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CLOSURE ORDER INCLUDING DISCONNECTION OF ELECTRICITY

WHEREAS, **M/S. DIAMOND ELECTROPLATERS.**, (hereinafter referred as the industry) operates its electroplating unit at 17/1, Bed Ford Lane, KMC Ward No.61, Kolkata – 700 016 was called for public hearing in the Head Office of the **WEST BENGAL POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD** (hereinafter referred as the Board) on 30-05-2008 in response to the fresh public complaint received by the Board alleging operation of the unit violating the Board's direction for suspension of operation dated 03/04th December, 2007. The complainants did not appear in the hearing.

WHEREAS, the Board issued a direction for suspension of operation to the industry on under Memo No.2519-WBPCB-RO-I/R/834/2004 till the following conditions are complied with:

1. The unit installs adequate treatment system for treating its liquid effluent. The unit renews "Consent-to-Operate" after ensuring treatment of its liquid waste
2. The unit applies for authorization under Hazardous Waste (Management & Handling) Rules after compliance of the direction mentioned in Sl.No.1
3. The unit will only start operation of the plant after compliance of the above two directions and during the operation, the plating bath should be covered with necessary chemical layering to minimize emanation of acid vapour.

WHEREAS, the unit was inspected by the Board officials on 23-05-2008 in response to the fresh public complaint submitted before the Board and to verify the claim of the industry that they have installed the ETP and complying with the liquid discharge standard. During inspection the following observations were made.

1. The unit was in operation violating suspension order issued by the Board. Plating activity was in progress.
2. Both the fume extraction arrangement and the effluent treatment system were found inadequate.

NOW THEREFORE consideration of the facts and circumstances as stated above, **M/S. DIAMOND ELECTROPLATERS** is hereby closed by the Board with disconnection of electricity. The electricity connection of the industry is also ordered to be disconnected immediately.

The General Manager – Operations (C & M), M/S. CESC LTD. is requested to take action to disconnect the electricity connection of the industry immediately.

This closure order is issued in exercise of the powers conferred under the provisions of Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974, Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981, and the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 and Rules made thereunder, especially the Hazardous Waste (Management & Handling) Rules, and its Amendments Notified under the said Act. This has the approval from the Competent Authority.

Suspension of closure will be considered after the unit complies with the directions issued on 03/04-12-2007.

The closure order will take immediate effect and Officer-In-Charge, Park Street 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, Park Street Police Station and the General Manager – Operations (C& M), M/S. 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.

Order

Sd/-

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