WEST BENGAL ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION

WEST BENGAL

Petition No. OA-259/17-18
Date of hearing: 13th June, 2019
Time of hearing: 15.00 hours
Coram:
Shri Sutirtha Bhattacharya, Chairperson
Shri Durgadas Goswami, Member

In the matter of
Application seeking approval for procedure of infrastructure development of Electrical Distribution Network by the Durgapur Projects Limited (DPL) for its consumers.
And
In the matter of
The Durgapur Projects Limited
Administrative Building
Durgapur 713 201
West Bengal

Petitioner

And

West Bengal State Electricity Distribution Company Limited,
Vidyut Bhawan
Block – DJ, Sector – II
Bidhannagar
Kolkata 700 091

Respondent

And

West Bengal State Electricity Transmission Company Limited
Vidyut Bhavan
Block DJ, Sector – II
Salt Lake City
Kolkata 700 091

Respondent

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FACTS IN BRIEF

DPL submitted a petition before the Commission on 7th August, 2017 seeking approval for procedure of infrastructure development of electrical distribution network for its own consumers in terms of regulation 13.13 of the West Bengal Electricity Regulatory Commission (Standard of Performance of Licensees Relating to Consumer Services), Regulations, 2010 (in short 'SOP Regulations'). Under the existing process, DPL has been facing difficulty to execute job for releasing new connection / load enhancement within the time limit as specified by the Commission in SOP Regulations. The contention of DPL is that in terms of regulation 13.13 of SOP Regulations, a licensee with the approval of the Commission may, at its discretion, develop a new procedure for any class / classes of consumers for quick disposal of applications for new connections or load enhancement or for better complaint lodging mechanism. In order to provide power connection within the time limit specified by the Commission and in case of urgency of consumers for obtaining connection, DPL may be allowed to initiate, along with the quotation, an offer of completing the infrastructure work on turnkey basis by the consumers.

SUBMISSION

DPL submitted a letter vide no. COM/TARIFF/1-611 dated 11.06.2019, which, inter-alia, states as follows:

1. The Government of West Bengal, vide its notification no. 328/PO/O/C-IV/1E-60/13 (Pt-VA) dated 26.12.2018 has transferred the assets and liabilities of
transmission and distribution functions of DPL to WBSETCL and WBSEDCL respectively.

2. The Commission, vide its order 31.12.2018 in case no. A-6/14, has also allowed WBSEDCL and WBSETCL to take over respectively the entire distribution function and the transmission function of DPL along with all associated assets and liabilities with effect from 01.01.2019

3. The petition, in question, was related to the distribution function of DPL and has no relevance after the order passed by the Commission on 31.12.2018.

4. In view of above, the Commission may cancel the petition submitted on 07.08.2017.

ORDER

Upon submission of the aforesaid letter by DPL and considering the same, the Commission dismisses the petition submitted by DPL on 7th August, 2017 in case no. OA-259/17-18 seeking approval for procedure of infrastructure development of electrical distribution network for its own consumers.

Let a copy of this order be served upon DPL, WBSEDCL and WBSETCL.

The petition is thus disposed of.

Sd/-
(DURGADAS GOSWAMI)
MEMBER

Sd/-
(SUTIRTHA BHATTACHARYYA)
CHAIRPERSON

DATE: 17.06.2019

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(T. K. MUKHERJEE)
SECRETARY