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**Memo No. 822-5L/WPB/2011/A**

**Date: 29/04/2011**

### **CLOSURE ORDER**

**WHEREAS, the Acid Factory of Sri Amal Bhowmick** (hereinafter referred to as the industry) is engaged in acid pickling job work at Orphuli, Tentulmuri, P.S. Bagnan, Howrah

**AND WHEREAS,** a public complaint was received by the **West Bengal Pollution Control Board** (hereinafter referred to as the Board) alleging severe air, water and order pollution being created by the industry.

**AND WHEREAS,** an inspection of the industry was conducted on 24/03/2011 by officials of the Board. During inspection it was observed that the industry carries out pickling operation on iron scrap to remove rust using hydrochloric acid. The pickling chambers are not equipped with any suction hood, chimney and air pollution control device. The industry does not have any effluent treatment plant to treat its effluents. Further during inspection the industry could not show any of the following :

1. Trade Licence of Gram Panchayet.
2. Consent to Operate of the Board,
3. Hazardous Waste Authorization of the Board and
4. Agreement with West Bengal Waste Management Ltd. for disposal of Hazardous waste.

**AND WHEREAS,** a hearing was conducted at the Head Office of the Board on 26/03/2011 where in Sri Shyamal Das, Partner of the industry appeared in person but Sri Amal Bhowmick did not appear.

**NOW THEREFORE,** considering the fact that the industry is being operated violating the environmental norms and also without any consent of the Board, **the Acid Factory of Sri Amal Bhowmick** located at **Orphuli, Tentulmuri, P.S. Bagnan, Howrah** is hereby **closed** by the Board with immediate effect. The electricity connection of the industry is directed to be disconnected forthwith. The portion of the industry appearing in the hearing agreed not to operate the industry until proper steps are taken to duly address all violations.

The Director (HR), WBSEDCL is requested to take necessary steps to disconnect the electricity connections of the industry immediate and after compliance of all environmental norms.

The industry however after installation of full proof emission control system and effluent treatment system may approach the Board for obtaining necessary permission for its operation.

The closure order will take immediate effect and the Officer-in-Charge, Bagnan Police Station, Dt. Howrah under West Bengal Police is directed to execute the Closure order against the aforementioned industry and submit the compliance report to the State Board within seven (07) days from the receipt of this Memo.

This direction has been issued to the Officer-in-Charge, Bagnan Police Station and Director (HR) WBSEDCL in conformity with the order of the Hon'ble High Court, Calcutta dated 21/08/1998 and 28/4/1999 respectively.

The Asst. Environmental Engineer, In-charge, Howrah Regional Office of the Board is requested to take necessary steps for proper execution of the closure order and also visit the industry involving the local police station and the Nodal Police Officer of the concerned district.

This direction is issued in exercise of the powers conferred under the Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 the Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 and the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 and Rules made thereunder.

This has the approval of the Competent Authority.

By Order,

Sd/-

(Subrata Ghosh)

**Chief Engineer**

**Operation & Execution Cell**

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