WHEREAS, M/s. Hydro Carbons and Chemicals (hereinafter referred to as the industry) is engaged in manufacturing of chemicals like light liquid paraffin, petroleum sulphonate, transformer oil and ferric alum at Plot No. 26 (Part), Uluberia Industrial Growth Centre, P.O. – Birshibpur, Uluberia, Howrah – 711 316.

AND WHEREAS, the industry was earlier closed by the WEST BENGAL POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD (hereinafter referred to as the Board) on 19/06/2008 with disconnection of electricity due to its non-compliance with several environmental norms and directions. The Order for closure with disconnection of electricity was suspended by the Board conditionally upto 15/01/2009 and the same was further extended upto 30/12/2010.

AND WHEREAS, an inspection of the industry was conducted on 22/12/2010 by the Board officials and the following recommendations were made:

1. One outlet on the highway side which could serve as a discharge point for spillages emanating from the Ferric Alum plant is required to be closed.

2. The ETP and the drain lines are to be maintained properly.

3. Broken sheds of asbestos, asbestos gaskets are other asbestos bearing wastes which was observed strewn around needs to be collected and stored in the hazardous waste storage shed.

4. Contaminated mud/earth containing spillages/leakages are also to be collected and kept in the hazardous waste storage area.

5. An action plan to reduce spillages/leakages may be submitted by the industry.

NOW, THEREFORE, considering the above observations made during inspection on 22/12/2010, the Board hereby directs M/s. Hydro Carbons and Chemicals to operate subject to the following conditions:

a. That the industry shall always operate in compliance with the environmental norms and with efficient functioning of the pollution abatement systems and comply with the directions issued by the Board.

b. That the industry shall close the outlet on the highway side as mentioned in Sl.1 above.

c. That the industry shall properly maintain the ETP and all the drain lines.

d. That the industry shall properly collect and store all asbestos bearing wastes as per provisions of the Hazardous Waste (Management, Handling and Transboundary Movement) Rules, 2008 as amended.

e. That the industry shall collect and dispose all contaminated mud / earth containing spillages / leakages etc. as per provisions of the Hazardous Waste (Management, Handling and Transboundary Movement) Rules, 2008 as amended.

f. That the industry shall submit an action plan to reduce spillages / leakages immediately.

g. That the industry shall improve its overall housekeeping.

h. That the industry shall operate with valid Consent to Operate of the Board only.
The Environmental Engineer, Howrah Regional Office of the Board is requested to conduct periodic inspections to verify the compliance status of the industry and to ensure that the industry operates with valid consent to operate of the Board. If the industry is still found to operate violating the environmental norms and the directions issued by the Board, the Board will be at liberty to take further stricter regulatory action against the industry.

This direction is issued in exercise of the powers conferred under provisions of 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 especially provisions of the Hazardous Waste (Management, Handling and Transboundary Movement) Rules, 2008 as amended, after being approved by the competent authority.

By Order,

Sd/-
(Subrata Ghosh)
Chief Engineer
Operation & Execution Cell
West Bengal Pollution Control Board