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CLOSURE ORDER WITH DISCONNECTION OF ELECTRICITY

WHEREAS, **M/S. ALLIANCE CHEMICAL DISTRIBUTORS** (hereinafter referred as the industry) operates its chemical manufacturing unit like copper sulphate, zinc sulphate etc. at Vill.: & P. O. : - Baksha, P. S. - Chanditala, Dist. – Hooghly.

WHEREAS, copper salts are manufactured from copper scraps. Zinc chloride and zinc sulphate are manufactured from zinc scraps and zinc ash.

WHEREAS, copper scraps, zinc scrap and zinc ash are designated hazardous waste as per the Hazardous Waste (Management & Handling) Amendment Rules, 2003 and reprocessing of the same requires registration from the Central Pollution Control Board, New Delhi under the Rules.

WHEREAS, the industry started its manufacturing operation without obtaining “Consent-to-Operate” from the West Bengal Pollution Control Board and “Registration” as referred above from the Central Pollution Control Board as referred above thus violating respectively the provisions of the Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974, and Hazardous Waste (Management & Handling) Amendment Rules, 2003, notified under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 and Rules made thereunder.

WHEREAS, the industry was noted discharging toxic metal containing effluent to the adjoining land without any treatment. The industry has also not commissioned any emission control system for arresting acid fumes from zinc sulphate and zinc chloride.

WHEREAS, a technical hearing of the industry was conducted at the Head Office of the Board on 18-07-2008.

WHEREAS, the Proprietor of the Industry appearing in the hearing could not provide any suitable explanation.

NOW, THEREFORE, in due consideration of the violation of the environmental statutes and norms as recorded above, **M/S. ALLIANCE CHEMICAL DISTRIBUTORS** is hereby closed by the Board. The electricity connection of the industry is also ordered to be disconnected immediately.

Suspension of closure will be considered only after compliance of the following conditions by the industry.

1. The industry obtains “Consent-to-Operate” and “Authorization” under the Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974, Air (Pollution & Control of Prevention) Act, 1981 and Hazardous Waste (Management & Handling) Amendment Rules, 2003 respectively after commissioning adequate pollution abatement measures.
2. The unit obtains necessary Registration from the Central Pollution Control Board for reprocessing of hazardous waste.

This order is issued in exercise of the power conferred under Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974, Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 Hazardous Waste (Management & Handling) Amendment Rules, 2003, notified under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 and Rules made thereunder after being approved by the Competent Authority.

The closure order will take immediate effect and Officer-In-Charge, Chanditala 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, Chanditala Police Station and Secretary, WBSEB in conformity with the order of the Hon’ble High Court, Calcutta dated 21-08-1998 and 28-04-1999 respectively.

The Environmental Engineer, Hooghly 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 disconnection of electricity.

Order

Sd/-

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