

RESERVE BANK OF INDIA Foreign Exchange Department Central Office Mumbai - 400 001

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To

All Banks Authorised to Deal in Foreign Exchange

Madam / Sirs,

Exim Bank's Line of Credit of USD 27 million to Government of Vietnam

The Export-Import Bank of India (Exim Bank) has concluded an agreement with the Government of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam on August 12, 2004 making available to the latter a Line of Credit (LOC) upto an aggregate sum of USD 27 Million (US Dollar twenty-seven million only). The credit agreement has become effective on November 1, 2004. The credit is available for financing export of capital goods, plant and machinery, industrial manufactures, consumer durables and any other item eligible for being exported under the Exim Policy of Government of India from India to buyers in Vietnam.

- 2. The last dates for opening letters of credit and disbursement of credit are October 31, 2006 and April 30, 2007 respectively.
- 3. Shipments under the credit will have to be declared on GR / SDF Forms as per instructions issued from time to time.
- 4. While no agency commission shall be payable in respect of exports financed under the above line of credit, Reserve Bank may consider, on merit, requests for payment of commission upto a maximum extent of 5 per cent of the f.o.b. / c & f / c.i.f. value in respect of goods exported and which require after sales service. In such cases, commission will have to be paid in Vietnam only by deduction from the invoice of relevant shipment and the reimbursable amount by the Exim Bank to the negotiating bank will be 90 per cent of the f.o.b./c & f/c.i.f. value minus commission paid. Approval for the payment of commission should be obtained before the relevant shipment is effected. In other cases (i.e. exports not involving after sales service), if the exporter is required to pay agency commission, he will have to use his own resources for such payments.
- 5. Authorised Dealer Banks may bring the contents of this circular to the notice of their exporter constituents and advise them to obtain full details of the Line of Credit from Exim Bank's office or its website.

6. The direction contained in this circular has been issued under sections 10(4) and 11(1) of the Foreign Exchange Management Act (FEMA), 1999 (42 of 1999) and is without prejudice to permissions / approvals, if any, required under any other law.

Yours faithfully,

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Chief General Manager