DIRECTION

WHEREAS, M/s. Sharp Ferro Alloys Ltd. (hereinafter referred to as the industry) located at Nachan Road, Kamalpur, P.O. & P.S.- Durgapur, Dist.- Burdwan, Pin – 713 204 is a ferro alloy industry having 1X7.5 MVA & 2X9 MVA Submerged Electric Arc Furnaces (SEAFs), 2X8 MT Induction Furnaces and one Continuous Casting Machine (CCM).

AND WHEREAS, inspection of the industry was carried out by the officials of West Bengal Pollution Control Board (hereinafter referred to as the Board) on 21/06/2012. During inspection all the SEAFs were found in operation. Although individual air pollution control devices were in operation during inspection but considerable fugitive emission as well as heavy stack emission was observed from the stack of the SEAFs. Large amount of slag was found to be stored in open space within the premises of the industry.

AND WHEREAS, the ‘ Consent to Operate’ of the industry is valid up to 31/01/2014.

AND WHEREAS, the industry was called for a hearing at the head office of the Board on 10/10/2012 for the above mentioned non-compliance.

AND WHEREAS, the representatives of the industry appearing in the hearing agreed with the above mentioned observations of the Board. They submitted that fugitive emission was observed on the day of inspection as some bags of the bag filters got damaged and they have replaced the damaged bags within 2-3 days after the inspection. They also submitted that they are reusing the slag for producing silico managanese.

NOW, THEREFORE, considering the non-compliance as mentioned above, the Board is hereby pleased to direct M/s. Sharp Ferro Alloys Ltd. located at Nachan Road, Kamalpur, P.O. & P.S.- Durgapur, Dist.- Burdwan, Pin – 713 204 as follows:

1. That, the industry shall take necessary steps to comply with environmental norms with efficient functioning of air pollution control devices attached to all units operations.

2. That, the industry shall take necessary steps to control fugitive emission.

3. That, the industry shall submit a Pollution Cost of Rs. 2,00,000/- (Rupees two lakhs) only within fifteen [15] days from the date hereof by Demand Draft to be drawn on Service Branch, Kolkata/Banker’s cheque in favour of the WEST BENGAL POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD.

4. That, the industry shall execute a Bank Guarantee (proforma enclosed) of Rs. 3,00,000/- (Rupees three 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 as an assurance to comply with the above direction.
The Asst. Environmental Engineer & In-charge, Durgapur Regional Office of the State Board is requested to keep vigil over the industry and if the industry is found to violate the direction of the Board stricter regulatory order including closure with disconnection of electricity will be issued.

This direction is issued in exercise of the powers conferred under provisions of the Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 and 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