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To

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Sub: Regarding provision of gross metering for loads above ten kW the "Rights of Consumers Rules 2020" notified by MoP, Gol

Ref: GUVNL letter no. GUVNL/Tech/Solar-Cell/ROC Rules-2020/126 dt 03.02.2021

This is in continuation to the GUVNL's letter under reference requesting EPD- GoG to move the matter to Hon'ble commission for appropriate decision regarding applicability of provision of Gross Metering for consumers having load above ten kw as per Rights of Consumers Rules 2020" notified by MoP, Gol. As discussed, the nos. of representations have been received at Govt. level that DISCOMs are not allowing installations of Solar projects having load above 10 KW under the net metering Regulation.

In this regard, as per clause no. 11(3) of the "Rights of Consumers Rules 2020" notified by MoP GOI, the State Regulatory Commission is required to lay down regulations on Grid Interactive Roof top Solar PV system and its related matters with **timelines of not exceeding six months** from the date of notification of these rules, in case the same has not been notified.

As per the clause no. 11(4) **this regulations** on Grid Interactive Roof top Solar PV system and its related matters **shall provide** for net metering for loads up to ten kW and for gross metering for loads above ten kW.

Clause no. 11(4) can be implemented by Distribution Companies only after necessary modification in regulation of Grid Interactive Roof Top Solar PV system by GERC.

In the state of Gujarat, Solar projects up to 1 MW are allowed under Net metering in accordance with GERC's 'Regulations for Net Metering Rooftop Solar PV Grid Interactive Systems 2016'. In case of allowing Solar projects having load up to 10 KW only under the Net metering as per Rights of Consumers Rules 2020" notified by MoP, Gol, the amendment in existing Net metering regulation is required. Till the time, DISCOMs are required to follow the existing Net-metering Regulation.

Accordingly, the State owned Distribution Companies are implementing the present Net metering regulation and allowing solar installations for the consumers having load above 10 KW under net metering arrangement. However, it is understood that the issue is related to distribution area of Torrent Power Ltd., Accordingly, Govt. may take up the matter with Torrent Power Ltd.

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