

MAHARASHTRA ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION

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Expression of Interest (EOI) from Legal / Law / Solicitors Firms for Empanelment with MERC for Assisting in various Legal tasks

Maharashtra Electricity Regulatory Commission (MERC) under Section 86 of the Electricity Act, 2003 (EA 2003) undertakes various functions, mainly determination of tariff for generation, transmission and wheeling of electricity, bulk or retail supply of electricity, as the case may be, within the State of Maharashtra, to regulate electricity purchase and procurement process of Distribution Licensees and issue licenses to persons seeking to act as Transmission Licensee, Distribution Licensee, and electricity Traders, and promote cogeneration and generation of electricity from renewable sources of energy.

 $\label{lem:merc} \textbf{MERC} intends to empanel qualified and professionally managed Legal/Law/Solicitors Firms to assist the Commission for discharging its functions effectively. The tasks for which MERC is seeking empanelment are as under;$

- 1. Legal vetting of Draft Orders / Draft Regulations.
- Study of Judgments of the Appellate Tribunal for Electricity from a legal standpoint and advising the Commission on the desirability or otherwise of filing an appeal before the Supreme Court under Section 125 of the Electricity Act, 2003.
- 3. Defending the Commission's Orders / Regulations before the Appellate Tribunal for Electricity and the High Court / Supreme Court
- 4. Providing Legal Advise/Opinion to the Commission as and when required.
- Framing and resolving of legal issues related to deemed Distribution Licence status and conditions of licence applicable to appropriate Government companies defined under Section 14 of EA 2003.

Description of each tasks under each of the above mentioned work areas, eligibility and qualification required, EOI submission format and procedure as well as EOI evaluation methodology is provided in the "Detailed Expression of Interest Document" available on MERC's website www.merc.gov.in.

Interested Legal / Law / Solicitors Firms may submit EOI latest by, on or before **Friday**, **19**th **September 2014**, **16:00 hrs**.

 Date
 : 06.08.2014
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 Place
 : Mumbai
 Secretary, MERC

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