To, The Secretary to the Govt. of India, Department of Agriculture & Cooperation, Ministry of Agriculture, Krishi Bhavan, New Delhi.

[Kind Attention, Director - (PP)]

Sub: Export of Rice to U.S.A. - insertion of clause under Para 8 of Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) - regarding

Sir,

I have the honour to refer DAC [Director (PP)] D.O. No. 18-1/2011-PP.II dated August 10, 2011 conveying acceptance of Work Plan Agreement (WPA) and Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for export of Rice to USA by USDA-APHIS. Both the documents have already been uploaded on the official website of PQ division of DPPQS. The fee structure under the Para 8 of SOP has not been included. Now, it is proposed to insert the following Para:

8.4 - The application in prescribed form for registration of a processing / milling unit of rice for export to US shall be submitted to Plant Protection Adviser, Directorate of Plant Protection, Quarantine and storage, N. H. IV, Faridabad (Haryana).

8.5 - Each application shall be accompanied with a registration fee of Rs. 5,000/- (Rs. Five thousand only) in the form of Demand Draft in favour of Accounts Officer, Directorate of Plant Protection, Quarantine & Storage, payable at Faridabad.

8.6 - The monitoring / audit fee of Rs. 2,000/- in form of Demand Draft for each visit shall be payable to Accounts Officer, Directorate of Plant Protection, Quarantine & Storage, payable at Faridabad.

It is, therefore, requested to approve modification of Para 8 of the SOP for export of Rice to USA. This has the approval of PPA.

Yours faithfully,

(D D K Sharma)
Joint Director (PQ)
For Plant Protection Adviser