

such offers, on account of inadequate competition, Non-availability of suitable quotations from Registered suppliers, Urgent demand, capacity/capability of the firm offering to supply the relevant item being known etc. the acceptance should be at next higher level and in any case not below the rank of a Junior Administrative Officer.

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#### ANNEXURE-II/4-18

### MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS, (RAILWAY BOARD)

No. 76/F(S)/I/PW-4/1

New Delhi; dated 5th October 1976

The General Manager, Northern Railway, New Delhi.

Sub : **Powers for classifying work as ' Very urgent ' for dispensing with calling of fresh tenders in cases where only one tender is received in response to a limited tender enquiry.**

1. Please refer to your letter No. 84-S/1/Pt. VI(SI) dated 4th August 1976 on the subject mentioned above. In regard to the powers of the Controllers of Stores your attention is invited to Board's letter No. 49/145/1/S dated 12th June 1950 where from it would be seen that they can exercise these powers in case of purchases made by them. As such the question of fixing any upper Limit for their powers in this matter, doesn't arise.

2. As regards the question of delegating these powers to the Additional Controller of Stores, Ministry of Railways have decided that they can exercise these powers upto a limit of Rs. 25,000/- as recommended in your letter No. 84-S/1/Pt. VI/SI dated 1st March 1976.

3. These powers are to be exercised only if the limited tender enquiries had been issued to firm who had supplied the materials earlier or where likely to supply the materials and the prices obtained were reasonable. In all such cases full reasons should be recorded justifying the course of action.

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#### ANNEXURE II/4-19

*Copy of letter No. 77/RS (G)/779/17 dated 23<sup>rd</sup> / 27<sup>th</sup> January 1979 from Director, Railway Stores, Railway Board, New Delhi, to the General Managers, All Indian Railways and I. C. F.*

Sub : **Placement of Contracts on Unregistered & Untried firms through advertised tenders.**

1.0. Para **325-S** of the Stores Code stipulates that when tenders are invited by Public Advertisement, the issue of tender forms should not be restricted to firms whose names are on the list of approved suppliers (either approved by R. D. S. O. or by Railways themselves).