Government of India Ministry of Road Transport & Highways Transport Bhawan New Delhi

F.No.RW/NH/12017/1/2011/WB/P3

Dated 13th July 2011

To

The Chief Engineer (NH), PWD (Roads) Directorate, Government of West Bengal, Kolkata,

Sub: Laying of water pipeline along and across of NHs.

Sir,

Please refer to your letter No.2P-8/2011/158-R/W dated 6th April 2011 on the abovecited subject, seeking clarification on proposals for granting permission for laying of water pipelines etc.

2. Control of National Highway (Land & Traffic) Act 2002 and Highway Administration Rules 2004 has been brought into force w.e.f. 27th January 2005. In view of this, all permissions for laying of water pipelines etc., along and across National Highways are to be granted by the Highway Administration concerned. As far as technical guidelines are concerned, these may be applied as circulated, vide Ministry's letter dated 29th September 2010 for use of NH land for laying of utilities, including levying of appropriate fees. As per the Rules, "Highway Administration" notified under Section-3(1) of the National Highways (Land & Traffic) Act 2002 is authorized to grant permission for carrying out any of the activities as mentioned in Section-38(1) of the said Act. Accordingly, it is requested that the Highway Administration concerned may technically examine the proposal as per Ministry's guidelines and if the proposal is found to be in order meeting with the technical parameters as per Ministry's guidelines in this regard, may grant the permission to the proposal and also levy the charges as indicated at para.6(iii) of Ministry's letter No.RW/NH-33044/27/2005-S&R(R) dated 21st September 2010 and deposit the same in appropriate Central Head. This permission is also subject to condition that Highway Administration Rules 2004 are modified accordingly. In case of any subsequent modification, the notified Highway Administration Rules shall be applicable and licensee shall be liable to pay the license fee accordingly. An undertaking from the concerned licensee may be obtained in this regard.

2. This has the approval of Director General (Road Development) & Special Secretary.

Yours faithfully.

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(RICHA NIGAM) Superintending Engineer(P3) for Director General (Road Development) & Special Secretary

copy to RO, Kolkata for information and necessary action.

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Section Officer