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Sub : Implementation of the new Centralized CHA Directory - Reg.

Attention of CHAs/CHA association is invited to the Public Notices Nos.27/2006 Dated 23.09.2005, Facility Intimation No. 09/2007.06.2006 and reminder dated 08.2006

2. The facility for centralized maintenance of CHA registrations has been developed and is ready for use. The maintenance of these registrations would be carried out from 19 Policy Sections/ CHA sections is listed at Annex A enclosed herewith. These 19 policy sections cover all locations where ICES is operational.

3. The CHAs who wish to register or update their registration must approach their respective Policy Sections/CHA sections listed in Annex A. Column B of this Annex gives the list of associated ICES locations covered by the CHA Sections/ Policy Sections listed in Annex A.

4. All CHAs are required to obtain their new registrations from the CHA/policy sections where their original license was issued. CHAs who have been registered with more than one Policy section will have to decide on retaining one of their registrations. All future updations to their registrations will have to be done in that policy section only. The list of such CHAs is also provided on the website.

5. During the period starting from October 2005 to June 2006, CHAs were required to submit their PAN details for the generation of PAN based registrations. Data collated in this regard suggests that there are CHAs that have not registered with any policy section while some have registered themselves with multiple policy sections. In order to provide the status on the CHAs in regard to their PAN based registration website has been developed. It can be accessed on <http://www.icegate.gov.in/CHAREport/index.html> . The following information is available on this site:

1. PAN Based Registration Details: The CHA's new PAN based IDs can be accessed by entering the PAN number. CHAs may extract their registration details that have been entered in their registration.

2. Unregistered CHAs: It may be noted that while submitting their PAN based details, some CHAs have not provided their registration information, while some others have not submitted their PAN based registration particulars at all. The lists provide details in respective categories.

3. Registered CHAs: There are links giving information on registered users sorted by CHA name and by ICES locations.

4. Duplicate Registrations: This list provides details for those CHAs who have got their PAN based registrations done from multiple policy sections.

All CHAs are hereby advised to proceed with their concerned CHA section and get their registrations completed. CHAs may contact the helpdesk at 011-23379020 for clarifications, if any required.

6. The new PAN based directory will come into operation with effect from 11th September 2006. With effect from this date, old CHA registration numbers will not be permitted to be used for the purpose of filing. CHAs are required to henceforth use their 15 digit PAN based registration number while filing their document at the service centre or through ICEGATE. The new PAN based CHA registrations have been issued branch-wise. CHAs can file his documents (Bills of Entry/Shipping Bills) from any branch to any ICES location. In these documents, the CHA must quote the PAN based registration number with branch extension that is concerned with the particular document. For example, if the Chennai branch of a CHA is filing the document, the CHA registration number with corresponding branch extension number should be used. This will help the department and the CHA identify the physical address from where the CHA is filing the document. Likewise, in the service centres, CHAs must quote the relevant PAN based registration number.

7. Custom House Agents and their associations are requested to give wide publicity to this Public Notice for compliance.

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