

Before the
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Case No. 53 of 2017

Dated: 20 July, 2017

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

In the matter of Petition seeking review of the existing Standby Arrangement provided by MSEDCL to the Mumbai Distribution area.

The Tata Power Company Limited (TPC-D)	...Petitioner
Maharashtra State Electricity Distribution Company Limited (MSEDCL)	...Respondent No. 1
Reliance Infrastructure Limited (Distribution) (RInfra-D)	...Respondent No. 2
BEST Undertaking (BEST)	...Respondent No. 3

Appearance:

Representative for TPC-D:	Shri. Parag Khabadi (Adv)
Representative for MSEDCL:	Shri. Paresh Bhagvat (Rep.)
Representative for RInfra-D:	Shri. Ghanshyam Thakkar (Rep.)
Consumer Representative:	Dr. Ashok Pendse, TBIA

Daily Order

1. Heard the Representatives of the Petitioner and the Respondents.
2. TPC-D stated that
 - a. In the last Daily Order dated 16 May, 2017, the Commission directed TPC-D to implead Indian Railways, Open Access consumers, and captive consumers and serve them the Petition and other submissions so that they can also respond.

- b. On 10 July, 2017, TPC-D filed an additional submission and stated that since the Deemed Distribution Licensees, i.e., Indian Railways and SEEPZ-SEZ, that form part of the Mumbai System also enjoy/will enjoy the benefit of the existing Standby Arrangement, they should also be considered in the sharing of the Standby Charges.
 - c. TPC-D Power is in the process of formulating a concrete mechanism that would be a viable and practical alternative to the existing Standby Arrangement. Therefore, TPC-D is presently not pursuing prayer (b) of the Petition regarding revision in the Standby Arrangement and will approach the Commission after its proposal is formulated.
 - d. TPC-D also seeks to withdraw prayer (c) of the Petition with regard to captive and Open Access consumers, while reserving its right to revisit this issue at an appropriate time and approach the Commission afresh.
3. MSEDCL stated that, if the Commission impleads Indian Railways, MSEDCL would file its Reply accordingly. Mumbai Discoms are considering ABT and FBSM as a source of generation for standby support, which cannot be the case.
 4. RInfra-D stated that the Commission has already reserved the similar matter of revision in standby arrangement in Case No. 72 of 2016, filed by RInfra-D for orders. As per the additional submission of TPC-D, if prayers (b) and (c) no longer remain, the Petition of TPC-D becomes infructuous.
 5. The Commission impleads Indian Railway and directs TPC-D to provide all its submissions, replies and documents in this Case to it Indian Railways may respond to the Petition within 3 weeks. TPC-D and the other Respondents may file their Rejoinder/Submissions within 2 weeks thereafter.

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

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(Deepak Lad)
Member

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