No. 3(v)/99/4 Central Vigilance Commission

Satarkta Bhawan, Block 'A', GPO Complex, INA, New Delhi- 110 023 Dated the 12th July 1999

Subject: Guidelines for obtaining vigilance clearance from the Commission in respect of candidate(s) recommended for Board Level appointment(s) in Public Sector Enterprises.

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The Central Vigilance Commission is empowered to exercise superintendence over the vigilance administration of the various Ministries of the Central Government or Corporations established under any Central Act, Government Companies, Societies and local authorities owned or controlled by that Government in terms of the powers invested in it under para (3)(v) of the Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions, Department of Personnel & Training Resolution No.371/20/99-AVD.III dated 4th April 1999.

By virtue of these powers, the Commission has been taking various measures 2. to improve the vigilance administration in the Organisations/Departments under its purview. One of the ways which the Commission considers appropriate for achieving this objective is ensure that the top level posts in the PSEs are occupied by persons with exemplary service records and clean vigilance track records. It is in this context, that a system has been evolved for according vigilance clearance, in particular, after the instructions of DOPT's OM No. 27(5)-EO/88(ACC) dated 4th August 1988. In keeping with this instruction, the Commission is consulted for vigilance clearance in respect of those officers, who are already holding board level posts and are being considered for some other board/higher board level posts. In respect of those candidates, who are holding posts below the board level and are recommended by PESB for board level post, vigilance clearance from the Commission is not being obtained. There are many instances, in which officers with adverse vigilance history have managed to occupy Board level positions in PSEs without obtaining vigilance clearance from the Commission, merely because of the fact that they were holding a post below the board level.

3. In order to remedy the defects arising from the existing procedure it has been decided that vigilance clearance should be obtained from the Commission in respect of all candidates/officers recommended by the PESB for appointment to any Board level position in PSEs, irrespective of their holding a board level or below board level post at that point of time.

4. CVOs of all Ministries/Departments must ensure strict compliance of these instructions with immediate effect.

5. This order is also available on web site of the CVC at **http://cvc.nic.in**

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- iv) Secretary, PESB, New Delhi
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