MEMO NO.: 1251 -PCB-HOW-08(02)2007

DATE: 28-07-2008

SUSPENSION OF CLOSURE ORDER INCLUDING RESTORATION OF ELECTRICITY

WHEREAS, M/S. GIRIRAJ ISPAT (P) LTD. (hereinafter referred as the industry) operates a coal-fired rolling Mill at Dhulagarh Industrial Estate, Sankrail, Dist. – Howrah.

WHEREAS, the industry had to be closed by the WEST BENGAL POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD (hereinafter referred as the Board) for violating the NOC condition, operating the unit without obtaining “Consent-to-Operate” and causing serious air pollution through emission of dense black smoke through the chimney of the furnace.

WHEREAS, the industry has submitted a technical report including pictorial evidences through its letter dated 10-07-2008 for installation of air pollution control system for the coal-fired furnace and intimated that 60% work has already been done. They also appealed for allowing sixty days time to complete the balance work of installation of air pollution control device

WHEREAS, the industry has also submitted application to the Howrah Regional Office of the Board for obtaining “Consent-to-Operate”.

NOW THEREFORE, the closure order vide Memo No.601-PCB-HOW-08(02)2007 dated 27/28-05-2008 issued by the Board against M/S. GIRIRAJ ISPAT (P) LTD. is hereby suspended for six months i.e. up to January, 2009 with the following conditions:

1. That, the industry will have to complete commissioning of the air pollution control device (ventury scrubber) for the coal-fired furnace as per the technical report submitted by the industry within 30th September, 2008 to comply with the emission standard and ensure smokeless stack.

2. The industry will have to submit a Bank Guarantee of Rs.2.00 Lacks (Rupees Two Lakhs only) [proforma enclosed] valid for twelve (12) months to ensure compliance of the above direction within the stipulated time.

3. The industry will have to submit a Pollution Cost for Rs.50,000 (Rupees Fifty Thousand only) by Demand Draft, payable at Service Branch at Kolkata/Banker’s Cheque for operating the coal-fired furnace without installing any air pollution control devices violating the NOC condition.

4. The above-mentioned Bank Guarantee and the Pollution Cost will have to be submitted within fifteen days from the date of issuance of the order in favour of the WEST BENGAL POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD.

5. The electricity connection of the industry is also ordered to be restored up to January, 2009.
In case of noncompliance of the above directions within the stipulated time period, the Board may recourse to its earlier order without any further reference in the matter.

The Secretary, WBSEB is request to take necessary action to restore the electricity connection of the industry immediately up to January, 2009.

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

Order

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