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(भारत सरकार का उद्यम)

NTPC Limited

(A Govt. of India Enterprise)

केन्द्रीय कार्यालय/ Corporate Centre Date: 22.02.2020

Ref .No: 01: CD: 159

To, Chairperson Uttarakhand Power Corporation Limited (UPCL) Urja Bhawan, Kanwali Road, Dehradun

Sub: Regulation Notice;

Regulation of power supply to the Uttarakhand Power Corporation Limited (UPCL) as per provisions of the CERC (Regulations of Power Supply) Regulations, 2010 (as amended), BPSA dated 31.01.1994, Various GOI letters regarding allocations of power from NTPC Stations and various other PPAs signed with UPCL

Dear Sir,

- 1. You are kindly aware that the bills raised by NTPC on Uttarakhand Power Corporation Limited (UPCL) for energy supplied by NTPC from various stations are to be paid within due dates. As on date, a total of Rs 270.40 Cr remains unpaid, out of which Rs 200.75 Cr remains unpaid beyond due dates. In spite of repeated follow ups at various levels in person, UPCL has yet not liquidated the outstanding dues which are beyond due dates. As per various agreements and CERC Regulations, in case of default in making payments of bills, NTPC has the right to discontinue/ regulate the power supplies.
- 2. The Tripartite Agreement signed between Govt of Uttarakhand, RBI and Govt of India which is applicable for supply of electricity from NTPC stations to state of Uttarakhand also provides for regulation of power supply in case of non payment of bills. Further, CERC (Regulation of Power Supply) Regulations, 2010 (as amended) provide that:

Quote

- 4. In case of the outstanding dues or in case the required Letter of Credit or any other agreed Payment Security Mechanism is not maintained as per the Agreement, the generating company or the transmission licensee, as the case may be, may serve a notice for regulation of power supply, on the Defaulting Entity, for reducing the drawal schedule in the case of the generating company.......
- 6. Upon receipt of the notice under Regulation 4 and within 3 days thereafter, the concerned State Load Despatch Centre/Regional Load Despatch Centre, in whose control area the Regulating Entity is situated, shall make a plan in writing for implementing the regulation of power supply and shall inform the Regulating Entity, Regulated Entity, concerned State Load Despatch Centres, Regional Power Committees, and Regional Load Despatch Centres of the said Plan and shall post the implementation plan on its website.......

(Emphasis supplied)

Unquote

3. The terms & conditions of Bulk Power Supply Agreement (BPSA) dated 31.01.1994 provides as follows at A.5 of Appendix A.

Quote

"It is agreed that the Bulk Power Customers will make all efforts to open LC within a reasonable period. In the event of failure to establish/enhance LC within a reasonable period or alternatively in the absence of LC, if any bills remain unpaid for a period exceeding two months from the date of issue of the bills, NTPC shall have the options to discontinue/ reduce supply of power to such bulk power customers in consultation with Govt. of India and advise NREB accordingly."

(Emphasis supplied)

Unquote

4. The allocation letters issued by Govt. of India provide that in case of default in payment, NTPC has the right to shut-off or restrict power supply from power stations and reallocate power. The relevant extract from one such letter no.5/7/2013-Th.II (Vol.I) dated 09.07.2015 is as given below:

Quote

- "4. The above allocation will further be subject to the Power Purchase Agreements (PPAs) entered into by NTPC Limited with State Power Utilities/ Union Territory and will further be subject to the beneficiaries ensuring compliance with the financial and commercial terms (including coverage for Letter of Credit) of the PPA signed with NTPC Ltd., the tariff notification and any other directives/ guidelines issued by the Government of India/ Central Electricity Regulatory Commission from time to time.
- 5. In case of failure of the beneficiaries adhering to the condition mentioned above, NTPC Ltd. may shut off or restrict power supply from the power station and also reallocate the power in case beneficiaries default in payment or where they have not opened LCs of an adequate amount in favour of NTPC Ltd"

Unquote

- 5. An amount of Rs 200.75 Cr has remained unpaid beyond due dates. Notice for regulation of power supply on UPCL is hereby given for effecting regulation of power supply to UPCL w.e.f. 00:00 hrs of 10.03.2020 initially for a period of 15 days as per provisions of the CERC (Regulations of Power Supply) Regulations, 2010 and as per PPAs/BPSA signed and various allocation letters issued by Gol.
- 6. In view of above, power supply to the extent of 100% allocated from NTPC Stations will be regulated to the State of Uttarakhand as per the details given below:
 - Quantum and source of power from which regulation / diversion is proposed:
 517 MW from all applicable NTPC Stations (Details attached at Annex-A).
 - The above is likely to result in excess power available to the extent of scheduled reduction.
 - iii) Regarding diversion/ absorption of regulated share, it is being taken up with other constituents of Northern and other regions to indicate their requirements. As soon as we receive any response from these constituents for absorption of regulated power of UPCL, the same would be communicated to NRLDC.

- As per requirement of CERC (Regulation of Power Supply) Regulations, 2010, NTPC is also
 posting Regulation Notice on NTPC website https://www.ntpc.co.in/ under the tab "Notices".
- 8. The proposed regulation would be **implemented w.e.f. 00:00 hrs. of 10.03.2020** initially for a period of 15 days or till the time outstanding dues get cleared, whichever is earlier. A copy of this notice is also being sent to concerned RLDCs, for preparation of implementation plan for regulation of power supply to UPCL and implementation of the same as per the procedure laid down by CERC (Regulation of Power Supply) Regulations, 2010.

Thanking you,

Rainish Bhagat

ED (Commercial)

Yours faithfully,

CC:

- Executive Director
 Northern Regional Load Dispatch Centre
 New Delhi 16
- Executive Director
 Eastern Regional Load Dispatch Centre, Kolkata.

with a request to prepare implementation plan for Regulation/ Suspension of power supply to UPCL and implement the same as per CERC (Regulation of Power Supply) Regulations, 2010

ED (Commercial)

- 3. Member Secretary, NRPC
- 4. Member Secretary, ERPC

Distribution List:

- Chairperson, CERC
- Chairman, UERC
- Chief Secretary, Govt of Uttarakhand
- Principal Secretary (Energy), Govt of Uttarakhand
- JS (Thermal), MoP

Annexure - A

Uttarakhand

Allocation of Power to Uttarakhand from NTPC Stations

SI.No.	Power Station	Capacity(MW)	Allocation of Power (MW)	Allocation in %
From NT	PC Stations			
1	Dadri ST-II	980	1	0.13%
2	Dadri GPS	829.78	43	5.13%
3	Auraiya GPS	663.36	36	5.50%
4	Anta GPS	419.33	23	5.46%
5	Singrauli	2000	99	4.94%
6	Rihand-I	1000	41	4.05%
7	Rihand-II	1000	35	3.52%
8	Unchahar-I	420	36	8.61%
9	Unchahar-II	420	16	3.74%
10	Unchahar-III	210	13	6.33%
11	Unchahar-IV	500	31	6.27%
12	Kahalgaon-II	1500	28	1.87%
13	Rihand III	1000	41	4.06%
14	Koldam	800	54	6.75%
15	Singrauli Hydro	8	0.13	1.67%
16	Unit-I of Tanda-II	660	20	2.97%
	TOTAL		517	