EAST COAST RAILWAY

Office of the
Chief Commercial Manager
Bhubaneswar

Commercial Circular No. 66(G)/2014 Dt.05.06.2014

Sub: Classification of Commodities Ammonium Nitrate & Quartz/ Quartz Stone/Quartz Chips.

Ref: Railway Board's letter No.2011/TC(R)/204/10 date. 12/13.05.2014.

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Clarification was sought from Railway Board regarding the Classification of Commodities Ammonium Nitrate & Quartz/ Quartz Stone/Quartz Chips. The clarification issued by Railway Board on the same vide letter under reference are furnished below for information and necessary action.

(i) **Ammonium Nitrate :** Since, Ammonium Nitrate and Nitrate of Ammonia are one and the same, it has to be treated at par with Nitrate of Ammonia. Nitrate of Ammonia has been declared as a Special Category explosives substance under the Explosives Substance Act, 1908 (enclosed) and it is listed as dangerous goods in the Red Tariff Rules,2000. Hence, charging may be done as per Para 8.0 of Appendix to IRCA Goods Tariff No. 46, Part-I (Vol-II).

(ii) **Quartz/ Quartz Stone/Quartz Chips** : The issue of Quartz is under examination by Board. As soon as decision is taken on the subject issue, same would be informed. Till such time, the present practice of charging it at Composite Base Freight may please be followed.

All concerned to note and act accordingly.

Authority: Railway Board's letter No.2011/TC(R)/204/10 date. 12/13.05.2014.

Encl: As above.

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No.CCM/330/Classification/Pt.IV Date: 05.06.2014.

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explosives and destruction of unserviceable/seized explosives in the interest of public safety and security.

The Organization carries out inspection and safety audit of the new premises for verification/endorsement at the time of grant of licenses/approvals and also periodic inspections of the licensed/approved premises.

2.1.2 : Ammonium Nitrate Declared as special category explosives substance under the Explosives Substances Act, 1908.

In order to prevent misuse of Ammonium Nitrate and for giving deterrent punishment to offenders possessing Ammonium Nitrate with unlawful intent, Ministry of Home Affairs has issued a Notification vide Notification No. S.O. 2899(E) published in the Gazette of India Extraordinary Part-II-Section 3-Sub-section (ii) on 15/12/2008. In the said notification, Ammonium Nitrate or a combination thereof has been declared as special category explosives substance under Clause (b) of Section-2 of the Explosives Substances Act, 1908.

As a consequence any one found possessing Ammonium Nitrate or a combination thereof with unlawful intent is liable to be prosecuted under the Explosives Substance Act, 1908 for which the punishment is rigorous imprisonment of life or with rigorous imprisonment of a term which may extend to 10 years and shall also be liable to fine. Abettors will also be liable for the same punishment provided for the offence.

2.1.3 : GAS CYLINDER RULES, 2004:

The Gas Cylinders Rules were first published in 1940 after Govt. of India Notification No. M-1272 (1), dated 28th September 1938 declaring 'any gas when contained in any metal container in a compressed or liquefied state' to be an explosive within the meaning of Explosives Act, 1884. The above rules were later replaced by the Gas Cylinders Rules, 1981, after a comprehensive review in the light of the development of the gas industry after independence. Eighties & Nineties witnessed massive expansion in the gas and related industries triggered by economical liberalization and globalization, use of LPG as industrial and domestic fuel, introduction of CNG and LPG as environmental friendly automotive fuels, entry of new

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