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PUNJAB POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD
Nabha Road, Patiala

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No. SEE (HQ-1) /PPCB/2014/ 266

Dated: 22/9/14

Office Order

Earlier, the Punjab Pollution Control Board in its 149th meeting held on 20/10/2010 vide item 149.03, had decided to exempt the Solar Photovoltaic Plants less than 5 MW capacity for obtaining the consent to establish/operate from the Board under Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 and Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 for a period of five years subject to certain conditions. The office order in this regard was issued vide no. HQ-2/Solar PV/F-322/2010/08 dated 05-01-2011.

Now, the Punjab Pollution Control Board in its 165th meeting held on 10/9/2014 vide item no. 165.04 has reconsidered the matter and has decided to exempt the Solar Photovoltaic Plants irrespective of their capacity, from obtaining consent to establish (NOC)/consent to operate of the Board under Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 & Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 subject to following conditions:

- (i) That there shall not be any discharge of trade effluent from the industry into the stream, well or sewer or onto land for irrigation & it shall not cause any air pollution including noise.
- (ii) That the industry shall not discharge any toxic/hazardous waste and shall not handle any toxic/hazardous chemicals.
- (iii) The domestic effluent after treatment in septic tanks shall be used for gardening /plantation purpose inside their premises.
- (iv) At the end of the life cycle of the photovoltaic cell, batteries etc., it shall be ensured that such material shall be managed as per the provisions of the rules framed under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 and amended from time to time.

Chairman

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