The HPPTCL Vs. the HPSEBL & Ors.

Petition No. 1 of 2024

10.01.2024

Present: Sh. Tapan Kumar, Consultant for the Petitioner.

Sh. Mandeep Singh, Chief Engineer (SO) for the

Respondent No. 1 (HPSEBL).

INTERIM ORDER

This is a Petition filed by the Petitioner for approval of Capital cost and Determination of Tariff for 4th control period from COD to FY 2023-24 for 66 kV GIS Switching Sub-station at Urni (Asset-1) alongwith 66 kV D/C line from Urni Switching station to Wangtoo Sub-station (Asset-2).

Heard. The Petition is admitted. Be registered.

The Himachal Pradesh Power Transmission Corporation Limited (hereinafter referred to as the "the HPPTCL") has filed the present Petition for the approval of Capital Cost and Determination of Tariff for 4th Control Period from COD to FY 2023-24 for 66 kV GIS Switching Sub-station at Urni (Asset-I) along with 66 kV Double Circuit (D/C) Transmission Line from Urni Switching Station to Wangtoo Sub-station (Asset-2), under Section 62 read with Section 86 of the Electricity Act, 2003 and the Himachal Pradesh Electricity Regulatory Commission (Terms and Conditions for Determination of

Transmission Tariff) Regulations, 2011 as amended from time to time.

During preliminary scrutiny, a few shortcomings were observed and this Commission sought clarification from the HPPTCL which has been taken on record. On careful perusal of the record, we are of the opinion that the representation of important Stakeholders i.e. the Govt. of HP, NGO's associated with the Power Sector, Consumer Groups/ Consumer Representative, Industry Associations and Chambers, Brua HEP, Shaung HEP, Raura-II HEP and State Advisory Committee is necessary for the disposal of the Petition, as such, they are ordered to be served accordingly to file their detailed objections /suggestions within a period of 30 days from the date of Publication of the Petition. The Respondent No. 1/HPSEBL shall also file its response/objections/suggestions within a period of 30 days.

Head Note / Memo of Stakeholders be filed.

The Petitioner is directed to take action as per Section 64 (2) of the Electricity Act 2003, read with Sub-regulation (5) of Regulation 16 of Himachal Pradesh Electricity Regulatory Commission (Conduct of Business) Regulations, 2005 to publish the Petition in the abridged form and manner, as follows:-

- 1. The salient features of the Petition along with **Annexure-1** be published in two leading newspapers, one in English language and one in Hindi language; having wide circulation in the State of Himachal Pradesh on two different dates in two publications on or before **15**th **January**, **2024** under intimation to this Commission.
- 2. The publication should be given the heading "Disclosure in the Petition for approval of Capital Cost and Determination of Tariff for 4th Control Period from COD to FY 2023-24 for 66 kV GIS Switching Sub-station at Urni (Asset-I) along with 66 kV D/C Transmission Line from Urni Switching Station to Wangtoo Sub-station (Asset-2) filed before the Himachal Pradesh Electricity Regulatory Commission."
- 3. The salient features to be published should include the following:-
 - (i) The Aggregate Fixed Charges (AFC) for each year from COD to FY 2023-24 including employee expenses, repairs and maintenance expenses, administration and general expenses, depreciation, interest and financing charges, return on equity, tax and repayment of loans etc.;
 - (ii) Relevant Details of Transmission system users which shall include list of names of Distribution Licensees, Transmission Licensees, Generators (including IPPs), Open Access Consumers etc and User-wise energy sales and Contracted Capacity (KVA/MVA);
 - (iii) The Transmission loss;
 - (iv) Status of Execution of Transmission Service Agreement (TSA) mentioning specifically the User with whom Agreement made and whether Capacities Contracted with User or not;
 - (v) Other salient features of the proposed tariff;
- 4. The complete Tariff Petition along with formats etc. be hosted on the HPPTCL website by **15**th **January, 2024.**
- 5. Sufficient copies of the Petition be made available in the office of the General Manager, HPPTCL for sale to

- interested parties on payment of Rs. 1500/- w.e.f. 16th January, 2024.
- 6. Arrangements also be made for the interested parties to see, examine and inspect the above Petition in the aforementioned office during the office hours on any working day.
- 7. The Petition be given wide publicity amongst all the stakeholders in general and in particular the copies of the Petition be supplied to the following:
 - i) The GoHP through the Principal Secretary (MPP & Power)
 - ii) The Industry Associations and Chambers.
 - iii) The NGO's associated with Power Sector.
 - iv) Consumer Groups/Consumer Representatives.
 - v) Members of the State Advisory Committee of HPERC.
 - vi) M/s Brua HEP;
 - vii) M/s Shaung HEP;
 - viii) M/s Raura-II HEP;

The Tariff Division is further authorized to seek any relevant clarification for the disposal of the Petition from the Petitioner.

The matter be listed further before the Commission in such a manner that the Petition is disposed off as per the provisions of the Electricity Act, 2003.

Sd/- Sd/- Sd/(Shashi Kant Joshi) (Yashwant Singh Chogal) (Devendra Kumar Sharma)
Member Member (Law) Chairman