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**HARYANA STATE POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD**

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To

All Branch In-Charges

(dealing with consent management in Head office)

**Sub: Wood as fuel for industries and other applications in NCR permissibility regarding- Clarification regarding non- NCR.**

The Commission for AQM in NCR and adjoining areas vide letter dated 03.08.2022 has intimated that it has already permitted biomass fuels for industrial applications in NCR (beyond the jurisdiction of GNCTD). This has been further supplemented through statutory Direction No. 65 dated 23.06.2022 communicating a standard list of approved fuels for NCR.

2. "Biomass Fuels" in the broader sense encompass all types of biomass that can be utilized for deriving suitable calorific value in industrial operations in boilers, furnaces etc. Such biomass fuels include agriculture crop residues, straw, husk etc. and have been stipulated under a broader classification. In specific reference to plywood manufacturing units located in the NCR, beyond jurisdiction of NCT of Delhi, wood processing wastes such as wooden chips/ waste wood/ saw dust etc. generated during the manufacturing process may also accordingly be considered and permitted to be used under the broader category of "biomass fuels".

3. Further the CAQM vide F. No. A110018/01/2021/CAQM/402(DT) dated 16.11.2022 has clarified that "Wood" per-se is not an approved fuel for industrial application as per Direction No.-65, dated 23.06.2022 issued by the Commission. Wood is an approved fuel limited for religious purposes and use in crematoria.

4. CAQM has permitted wood processed wastes such as wooden chips, waste wood, saw dust etc. under the broader category of biomass fuels vide said letter in NCR.

5. The matter has been examined w.r.t representation received from the Haryana Plywood Manufacturing Association (Regd.) c/o M/s Galaxy Plywood Industries Pvt. Ltd., Vill. Kami Majara, Distt. Yamuna Nagar vide letter dated 25.04.2023 and it is clarified that wood waste, wooden chips, saw dust etc. are permitted to be used under the broader category of biomass fuels in non-NCR districts of Haryana.

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Env. Engineer (Air Cell)

For Chairman

CC:-

A copy is forwarded to all the Regional Officers of non-NCR district of HSPCB with a request to circulate the clarification to all Industrial Associations under their jurisdiction please.

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A copy is forwarded to Sr. EE (IT) with a request to uploading the order on website of the Board please.

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A copy is forwarded to Haryana Plywood Manufacturing Association (Regd.) c/o M/s Galaxy Plywood Industries Pvt. Ltd., Vill. Kami Majara, Distt. Yamuna Nagar Haryana for information please.