

## SOUTHERN POWER DISTRIBUTION COMPANY OF A.P. LIMITED 19-13-65/A, Vidyut Nilayam, Srinivasapuram, Tirupati (www.apspdcl.in)

From

The Chief General Manager, RAC & IPC, APSPDCL, 19-13-65/A, Vidyut Nilayam, Srinivasapuram, Tirupati – 517501. To Sri I V Bhadra, General Manager Bandaru Energies Pvt Ltd. Hyderabad-500 082 bhadra@beplindia.net

Lr No.CGM/RAC&IPC/SPDCL/TPT/GM/RAC/F.ARR.Rep.(28) /D.No.40 /24 dt.7-01-2024

Sir.

Sub:- APSPDCL/TPT - RAC - Replies to objections raised by Sri I V Bhadra, Hyderabad on ARR & Tariff proposals - Regarding.

Ref:- Party's representation received dt.08-01-2024

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Referring to the objections raised on ARR for Distribution Business for 5<sup>th</sup> control period, the reply is furnished as hereunder.

We have noticed and observed that there is a tremendous increase in Wheeling Charges when compared with 4th Control Period: 2019 to 2024. This increase in wheeling charges will have the major impact on the existing wind and solar plants and upcoming Renewable Power Projects in the state of Andhra Pradesh. Wheeling charges are very high in A.P compared with other states and also the methodology for arriving these Wheeling charges is incorrect. Hence we request you to revise the wheeling charges and wheeling losses to get it within the permissible limits which will help in viability of solar and wind projects in the state of Andhra Pradesh. We expect that they would be in order, however, do kindly give us an opportunity to clarify if any of them need any clarification. We sincerely appeal to you to kindly incorporate the requested Inclusions and Amendments in them, to actively promote the distributed Renewable Energy Generation in our State of Andhra Pradesh

Reply: For the 5<sup>th</sup> control period, the licensee adopted the methodology used by the Hon'ble APERC while determining the wheeling tariff for the 4<sup>th</sup> control period. Further, the licensee computed the wheeling charges considering the aggregate revenue requirement for the distribution business, consumers' contracted load, network asset value of the particular voltage level and its usage by 33 kv, 11 kv and LT consumers, cost apportionment to respective voltage consumers based on the no of consumers, DTRs, substations and lines. In view of the above, it is not justifiable for the objector to state that the methodology for arriving these wheeling charges is incorrect.

Further, it is to inform that, the Honorable APERC is conducting public hearings on ARR filings for FY 2024-25 & Distribution Business for 5<sup>th</sup> control period through video conference from Conference Hall, APEPDCL, Visakapatnam. The hearings will be held in respect of all the three DISCOMs on 29-01-2024, 30-01-2024 and 31-01-2024 from 10.30 AM to 1.00 PM and from 2.00 PM to 4.30 PM. APSPDCL has facilitated Video Conference at all offices of Superintending Engineer / Operation at district headquarters and at all remaining offices of Executive Engineer / Operation. Specification of the date and time for objector is under the purview of Honourable Commission.

Yours faithfully

Chief General Manager / RAC & IPC

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