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CLOSURE ORDER WITH DISCONNECTION OF ELECTRICITY

WHEREAS, there is a public complaint against an industrial unit (name not mentioned) operating from 9A, Sreepur Road, Kolkata – 700 078 alleging air pollution caused from melting of lead and also combustion of coal causing respiratory disorder among the habitants of nearby congested residential area.

WHEREAS, an inspection carried out by the Officials of the Board revealed that a industrial unit in the name & style of M/S. Anita Metal Works operates from the address as mentioned in the complaint letter.

WHEREAS, the industry referred above does not use lead or its compound as mentioned in the complaint letter. However, a neighbouring industry operating from 5, Sreepur Road, Kolkata – 700 078 named & styled as **M/s. Kamala Electric Lamp Works** (hereinafter referred as industry) was noted to be using lead & zinc solder for night lamp manufacturing operation.

WHEREAS, lead soldering stick is melted using LPG flame for soldering of night lamps.

WHEREAS, the industry operates without any Consent to Operate from the Board.

WHEREAS, the industry has no arrangement for arresting lead aerosols likely to be generated from the soldering operation.

WHEREAS the industry was called for hearing on 15/04/2008 where they were unable to explain the reasons for violation of environmental norms.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the public complaint, the inspection report and the failure of the industry to comply with the provisions of Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981, and also Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 and Rules made

thereunder **M/S. Kamala Electric Lamp Works** having its night lamp manufacturing unit at 5, Sreepur Road, Kolkata – 700 078 is hereby closed by the Board. The electricity connection of **M/s. Kamala Electric Lamp Works** is also ordered to be disconnected forthwith.

The Suspension of Closure Order will only be considered by the Board-

- 1) After the industry applies for Consent to Operate with submission of fire license for storage of LPG cylinders used for soldering operation.
- 2) The industry set up arrangement for arresting emission of lead aerosols, preventing the possible exposure of the immediate neighbouring residents to lead aerosols.

The General Manager – Operations (C&M), CESC LTD. is requested to take action for disconnection of the electricity of the said unit immediately.

The closure order will take immediate effect and Officer-In-Charge, Kasba Police Station under W.B. Police, is directed to execute the Closure Order against the aforementioned unit and submit the compliance report to the State Board within seven days from the receipt of this Memo.

This direction has been issued to the Officer-In-Charge, Kasba Police Station and the General Manager – Operations (C&M), CESC LTD., in conformity with the order of the Hon'ble High Court, Calcutta dated 21-08-1998 and 28-04-1999 respectively.

Environmental Engineer, Camac Street Regional Office of the State Board is requested to take necessary steps for proper execution of the closure order and also visit the unit involving the local police station and Nodal Police Officer of the concerned district to oversee the proper execution of the closure order and also ensure the disconnection of electricity of the unit.

This order has the approval of the Competent Authority.

By Order

Sd/-

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