgent and sincere request to kindly issue the necessary instructions to Customs and Port authorities so that the industry doesn't face the challenge of shipments and consignments being blocked due to the absence of such communication.

We hope that immediate action will be taken on this matter and Industry is supported to remain compliant and not face unnecessary disruption in business.

We are sanguine that our request will be taken care of by your good office in a positive manner.

Warm regards,

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