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PUBLIC NOTICE

Inviting suggestions and objections from the Public on Draft Maharashtra Electricity Regulatory Commission (Multi Year Tariff) (Second Amendment) Regulations, 2013 in the State of Maharashtra

The Thermal Generating utilities in Maharashtra have submitted to the Commission that the Generating Stations in the State are experiencing shortage of domestic coal from Coal India Limited (CIL) and its subsidiaries, which has led to instances of backing down of generating units. Therefore, it has become necessary to plan daily generation so as to optimally utilise the available Coal to cater to power generation at the peak load hours and also in order to avoid penalising the generating companies for backing down of generating units during off-peak hours.

After due consideration, the Commission initiates the present consultation for amendment of Maharashtra Electricity Regulatory Commission (Multi Year Tariff) Regulations, 2011 (MERC MYT Regulations, 2011) for inclusion of an enabling provision to encourage generating stations to generate more power in peak hours and declare capacity as per peak hours considering optimum utilisation of Coal in a shortage scenario.

The draft Maharashtra Electricity Regulatory Commission (Multi Year Tariff) (Second Amendment) Regulations, 2013 along with Explanatory Memorandum detailing the draft amendments to the MERC MYT Regulations, 2011 are available on the Commission's website, <u>www.mercindia.org.in</u> / <u>www.merc.gov.in</u>, in downloadable format. The Commission hereby invites Suggestions and / or Objections from the Public/ Stakeholders on the above draft, which may be sent (1+5 copies) to the Secretary, MERC, 13th Floor, Centre No.1, World Trade Centre, Cuffe Parade, Mumbai-400005 [Fax: 022-22163976; Email: <u>mercindia@merc.gov.in</u> on or before 9 August, 2013.

Sd/-Secretary MERC

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