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To

All Authorised Dealers in Foreign Exchange

Dear Sirs/Madam,

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Authorised Dealers are aware that as per extant guidelines, opening of stand-by Letters of Credit is permitted only in exceptional cases, such as for import of crude oil and petroleum products, subject to certain conditions.

- 2. We have been receiving enquiries from authorised dealers whether they can open stand-by Letters of Credit on behalf of their clients who are Independent Power Producers, in favour of overseas suppliers, under arrangements involving assured supply of spare parts.
- 3. It has been decided that authorised dealers may open stand-by Letters of Credit on behalf of their constituents who are Independent Power Producers, in cases involving assured supply of spare parts.
- 4. Authorised Dealers may bring the contents of this circular to the notice of their constituents concerned.
- 5. The directions contained in this circular have been issued under Section 10(4) and Section 11(1) of the Foreign Exchange Management Act, 1999 (42 of 1999).

Yours faithfully,

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Chief General Manager