Detailed Vetting Report MSEDCL- *Post Facto* approval of FAC Charges for May 2010 submitted by MSEDCL

Reference:

MSEDCL's letter No. MSEDCL/CAS/FAC/L7/25381 of August 11, 2010 submission of month May-2010

1. FAC submission by MSEDCL:

1.1 Upon vetting the FAC calculations for the month of May 2010, submitted vide letter under above Reference, the Commission has accorded post facto approval for the FAC amount for the said months as detailed below.

The Commission issued MYT Order dated August 17, 2009 (Case 116 of 2008), approving principles of Annual Revenue Requirement (ARR) and Tariff for FY 2009-10 for MSEDCL and has also mentioned about the parameters and mechanism for computation of FAC. Further, the Commission appointed CPRI (A Govt. of India enterprise) to conduct tests and recommend "Achievable performance parameters" which have been summarized in the Appendix to this letter. The Commission has approved FAC charges for the month of May 2010 in accordance with the principles stipulated in the MYT Order dated August 17, 2009 and the MERC (Terms and Conditions of Tariff) Regulations, 2005

1.2 Regarding purchase of power from the external sources, the Commission has considered power purchase sources based on the MYT Order dated August 17, 2009

2. Details of approval:

The Commission has accorded post facto approval for the FAC amount of (net of T & D loss), Rs. 221.1974 Crore for the month May 2010. The summary of the FAC claim for May 2010 as submitted by MSEDCL and as approved by the Commission is shown in the Table below:-

Sr No	Particulars	Unit	MSEDCL	Approved
1	FAC incl of excess T&D	Rs. Crore	221.1974	221.1974
	Loss			
2	FAC rate	Paise/kWh	36.99	36.99
3	FAC rate (unmetered)			
	-LT-Ag (>1300 hours	Rs/hp/month	39.90	39.90
	per year)			
	-LT-Ag (<1300 hours	Rs/hp/month	22.50	22.50
	per year)			

Further, the carried forward FAC at the end of the month May 2010 works out to Rs. 33.3337 Crores

3. Analysis of FAC proposal submitted by MSEDCL and computation of FAC charges is as below:

a) **Variable Cost of Generation:**

MSEDCL has submitted the break-up of purchase price of different fuels for all stations certified by Chartered Accountant.

i) Variable Fuel Cost:

MSEDCL has considered the base variable fuel cost for each station as approved by the Commission in the MYT Order of MSPGCL of August 17, 2009 (Case 115 of 2008) and in conformity with the directions given in the Commission's letter MERC/MON/FAC/MSEDCL/09/2637 dated November 20, 2009

MSEDCL has submitted sample bills for the fuel purchased along with the FAC submissions. MSEDCL has also submitted fuel analysis report of representative monthly sample of fuels certified by an Independent Certification Agency along with FAC submissions.

Station-wise based variable charge per unit considered for FAC based on the approved cost by the Commission is as given at the end of the report

ii) Secondary fuel consumption:

The Commission's clarifications on the issues of secondary fuel oil consumptions for FAC computations are as under:

- a) In case the secondary oil consumption is more than 2 ml/kWH, the same should be limited to the approved level of 2 ml/kWh
- In case usage of actual secondary fuel oil consumption is less than normative value of 2 ml/kWh (or no consumption),

Accordingly, the Commission has computed the cost of secondary fuel oil consumption, Such that, the normative fuel consumption allowed for FAC vetting for the month May2010 is upto a limit value of 2 ml/kWh in combination of Fuel Oil, LDO and LSHS .

The summary of fuel related costs for the month May 2010 for existing generating stations of MSPGCL as approved by the Commission after detail vetting, is shown in the Table below:

Sr No	Detail	Unit	For
			May10
1	Actual Fuel Cost	Rs Crore	533.64
2	Normative Actual Fuel cost	Rs Crore	480.81
3	Net Generation	MU	2793
4	Approved variable cost of generation	Rs./kWh	1.60
5	Actual average variable cost of generation	Rs./kWh	1.91
6	Average Normative variable cost of generation	Rs./kWh	1.72
7	Change in variable cost of generation = $\{(3)X[(6)-(4)]\}/10$	Rs. Crore	33.516

Based on the submission made, it is seen that the main reasons for the "Actual average Normative variable cost of generation" for the Month May 2010 to be lesser than "Actual average variable cost of generation" is due to **inefficient operation** of the MSPGCL plants as follows:

- a) Secondary Oil consumption of all the stations is higher than the Normative consumption specified:
- **b)** The Heat Rate achieved by most of the stations is higher than even the revised parameters applied to these stations after CPRI recommendations

The details are tabulated below

Station	Revised Heat	Achieved	Achieved Heat	Remark
	rate specified as	Heat Rate in	Rate in May2010	
	per CPRI tests	April 2010	(kCal/kWh)	
	(kcal/kwh)	(kCal/kWh)		
Khaparkheda	2612	2710	2707	Higher than Revised Heat Rate
Paras	3224	4018	4199	Higher than Revised Heat Rate
Bhusawal	2784	2900	2922	Higher than Revised Heat Rate
Nasik	2774	3017	2994	Higher than Revised Heat Rate
Parli	2796	3178	3065	Higher than Revised Heat Rate
Koradi	3015	3743	3501	Higher than Revised Heat Rate
Chandrapur	2664	2557	<u>2603</u>	Lower than Revised Heat Rate
Paras -3	2500 (New unit)	2698	2750	Higher than Revised Heat Rate
Parli -6	2500 (New unit)	2785	2758	Higher than Revised Heat Rate

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iii) Auxiliary consumption:

Auxiliary consumption for all generating stations has been considered by MSEDCL at normative levels for calculation of variable cost of generation and the same is allowed.

iv) Heat Rate:

MSEDCL has worked out the variable cost of generation considering normative heat rates of each station and the same is allowed.

v) Transit Loss:

MSEDCL has worked out the variable cost of generation considering normative transit loss as approved in the APR Order dated June 20, 2008 for FY 2008-09, and the same is allowed.

b) Variable cost of power purchase

The Commission has considered the increase in power purchase cost in case of approved power purchase sources as per the MYT order of MSEDCL of August 17, 2009 (Case 116 of 2008) as per the tabulation given at the end of the Report.

MSEDCL has submitted the data for the power purchase certified by Chartered Accountant.

The details of power purchase by MSEDCL for May 2010 is given below

S.No	Details	Unit	May 2010
-1	Net Energy Purchase	MU	3955.36
-2	Variable Cost of Energy purchased	Rs Crore	950.66
-3	Average Rate of energy purchased	Rs./kWh	2.40
-4	Approved Rate for Energy purchase	Rs./kWh	2.13

c) <u>Unscheduled Interchange (UI) Charges:</u>

In May-10 MSEDCL has purchased 404 MU through UI at avg rate of Rs. 4.09 per kWh. This is allowed

Scheduled Energy Received in grid through Imports from various regions and losses:

MSEDCL has claimed losses in power purchase through grid at (89) MU in May-10 as the difference between the Scheduled Energy (including UI) and Actual Drawal.

The Commission has considered the losses in the grid as submitted by MSEDCL.

For the month of May-10 the Commission has approved change in Variable (Fuel) Cost of Generation and Power Purchase Cost (C), of Rs 195.96 Crore

d) Interest on working capital –

MSEDCL has mentioned that 10.25% is the rate of Interest for working capital. In the Note MSEDCL has mentioned that Rs.4.82 Crores is the interest accrued on Working Capital for incurred by the company in May 2010. However, no claim has been tabulated in FAC submission.

As per APTEL judgment, interest on the difference of normative actual cost and approved cost of fuel in a month is eligible for payment through FAC mechanism, in case such claim is made. Else it will be addressed through the Annual Trueup.

e) Adjustment factor for over recovery / under recovery (B) –

MSEDCL/MSPGCL have applied the revised performance parameters for the Actual values s per CPRI studies for month May 2010 (same as that done for previous months of FY10)

In addition to the difference in the "Incremental cost actually recovered in month J-2 viz. May 2010" and "Incremental cost allowed to be recovered in month J-5 viz. February 2010", MSEDCL has also claimed the adjustments of Rs. 63.56 Crores permitted by the Commission's Order of Case 16 of 2008, along with other miscellaneous corrections, mainly for rectification to previous month's computing errors. This has been allowed in the adjustment table..

The summary of the adjustment factor for over recovery/under recovery for the month of May-2010 as submitted by MSEDCL and as approved by the Commission is shown in the Tables below:

Adjustment Factor

Sr.	Parameter	Unit	MSEDCL	Approved
No. (A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(D)
1	Adjustment for over-recovery/under-recovery ('B')	Rs Lakh	(D)	(D)
1.1	Incremental cost allowed to be recovered in Month J-5(February 2010)	Rs Lakh	4251.00	4251
1.2	Incremental cost in Month j-5 actually recovered in j-2 (May 2010)	Rs Lakh	3783	3783
1.3	Over-recovery/under-recovery (1.2-1.1)	Rs Lakh	468.31	468.31
2			6119.99	
2.1	Carried forward adjustment for over- recovery/under-recovery attributable to application of ceiling limit	Rs Lakh	0.0	0.0
2.2	adjustments permitted by the Commission's Order of Case 16 of 2008.	Rs Lakh	6356	6356
2.3	Correction pertaining to Mula Pravara statement for February, March, Apil 2010 (Double entry)	Rs Lakh	(294.07)	(294.07)
2.4	Correction pertaining to Transit loss Formula error in FAC statement of April 2010	Rs Lakh	58.067	58.067
3	Adjustment factor for over-recovery/under-recovery (1.3+2.0)	Rs Lakh	6588.31	6588.31

f) **Distribution Loss:** .

Excess Distribution loss:

MSEDCL has incurred 20.81% cumulative Distribution loss upto the month. As this is more than the approved value of 18.20% deduction of Rs. 7.31 Crores has been made from the computed FAC amounts of the month. It is noted that MSEDCL has not been able to restrict its Distribution loss and as a result, in the power deficit condition through which the State is passing at the moment, valuable Energy is being wasted, probably due to want of adequate measures in place.

g. Energy Sales for within License area:

The energy sales within licence area as submitted by MSEDCL for the month May-10 is 5979.92 MU and the same is approved by the Commission.

4. Summary:

The summary of the FAC amount as approved by the Commission for May-10 is shown in the Tables below:-

At the above rate, total FAC amount of Rs 121.84 Crores is to be charged to the consumers . The amount to be carried forward for recovery at future date is zero

Sr. No.		Parameter	Unit	MSEDCL	Approved
1	Calculation of FAC (A)				
1.1	, ,	in variable cost of generation corresponding	Rs Lakh	-	-
	to excess auxiliary cons	umption			
1.2	Change in weighted ave	rage variable cost of generation and power	Rs Lakh	-	-
	purchase after accounti	ng for disallowance of change in variable cost			
	corresponding to excess	auxiliary consumption			
1.3	Apportionment of chan	ge in variable cost of generation and power	Rs Lakh		
	purchase to License Are	a (C)		19596.19	19596.19
1.4	Working Capital Interes		Rs Lakh	0	0
1.5	T & D Loss Adjustment for the year			0	0
1.6	Adjustment for Over Recovery/Under Recovery (B)		Rs Lakh	6588.31	6588.31
1.7	FAC (A) = C + I + B		Rs Lakh	26184.49	26184.49
2	Calculation of FACkWh				
2.1	Sale within License Area		MU	5979.92	5979.92
2.2	Excess T&D Loss		MU	197.73	197.73
2.3	FAC Charge (FACkWh) w	vithout considering cap on monthly FAC Charge	Paise/K Wh	42.39	42.39
2.4	Cap on monthly FAC Charge		Paise/K Wh	37	37
2.5	FAC Charge (FAC/kWh) considering cap on monthly FAC Charge		Rs/KWh	0.3699	0.3699
3	FAC (A)				
3.1	FAC (A) considering cap	on Monthly FAC Charge	Rs Lakh	22119.74	22119.74
3.2	FAC (A) disallowed corre	esponding to excess T&D loss	Rs Lakh	731.39	731.39
3.3	Carried forward FAC (A) for recovery during future period		Rs Lakh	3333.37	3333.37

APPENDIX

Assumptions/Norms as per MYT order for MSPGCL dated May 31, 2008 and for MYT Order dated August 17, 2009 (Case 116 of 2008),

1. CAP on monthly FAC charge.

CAP on monthly FAC charge for FY 2009-10 works out to 37 paise per unit (10% of energy charge).

2 Summary of New Norms:

2.1 Purchase from MSPGCL:

Station	Net Gen (MUs)	Energy Charge as per Order (Rs/kWh	Heat rate (kcal/kw h)	Auxiliary Consumption
Khaparkhe	5,627	1.75	2612	8.50%
da				
Paras	373	1.86	3224	9.70%
Bhusawal	2,938	2.28	2784	9.75%
Nasik	5,630	2.4	2774	9.00%
Parli	4,226	2.13	2796	9.00%
Koradi	5,888	1.51	3015	9.80%
Chandrapu	13,227	1.23	2664	7.80%
r				
Paras -3	1,594	1.28	2500	9%
Parli -6	1,594	1.47	2500	9%
Uran	3,761	1.23	1980	2.40%

Note: The Net approved MUs are based on last 3 years' average Net generation of MSPGCL Stations

2.2 Purchase from Other sources

Particulars	ESO	Total Variable Charges (Rs Cr)	Avg. Cost (Rs./kWh)
Managar	40002		4.50
MSPGCL	49093	7734	1.58
Korba STP	5014	319	0.64
Vindhayanchal	22.1	400	1.00
STP I	3361	403	1.20
Vindhayanchal			
STP II	2625	304	1.16
Vindhayanchal			
STP III	2187	251	1.15
KAWAS APM	1393	828	5.94
GANDHAR APM	1366	539	3.95
Farakka STPP-EP	499	83	1.67
Kahalgaon TPS-EP	242	36	1.49
KahalgaonTPS-II	300	48	1.60
TSTPS-EP	300	29	0.96
Sipat Stage - II	2235	189	0.84
Barh	110	22	1.96
NTPC	19634	3052	1.55
Kakrapar APP	310	65	2.10
Tarapur APP 1&2	1080	104	0.97
Tarapur APP 3&4	1559	457	2.93
NPCIL	2949	626	2.12
Saradar Sarovar			
Project	924	189	2.05
PENCH	103	21	2.05
U.I. CHARGES	0	0	
DODSON-I	40	9	2.31
DODSON-II	38	10	2.63
RGPPL	7500	1824	2.43
TOTAL PP	80281	13466	1.68
NCE Sources	4110	1509	3.67
CPPs	250	95	3.80
TOTAL	84641	15070	1.78

T and D loss- Approved Intra State Transmission Loss is 4.85% and Distribution Loss as per

3 APR Order is 18.20%

4 Transit Loss: 0.80% for all stations