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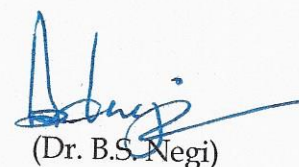
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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Introduction of mandatory BIS Certification on Solar PV modules, Inverters, Storage battery therefor etc. -reg.

This refers to letter No. VIII/ICD/TKD/ Gr.V/Solar/170/2018 dated 12.07.2018 from Deputy Commissioner of Customs (Gr.V), New Delhi regarding "Solar Photovoltaics Systems, Devices and Components Goods (Requirements for Compulsory Registration) Order 2017 notified by Ministry of New & Renewable Energy (MNRE) vide notification no. S.O. 2820 (E) dated 5.09.2017 and subsequent notifications thereon, and implications of the order on lead acid batteries imported for various applications including for solar photovoltaic applications. The said order notified by MNRE covers six products, namely, SPV Modules, Inverters and storage battery, for quality control in solar power projects in the country.

2. It is clarified that Secondary cells and batteries of lead acid and nickel based chemistry are covered under 'Storage battery (IS 16270)' listed in the above mentioned order, which are used in Solar Power Projects utilizing Solar Photovoltaic Systems. Such import may be allowed subject to IEC 61427 certification of the product and certificate issued by this Ministry and an undertaking from the vendor/supplier that the products will be utilised for SPV power projects in the country only. Further, import of such products be allowed only if they meet notified specifications.
3. For applications other than solar, the concerned agency importing such batteries may produce the relevant documents to customs for the use of batteries including orders for supply in the country and submit an affidavit that the imported batteries are not to be used in solar applications.
4. This has the approval of Secretary, MNRE.



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