WHEREAS, M/s. Accumulator Manufacturing Co. (hereinafter referred to as the industry), located at 24, Bediadanga Masjid Bari Lane, P.S.- Kasba, Kolkata – 700 039 is a lead acid battery manufacturing unit. The industry has a HSD fired furnace of capacity 20 kg/hr. which is provided with suction hood, ID fan and alkaline water chamber and attached to a stack of height 10m from G.L. The industry has an effluent treatment plant (ETP) comprising of coagulation tank, lime dosing for pH correction and finally it passes through a sand filter.

AND WHEREAS, the industry was inspected on 22/05/2014 by the officials of West Bengal Pollution Control Board (hereinafter referred to as the Board). During inspection the industry was found in operation.

AND WHEREAS, several hearings were conducted by the Public Grievance Cell of the Board following repetitive public complaints against the industry. The industry was directed on 23/09/2013 through Record of Proceedings that use of Ammonium Sulphate shall be totally stopped and LPG shall be used for group burning in place of acetylene flame produced by calcium carbide.

AND WHEREAS, during inspection on 22/05/2014, it was observed that dipping in Ammonium Sulphate has already been stopped by the industry and calcium carbide for acetylene flame is replaced by LPG.

AND WHEREAS, the complainant resides at the adjacent building of the industry and during inspection he complained that they are still suffering from bad smell and noise pollution. But during inspection no such smell was felt at the residence of complainant and the same was confirmed by the complainant. Noise level as measured at the complainant’s residence was 59 dB(A).

AND WHEREAS, a separate hearing was held on 28/05/2014 by the P.G. Cell wherein both the industry and the complainants were present. The industry submitted during hearing that they have already complied with the directions issued by the Board, but the complainants submitted that they are still suffering from air pollution and other environmental hazards due to operation of the industry.

AND WHEREAS, the Consent to Operate of the industry is valid up to 31/07/2014. The industry has applied for renewal of Consent to Operate on 06/06/2014. The Hazardous Waste Authorisation of the industry is valid up to 30/06/2017.

AND WHEREAS, the industry was called for a hearing on 24/07/2014 at the head office of the board for non-compliance of environmental norms as observed during inspection by the Board officials.

AND WHEREAS, nobody appeared on behalf of the complainants during the hearing.
AND WHEREAS, the representatives of the industry appearing in the hearing submitted that they have already taken necessary measures towards compliance of Board’s directions. They also assured that they would abide by the environmental norms as well as the Board’s directions in future.

NOW, THEREFORE, considering the submission made by the industry, M/s. Accumulator Manufacturing Co. located at 24, Bediadanga Masjid Bari Lane, P.S.- Kasba, Kolkata – 700 039 is hereby directed as follows:

1. **That**, the industry shall always operate with efficient functioning of pollution control systems and maintaining the environmental norms as well as the Board’s directions.

The Environmental Engineer, Camac St. Regional Office of the State Board is requested to keep strict vigil over the industry and if the industry is found to be non-complying during inspection, stricter regulatory order will be issued.

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 after being approved by the Competent Authority.

By Order,

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Chief Engineer
Operation & Execution Cell
West Bengal Pollution Control Board