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PERMANENT CLOSURE ORDER WITH DISCONNECTION OF ELECTRICITY

WHEREAS, **M/S. UNITY MERCHANDISE PVT. LTD.** operates its aluminium alloys manufacturing unit from various grades of aluminium ingot and scrap at 57D, B. T. Road, Kolkata – 700 002.

WHEREAS, the unit was inspected by the Board officials on 12-06-2008. During inspection the following observations were made:

1. The unit operates two nos. of oil-fired reverberatory furnaces for making of aluminium alloys.
2. The unit also operates two other oil-fired furnaces for holding and degassing operations.
3. Emission of dense black smoke was noticed coming out from the chimneys linked to the furnaces.
4. Huge secondary emission engulfing the shop floor was also noticed.
5. The unit is operating without obtaining “Consent-to-Establish & “Consent-to-Operate” from the Board, which is gross violation of the environmental statute. In fact, the unit never applied for the same.

It is pertinent to mention here that aluminium alloy manufacturing using various grades of aluminium ingot and scrap falls under “Red Category” of activity. Setting up of “Red Category” unit is currently restricted within Kolkata Municipal Corporation as per the current siting policy of the Board. This siting restriction became effective from December, 1997.

WHEREAS, a technical hearing was conducted at the Head Office of the Board on 03-07-2007. The unit did not appear in the hearing.

NOW, THEREFORE, considering the fact that the industry is operating without any statutory permission from the Board and establish violating the siting policy of the Board, **M/S. UNITY MERCHANDISE PVT. LTD.** is hereby permanently closed by the Board with disconnection of electricity.

This closure order is issued in exercise of the powers conferred under the Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 and Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 after being approved by the Competent Authority.

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

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, Cossipore 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, Salt Lake 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.

By Order

Sd/-

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