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## CIRCULAR

Sub: Procedure for processing of applications for grant of Consent to Establish/Operate under the purview of HQ.

Ref: Minutes of 6<sup>th</sup> CAC, 2012 (1<sup>st</sup> sitting) of the Board held on 24/09/2012.

It has been observed that the application/s for Consent to Establish and Operate in the purview of HOD, MS, CC, Chairman and CAC are unnecessarily pending with the concerned Regional Officer/Sub-Regional Officer while processing it and thereby, it is not possible for the Board to grant consent / dispose off consent application within 4 months (120 days) of statutory period. Therefore, the industries are taking the advantage of deemed consent and most of times for not granting consents, the image of the Board is unnecessarily damaged.

After due deliberations in the number of CACs Meetings and in the 1<sup>st</sup> sitting of the 6<sup>th</sup> CAC of the Board held on 24/09/2012, it was decided that the necessary procedure will be followed for quick disposal of consent application within the statutory period. Therefore, it was decided that time limit for processing of the consent applications in the purview of HQ should be laid down as under:

- SRO should process application for consent within 30 days time.
- If he has not processed the application under the purview of HQ within 30 days, time, the same will have to be transferred and taken up to the office of RO as it is automatically.
- After 30 days the RO shall process positively the said application within 30 days time, i.e. he should process the said application within 60 days from the original receipt of the said application by SRO, MPCB.
- 4) After 30 days from the receipt of application from SRO, if RO does not complete processing of the said application, it shall be transferred to the concerned HOD, as it is for further processing.
- The concerned HOD shall process the said application without fail within 30 days from the receipt thereof, provided that after expiry of 30 days, the application shall be kept as it is before the Competent Authority (MS, CO Chairman & CAC) for taking further necessary decision.

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Copy submitted to: Hon'ble Chairman, MPCB, Mumbai - for favour of information.

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