### Before the

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CORAM: I. M. Bohari, Member Mukesh Khullar, Member

### Case No. 25 of 2020 and MA No. 55 of 2020

Petition of Tata Power Renewable Energy Limited seeking compensation due to increase in costs on account of change in rate of Goods & Services Tax amounting to a Change in Law event in terms of the Power Purchase Agreement executed with Maharashtra State Electricity Distribution Company Limited

#### and

### Case No. 147 of 2020

Petition filed by Azure Power Thirty Four Private Limited seeking compensation on account of a Change in Law viz. the Notification Nos. 24 and 27 of 2018 - Central Tax (Rate) and 25 and 28 of 2018 - Integrated Tax (Rate) dated 31 December 2018 issued by the Ministry of Finance, Government of India, increasing the Goods and Services Tax rates on solar power generating systems resulting in additional project cost

Tata Power Renewable Energy Limited : Petitioner in Case No. 25 of 2020

Azure Power Thirty Four Private Limited : Petitioner in Case No. 147 of 2020

V/s

Maharashtra State Electricity Distribution Company Ltd. : Respondent

## Appearance:

Tata Power Renewable Energy Limited : Shri. Abhishek Munot (Adv.)
Azure Power Thirty Four Private Limited : Shri. Tarun Gulati (Adv.)

Maharashtra State Electricity Distribution Company Ltd : Shri. Abhishek Khare (Adv)

## **Daily Order**

1. Heard the Advocates of the Petitioners and Respondent.

- 2. Advocate of the Respondent submitted that it received Rejoinder from Tata Power Renewable Energy Ltd. on 8 February 2021 and Azure Power Thirty Four Private Ltd. on 10 February 2021, respectively. He requested for some more time to study these replies for hearing. Advocate of the Petitioners did not oppose granting additional time.
- 3. Considering that the cases were adjourned earlier at the request of petitioners and that the rejoinder that was filed by Petitioner the previous day, was quite voluminous and running into more than 700 pages, in the interest of justice, the Commission allowes time to respondent to adequately prepare its response and accordingly adjourned the hearing for a short period.

Next date of hearing will be informed by the Secretariat of the Commission.

Sd/-(I. M. Bohari) Member Sd/-(Mukesh Khullar) Member