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To

The Unit Head
M/s ACC Ltd.
Sindri Cement Works
P.O. ACC Colony, Sindri
Dhanbad-828124
Jharkhand

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

WHEREAS, the cement plants 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, the Central Government has notified the standards for discharge of environmental pollutants from various categories of industries under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 and the rules framed there under; and

WHEREAS, there is need to inculcate habit of self-monitoring within the industries for complying with the prescribed standards and this can be achieved by the methods like installing online emission monitoring devices; and

WHEREAS, for strengthening the monitoring and compliance through self-regulatory mechanism, online source emission and effluent monitoring systems need to be installed and operated by the industries on 'polluter pays principle'; and

WHEREAS, a direction under section 18 (1) (b) of the Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 and the Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 was issued on February 05, 2014 to all the State Pollution Control Boards (SPCBs)/ Pollution Control Committees (PCCs) for installation of online emission monitoring system w.r.t. PM, NO_x and SO₂ in cement industries; and

WHEREAS, considering the requests/ representations received from industries/ industrial associations/ SPCBs / PCCs, an extension of time up to June 30, 2015 for installation of online monitoring systems was granted vide direction dated March 02, 2015 under section 18 (1) (b) of the Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 and the Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981; and

WHEREAS, a letter vide dated May 29, 2015 was issued by the Chairman, CPCB to all the SPCBs/ PCCs informing that no further extension of time will be given after June 30, 2015 and consent to operate will be withdrawn along with forfeiture of bank guarantee of non-complying units; and

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WHEREAS, concerned SPCB/ PCC issued directions under section 33A of the Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 and section 31A of the Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 to install the online monitoring system by June 30, 2015 and to submit bank guarantee of 100% of the cost of online emission & effluent monitoring system; and

WHEREAS, M/s ACC Ltd., Sindri Cement Works, Dhanbad was inspected during 19-20.02.2018 to investigate high SMS alert/Offline status and assess compliance of the environmental norms. The inspecting team made following observations:

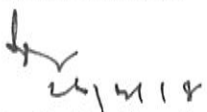

1. **Fugitive emissions were observed around Ball mill area and vertical roller mill-I. Therefore, the unit needs to take corrective measures to control fugitive emissions and to improve housekeeping in these area.**
2. The value recorded online emission monitoring system (6.3 mg/Nm³) is much less than the lab analysed value (23 mg/Nm³). Therefore, the unit needs to ensure regular maintainance & operation and calibration of OCEMS to obtain reliable and accurate results.

WHEREAS, as per IT Division report dated 13.03.2018, the unit has provided connectivity through OCEMS with CPCB server for all the stacks, however the inspection report shows there are 7 stacks, but the unit has clarified through email dated 19.03.2018 that there are 3 main stacks VRM-1, VRM-2 and coal mill and these 3 stacks are having online dust monitor; and

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;

Now, THEREFORE, in view of the above observations and discrepancy in OCEMS connectivity and exercising the powers delegated to the Chairman, Central Pollution Control Board under section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, M/s ACC Ltd., Sindri Cement Works, Dhanbad is hereby directed to show cause as to why the unit should not be directed to close operation if the violation are not stopped immediately and the shortcomings as mentioned above are not rectified and photographs & fugitive emission report from an Environment (Protection) Act recognized laboratory as documentary evidence of compliance are not submitted within 15 days.

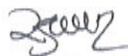
The industry shall submit reply & action taken report within 15 days from the date of issue of this Notice. In absence of the reply, it will be presumed that the industry has nothing to say in this regard and CPCB will be constrained to take action as deemed fit including prosecution under the provision of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986.


(S.P. S. Parihar)
Chairman 

M/s ACC Ltd., Sindri Cement Works, Dhanbad

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1	The Chairman Jharkhand State Pollution Control Board T.A. Bldg., HEC, P.O. Dhurwa, Ranchi - 834004, Jharkhand	For information & ensuring compliance please.
2	The Regional Director Regional Directorate (Eastern) Central Pollution Control Board 502, Southend Conclave 1582, Rajdanga Main Road Kolkata - 700 107	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	
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(A. Sudhakar)
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