

ARUNACHAL PRADESH STATE ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION

ITANAGAR

Petition No.MP-05 OF 2024

Subject : Hearing on Petition filed by Department of Power, Government Arunachal Pradesh for approval of PPA signed between Department of Power , Government of Arunachal Pradesh And M/s Buru Energy Private Limited for Dengzi Hydro Electric Project 10MW.

Petitioner : Department of Power, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh

Respondent : Buru Energy Private Limited.

Date of Hearing : 20/08/2024

Coram : Shri R. K. Joshi, Chairperson
Shri Nich Rika, Member (Law)

Parties Present : Er. Zomba Nacho, Department of Power.
Er. Okom Siram, Department of Power.
Mr. Bamang Tagoku, Buru Energy Private Limited.
Mr. Deepak Baishya, Buru Energy Private Limited.

Record of Proceedings

The representative of the Petitioner, i.e. Department of Power, Arunachal Pradesh submitted that the Petitioner has filed an affidavit dated 16.8.2024 as per the directions of the Commission in Record of Proceedings (RoP) dated 25.7.2024.

2. We have perused the affidavit filed by the Petitioner. The Commission in RoP dated 25.7.2024 observed that the Petitioner has not submitted the approved Power Procurement Plan (PPP) as mandated under the Arunachal Pradesh State Electricity Regulatory Commission (Power Purchase and Procurement Process of Licensee) Regulation, 2024 and therefore directed the Petitioner to submit on affidavit that the Petitioner would finalise the PPP and submit the same before filing the next tariff petition. However, it is observed that the Petitioner has filed the affidavit stating that the PPP should be finalized along with the next tariff petition, which is not in consonance with the directions given by us in the RoP dated 25.7.2024. When this discrepancy was brought to the notice of the representative of the Petitioner, he admitted that the as per the directions of the Commission, the PPP should be filed before filing the next tariff petition. He also submitted that it has been inadvertently stated in the affidavit that it will be submitted along with the next tariff petition. He requested to condone the same and submitted that the Petitioner would file the


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approved PPP before filing the next tariff petition as directed in the RoP dated 25.7.2024.

3. We further observe that this is not the first time that the Petitioner is committing such a grave error. The representative of the Petitioner during the hearing on 25.7.2024 in Petition No. MP-4 of 2024 regarding "approval of new service connection charges in electrified area upto 150 kW" submitted that the restriction of 30 meter distance considered by the Petitioner for new connections in case of the LT 1 Phase and 3 Phase is to meet the voltage regulation criteria. Taking into consideration the submissions made by the Petitioner, the Commission directed the Petitioner to submit the same on affidavit. The Petitioner filed an affidavit dated 29.7.2024 (after the due date) and the submissions made in the affidavit are not in consonance with the submissions made by the representative of the Petitioner during the hearing on 25.7.2024.

4. We are of the view that these are serious lapses on the part of the Petitioner. The Petitioner should be more careful while making submissions in person during the hearing and on affidavit and avoid such grave errors in future.

5. Further, the Petitioner should strictly comply with the directions given in the RoPs and orders. Deviations, if any, would not be accepted and condoned. Any wrong statement and non-compliance of the directions of the Commission would attract strict action as per the provisions of the Electricity Act, 2003 and the regulations framed thereunder.

6. The Petitioner is directed to submit the approved PPP before filing the next tariff petition as per our directions in our RoP dated 25.7.2024. Further action in the matter will be taken on receipt of the approved PPP of the Petitioner.

7. Subject the above, we reserve the order in the matter.

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Member (Law)

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(R. K. Joshi)
Chairperson


Secretary