

ANDHRA PRADESH ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION

4th Floor, Singareni Bhavan, Red Hills, Hyderabad 500 004

SATURDAY, THE THIRTIETH DAY OF MARCH TWO THOUSAND NINETEEN

:Present: Justice G. Bhavani Prasad, Chairman Dr. P. Raghu, Member Sri P. Rama Mohan, Member

In the matter of Load Forecasts, Resource Plans, Investment Plans and State Electricity Plan relating to the 3rd control period and the 4th control period

Refer:

- 1. APERC Regulation No.4 of 2005 (Regulations 9.1, 16.1, 16.2 and 16.3)
- 2. APERC Regulation No.5 of 2005 (Regulations 9.1, 9.2, 14.1, 14.2 and 14.3)
- 3. APERC Guidelines for Load Forecasts, Resource Plans and Power Procurement Plans issued in December, 2006
- 4. APERC Regulation No.1 of 2008 (Regulations 3.1, 3.2, 3.3 and 3.4) 5. APERC Regulation No.10 of 2013 (Regulations 35 and 37)
- 6. Public Notice of the Commission dated 06-05-2017.

ORDER

The Load Forecast, the Resource Plan, the Investment Plans, the State Electricity Plan etc., for the balance of the 3rd control period and corresponding tentative plan for the 4th control period were under consideration of the Commission from 06-05-2017 in accordance with the procedure prescribed by the APERC guidelines for Load Forecast, Resource Plan and Power Procurement Plans of 2006 read with APERC Regulations 4 and 5 of 2005, 1 of 2008 and 10 of 2013. However, in view of such an exercise not being undertaken almost since about two decades and the voluminous and vast material that has to be collected, referred to and analyzed, the exercise could not be completed till now and by today, the 3rd control period is coming to an end. All those things which could have been covered by any Load Forecasts, Resource Plans, Power Procurement Plans, Investment Plans and State Electricity Plan during that period had already happened and any planning for the past has therefore become superfluous and *infructuous* in so far as the 3rd control period is concerned. For the 4th control period and the 5th control period, the proceedings have been concluded in accordance with the above referred to guidelines and regulations and orders thereon will be pronounced shortly on merits in accordance with law.

Under the circumstances, these proceedings have to be closed as no longer necessary, while placing on record the deep appreciation of the Commission for the help rendered in the process by the learned *Amicus Curiae*, officers of the Commission and officers of the licensees in putting on rails the exercise in tune with the regulatory provisions. The exercise is not futile and is fully useful in impressing upon the Commission and the licensees the need for having such plans for the future for an organized and systematic running and development of the power sector in the State. The exercise relating to the 4th and 5th control periods and from FY 2019-20 onwards, hopefully the guidelines and regulations providing for such planning will be observed in letter and spirit.

With those observations, these proceedings relating to the Load Forecast, Resource Plans, Power Procurement Plans, Investment Plans, State Electricity Plan etc., relating to the 3rd control period and tentative plans for the 4th control period in accordance with the APERC guidelines for Load Forecast, Resource Plan, Power Procurement Plans, Investment Plans and State Electricity Plan of 2006 and APERC Regulations 4 and 5 of 2005, 1 of 2008 and 10 of 2013 are hereby closed.

This order is corrected and signed on this the **30th day of March, 2019**.

Sd/-	Sd/-	Sd/-
P. Rama Mohan	Dr. P. Raghu	Justice G. Bhavani Prasad
Member	Member	Chairman