

**State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority, Himachal Pradesh**  
**Ministry of Environment and Forests, Government of India**  
**at Department of Environment, Science & Technology, Narayan Villa,**  
**Shimla-171002, Himachal Pradesh.**

No. SEIAA/6<sup>th</sup> Meeting/2009-

Dated:

**PROCEEDINGS OF 6<sup>TH</sup> MEETING OF THE STATE LEVEL ENVIRONMENT IMPACT ASSESSMENT AUTHORITY**

The 6<sup>th</sup> meeting of the State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority (SEIAA) was held in Baddi, District Solan on 22<sup>nd</sup> December, 2009 for considering the monitoring report of the existing battery unit submitted by the State Pollution Control Board on the study of environmental parameters for the consideration of Environment Clearance w.r.t. the new battery manufacturing units which were deferred in the 5<sup>th</sup> Meeting of SEIAA.

Member Secretary, SEIAA extended his welcome to the Chairman and the Member of the Authority and sought permission of the Chair to start the proceedings.

**ITEM NO. 1: RATIFICATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE 5<sup>TH</sup> MEETING OF SEIAA:**

Authority ratified the minutes of the 5<sup>th</sup> Meeting.

**ITEM NO. 2**

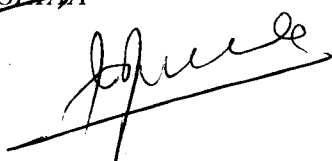
Report submitted on the monitoring carried out by the team of officers of the State Pollution Control Board comprising of Senior Scientific Officer, PCB, Parwanoo and Environmental Engineer, PCB, Baddi on 24.10.2009 both for ambient and source emissions was discussed and deliberated upon by the Authority. Both the officers of the SPCB were also present during discussions on the issue. The Authority was apprised that the existing battery unit which was monitored by the team of PCB is an old unit which was commissioned in 2005-06. For control of air pollution, this unit has provided wet scrubber. The committee observed from the report that the results of emissions from the chimney for two samples were meeting the norms of 10 mg/m<sup>3</sup> with reference to Lead and in case of one sample, the results in terms of Particulate Matter were observed to be above the prescribed norms of 25 mg/m<sup>3</sup>.

Monitoring carried out by the team for ambient air at three locations indicated that presence of Lead was above prescribed norm of 1.5µg/m<sup>3</sup> at two locations. It was apprised that the ambient air quality levels in terms of Lead could be attributed to inadequate housekeeping and fugitive sources of Lead as the same was found within norms in the chimney.

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After detailed deliberations and discussions on the matter in light of the decision taken in the 5<sup>th</sup> Meeting of Authority and also taking into consideration the latest 'pulse jet bag house based technology' proposed in the new battery units. Authority decided to grant Environment Clearance to the following units which were deferred in the 5<sup>th</sup> Meeting:

1. M/s. Base Corporation Ltd., Unit-II (Expansion) Vill. Nagali, PO Oachghat, Solan, H.P. for manufacturing of Lead Acid Batteries, UPS etc.
2. M/s. Deepak Storage Enterprises, Industrial Area, Sansarpur Terrace, Jaswan, Kangra, H.P. for manufacturing of Lead Acid Batteries.
3. M/s. Fuji Kawa Power, D-7, Udyog Nagar, Rohtak Road, Delhi-41 at Vill. Honda Kundi, Baddi, H.P. for manufacturing of Lead & Lead Alloys & Batteries.

The Environment Clearance shall, however, be subject to fulfilling all the conditions imposed by the SEAC in its 6<sup>th</sup> Meeting held at Shimla on 24.07.2009 and an additional condition that the units shall maintain prevalent best practices in housekeeping and all raw materials shall be handled in covered and closed sheds. The unit shall also maintain adequate suction to prevent the fugitive lead in the ambient air. The units shall also invariably submit the annual Environmental Statements to the State PCB. Intensive monitoring shall be carried out by PCB before the units come into commercial production and its report be placed before SEIAA in the subsequent meeting.



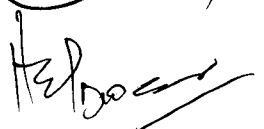
The units would also submit the following documents/information to the Authority, prior to issuance of the Environment Clearance letter:-

1. Energy and Waste Audit Balance Sheet.
2. Carbon Balance Sheet.

The EC case of another unit which was deferred in the 5<sup>th</sup> Meeting namely **M/s. Starlit Infrastructure Ltd.**, A-1/51, LGF Safardarjang Enclave, New Delhi-110029 at Vill Dharampur, PO Thana, Tehsil Baddi, Solan HP (Khasra No. 71/3/1) for manufacturing of Pure Lead, Lead Alloy and Lead Oxide has informed the authority vide letter No. Nil dated 15-12-2009 that they have shifted their production base from Baddi (HP) to Haryana and they are not able to attend the 6<sup>th</sup> Meeting of HPSEIAA due to pre-occupation. Authority decided to issue a letter asking unit to clearly specify and intimate within one month whether the application for Environmental Clearance has been withdrawn and in case no reply is received, the application for Environmental Clearance in case of this unit may be delisted.

The Authority also desired that the unit, where the monitoring was done and found exceeding norms in Ambient Air, shall within two months adopt best prevalent housekeeping practices and also provide latest "pulse jet bag house based technology" in the unit.


  
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Notification No. SO3067 (E) dated 1<sup>st</sup> December, 2009 was also placed on record for perusal of the Authority.

Meeting concluded with Vote of Thanks to/from the Chair.

Approved and Signed by:

  
Dr. Nagin Nanda, IFS  
Member-Secretary  
HPSEIAA

  
Dr. J.M. Julka  
Expert Member  
HPSEIAA

  
Sh. A.K. Goswami, IAS  
Chairman  
HPSEIAA

Place: Baddi, Distt. Solan.

Dated: 22-12-2009