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To

March 06, 2018

The Unit Head

Alsthome Industries Ltd.

Village: Baghjap

P.O. Jagi-Bhakatgaon

Distt.- Morigaon

Assam - 782 410

Sub: Show Cause Notice under section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986.

WHEREAS, the cement industries are identified as one of the 17 categories of highly polluting industries which have been discharging environmental pollutants directly or indirectly into the ambient air and water, having potential threat to cause adverse effect on the water and air quality; and

WHEREAS, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change has notified emission norms for Particulate matter, SO₂ & NO_x vide GSR 612 (E) dated 25.08.2014; and amended it vide GSR 496 (E) dated 09.05.2016 for all cement industries and vide GSR 497 (E) dated 10.05.2016 for cement industries, carrying out co-processing of wastes in their cement kilns; and

WHEREAS, on request of cement industries, timeline was extended up-to March 31, 2017 to comply with the aforesaid notified emission standards; and

WHEREAS, the matter regarding reconsideration of notified standards was taken up by the Cement Manufacturers Association with the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEFCC). In this context, it has been decided by MoEFCC that general extension shall not be granted and any extension regarding compliance shall be based on due assessment and submission of clear/specific road map for compliance with notified standards in a time bound manner. Accordingly, Directions under Section 3 of Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 have been issued by MoEFCC to CPCB on 28.03.2017 to ensure implementation of notified environmental standards for cement industries; and

WHEREAS, you were reminded vide this office letter of even no. dated 30.03.2017 that new notified standards for cement industry have become effective from April 01, 2017 and you were directed to submit clear / specific time-bound action plan for compliance with new notified standards, before April 30, 2017; and

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WHEREAS, series of meetings were convened by Regional Directorates of CPCB with Cement industries and State Pollution Control Boards to expedite the submission of action plans and ensure compliance. Based on the inputs received, a standard format was developed to facilitate cement industries in submission of action plans in a precise & scientific manner and the same was circulated among cement manufacturers. Accordingly, all the cement industries were directed to submit the specific action plan as per the standard format before 30.04.2017; and WHEREAS, copies of all such communications/directions were uploaded on the website of CPCB also from time to time and are available; and

WHEREAS, as per action plan submitted dated 27.04.2017, it was claimed that the unit had already complied w.r.t. revised emission norms.

WHEREAS, CPCB RD-Shillong inspected M/s M/s Alsthome Industries Ltd., P.O. Jagi-Bhakatgaon, Distt.- Morigaon, Assam was on 11.12.2017 to verify compliance of emission norm and the inspecting team made following observations:

1. During source emission monitoring, PM emission from cement mill was monitored as 126.57 mg/Nm³, exceeding the revised emission norm of PM (30 mg/Nm³). **The unit needs to upgrade emission control system to bring down PM emission to meet with revised PM norm of 30 mg/Nm³.**
2. **The OCEMS needs to be calibrated and connected to CPCB server giving dust concentration in mg/Nm³.**
3. The unit requires to install water sprinklers along the haul road to control dust due to vehicle movement.
4. Emissions for packing unit bag house are discharged horizontally without stack. The unit needs to release emissions from packing mills in the vertical direction with an arrangement of proper chimney.
5. The unit does not have any sedimentation pit at the end of the storm drain. Therefore, the unit needs to make a sedimentation pit of sufficient capacity at the end of storm drain to arrest sediments and prevent washing away to agriculture field.
6. The unit needs to develop proper green belt all around the plant premises.
7. The unit should store lime sludge, procured from nearby pulp and paper mill under shed.
8. The house keeping was very poor. Unit needs to improve house keeping.

WHEREAS, the Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Government of India, vide Notifications No. S. O. 157 (E) of 27.02.1996 and S. O. 730 (E) dated 10.07.2002, has delegated the powers vested under Section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 (29 of 1986) to the Chairman, Central Pollution Control Board, to issue directions to any industry or any local body or any other authority for violations of the standards and rules notified under the Environment (Protection) Rules, 1986 and amendment thereof;



M/s Alsthome Industries Ltd., P.O. Jagi-Bhakatgaon, Distt.- Morigaon, Assam

Now, THEREFORE, in view of the above observations / recommendations and exercising the powers delegated to the Chairman, Central Pollution Control Board under section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, M/s Alsthome Industries Ltd., P.O. Jagi-Bhakatgaon, Distt.- Morigaon, Assam is hereby directed to show cause as to why the unit should not be directed to close operation if the shortcomings as mentioned at S.No 1& 2 above are not rectified, immediately and stack emission report from an Environment (Protection) Act recognized laboratory as documentary evidence is not submitted within 15 days and an action plan is not submitted to address recommendations at Sl. No. 3-8 in shortest possible time and as to why environmental compensation should not be imposed in respect of the violations.

The industry shall submit reply & action taken report within 15 days from the date of issue of this Notice. In case of failure, the Board will be constraint to initiate action as deemed necessary and appropriate in the circumstances under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986.

(S.P. S. Parihar)
Chairman

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Copy to:

1	The Chairman Assam Pollution Control Board Bamunimaida Guwahati - 781 021, Assam	For information & ensuring compliance please.
2	The Regional Director Regional Directorate (North-East) Central Pollution Control Board TUM- SIR, Lower Motinagar Near Fire Brigade H.Q. Shillong - 793014	For information please.
3	The Additional Secretary (AKM) Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change Prithvi Wing, 2nd Floor, Room No. 216 Indira Paryavaran Bhawan Aliganj, JorBagh Road, New Delhi - 110003	
4	The Divisional Head, IT, CPCB, Delhi	
5	The Divisional Head (PKG), IPC-VI, CPCB	

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(A. Sudhakar)
Member Secretary

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