MEMO

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Memo No. 372-5L/WPB-2013/K-0042

Dated: 28-11-2019

DIRECTION

WHEREAS, M/s. Kathleens Confectioners located at 18, Free School Street, P.O. Park Street, Kolkata-700016 (hereinafter referred to as the unit) is a cake pastry manufacturing unit.

AND WHEREAS, on the basis of a public complaint, the matter was heard on 27-01-2014 by the West Bengal Pollution Control Board (hereinafter shall be referred to as the State Board) and the unit was directed to comply with the followings:

(i) To replace the diesel fired baking oven to electric baking oven as per declaration made in the last ‘Consent to Operate’ application;
(ii) To provide proper air pollution control device with the LPG ovens as per norms;
(iii) To provide effluent treatment plant for discharge of its waste water;

AND WHEREAS, an anonymous public complaint was again lodged at the State Board on 02-09-2019 against the unit alleging that the complainants are suffering tremendously due to activities of the unit. Accordingly, the unit was called for a hearing on 24-10-2019. It was found that the unit was running without having valid `Consent to Operate’ of the State Board.

AND WHEREAS, last consent to operate of the unit has expired on 31-07-2015 and the unit has submitted a photocopy of the challan and renewal of Consent to Operate (CFO) Fee deposited to the Bank on 18-10-2019.

AND WHEREAS, operating a unit without valid CFO is a gross violation of the environmental norms. And the unit has prayed for some time to comply with all the necessary environmental norms, however instead of issuing closure order with disconnection of electricity an environmental compensation as per the guidelines of the Central Pollution Control Board has been recommended against the unit at the time of hearing.

NOW THEREFORE, considering the abovementioned noncompliance, M/s. Kathleens Confectioners located at 18, Free School Street, P.O. Park Street, Kolkata-700016 is hereby directed as follows:

1. That, the industry shall submit an Environmental Compensation (EC) of Rs. 5,00,000/- (Rupees five lakhs) only within ten [10] days from the date of issuance of this direction, by Demand Draft in favour of WEST BENGAL POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD payable at Kolkata for non-compliance of Environmental norms.

2. That, the industry shall execute a Bank Guarantee (proforma enclosed) of Rs. 10,00,000/- (Rupees ten lakhs) only, valid for twelve (12) months within fifteen [15] days from the date of issuance of this direction in favour of the WEST BENGAL POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD (Corporation Bank IFSC Code CORP 0000663) as an assurance for proper functioning of the pollution control systems and for ensuring compliance of the environmental norms.

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

By Order,

Sd/-
Chief Engineer
Operation & Execution Cell
West Bengal Pollution Control Board