

Before the
MAHARASHTRA ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION
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Case No.3 of 2015

Date: 29 October, 2015

**CORAM: Shri. Azeez M. Khan, Member
Shri. Deepak Lad, Member**

In the Matter of

**Petition of Reliance Infrastructure Limited (Distribution), under Section 39 (2) (b & c),
86 (1) (c) of Electricity Act, 2003 and Regulation 36.3 of the MERC (State Grid Code)
Regulations, 2006 framed under Section 181 of Electricity Act, 2003**

Reliance Infrastructure Limited (Distribution) Petitioner

V/S

1) Chief Engineer (STU), MSETCL

2) Tata Power Company-Transmission

3) R-Infra-Transmission

.Respondents

Present During the hearing

For the Petitioner : Shri Ghansham Thakkar (RInfra-D)

For the Respondents : 1) Shri N.R Sonkavdey (STU)

2) Smt. Swati Mehendale (TPC-T)

3) Shri Rakesh Raj (R-Infra-T)

Daily Order

The parties were informed of the Commission's decision to constitute a two Member Bench to hear and decide this Case.

The Petitioner submitted that the present Petition has been filed as a consequence of non-response to an appropriate application that was submitted by the Petitioner to the State Transmission Utility (STU) as per the State Grid Code for the requirement of additional distribution outlets for meeting its increasing load and obligations in catering to the same. The Petitioner was unable to solicit any response to the application from the STU or the

Transmission Licensees (TPC-T and RInfra-T) in spite of several reminders. The Petitioner submitted the request for outlets from R-Infra-T and TPC-T. The details of Outlets as requested by the Petitioner are as below:-

Sr.No	Transmission Licensees	Total Outlets requested	Outlets released	Balance required Outlets
1	R-Infra-T	99	14	85
2	TPC-T	33	2	31

It is submitted by the Petitioner that in view of urgency to meet its demand, it requested STU to release the requirement of 21 outlets out of 85 requested on priority basis and this too was followed by a reminder from the Petitioner.

In the light of the submission, the Petitioner prayed to the Commission to direct the Committee appointed under the Chairmanship of STU in Case No. 110 of 2014, to look into the requirement of outlets of the Petitioner. Further the Petitioner pleaded for directions from the Commission to STU for approval and release of 4 Nos of outlets from TPC-T's proposed BKC EHV station (expected to be commissioned shortly) and 2 Nos of outlets from TPC-T's Hiranandani EHV station.

The Petitioner further prayed that there are many breakers of TPC-T or RInfra-T where more than one cable/feeder of RInfra-D are connected and fault on any one of the cable/feeder interrupts the area fed by both the cables/feeders. This can be avoided if STU follows the principle of one breaker one outlet/cable/feeder as suggested by Dr Khaparde, IIT-Bombay in his report of July, 2006.

TPC-T submitted that it has already released 2 outlets from its Hiranandani RSS substation to R-Infra in March, 2015 and would provide 4 more outlets from its BKC RSS substation as soon as it is ready. However, inspite of the criticality by RInfra -D, there seems to be no action on ground level for connecting cables from their Hiranandani RSS and initiating power supply from these outlets.

In light of the above, the Commission directed the Petitioner to submit the status and breakup of all required outlets from existing and upcoming substations from R-Infra-T and TPC-T along with the priority and the quantum of load that is expected in the near future.

The Commission suggested that both the parties should meet along with STU within a week and sort out their requirement of outlets for the immediate future and decide through mutual discussion. The Commission directed all the parties to file their submissions within two weeks from the date of the meeting.

Date of next hearing will be communicated to the parties by the Secretariat of the Commission.

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(Deepak Lad)
Member**

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(Azeez M.Khan)
Member**