GOVERNMENT OF INDIA (BHARAT SARKAR)
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (RAIL MANTRALAYA)
RAILWAY BOARD

No.TCR/1078/2007/3

New Delhi dated 20.03.2009

The Chief Commercial Managers,
All Indian Railways.

Sub: Distance based concession on Iron-Ore Pellet booked at Class 200 X.

Clarification has been sought by South Western Railway in regard to the charging of Iron Ore Pellet if it is booked for export. Clarification has also been sought in regard to the eligibility of Iron Ore Pellet for distance based freight concession with reference to Rates Circular No.63 and 82 of 2008 and also for its charging with reference to the Para 1.4 of Rates Circular No.06 of 2008.

It is clarified that the end use of Iron Ore and Iron Ore Pellets is the same; namely in steel plants. Hence Iron Ore Pellets for export should be charged at Class 200X, similar to Iron Ore for export. Secondly, as per Rates Circular No.30 of 2008 Iron Ore moved for such pelletization (for export) should also be charged at Class 200X. The traffic of Iron Ore Pellets meant for export will also be eligible for distance based concession subject to the fulfillment of existing terms and conditions. Iron Ore Pellets cannot be treated as 'not covered in the Goods Tariff' and as such, question of it's charging with reference to Para 1.4 of Rates Circular no.06 of 2008 does not arise.

(This disposes of South Western Railway's letter No.C 474/Classification Vol.III dated 25.02.2009)

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