

MAHARASHTRA ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION
(IMPLEMENTATION OF SCHEME FOR UTILIZATION OF GAS-BASED POWER
GENERATION CAPACITY) REGULATIONS, 2015

ELECTRICITY ACT, 2003.

No. [.....]- In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-sections (1) and (2) of Section 181 read with sub-section (47) of Section 2, Section 30, clause (d) of sub-section (2) of Section 39 and clause (c) of Section 40 of the Electricity Act, 2003 (36 of 2003), the Maharashtra Electricity Regulatory Commission hereby makes the following Regulations for implementation of Government of India's Scheme for utilization of Gas-based power generation capacity.

1 Short title, extent, applicability and commencement

- 1.1 These Regulations may be called the Maharashtra Electricity Regulatory Commission (Implementation of Scheme for utilization of Gas-based power generation capacity) Regulations, 2015.
- 1.2 These Regulations shall extend to the whole of the State of Maharashtra.
- 1.3 These Regulations shall come into force from 21 November, 2015.

2 Definitions

2.1 In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires:

- (1) "**Act**" means the Electricity Act, 2003 (36 of 2003), as amended from time to time;
- (2) "**Coincident Peak Demand**" or "**CPD**" means the demand as measured at the Generation-Transmission (G-T) interface for the Distribution Licensee occurring at the time of system peak demand in the State of Maharashtra;
- (3) "**Commission**" means the Maharashtra Electricity Regulatory Commission;
- (4) "**Intra-State Transmission System**" or "**InSTS**" means any system for conveyance of electricity by transmission lines within the area of the State, and includes all transmission lines, sub-stations and associated equipment of Transmission Licensees in the State;
- (5) "**Non-Coincident Peak Demand**" or "**NCPD**" means the peak demand as measured at the G-T interface for a Distribution Licensee during a period, and which may or may not occur at the time of system peak demand in the State as a whole;

(6) “Scheme” means the ‘Scheme for utilisation of Gas-based power generation capacity’ sanctioned by the Government of India (Ministry of Power) vide Office Memorandum No. 4/2/2015 – Th - I dated 27 March, 2015 for the Financial Years 2015-16 and 2016-17;

2.2 Words or expression used herein and not defined shall have the meanings assigned to them in the Act or Rules and Regulations made thereunder.

3. Exemption of transmission charges and losses only for generation from the e-bid RLNG

3.1 No transmission charges for the use of InSTS network shall be charged to incremental gas based generation from e-bid Re-gasified Liquefied Natural Gas (RLNG) for the Financial Years 2015-16 and 2016-17 in accordance with the Scheme.

3.2 No transmission losses for the use of InSTS network shall be attributed to incremental gas based generation from e-bid RLNG for the Financial Years 2015-16 and 2016-17 in accordance with the Scheme.

3.3 Notwithstanding anything contained in these Regulations, the Transmission System Users who share the Total Transmission System Cost of InSTS on the basis of their respective contribution to average CPD and NCPD shall continue to pay their share as determined by the Commission from time to time in its Intra-State Transmission Tariff Orders.

3.4 All other provisions of the Regulations of the Commission governing Transmission Open Access shall be applicable for use of the InSTS network for transmission of incremental Gas-based power generation from e-bid RLNG.

4. Issue of Practice Directions

Subject to the provisions of the Act, the Commission may, from time to time, issue Practice Directions in regard to implementation of these Regulations.

5. Power to remove difficulties

If any difficulty arises in giving effect to the provisions of these Regulations, the Commission may, by general or specific order, make such provisions not inconsistent with the provisions of the Act as may appear to be necessary for removing the difficulty.

Mumbai
Dated:____, 2015

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Secretary,

Maharashtra Electricity Regulatory Commission