



## WEST BENGAL POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD

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### CLOSURE ORDER WITH DISCONNECTION OF ELECTRICITY

**WHEREAS, M/S. POLY ELECTROPLATING WORKS** (hereinafter referred as the industry), operating its nickel plating and polishing unit at 14/1, Canal East Road, Kolkata – 700 067.

**WHEREAS,** the **WEST BENGAL POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD** (hereinafter referred as the Board) received a public complaint alleging air and noise pollution from the activity of the industry as also spreading of obnoxious odour.

**WHEREAS,** the unit was inspected by the Board Officials on 25-08-2008 and observed the following:

1. That, the unit is operating without obtaining “Consent-to-Establish” and “Consent-to-Operate” from the Board, in violation of the environmental Statute as also the current siting policy of the Board. As per the current siting policy establishing any Red Category of industry within the Kolkata Municipal Corporation Area is not permitted.
2. That, the unit is operating without installing any effluent treatment plant for treating the liquid waste and any emission control system for arresting acid fumes from nickel plating bath.
3. That, the unit is operating without obtaining “Authorization” under the Hazardous Waste (Management & Handling) Amendment Rules, 2003 thus attracting the order of the Hon’ble Supreme Court of India passed in connection with W. P. (C) No.657 of 1995.

**WHEREAS,** a public hearing was conducted at the Head Office of the Board on 03-11-2008 involving both the industry and the complainants.

**WHEREAS,** the Proprietor of the industry appearing in the hearing submitted that presently they do not carry out any nickeling activity in the premises. However, the complainants attending the hearing submitted that the unit is still continuing its nickel-plating activity.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** in due consideration of the facts and circumstances stated above **M/S. POLY ELECTROPLATING WORKS** is hereby closed by the Board. The electricity connection of the industry is also ordered to be disconnected immediately.

The General Manager – Operations (C&M) is requested to make arrangement to disconnect the electricity connection of the unit in question forthwith.

Suspension of closure will be considered only after compliance of the following conditions by the unit:

1. That, the unit should stop nickel-plating activity immediately
2. That, the unit should dismantle and remove all the machineries involving nickel-plating activity from its premises.
3. Obtains “Consent-to-Establish” and “Consent-to-Operate” from the Regional office of the Board for the activity other than Red Category of activity.

This direction is issued in exercise of the powers conferred under Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974, Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 and 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, Manicktala Police Station under West Bengal 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, Manicktala 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.

Order

**Sd/-**

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