INTRODUCTION

The Maharashtra Electricity Regulatory Commission (MERC) was established on August 5, 1999 under the Electricity Regulatory Commission Act, 1998. The said Act was superceded by Electricity Act (EA), 2003. The Commission is continuing under Section 82 of the Electricity Act, 2003 and is currently functioning under the various provisions of the Electricity Act, 2003. The functions of the Commission are quasi judicial, quasi legislative and executive. A copy of the Electricity Act, 2003, Regulations notified by the Commission, Orders released till date by the Commission and other related informations are available on the MERC's website www.mercindia.org.in.

For discharging its functions the Commission carries out work/activities related to Technical/Finance/Legal tasks. The Commission intends to engage "Regulatory Officers (Legal) and Stipendiary Regulatory Analysts (Legal)" for the office of the Commission.

The Commission is inter alia mandated to deal with the following Legal matters:-

Legal Matters

- To scrutinize and process all new Cases/Petitions;
- To legally process Record of Proceedings (RoP), Draft Orders;
- To deal with the work relating to Writ Petition / PIL and its submission before the High Court and Appeals before the Appellate Tribunal / Supreme Court;
- To attend the hearing before the Commission and record the Daily Orders and Record of Proceedings and assisting / vetting of Draft Orders;
- To maintain petition / appeal registry.
- Legal scrutiny of the draft Regulations being made by the Commission;
- Legal scrutiny of the draft tariff Orders issued by the Commission;
- Preparing brief summary of the Cases before the Commission and Orders issued by the Commission.

The methodology for carrying out the above tasks would inter alia include examination of the Petitions and appeals filed by various stakeholders and affected persons and to make suggestions/recommendations to the Commission in the matters with respect to the course of action.

The Regulatory Officers (Legal) will perform the assigned work independently under the guidance of senior officers / regulatory experts of the Commission.

The Stipendiary Regulatory Analysts (Legal) will be trained in the regulatory work of the Commission under the guidance of senior officers / regulatory experts of the Commission. They will also carry out the assigned work by Regulatory Officers / Regulatory Experts and Senior Officials.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA AND OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

(A) Name of the Post: Regulatory Officer (Legal)

Number of Posts: 3 (Three)

Regulatory Officer (Legal):

(1) Educational Qualification:-

Bachelor's Degree in Law from a Recognized University/Law school

(2) Experience:-

- (a) Minimum 3 years experience in appearing in various Courts, representing cases before Judicial / Quasi-Judicial bodies, handling the legal affairs of any Public / private sector organization or Public Authority.
- (b) Candidates having 2 years experience in Power Sector / Regulatory Commission would be an added advantage
- (3) Age: Maximum 35 years as on date of publication of Advt.

(4) Remuneration:

Negotiable. Suitable remuneration shall be paid to the right candidate as per relevant experience and qualification.

(B) Name of Posts: Stipendiary Regulatory Analysts (Legal)

Number of Posts: 3 (Three)

Stipendiary Regulatory Analysts (Legal):

(1) Educational Qualification:-

LLB with minimum 60% marks in their final examination (Candidates who have done the five year integrated course in law after High School as well as candidates who after graduation have done a three year course in Law can apply).

- (2) Age: Maximum 30 years as on date of publication of Advt.
- (3) **Remuneration**: Rs.12, 000/- per month (consolidated all inclusive).

Note: Those who have appeared for the final year degree examination and are awaiting their results may also apply.

(C) General Conditions for Regulatory Officers (Legal) and Stipendiary Regulatory Analysts (Legal):

The Candidate should have –

- 60% marks at degree level.
- Excellent abilities in both spoken and written skills in English.
- The candidate with outstanding abilities and a flair for writing will be preferred, good writing abilities in Marathi will be added qualification.
- Cleared TOFEL/IELTS exam in the past two year will be preferred. (In case the candidates have not appeared/cleared, it should be cleared within nine months from the date of appointment)
- Computer literacy is essential.

(D) Other Conditions:

- The candidates who will be appointed as "Regulatory Officer (Legal) and Stipendiary Regulatory Analysts (Legal)" shall not have any right/claim or lien for appointment on regular basis on the establishment of the Commission.
- The Application must be strictly in conformity with the Format and must be typed in English on a good quality "White A4 size" paper with a self attested latest passport size photograph.
- Application with full details should reach either by post or by courier to the Secretary, MERC, World Trade Centre, Centre No.1, 13th Floor, Cuffe Parade, Colaba, Mumbai 400 005 on or before 23/11/2012 in prescribed format. The Application either by e-mail or by fax will not be entertained.
- MERC reserves the right to reject any or all the applications without assigning any reason whatsoever.
- The eligible candidates will be shortlisted and called for Written Test/Interview.
- Selected candidates will be initially engaged for One Year on contract basis. The contract will be extendable for further periods on satisfactory services rendered and by mutual understanding/agreement.
- No traveling expense will reimbursed by the MERC for attending the Written Test / Interview.
