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CORAM: - Sanjay Kumar. Chairperson Mukesh Khullar, Member

Case No 105 of 2022

Case of Nidar Utilities Panvel LLP for approval of Power Purchase Agreement and Adoption of Tariff determined through transparent bidding process for a Short-Term procurement of power up to 3MW (RTC) for 12 months starting from 1 July, 2022 to 30 June 2023.

Nidar Utilities Panvel LLP (NUPLLP):
GMR Energy Trading Ltd (GMR EEL):
Appearance

For Petitioner:
For Respondent:
Shri. Ghansham Thakkar (Rep.)

Shri. Vijay Uniyal (Rep)

Daily Order

- 1. Heard the representatives of the Petitioner and the Respondent.
- 2. Representative of the Petitioner gave overview of the process of competitive bidding followed under Section 63 of Electricity Act 2003 and requested the Commission to adopt discovered tariff of Rs. 4.90 per unit at transmission periphery for supply of 3 MW power on short term basis for the period of 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023. In reply to Commission's query, it is stated that Petitioner will undertake medium term power procurement once its demand reached to sizable level of 10 MW which is expected to achieve by March 2023.
- 3. The Commission observed that in bidding process, only single bidder has quoted the rate and discovered rate of Rs. 4.90 per unit at transmission periphery is higher than recently discovered rate for JNPT wherein same generator is involved. As per bidding guidelines, selection of single bidder requires consent of the Commission. Before granting such consent, the Commission is of the opinion that Petitioner shall explore all the possibilities

of reducing power procurement cost. Hence, the Commission advised the Petitioner as follows:

- a. Request its exiting supplier to extend the existing PPA by a month so that Petitioner can complete rebidding process.
- b. Request the successful bidder in present bidding process to reduce the quoted tariff at least to match the tariff quoted for JNPT at transmission periphery.
- 4. Considering the fact that existing PPA is expiring on 30 June 2022, the Petitioner shall complete above correspondence on priority and submit its outcome within a week.

Next hearing in the matter is scheduled on Tuesday, 28 June 2022 at 10.30 am.

Sd/-(Mukesh Khullar) Member Sd/-(Sanjay Kumar) Chairperson