MUMBAI PORT TRUST TRAFFIC DEPARTEMNT

No. TM/S/11-3/15

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TRADE CIRCULAR

Sub: Advance application for registration of Stevedores in Mumbai Port Trust.

Mumbai Port Trust (MbPT) is in the process of registering Stevedores for undertaking various cargo-handling operations at the port; particularly for operations during the 3rd shift (i.e. from 11.30 p.m. to 8.00 a.m. of next day) at Indira Dock and adjoining berths with a view to facilitate the port to operate on 24X7 basis as per the guidelines of MbPT (Licensing of Stevedoring& Allied Services) policy, 2013. The said policy has been notified twice in the Maharashtra Government Gazette (vide Notification No.GAD/G/REG/8744 dated 27.12.2012 and dated 03.01.2013 (copy attached as Annexure-I) and is awaiting sanction of the Ministry of Shipping, Central Government shortly.

- 2. The policy is also applicable for lighterage operations at various anchorages of the port for transshipment and other cargo operations related to dry bulk, break bulk and containers also.
- 3. It is needless to emphasize that expertise of the Stevedores and supplementary work force that they will bring in for working in the port will go a long way to mitigate the existing shortage of MbPT employees and to increase productivity on ships as well as to make the port operations at MbPT on 24X7 basis.
- 4. With a view to put the issue of licensing of Stevedores at MbPT on fast track (subject to Central Government sanction); it is desired that interested firms may submit their <u>"advance applications"</u> based on the policy formats, so that processing of the same can be undertaken by MbPT prior to receipt of the Central Government sanction in the matter.
- 5. Accordingly, all interested firms are requested to make their "<u>advanceapplication</u>" in the appropriate formats to the undersigned within 24.10.2014 for processing the applicationfor issuance of Stevedoring Licenses at MbPT as per the Regulation in the matter in the 1st phase.
- 6. Applications received after 24.10.2014 will be processed separately for issuance of license in the 2^{nd} phase onwards.

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