OFFICE MEMORANDUM

No. 16(12)/2012-LR
Government of India
Ministry of Commerce & Industry
Department of Industrial Policy & Promotion
(Under Section)

Udyog Bhawan, New Delhi
Dated : 25.07.2013

Subject: Exemption of tyres imported by domestic tyre manufacturing companies and Original Equipment Manufacturers (OEMs) for benchmarking, homologation and calibration purposes from the purview of Quality (Control) Order, 2009 for Pneumatic Tyres and Tubes for Automotive Vehicles.

The undersigned is directed to say that an issue regarding import of certain quantity of tyres by the tyre manufacturing companies for benchmarking purposes was under consideration. The matter was considered in the inter Ministerial meeting on 29.05.2013 under the Chairmanship of Additional DGFT and it has been decided to allow import of 150 (No.) of tyres of each size (without BIS marking) for benchmarking, homologation and calibration purposes by the domestic tyre manufacturers and Original Equipment Manufacturers (OEMs) under Clause 3 (d) of the Quality Control Order, 2009 with the following stipulations:-

(i) The quantity of tyres imported by the tyre manufacturers and OEMs for benchmarking, homologation and calibration purposes should not exceed beyond 150 tyres of each size.

(ii) Only domestic tyre manufacturing companies and OEMs would be entitled to import such tyres for benchmarking, homologation and calibration purposes and they would keep proper entries in their records and

(iii) Domestic tyre manufacturers and OEMs have to give a clear undertaking to the custom authorities that such imported tyres will be used exclusively for benchmarking, homologation and calibration purposes and would not be sold in the market to other consumers.

2. The aforesaid quantity of 150 tyres of each size will be exempted from mandatory BIS marking under the Quality (Control) Order, 2009 for Pneumatic Tyres and Tubes for Automotive Vehicles.

Yours faithfully,

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   (Shri D.K. Singh, Addl. DGFT),
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5. Ministry of Road Transport and Highways,
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6. Automotive Tyre Manufacturers' Association (ATMA),
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7. Society of Indian Automobile Manufacturers (SIAM),
   (Shri Sugato Sen, Deputy Director General),
   Core 4-B, 5th Floor, India Habitat Centre,
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8. All India Tyre Dealers Federation,
   (Shri S.P. Singh, Convenor),
   665/32, Guru Nanak House, S.P. Mukherjee Marg,
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9. Indian Tyre Technical Advisory Committee (ITTAC),
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