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ANDHRA PRADESH ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION

Regulation No. of 2020

Second Amendment to APERC (Terms and Conditions of Open Access) Regulation No.2 of 2005

Introduction

The Andhra Pradesh Electricity Regulatory Commission (hereinafter referred to as "the Commission") notified the Andhra Pradesh Electricity Regulatory Commission (Terms and Conditions of Open Access) Regulation, 2005 (No.2 of 2005), published in A.P. Extraordinary Gazette dated 01st July, 2005 (Principal Regulation).

The Commission notified "Andhra Pradesh Electricity Regulatory Commission (Terms and Conditions of Open Access) First Amendment Regulation, 2016", published in the Gazette of Andhra Pradesh on January 08th, 2016.

Whereas the Government of Andhra Pradesh has issued the new Solar Power Policy, 2018 and new Wind Power Policy, 2018 vide G.O.Ms.No.1, dated 03-01-2019 and G.O. Ms. No. 2, dated 03-01-2019 superseding the earlier Solar Power Policy, 2015 and Wind Power Policy, 2015.

Whereas the Government of Andhra Pradesh has issued another policy vide GO.Ms.No. 35 dated 18-11-2019 making certain amendments to the Solar / Wind Power Policies dated 03-01-2019.

And whereas M/s. APEPDCL and M/s. APSPDCL submitted representations to make appropriate amendment to the regulation mentioning that the RPP Obligation for 2020-21 is 15% and the present renewable energy availability is around 30% of system energy requirement. The DISCOMs also mentioned that smooth integration of this much RE (Solar and Wind power) power of 8515 MW which is variable in nature, with the Grid having system demand of 9000 to 10000 MW is difficult task. Further, the DISCOMs stated that in this scenario, presently promotion of RE power is not envisaged and not warranted. In exercise of the powers vested with it u/s 181 of the Electricity Act, 2003 read with section 86(1)(e) and all other enabling powers, the Commission makes the following Regulation, namely:

1. Short title, commencement and interpretation:

- (i) This Regulation may be called the Andhra Pradesh Electricity Regulatory Commission (Terms and Conditions of Open Access) Second Amendment Regulation, 2020.
- (ii) This Regulation shall come into force with effect from the date of its publication in the Andhra Pradesh Gazette.
- Amendments to para 17.1 of Principal Regulation, amended vide APERC (Terms and Conditions of Open Access) First Amendment Regulation, 2016 (Regulation No. 1 of 2016).
- (a) The second proviso to para 17.1 (i) shall stand deleted.
- (b) The third proviso to para 17.1 (i) shall stand deleted.
- (c) The Second proviso to para 17.1 (iii) shall stand deleted.

Joint Director (Engg.)