MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS

NOTIFICATION

New Delhi, the 27th August, 2003

S.O. 996(E).—Whereas the Central Government, in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 6, 8 and 25 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 (29 of 1986), made the Ozone Depleting Substances (Regulation and Control) Rules, 2000 vide notification number S.O. 670(E) dated the 19th July, 2000;

And whereas the said rules have been amended vide notification number S.O.1283 (E), dated the 31st December, 2001;

And whereas the Central Government is of the opinion that it is necessary and expedient in the public interest to amend the said rules in compliance with certain recommendations of the Rajya Sabha Committee on Subordinate Legislation;

And whereas sub-rule (4) of rule 5 of Environment Protection Rules, 1986 provides that, notwithstanding anything contained in sub-rule (3), whenever it appears to the Central Government that it is in the public interest to do so, it may dispense with the requirement of notice under clause (a) of sub-rule (3) of rule 5 of Environment (Protection) Rules,1986;

And whereas the Central Government is of the opinion that it is in the public interest to dispense with the requirement of notice under clause (a) of sub-rule (3) of rule 5 of Environment (Protection) Rules, 1986 for amending the Ozone Depleting Substances (Regulation and Control) Rules, 2000;

Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 6, 8 and 25 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 (29 of 1986), read with sub-rule (4) of rule 5 of the Environment (Protection) Rules, 1986, the Central Government hereby makes the following rules further to amend the Ozone Depleting Substances (Regulation and Control) Rules, 2000, namely:-

1. (1) These rules may be called the Ozone Depleting Substances (Regulation and Control) Amendment Rules, 2003.

(2) They shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.

2. In the Ozone Depleting Substances (Regulation and Control) Rules, 2000,-

(a) in rule 2, in clause (h), in sub-clause (i), for the words “treating or any ozone depleting substance”, the words “treating of any ozone depleting substance” shall be substituted;
(b) in rule 13, after sub-rule (7), the following sub-rules shall be inserted, namely:-

"(8) Every application for registration or renewal of registration under these rules shall be disposed of within sixty days from the date of receipt of such complete application by the authority specified in column (4) of Schedule V.

(9) The concerned registering authority specified in column (4) of Schedule V shall decide the issue of cancellation of any registration granted under these rules within sixty days from the date of service of the show cause notice given by him to the registration holder."

[F. No. 16/1/96-OC]

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Note:— The Ozone Depleting Substances (Regulation and Control) Rules, 2000 were published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary Part-II, Section 3, Sub-section (ii) vide notification number S.O.670(E) dated the 19th July, 2000 and subsequently amended vide notification number S.O.1283 (E), dated the 31st December, 2001.