CENTRAL ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION NEW DELHI

Petition No.339/MP/2022

Subject : Petition under Section 79(1)(b) and (f) of the Electricity Act, 2003

> read with Article 16.3.1 of the Power Purchase Agreement dated 29.10.2021 executed between Tunga Renewable Energy Private Limited and Solar Energy Corporation of India Limited seeking extension in the timelines for achieving Conditions Subsequent and Scheduled Commissioning Date of the 190 MW wind power project being set up by Tunga Renewable Energy Private Limited

in Karnataka.

Date of Hearing : 20.9.2023

: Shri Jishnu Barua, Chairperson Coram

> Shri I. S. Jha, Member Shri Arun Goyal, Member Shri P. K. Singh, Member

Petitioner : Tunga Renewable Energy Private Limited (TREPL)

Respondents : Solar Energy Corporation of India Limited (SECI) and Ors.

Parties Present : Shri Jafar Alam, Advocate, TREPL

Shri Saahil Kaul, Advocate, TREPL

Ms. Sonika Hayaran, TREPL

Ms. Anushree Bardhan, Advocate, SECI Ms. Tanya Sareen, Advocate, SECI Shri Siddharth Sharma, CTUIL Ms. Priyansi Jadiya, CTUIL

Record of Proceedings

At the outset, learned counsel for the Petitioner submitted that the Petitioner and the Respondent, SECI are engaged in a discussion to arrive at an amicable settlement to the issues involved in the matter and for this purpose, a couple of meetings have already taken place between the parties. Learned counsel pointed out that it is being insisted upon by SECI that the ongoing discussions between the parties may be acknowledged by the Commission in the Record of Proceedings.

Learned counsel for the Respondent, SECI also confirmed the ongoing 2. discussions between the Petitioner and SECI and requested that the Buying Utilities/Distribution licensees may also be asked to be party to such discussions. Learned counsel submitted that since the distribution licensees are the ultimate beneficiaries of the power to be supplied by the Petitioner, it would be necessary to ascertain the willingness of the distribution licensees to procure such power whenever the Project of the Petitioner comes up. Hence, the Commission may direct the Respondents, Chhattisgarh State Power Distribution Company Limited and Electrical Department, Union Territory of Puducherry, being the Buying Utilities/Distribution licensees in the present case, to participate in the ongoing discussion to resolve the issues involved in the matter.

- 3. Considering the submissions made by the learned counsel for the Petitioner and SECI, the Commission permitted the Petitioner and SECI to convene a meeting, within three weeks, to mutually arrive at an amicable settlement to the issues involved in the matter. At the request of SECI, the Commission directed the Buying Utilities/Distribution licensees, i.e. CSPDCL and Electricity Department, UT of Puducherry to participate in such discussions as their presence may expedite the entire process. The Commission also directed the Petitioner and/or SECI to file the outcome of ongoing discussions, on affidavit, within two weeks thereafter. In the meantime, the interim protection granted vide Record of Proceedings for the hearing dated 29.11.2022 will continue till the next date of the hearing.
- 4. The Petition will be listed for hearing on 24.11.2023.

By order of the Commission Sd/-(T.D. Pant) Joint Chief (Law)