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## Sub.: Two Packet System of Tendering – System Improvement

To bring more transparency in two packet system {including electronic Reverse Auction (eRA)} of tendering, it has been decided that if refusal of the bidder(s) to extend validity after its expiry or withdrawal of the offer within validity period happens:

- (a) before completion of the Techno-commercial evaluation, then the Techno-commercial evaluation (including the withdrawn bids) shall be completed. If a withdrawn bid qualifies in techno-commercial evaluation, financial bid(s) of such bidders shall also be opened, and action shall be taken as per sub-para (b) below.
- (b) after the techno-commercial evaluation but before the completion of the financial bid evaluation, then the financial bid evaluation (including withdrawn bids) shall be completed. If a withdrawn bid happens to be the L1 bidder (lowest acceptable bidder, who is technocommercially qualified for the supply of a bulk quantity and would have been awarded a contract, but for his refusal to extend validity), the tender must be re-tendered. However, such L1 price of the withdrawn bids shall not be taken as precedence for determining price estimates or reasonableness.
- 2. This is issued with the concurrence of Finance Directorate of Railway Board along with the approval of M(T&RS).

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