MINUTES OF MEETING

OF THE

MUMBAI DISTRIBUTION NETWORK ASSESSMENT COMMITTEE (M-DNAC)

Date :- 8 February, 2024

Venue :- MERC (13th Floor – World Trade Centre)

Present :- Dr. Prafulla Varhade, Chairman (Commission's Officer)

Shri. Dineshchandra Saboo, Member (External)

Shri. Dilip Dumbre, Member (Ombudsman's Officer)

Shri. Rakesh Guhagarkar, Member (Commission's Officer)

Discussions held:-

The Committee held its meeting on 8 February 2024 to discuss the scenario confirmation proposal submitted by AEML-D on 25 January 2024 regarding the application received from Satguru Corporate Services Pvt. Ltd., for power supply to their building located at CTS 165/A/5 of Village Goregaon, Oshiwara District Centre, Sunteck City Avenue III, Goregaon (W), Mumbai.

A. AEML-D's submission:

- i. The total load requirement of the applicant's building, as per the application, is 3.3 MW for Tower A and Tower B. The MD estimated by AEML-D is 975 kVA as per its Built up area norms.
- ii. As per the site inspection carried out by AEML-D and the assessment of network conditions, AEML-D would require a new 11/0.4 kV substation in the premises (i.e. at Level 3), as per the framework established vide Order dated 12 June 2017 in Case No. 182 of 2014, in order to be able to provide electricity supply to the applicant.
- iii. As per AEML-D's knowledge, the HT mains (11 kV cable) of TPC-D is located at a distance of approx. 600 meters from the site (route distance) and their Substation is located at 1 km from the site whereas AEML-D's HT network is on the road right in front of the applicant's premise, at about 20 mtr. from the plot.

- iv. In view of the decisions already provided by the M-DNAC dated 4 September 2020 and 9 June 2021 and earlier decisions in this regard, the location is therefore required to be considered under Scenario 53(a), basis the network spread of the two Licensees.
- v. The Hon'ble ATE, in its Judgment dated 28 May 2020 in Appeal No. 35 of 2020, has held that distance invariably is a deciding factor in determining which Licensee is more optimally placed to provide the new connection. In accordance with the above Judgment, AEML-D has used the relative distance of the network of AEML-D and TPC-D to classify this application under Scenario 53(a), where only one Licensee's network is present.
- vi. In view of the above, the present application may be treated as being under Scenario 53(a) as described in the said Order i.e. where only one Licensee's network existing.
- vii. AEML-D requested to verify the scenario categorization as required under the above referred Order and inform the Licensees accordingly, so that further steps can be taken to provide connection to the Applicant.

B. TPC-D's submissions: -

- i. TPC-D's LT and HT (11 kV) network is available at 600 mtrs. from the applicant's consumer premise and the consumer's supply can be released by TPC-D after installation of CSS at level 3 and after extending HT network from the distance of 600 mtr. Length.
- ii. It is TPC-D's understanding that the present application falls under Scenario 53(d) which deals with a situation where "either or both licensees are present" but neither "completely covers the area".

C. M-DNAC Committee's observations and decision: -

- i. The Committee carried out a site visit on 8 February 2024 in presence of the representatives of AEML-D and TPC-D to verify the claims of the Licensee regarding existence of their distribution mains nearby the applicant's premises.
- ii. The Committee notes that AEML-D's 11 kV network is available on the road right in front of the applicant's premises at about 20 mtr. from the applicant's premise. Upon site visit, the Committee observed that its 11/0.433 kV Substation is in front of the premise across the road. Further, presently, the power supply for construction purpose has been provided by AEML-D to the applicant's premise by laying 300 sqmm LT cable, meaning thereby its HT as well as LT network is available just near the applicant's premise.
- iii. TPC-D has claimed that its LT and HT network is available at 600 mtrs. from the applicant's consumer premise. During the site visit, same has been verified by the Committee.
- iv. TPC-D, in its letter dated 8 February 2024, stated that it is TPC-D's understanding the present application falls under scenario 53(d) which deals with a situation where "either

or both licensees are present" but neither "completely covers the area". The Committee notes that in present case, AEML-D's distribution mains is available just near the applicant's location and completely covers the location. Hence, the said location does not fall under scenario 53(d) which deals with a situation where "either or both licensees are present" but neither "completely covers the area". Hence, TPC-D's claim for scenario 53(d) is not correct.

- v. As per the Order in Case No. 182 of 2014, scenario 53(a) comprises areas or locations which are completely covered by one Licensee since it has its distribution mains there, but Licensee B does not. In the present case, AEML-D's distribution mains is just in front of the applicant premises.
- vi. Considering the aforesaid facts and considering the relative network spread of both the Licensees, the Committee is of the opinion that the application received from Satguru Corporate Services Pvt. Ltd., Goregaon (W), falls under scenario 53(a) as per Case No. 182 of 2014.
- vii. In view of the above, the Committee has decided to confirm that the application of Satguru Corporate Services Pvt. Ltd., for power supply to their building located at CTS 165/A/5 of Village Goregaon, Oshiwara District Centre, Sunteck City Avenue III, Goregaon (W), Mumbai, falls under scenario 53(a) and this criteria is satisfied by AEML-D.

Member (Commission's Officer)

Member (Ombudsman's Officer)

Chairman (Commission's Officer)

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Member (External)