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MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST & CLIMATE CHANGE, GOVT. OF INDIA

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To

The Unit Head

M/s ACC Ltd.

Gagal Cement Works (Unit 1 & 2)

P.O. & Distt. Barmana,

Himachal Pradesh

Sub: Revocation of closure direction 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;

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;

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;

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';

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, NOx and SO₂ in cement industries ;

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;

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PCCs informing that no further extension of time will be given after June 30, 2015 and consent to operate will be withdrawn along with forfeiture of bank guarantee of non-complying units;

by

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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;

WHEREAS, M/s ACC Cement, Gagal Cement Works, H.P. was inspected during September 22-25, 2017 to investigate high SMS alert/Offline status and assess compliance of the environmental norms and the inspecting team made following observations:

1. **The unit has installed and connected Online Continuous Emission Monitoring System (OCEMS) for PM but has not installed and connected OCEMS for SO₂ and NO_x on kiln stack and also not installed OCEMS on all other process stacks (except kilns) as per CPCB guideline in this regard, as verified by IT division.**
2. The unit should intimate CPCB whenever shutdown results in OCEMS data disconnection.
3. The unit should conduct third party calibration of the analyzers at regular intervals as per CPCB Guidelines.
4. The unit should report quantity of wastes co-processed every financial year to CPCB and HP PCB.

WHEREAS, closure direction dated 05.12.2017 has been issued to the unit due to non-installation of full OCEMS and for taking corrective measures w.r.t the above shortcomings; and

WHEREAS, in response to aforesaid closure direction, request from the industry vide letter dated 20.12.2017 and 10.01.2018, enclosing compliance status of the shortcomings has been submitted informing that the unit has installed OCEMS and its connectivity with CPCB Server has been established. The response has been examined and OCEMS installation verified by IT division on 09.01.2018.

WHEREAS, a meeting of the three member committee, constituted for examination and recommendation for revocation of closure direction issued by CPCB, was held on 19.01.2018 and the committee recommended that the closure direction issued to the unit may be revoked with the recommendation that unit should submit emission data of one month from recognized laboratory within 45 days of issue of this direction; and

Now THEREFORE, in view of the above and exercising the powers delegated to the Chairman, Central Pollution Control Board under section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 vide Ministry of Environment & Forests, Government of India Notifications No. S. O. 157 (E) of 27.02.1996 and S. O. 730 (E) dated 10.07.2002, closure direction issued to M/s ACC Cement, Gagal Cement Works, H.P. dated 05.12.2017 is hereby revoked and the unit is directed to submit emission data of one month from recognized laboratory within 45 days of issue of this direction.



M/s ACC Cement, Gagal Cement Works, H.P.

In case of non-compliance, appropriate action as deemed fit under the provisions of Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 will be initiated against the unit without any further notice.

[S. P. S. Parihar]
Chairman

31.01.2018

Copy to:

1	The Chairman Himachal Pradesh Pollution Control Board Paryavaran Bhawan Phase - III, New Simla - 171 009	
2	The District Magistrate Barmana, H.P.	
3	The Chairman, Himachal Pradesh State Electricity Board Ltd Vidyut Bhawan Shimla Himachal Pradesh (India)-171004	For information & ensuring compliance please.
4	The Regional Director Central Pollution Control Board Ground Floor, PICUP Bhawan Vibhuti khand, Gomti Nagar Lucknow - 226 020 U.P.	
5	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	For information please.
6	The Divisional Head, IT, CPCB, Delhi	
7	The Divisional Head (PKG), IPC-VI, CPCB	

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Member Secretary