

Petition No. 1790 of 2021

BEFORE

THE UTTAR PRADESH ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISISON LUCKNOW

(Date of Order: 27.01.2023)

PRESENT:

Hon'ble Shri Raj Pratap Singh, Chairman Hon'ble Shri Vinod Kumar Srivastava, Member (Law)

IN THE MATTER OF: Petition under Section 62, 86(1)(a) of the Electricity Act, 2003 read Regulation 15(1) of the UPERC (Terms and Conditions of Generation Tariff) Regulations, 2019 for approval of ARR and determination of MYT Tariff for period from 01.04.2019 to 31.03.2024 in respect of Obra, Khara, Upper Ganga Canal, Belka, Babail and Sheetla Hydro Power Stations of UPJVNL.

Uttar Pradesh Jal Vidyut Nigam Limited (UPJVNL)

Shakti Bhawan, 14 – Ashok Marg, Lucknow – 226001

.....Petitioner

Versus

- 1. Uttar Pradesh Power Corporation Limited (UPPCL)
 Shakti Bhawan, 14 Ashok Marg, Lucknow 226001
- 2. Himachal Pradesh Electricity Board Limited (HPEBL) Vidyut Bhawan, Shimla, Himachal Pradesh 171004
- 3. Madhya Pradesh Power Management Company Limited (MPPMCL) Shakti Bhawan, Vidyut Nagar, Jabalpur (M.P) 482008
- 4. Madhyanchal Vidyut Vitran Nigam Limited (MVVNL) 4A, Gokhale Marg, Lucknow
- Purvanchal Vidyut Vitran Nigam Limited (PuVVNL)
 132 kV Sub-station, Bhikaripur, Vidyut Nagar, Varanasi 221004
- 6. Paschimanchal Vidyut Vitran Nigam Limited (PVVNL) Urja Bhawan, Victoria Park, Meerut - 250001
- 7. Dakshinanchal Vidyut Vitran Nigam Limited (DVVNL) Galina Road, Sikandara Road, Agra
- 8. Kanpur Electricity Supply Company Limited (KESCL)

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KESA House, Kanpur

 Noida Power Company Limited (NPCL) Commercial Complex, H-Block, Alpha-II Sector, Greater Noida

.....Respondent(s)

The following were present:

- 1. Chief Engineer (O&M), UPJVNL
- 2. Shri Syed Saif Naqvi, Consultant, UPJVNL
- 3. Shri Lalit Varshney, UPJVNL
- 4. Shri Vivek Ranjan, Consultant, UPPCL
- 5. Shri Mahendra Singh, S.E(PPA), UPPCL
- 6. Shri Rama Shankar Awasthi, Consumer representative
- 7. Shri Avdhesh Kumar Verma, Adhyaksh U.P.R.U.P

ORDER (Date of Public Hearing - 13.01.2023)

1. The Commission vide Admittance Order dated 24.11.2022 directed UPJVNL to publish a public notice outlining the details of the Petition and decided to hold public hearing on 13.01.2023. UPJVNL, published public notice on 12.11.2022 in daily newspaper.

The matter came up for hearing today.

- 2. During the Proceedings, Sh. Avdhesh Kumar Verma submitted that since the true up of the last control period has not completed, actual interest on loan should be considered instead of normative. Further, the escalation rate of 4.47% instead of 6.64% in the tariff should be considered in the consumer interest.
- 3. Sh. Rama Shankar Awasthi submitted that the asset bifurcation between Government of Uttar Pradesh and Government of Uttarakhand is yet to be finalised for the UPJVNL. Sh. Awasthi requested the Commission to take considerate view for UPJVNL's power station, the tariff being lower compared to other hydro power plants in the consumer interest.
- 4. On specific query of the Commission, representative of UPJVNL responded that they had already executed PPA with UPPCL and Himachal Discom whereas with Madhya Pradesh, the PPA is yet to be signed. Further, responding to the Commission's query on delay in NOC to Floating Projects, UPJVNL submitted that water resources fall under the purview of irrigation department, Government of Uttar Pradesh, therefore, obtaining NOC is time consuming. The Commission observed that Hydropower Purchase Obligation being mandatory under

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Renewable Purchase Obligation, UPJVNL should expedite the required process/steps to utilise its opportunity in the interest of the Uttar Pradesh state.

5. After hearing the comments/suggestion of the stakeholders, the Commission directed UPJVNL to place on record the updated PPA with UPPCL and Himachal and allowed the stakeholders to file their written comments/suggestions, if any within ten days from the date of this order.

Order Reserved.

(Vinod Kumar Salvastava)

Member (Law)

(Raj Pratap Singh)

Chairman

Place: Lucknow

Dated:27.01.2023

