File No.223/24/2018 - (R&D Coord.) Ministry of New and Renewable Energy (Standards and Quality Control Division)

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

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

This is in continuation of the Office Memorandum of even no. dated 6.05.2019 on the subject mentioned above issued in response 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 the Ministry of New & Renewable Energy (MNRE) vide notification no. S.O. 2820 (E) dated 5.09.2017 and subsequent notifications issued in relation thereto, and implications of the order on lead acid batteries imported for various applications including for solar photovoltaic applications.

- 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. Import of such products may be allowed subject to an undertaking from the vendor/supplier that the products will be utilized for SPV power projects in the country and the products will be regulated as per the above mentioned MNRE Quality Control Order.
- 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. This OM supersedes the OM dated 6.05,2019.

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