MAHARASHTRA ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION

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NOTIFICATION (DRAFT)

No.–MERC/TECH-1/MYT Regulation / 02/013

In exercise of powers conferred under Section 181 of the Electricity Act, 2003 and all other powers enabling it in this behalf, the Maharashtra Electricity Regulatory Commission hereby makes the following Regulations to amend the Maharashtra Electricity Regulatory Commission (Multi Year Tariff) Regulations, 2011, namely:

1. Short title and commencement:

- 1) These Regulations may be called the Maharashtra Electricity Regulatory Commission (Multi Year Tariff) (Second Amendment) Regulations, 2013.
- (2) These Regulations shall come into force with effect from the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.

2. Amendment to Regulation 2.1(20)a :

The Regulation 2.1 (20) a of the Maharashtra Electricity Regulatory Commission (Multi Year Tariff) Regulations, 2011 (hereinafter referred to as the "MYT Regulations, 2011") is proposed to be replaced by the following paragraph, namely:-

"for a thermal Generating Station, the capability of the Generating Station to deliver ex-bus electricity in MW declared by such Generating Station in relation to any period of the day or whole of the day, duly taking into account the availability of fuel or water, and subject to further qualification in the relevant regulations, interalia Regulation 49.2.

Provided that in case of a gas turbine Generating Station or a combined cycle Generating Station, the Generating Station shall declare the capacity for Units and modules on gas fuel and liquid fuel separately, and these shall be scheduled separately. Total declared capacity and total scheduled generation for the Generating Station shall be the sum of the declared capacity and scheduled generation for gas fuel and liquid fuel for the purpose of computation of availability and Plant Load Factor, respectively;"

3. Amendment to Regulation 35.1(a)(i) :

In the Regulation 35.1 (a) (i) of the MYT Regulations, 2011, following proviso shall be added as first proviso, namely:-

"Provided that in case of a unit availing the provision of declaring higher capacity during the peak hours as per Regulation 49.2, the fuel cost component of the working capital requirement as mentioned above for such unit shall be reduced on a pro-rata basis by a ratio of the Actual Average Generation in MW for the entire year to the Average Declared Capacity. This reduction shall be carried out at the time of comparison of actual performance of the generating company with the approved performance."

4. Amendment to Regulation 38.2 :

In the Regulation 38.2 of the MYT Regulations, 2011, following proviso shall be added as first proviso, namely:-

"Provided that in case of a unit availing the provision of declaring higher capacity during the peak hours as per Regulation 49.2, Tariff determination for such unit must be carried out separately and not phase-wise or station-wise."

5. Amendment to Regulation 49.2 :

In the Regulation 49.2 of the MYT Regulations, 2011, following proviso shall be added as first proviso, namely:-

"Provided that in case of fuel shortage in a thermal generating station, the generating company may propose to deliver a higher MW during peak-load hours by saving fuel during off-peak hours. The Maharashtra State Load Despatch Centre shall specify a pragmatic day-ahead schedule for the generating station to optimally utilise its MW and energy capability. The declared capacity (DCi) for the purpose of computation of availability as per Regulation 2.1 (7) in such an event shall be considered equal to the maximum peak hour ex-power plant MW schedule specified by the Maharashtra State Load Despatch Centre for that day."

6. Amendment to Regulation 49.8 :

In the Regulation 49.8 of the MYT Regulations, 2011, following proviso shall be added after the first proviso as a second proviso, namely:-

"Provided that in case of a unit availing the provision of declaring higher capacity during the peak hours as per Regulation 49.2, the reduction in power generation during the off-peak hours on such days shall not be considered as generation loss on account of

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backing down instruction from Maharashtra State Load Despatch Centre."

7. Amendment to Regulation 51.1 :

In the Regulation 51.1 of the MYT Regulations, 2011, following proviso shall be added as the first proviso, namely:-

"Provided that in case of a unit availing the provision of declaring higher capacity during the peak hours as per Regulation 49.2, the Maharashtra State Load Despatch Centre shall accept the capacity declared, scheduled and demonstrated during the peak load hours as the Declared Capacity for the entire day. In such cases, the unit shall not be required to demonstrate the Declared Capacity on request of the Maharashtra State Load Despatch Centre in the offpeak hours on such days when the provision of Regulation 49.2 are availed by the unit."

Mumbai 06 July 2013 Sd/-Secretary, MERC

Note: The Maharashtra Electricity Regulatory Commission (Multi Year Tariff) Regulations, 2011 were notified in the Gazette on 4 February, 2011; These were further amended by Maharashtra Electricity Regulatory Commission (Multi Year Tariff) (First Amendment) Regulations, 2011 on 21 October, 2011