Date: 20/12/2013

DIRECTION

WHEREAS, M/s. Hsiang Li Tannery (hereinafter referred to as the industry) is a relocated tannery engaged in manufacturing of finished leather by processing of raw hide. It is located at Plot No. 357, Zone-5, Calcutta Leather Complex, P.O.- Bhojerhat, Dist.- South 24 Parganas, Pin – 743 502.

AND WHEREAS, the process generates chrome bearing effluent and non-chrome bearing effluent. The industry has its own preliminary treatment plant for treatment of non-chrome bearing effluent. The chrome liquor is sent to CCRU of the complex. Non-chrome bearing effluent is discharged into CLC sewer line through preliminary treatment plant for final treatment in the CETP of the complex.

AND WHEREAS, the industry was inspected by the officials of the WEST BENGAL POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD (hereinafter referred to as the Board) on 23/07/2013. During inspection the industry was found in operation and the Preliminary treatment plant was found to be functional. The effluent sample collected during inspection from the outlet of the pre-treatment plant failed to comply with the liquid effluent discharge standard in respect of TSS. Earlier the industry also failed to meet the standard for the sample collected on 19/04/2012.

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\text{Parameters} & \text{Sampling point} & \text{Results as on 19/04/2012} & \text{Results as on 23/07/2013} & \text{Standard} \\
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\text{pH} & \text{Outlet of sedimentation tank} & 7.31 & 7.26 & 6.5-9.0 \\
\text{TSS} & & 1850.00 \text{ mg/l} & 890.00 \text{ mg/l} & 600 \text{ mg/l} \\
\text{Total Cr} & & 2.903 \text{ mg/l} & 3.94 \text{ mg/l} & 45 \text{ mg/l} \\
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AND WHEREAS, the validity of last ‘Consent to Operate’ fees of the industry expired on 30/09/2012. The industry has applied for renewal of ‘Consent to Operate’ on 31/05/2013 with fees cleared up to 30/04/2015.

AND WHEREAS, the industry was called for a hearing by the Board on 21/11/2013 for the non-compliance of environmental norms as observed during inspection by the Board officials.

AND WHEREAS, the representatives of the industry appearing in the hearing agreed with the above mentioned observations of the Board. They stated that the failure in meeting TSS standard happened due to improper cleaning of the internal drains and sedimentation tank of the pre-treatment plant. They submitted that henceforth they would clean the internal drains, equalization tank and sedimentation tank of the pre-treatment plant on regular interval so as to comply with the liquid effluent discharge standard.

NOW THEREFORE, considering the nature of non-compliance as recorded above, M/s. Hsiang Li Tannery located at Plot No. 357, Zone-5, Calcutta Leather Complex, P.O.- Bhojerhat, Dist.- South 24 Parganas, Pin – 743 502 is hereby directed to comply with the following:

1. That the industry shall always operate in compliance with environmental norms with efficient functioning of pollution control system.
2. **That**, the industry shall execute a Bank Guarantee (proforma enclosed) of Rs. 1,00,000/- (Rupees one lakh) 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 Environmental Engineer, Salt Lake Regional Office of the Board is requested to keep vigil on the industry and if it is again found continuing to violate the environmental norms, the Board will be at liberty to take stricter regulatory action without any further notice.

This direction is issued in exercise of the powers conferred under the Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 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**