Attention of all the Importers / Exporters / CHAs and Members of the Trade is invited to the Boards Circular No. 29 / 2006-Cus, dated 27.12.2006. Attention is also invited to rule 30 of the Special Economic Zones Rules, 2006 notified vide notification F./1/7/2005 EPZ dated 10.2.2006, under section 55 of Special Economic Zone Act, 2005.

2. Following the enactment of Act and the Rules, certain representations have been received from the trade regarding procedure for implementation of Rule 30 relating to procurement of goods by units in Special Economic Zones (SEZs) from the Public/Private bonded warehouses. It has been felt necessary to streamline the procedure for clearance of bonded goods to SEZ units. The following procedure shall henceforth be followed:-

a) Where goods are to be procured from the bonded warehouse, the SEZ unit will submit the following documents to the Bond Officer at JNCH:-

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Request letter for seeking permission to remove the goods to SEZ

Assessed warehouse B/E

Bill of Entry assessed at respective SEZ in a seal cover. However, verification of genuiness of Bill of Entry should be resorted to only in those cases where there is reason for suspicion or specific intelligence. Routine verification need not be carried out.

Transit bond (equal to duty amount foregone) under section 67 of the Customs Act, 1962

Ex-bond shipping bill

b) After scrutiny of the documents by bond section, DC/AC of Bond Department will accept the bond and give permission for such clearance on the basis of Bill of Entry duly assessed by the authorized officer of SEZ.

c) Transfer endorsement will be made in the respective bond register, SEZ register and other documents pertaining to clearance by the bond section.

d) The Bond Officer in charge of the warehouse shall allow clearance of the goods from the warehouse on the cover of the ex-bond shipping bill and Bill of Entry.

e) All the original documents viz. bill of entry and ex-bond shipping bill having endorsement of forwarding of the goods, Lorry Receipt will be sent to recipient SEZ by speed post. However, on demand the same shall be handed over to representative of SEZ unit in a seal cover by the Bond Department under suitable acknowledgment. The duplicate copies of all these documents will be retained by Bond Deptt.

f) Re-Warehousing Certificate by way of endorsement by the authorized officer of SEZ on the copy of bill of entry should be received in the Bond Department within forty-five
days from the date of clearance of goods failing which DC/AC of Bond department shall take action for raising demand of applicable duty from the concerned supplier.

g) Genuineness of the Re-warehousing certificates (RWC) shall be verified by return fax/Speed Post in case RWC are brought by SEZ unit/CHA representative by hand and not forwarded by authorized officer of SEZ through post.

h) After confirmation of genuineness of the Re-Warehousing Certificate, the transit bond shall be considered as discharged and will be cancelled.

(MALA SRIVASTAVA)

COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS (IMPORT)

JAWAHARLAL NEHRU CUSTOM HOUSE

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To,

All the Concerned

Copy to:-
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4. All the Trade Associations
5. The Bombay Custom House Agent Association.