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Case No. 133 of 2015

Dated: 21 January, 2016

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

In the matter of

Committee Report submitted by CE(STU) in compliance to directives given in Order in Case No 172 of 2014 for recommendations for a protocol to resort to idle capacity and apportionment and commercial settlement, in case of disruption in Mumbai's embedded generation

Appearance

Representative from TPC-GShri Baskar Sarkar
Representative from R InfraShri Ghanshyam Thakkar
Representative from BESTShri R.D.Patsute
Representative from STUShri S.G Kelkar (CE, STU)

Daily Order

Heard the Representatives of TPC-G, R Infra, BEST and STU.

- 1 TPC-G made a presentation highlighting concerns in operating Unit 6 at lower PLF. It stated that impact on performance parameters of low PLF needs to be addressed and requested for the additional cost incurred due to unusual circumstances of multiple start up/shut downs as per instructions of MSLDC. Further, TPC-G submitted that following issues need to be considered before finalising protocol:
 - a. Multiple start up, shut down cycles, low actual PLF (Must Run period at Technical Minimum Load should be added)
 - b. Fuel stocks, reimbursements on actuals (for procuring fuel economically).
 - c. Methodology of sharing percentages fixed and variable cost should be shared by Discom's in Mumbai, including deemed Distribution Licensees like Railways, Open Access Consumers and Group Captive Consumers.
 - d. Sharing of Fixed Cost (all beneficiaries of Unit 6 power should contribute)
 - e. Allocation of Unit 6 power (sharing of Unit 6 should be always on stand-alone basis).
 - f. Non-availability of Hydro Generating Unit should not be considered as Unit Outage.

- 2 The Commission enquired about ramping up period for Unit 6 after it receives instruction from MSLDC. TPC-G submitted that minimum 24 Hrs is required to bring Unit 6 on bar from cold start.
- R Infra made a presentation and submitted that the Committee Report has considered sharing of generation between TPC-D, RInfra-D and BEST in the ratio of CPD/NCPD. However, this cost should also be shared by all beneficiaries of Mumbai interconnection lines, including MSEDCL and Open Access Consumers. Further, the Committee in its Report has considered that capacity equivalent to loss of generation should be allocated to the Discom's having PPA for the generation under outage and the balance as per sharing percentage. RInfra submitted that the capacity equivalent to loss of generation or technical minimum of Unit 6, whichever is higher, should be allocated to those Discom's having PPA with generation under outage & balance as per sharing percentage. As regards to the contentions of TPC-G on sharing of fixed charges by the all the beneficiaries of Unit 6, R Infra requested additional time to submit it say on the same.
- BEST submitted that variable cost of Unit 6 is being shared by all the Discom's of Mumbai in the proportion of the transmission capacity charges. However, fixed cost of Unit 6 is shared by BEST and TPC-D only. BEST submitted that fixed cost should also be shared by all the beneficiaries of Unit 6, i.e. BEST, TPC-D and RInfra-D.
- 5 Chief Engineer (STU) submitted that the Committee had made all efforts and considered submissions of all the parties while preparing the Report. He requested that the Commission issue the protocol after considering all the facts mentioned in the Report.
- The Commission notes that MSEDCL was part of the Committee constituted vide Order dated 19 March, 2015 in Case No. 172 of 2014 and is also a Distribution Licensee in part of Mumbai. Therefore, it is necessary to consider MSEDCL's say, if any, on the Committee Report. The Commission directs all the Parties to send a copy of their submissions to MSEDCL within a week and it shall submit its say, if any, on the Committee Report within 10 days thereafter.

The Case is reserved for the Order.

Sd/ (Deepak J. Lad) Member Sd/-(Azeez M. Khan) Member