
DATE: 28-08-2007

SUSPENSION OF CLOSURE ORDER WITH RESTORATION OF ELECTRICITY

WHEREAS, M/S. VISION SPONGE IRON (P) LTD. (hereinafter referred as the industry) operates its sponge iron unit at Rakta, P. O. – Madhukunda, P. S. – Santuri, Dist. – Purulia.

WHEREAS, a closure order including disconnection of electricity was imposed upon the industry by the WEST BENGAL POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD (hereinafter referred as the Board) vide Memo No.1512-142-WPB-SEE-K.O.-GEN/2003 dated 14-08-2007 for operating its Kiln No.2 without operation of the air pollution control system and emission of black smoke from top of ABC cap as was revealed through Board’s inspection reports dated 15-03-2007 & 22-05-2007 respectively.

Now in consideration of the appeal made by M/S. VISION SPONGE IRON (P) LTD., located at Rakta, P. O. – Madhukunda, P. S. – Santuri, Dist. – Purulia, PIN – 723 143 through its letter No. VSIPL/WBPCB/07-08 dated 22nd August, 2007, the closure order issued by the Board vide Memo No. 1512-142-WPB-SEE-K.O.-GEN/2003 dated 14-08-2007 is hereby withdrawn by the Board with the following conditions. The electricity connection of M/S. VISION SPONGE IRON (P) LTD. is also hereby restored.

1. That, the industry should always ensure compliance of the emission standard by taking appropriate steps as mentioned below within one month from the date hereof as committed by the industry itself through their letter dated 22nd August, 2007, which are as under.
   A. Regular maintenance & changing of all bag filter to improve efficiency.
   B. Regular maintenance of Recuperator including changing of tubes to improve overall efficiency.
   C. Proper maintenance and alignment of collecting & discharge Electroplate of ESP to enhance the efficiency of the system.
   D. Proper maintenance of support & shaft Insulators of ESP.
   E. Regular cleaning of all duct line.
2. That, the industry should take necessary steps to minimize the fugitive emission and leakage from the ABC cap.
3. That, the industry will always operate its pollution control systems during its manufacturing process.
4. That, the industry will take a shut down of its manufacturing process whenever the pollution abatement system fails to function for whatever reasons and the same should be intimated to the Board.
5. That, the industry should submit Pollution Cost of Rs.2.00 Lakhs (Rupees Two Lakhs only) by Demand Draft payable at Service Branch, Kolkata/Banker’s cheque in favour of the WEST BENGAL POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD for the violation of environmental statutes as referred above.

6. That, the industry should submit a Bank Guarantee of Rs.10.00 Lakhs (Rupees Ten Lakhs only) [proforma enclosed] valid for twelve [12] months in favour of the WEST BENGAL POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD within fifteen (15) days from the date hereof to ensure compliance with the above directions.

The Secretary, D.V.C., is hereby requested to restore the electricity connection of the industry immediately.

This direction is issued in exercise of the power conferred Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 and its subsequent amendments and Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 and Rules made thereunder.

In case of non-compliance of the aforementioned directions by the said unit, the State Pollution Control Board may forfeit the entire Bank Guarantee amount and re-impose the closure order without any further reference.

This order has the approval of the Competent Authority.

By Order

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