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SUBJECT: COMPLAINT ON LOSS INCURRED TO PQA OF OVER RS.0.5 BILLION IN TENDERS AWARDED IN 2009 TO M/S NLC AND M/S FWO, DUE TO DISCRIMINATORY SPECIFICATION OF GRP PIPES AND IN 2012 SAME DISCRIMINATORY SPECIFICATIONS MAY CAUSE LOSS OF RS.1.44 BILLION TO EXCHEQUER.

Reference TIP's letter No. Nil dated 4th September, 2012 (Annexure-I) on the subject cited above

2. Para wise reply on the contents of said letters are as under:

Para # 1 : In response to BET letter referred in TIP letter under reference, the necessary clarification from PQA's consultants communicated vide letter NO.ECIL/PQA/2407/2012/2263 dated 10th September, 2012 is enclosed as Annexure-II. Contents of said letter are self-explanatory and may be perused accordingly.

Para # 2: PQA vide letter of even number dated 27th January, 2012, informed TIP; as well as other concerned Govt. Agencies i.e. Public Procurement Regulatory Authority (PPRA), Ministry of Ports & Shipping (MOP&S) and National Assembly Secretariat (Implementation Cell of PAC), with regard to inviting pre-qualified contractors for tendering (Refer Annexure-III to VI for ready reference). Since no observation(s)/comment(s) or any advice therefore had been received from any quarters whatsoever, including TIP, Subsequently, PQA continued with its procurement process accordingly. However at the time of final stage when Letter of Invitation was being issued to pre-qualified contractors, M/s FWO & NLC, PQA received TIP observation vide their letters dated 22nd June, 2012 (Refer Annexure-VII) which was also attended and replied vide PQA letter of even number dated 13th August, 2012 (Annexure-VIII).

- Para # 3: The issue of the GRP Pipe's specifications has already been clarified and addressed in the consultant's aforesaid letter dated 10th September, 2012 duly attached at Annexure-II.
- Para # 4: The contents are inaccurate and misleading as there has been no "verbal" discussion held between PQA and TIP by any PQA Official on the issue. Everything that has transpired on the issue between PQA and TIP is on record as requisite clarifications have promptly been responded through official correspondences. As far as rules #15 is concerned, in this regard necessary clarification has already been communicated vide PQA letter of even numbers dated 27th January, 2012 and 13th August, 2012.
- Para 5-8: The TIP observations under said para have already been clarified and addressed in PQA consultant letter (Annexure-II) which may be perused accordingly.
- Para 9-11: It is to inform TIP that the specifications of the GRP Pipes, enclosed herewith as Annexure-IX, are also being forwarded to PPRA and NAB for their information and seeking guidance prior to completion of on-going procurement process leading to award of contract with the approval of PQA Board and GOP.



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