Bombay Chamber of Commerce & Industry

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Mr. C. S. Venkatraman Secretary Tariff Authority for Major Ports 4th Floor, Bhandar Bhavan, Muzawar Pakhadi Road, Mazgaon, Mumbai – 400 010.

Dear Mr. Venkatraman,

Proposal from the Mumbai Port Trust for Revision of its Scale of Rates

This is with reference to your letter dated March 2, 2009 and subsequent reminder letter bearing ref. no. TAMP/6/2009-MBPT dated April 21, 2009 concerning the proposal for revision of its scale of rates.

Under the current economic crises and global meltdown, India's international trade and consequently the shipping industry has been severely and adversely impacted. The Bombay Chamber therefore, is of the opinion that at this point in time, there should not be any revision in the scale of rates. The decision may please be deferred.

We hope our request will merit your consideration.

Yours sincerely

Manju Sood