

Before the
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Case No. 88 of 2015

Date: 23 September, 2015

CORAM: Smt. Chandra Iyengar, Chairperson
Shri. Azeez M. Khan, Member
Shri. Deepak Lad, Member

Petition of Maharashtra Eastern Grid Power Transmission Company Limited (MEGPTCL) under Regulation 85 of the MERC (Conduct of Business) Regulations, 2004; seeking Review of the Hon'ble Commission's Order dated June 26, 2015 in Case No. 57 of 2015.

Maharashtra Eastern Grid Power Transmission Company Limited (MEGPTCL)Petitioner

State Transmission Utility (STU) Respondent

Present During the hearing

For the Petitioner : Smt. Deepa Chawan, Counsel, MEGPTCL

For the Respondent : Shri R. N. Farkade, (Rep), STU

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Heard the Counsel & representatives of the Petitioner and the Respondent.

The Petitioner submitted that the Commission allowed the recovery of approved transmission cost for put to use assets of MEGPTCL vis a vis Set 1, Set 2A and Set 2B, vide Order dated 14 August, 2014 in Case No. 123 of 2014 from September, 2014. In the Order, the Commission decided that

the recovery of transmission cost for Set 3 (765 kV S/c Tiroda-Akola II-Aurangabad Line 2) will be considered during the Mid-term review/final truing-up of InSTS Transmission tariff.

The Petitioner submitted that Akola-II to Aurangabad section of Set -3 of the MEGPTCL transmission system was charged on March 29, 2015 and COD was declared on March 31, 2015. The Petitioner vide its letter dated 6 April, 2015, informed the Commission regarding achievement of COD. Further, STU vide letter dated 7 May, 2015 also informed the Commission that 765 kV S/c Tiroda-Akola II-Aurangabad Line 2 was charged at 400 KV voltage level at Taptitanda S/s. However, work of Bays at MSETCL's 400KV Taptitanda S/s is not yet completed, hence the said Line was not taken into service.

Further, Petitioner submitted that, after completion of work of bays at Taptitanda S/s, STU vide letters dated 5 June, 2015 and 5 September, 2015 informed to the Commission that 765 kV Akola – II – Aurangabad line had been charged on 400 kV voltage level and taken into service on 20 May, 2015. The Commission in suo motu Midterm Review of InSTS Transmission tariff in Case No. 57 of 2015 has not considered the put to use status of Set-3, as per the STU letter dated 5 June, 2015. Non consideration of STU letter dated 05 June, 2015 by the Commission qualifies for review of InSTS Order dated 26 June, 2015 in Case No. 57 of 2015. Also, consideration of recovery of revenue for assets already put to use is in consonance with Regulation 27 of MERC (Multi Year Tariff), Regulations, 2011. Under such circumstances, the Petitioner requested the Commission to consider the revenue for recovery, including carrying cost, subject to adjustment at the time of true-up.

STU mentioned that if the cost of put to use portion of Set -3 is considered for inclusion in Total Transmission System Cost (TTSC), it will revise the existing TTSC of InSTS. This revision of TTSC will increase the transmission tariff of all the Transmission System Users.

In view of the above, the Commission directed the Petitioner to submit the additional submissions, if any, by 5 October, 2015.

The Case is reserved for Order.

**Sd/-
(Deepak Lad)
Member**

**Sd/-
(Azeez M. Khan)
Member**

**Sd/-
(Chandra Iyengar)
Chairperson**