No. MERC/Case No. 311 of 2019/ 1056

NOTICE

Subject:- The Joint Petition filed by 1) Maharashtra State Electricity Distribution Co. Ltd (MSEDCL) 2) Maharashtra State Power Generation Co. Ltd. (MSPGCL) seeking deviation and adoption of tariff rate of Rs. 3.23/kWH for long term procurement of power through MSPGCL for 184MW AC Cumulative Solar PV Power Projects. at Western, Northern, Vidharbha and Marathwad Regions of Maharashtra under 'Mukhyamantri Saur Krishi Vaahini Yojana'.
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The Joint Petitioners 1) Maharashtra State Electricity Distribution Co. Ltd (MSEDCL) 2) Maharashtra State Power Generation Co. Ltd. (MSPGCL) filed this Petitions on 11.11.2019 in regards to seeking approval to the deviations in competitive bidding process adopted for 184MWA cumulative capacity Solar PV Power projects Western, Northern, Vidharbha and Marathwad Regions of Maharashtra under 'Mukhyamantri Saur Krishi Vaahini Yojana' with respect to the Standard Bidding Guidelines, issued by Ministry of New & Renewable Energy, a for Procurement of Power through Competitive Bidding Process and for adoption of tariff rate of Rs. 3.23/kWH for long term procurement of power from 184MW projects through MSPGCL to meet MSEDCL'S solar renewable purchases obligations under Section 63 of the Electricity Act, 2003 and for seeking approval, as per directions in MERC order dated 19.10.2018 in Case No. 172 of 2017, to the deviation sought in the draft PSA & PPA with respect to the Standard Bidding Guidelines.

The main prayers of the Petitioner are as under-

1. Admit the Petition;

2. Approve the deviation in the Tendering process to carry out bidding process even when there was a single qualified bidder;

3. Approve the adoption of Tariff rate of Rs. 3.23/kWh, if the developer submits the invoices for the payment of Safeguard duty and Rs. 3.05 /kWh if the successful bidder fails to submit invoices related to Safeguard duty paid, for 184 MWac Cumulative Capacity Solar PV Power Projects of M/s. Waree Energies Limited at Western, Northern, Vidarbha and Marathwada regions of Maharashtra;

4. Approve the draft PPA & PSA for 184MWAC cumulative capacity grid interactive Solar PV Projects;

5. Condone any shortcomings/ deficiencies in the petition and allow MSPGCL to submit additional information/ data at a later stage as maybe required; and

6. Pass such further order(s) as it deems just, fit and proper in the facts and circumstances of the case.

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2. I am directed to communicate that the hearing in the above matter will be held on **Tuesday, 03 December, 2019 at 10.00 hrs** in the office of the Commission at 13th floor, Centre No.1, World Trade Centre, Cuffe Parade, Mumbai - 400 005.

3. The Petitioners is directed to immediately serve a copy of its above mentioned Petition (both in soft and hard Copy) to the Respondent before the scheduled date of hearing.

4. The Respondent is directed to submit the say on affidavit in 1+6 copies to the Commission with documents, if any, on the above mentioned Petition immediately, with a copy to the Petitioners.

5. The Parties are directed to file their Petition and submissions in MS -Word file and PDF version as far as possible and to file 1+6 copies of all relevant documents/citations produced during the proceedings.

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Petitioner No - 2

Petitioner No - 1

Respondent