ORDER
OF THE
WEST BENGAL ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION
IN THE MATTER OF
In Case No. WBERC/OA-148/12-13


PRESENT:
SRI PRASADRAJAN RAY, CHAIRPERSON
SRI SUJIT DASGUPTA, MEMBER

DATE: 15.05.2012
Order of the West Bengal Electricity Regulatory Commission in the matter of an application submitted by the West Bengal State Electricity Distribution Company Limited (WBSEDCL) for issuance of appropriate order under regulation 5.8.12 of the West Bengal Electricity Regulatory Commission (Terms and Conditions of Tariff) Regulations, 2011 for CTU loss calculation methodology and consideration of normative transmission and distribution loss as per the West Bengal Electricity Regulatory Commission (Terms and Conditions of Tariff) Regulations, 2011

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**ORDER**

1.0 This is regarding the application submitted by West Bengal State Electricity Distribution Company Limited (in short ‘WBSEDCL’) for issuance of appropriate order under regulation 5.8.12 of the West Bengal Electricity Regulatory Commission (Terms and Conditions of Tariff) Regulations, 2011 (in short ‘Tariff Regulations’) for CTU loss calculation methodology and consideration of normative transmission and distribution loss as per provision of Tariff Regulations.

2.0 WBSEDCL in their application has stated that as per paragraph A of Schedule-7B of the Tariff Regulations there is no provision of normative transmission loss in the formula for computation of Monthly Variable Cost Adjustment (in short ‘MVCA’). According to the Tariff Regulations the normative loss in transmission is being considered for STU system only. The Tariff Order for any year does not provide any norms for loss on CTU portion and to remove this difficulties in last few months WBSEDCL has taken up the CTU loss as follows:

i) The CTU loss has been computed for the power banked under swap mechanism and short term power on the basis of weekly report on National Load Dispatch Centre (in short ‘NLDC’) on average basis;
ii) The CTU loss for transmission of long term power from Central Sector Power Utilities and other agencies are considered 2% (two percent) on average basis as it depends on the injection and withdrawal of power by those agencies as per Point of Connection (in short ‘POC’) method as per regulation of Central Electricity Regulatory Commission (in short ‘CERC’).

2.1 WBSEDCL has also stated that MVCA for the month of January, 2012 and onwards has been computed by them considering the parameters and normative distribution loss and transmission loss of re-determination of tariff for 2010-11 but the normative distribution loss of WBSEDCL and transmission loss for the transmission system of WBSETCL for the year 2012-13 as per Tariff Regulations are different. As per the paragraph (d) to the note in paragraph A in Schedule-7B of Tariff Regulations such value are to be taken from latest Tariff Order. In order to remove such difficulties, WBSEDCL has prayed for issue an appropriate order under regulation 5.8.12 of the Tariff Regulations.

2.2 WBSEDCL has further stated that they will continue with the MVCA computed for the month of March, 2012 based on the data for February, 2012 for the month of April 2012 and onwards till any direction is issued by the Commission. Any shortage in recovery due to continuing with the MVCA of March, 2012 for April, 2012 and onwards, may be allowed in the balance month(s) of 2012-13 on the basis of scheduled energy for the respective months or through Fuel and Power Purchase Cost Adjustment (in short ‘FPPCA’) for the year 2012-13.
3.0 Considering the fact stated above the Commission in terms of regulations 5.8.12 and 8.4 of the Tariff Regulations decides as follows:

i) CTU loss shall be considered at the actual rate of CTU loss prevailed during the preceding month for which MVCA is computed as this CTU loss is considered on actual basis as a pass through element in tariff.

ii) Distribution and transmission loss shall be considered by all the distribution licensees as per the normative rate stipulated in the Tariff Regulations for the concerned licensee for that year during which the MVCA is computed if no tariff order for that year has been issued as the MVCA is subject to adjustment through fuel and power purchase cost adjustment considering normative transmission and distribution loss for the concerned year.

iii) Operating norms of a generating station of a generating company or any distribution licensee shall be considered as per the norms stipulated in the Tariff Regulations for that generating station for that year during which the Monthly Fuel Cost Adjustment (in short ‘MFCA’) or MVCA is to be computed if the tariff order of that generating company or the distribution licensee for that year has not been issued as the MFCA or MVCA is subject to adjustment through fuel and power purchase cost adjustment considering the operating
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4.0 The petition is thus disposed of. Let a copy of the order be served upon all the distribution licensees and the generating companies under the purview of this Commission with a direction for publishing the same in their website.

Sd/-
(Sujit Dasgupta)
Member

Sd/-
(Prasadanjan Ray)
Chairperson

Dated : 15.05.2012