RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS DATED 19-8-2023 OF THE PUBLIC HEARING AT VISAKHAPATNAM

IN THE MATTER OF LOAD FORECAST, RESOURCE PLAN AND STATE ELECTRICITY PLAN FOR 5th CONTROL PERIOD i.e., FY 2024-25 to FY 2028-29

We have heard Sri Ch.Babu Rao-CPI(M); Sri R.Shiva Kumar-APTMA; Sri Sree Kumar Nhalur, Member, Prayas (Energy Group) and Sri M.Venugopal Rao, Senior Journalist, from the Objectors' side; and Sri B.Jaya Bharat Rao, Director, Technical, APCPDCL; SRI T.S.Rajasekha Reddy, EE/RAC, APSPDCL; Sri Y.Appa Rao, CGM, Common & Legal, APTRANSCO and Sri A.V.L.K.Jagannadha Sarma, OSD to CGM/PP, APPCC.

During the hearing the Objectors have pointed out that information regarding two aspects, viz., actual results of the 4th Control Period and Cost Analysis of Smart Meters for non-agriculture consumers, were not being furnished.

The Officers representing the DISCOMs have undertaken to furnish the above details within one week to all the Objectors. The Objectors are permitted to submit their additional objections, if any, to the additional information received by them within two weeks thereafter.

During the submissions, Sri Jagannadha Sarma submitted that while the Demand Forecast has been made with certainty, the capacity availability could not be forecasted with certainty till now; and that it may take two or three months time to come out with the data relating to availability of additional capacities.

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The Commission will decide on the time that may be given to the Utilities to come out with the aspect relating to availability of additional capacities, if any, shortly.

The Commission will examine, in detail, the written and oral submissions made so far and the additional written submissions, if any, that may be made by the Objectors, before passing final orders on the proposals made by the Utilities.

Public Hearings are closed.

Sd/- xxx MEMBER/PVRR Sd/- xxx CHAIRMAN Sd/- xxx MEMBER/TRS