MEMO NO.: 964-2S(HW)2290/2007  DATE: 02/07/08

CLOSURE ORDER INCLUDING DISCONNECTION OF ELECTRICITY

WHEREAS, M/S. EASTERN DYCHEM PVT. LTD., (hereinafter referred as the industry) operates its copper sulphate manufacturing unit at P. O. – East Udayrajpur, Madhyagram, Kolkata – 700 129 The unit was called for hearing in the Head Office of the WEST BENGALE POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD (hereinafter referred as the Board) for non-compliance of environmental norms and thus violating the environmental statutes.

WHEREAS, the report of inspection dated 23-04-2008 revealed the following:

1. That, the industry has started its manufacturing operation for production of copper sulphate using copper scrap as raw material without obtaining “Registration” from the Central Pollution Control Board which is mandated for reprocessing of any non-ferrous hazardous wastes under the provision of Hazardous Waste (Management & Handling) Amendment Rules, 2003.

2. WHEREAS the industry has also started operating without installing emission control system

WHEREAS, nobody appeared in the Technical Hearing on behalf of the industry which was conducted by the Board on 30-05-2008.

WHEREAS, the Hon’ble Supreme Court of India passed an Order in connection with the W. P. (C) No.657 of 1995 directing the State Pollution Control Boards to close the units operating violating the provisions of the Hazardous Waste (Management & Handling) Amendment Rules, 2003.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the inspection report dated 23-04-2008 revealing violations of the provisions of Hazardous Waste (Management & Handling) Amendment Rules, 2003, M/S. EASTERN DYCHEM PVT. LTD., is hereby closed by the Board in compliance with the Order of the Hon’ble Supreme Court of India as referred above. The electricity connection of the industry is also ordered to be disconnected immediately.

The Secretary, WBSEB is requested to take action to disconnect the electricity of the industry immediately.

Suspension of closure will be considered only after the unit complies with the following conditions:

1. Installs adequately designed emission control system for arresting acid fumes from the manufacturing operation of copper sulphate involving sulphuric acid.


3. Obtains “Registration” from the Central Pollution Control Board, New Delhi for using copper scrap as one of the raw materials for manufacturing copper sulphate.
The closure order will take immediate effect and Officer-In-Charge, Barasat 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, Barasat Police Station and the Secretary, WBSEB, in conformity with the order of the Hon’ble High Court, Calcutta dated 21-08-1998 and 28-04-1999 respectively.

Environmental Engineer, Barrackpore 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.

This direction has been issued in exercise of the powers conferred Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981, Hazardous Waste (Management & Handling) Amendment Rules, 2003, especially Notified under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 and Rules made thereunder.

This has the approval of the Competent Authority.

Order

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