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To

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SUBJECT: CHANNEL MAINTENANCE DREDGING WORKS 2010-11 & EXTENSION OF TURNING BASIN ABREAST QICT

Reference your letter No. nil dated 27.10.2010, on above cited subject.

2. It is informed that the age of cutter suction dredger was discussed during pre-bid meeting held with bidders on 30th September, 2010, and was changed from 15 to 20 years on the request of firms. Thereafter, the issue was again discussed in in-house dredging Committee meeting held on 26.10.2010, and in the meeting of Technical Committee of PQA Board held on 27.10.2010. M/s. ECIL the Consultant, was of the view that the age of dredgers for Deepening & Widening project was 30 years. Since, capital dredging works for turning basin are part of the said project, therefore the age of dredger may be considered accordingly.
3. PQA Legal Advisor and the Technical Committee examined the issue and observed that "in absence of year of construction of the cutter dredger as mandatory Non-Responsive Condition in Bid Documents" the ages of dredgers are acceptable.

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