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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF FINANCE
DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE
OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS
CUSTOM HOUSE, NEW HARBOUR ESTATE, TUTICORIN – 628 004
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Sub : Dispensing with verification of DEPB Licence in the light of Electronic transmission of Shipping Bills and DEPB Licences at Custom House, Tuticorin and Inland Container Depot, Tuticorin– Reg

Attention of Importers/Exporters, Custom House Agents and all concerned is invited to Board's Circular 11/2007 dated 13th February 2007 regarding dispensing with Verification of DEPBs at EDI ports in the light of Electronic Transmission of Shipping Bills and DEPBs.

2. In pursuance of Board's Circular No.11/2007 dated 13th February, 2007 issued from F.No.605/210/2005-DBK and in order to facilitate trade, a procedure for online transmission of shipping bills to DGFT as well as DEPBs from DGFT has been put in place at **Tuticorin House and Inland Container Depot, Tuticorin**. As per this procedure, the DEPBs issued by DGFT would now be received online by Custom House. Such DEPBs would be subjected to the prescribed validation checks online and thereafter, the same would be available for use by the importer. Details of such DEPBs would also be available on the home page of website, <http://www.icagate.gov.in/>. However, as a purely transitional measure till the procedure gets stabilized, it has been decided that the importers would be required to produce the hard copies of the DEPBs issued by DGFT to the officer designated by Asst./Dy.Commissioner (DEPB) before such DEPBs are allowed to be utilized.

3. It has been further decided that henceforth, in respect of the DEPBs received online, the DEPB number would need to be mentioned on the bill of entry if such DEPBs are intended to be used for payment of duty instead of the registration number as is the practice with manually verified DEPBs.

4. The above procedure would be applicable in respect of DEPBs issued on or after **9th April, 2007** by DGFT. The earlier procedure would continue to be followed in case of DEPBs issued before 9th April, 2007.

5. Difficulties, if any, may be brought to the notice of the Additional Commissioner (Systems Manager), of this Custom House.

(JAYENDRANATH)

COMMISSIONER