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To,

The Secretary,

Central Electricity Regulatory Commission

3rd & 4th Floor, Chanderlok Building,

36, Janpath, New Delhi- 110 001.

Subject:

MSEDCL Comments on Draft Central Electricity Regulatory Commission

(Sharing of Inter- State Transmission Charges and Losses) (Second

Amendment) Regulations, 2023.

Reference:

1) Draft Central Electricity Regulatory Commission (Sharing of Inter- State Transmission Charges and Losses) (Second Amendment) Regulations, 2023.

2) Public notice dated 17.03.2023

Respected Sir,

Hon'ble Central Electricity Regulatory Commission has notified Draft Central Electricity Regulatory Commission (Sharing of Inter- State Transmission Charges and Losses) (Second Amendment) Regulations, 2023.

CERC vide notice dated 17.03.2023 has invited invited comments, suggestions and /or objections on Draft Central Electricity Regulatory Commission (Sharing of Inter- State Transmission Charges and Losses) (Second Amendment) Regulations, 2023. Accordingly, MSEDCL is hereby submitting the comments and are attached herewith as **Annexure-A**

It is requested that the above MSEDCL comments in the matter, may please be taken on record & be placed before Hon'ble Commission for kind consideration please.

Thanking You.

Yours faithfully,

Chief Engineer (Power Purchase),

MSEDCL

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MSEDCL Comments on Draft Central Electricity Regulatory (Sharing of Inter-State Transmission Charges and Losses) Regulations, 2020 (Second Amendment) Regulations, 2023

Clause/ Ref. Page	Existing Clause in Regulation	Clause proposed in Second Amendment	MSEDCL Comments
2 (1) (i-i)	New Clause	(i-i)' Deemed COD' means the (a) COD of	With respect to part (b) of the
		the transmission system approved by the	aforesaid definition, it is suggested
		Commission in terms of proviso (ii) of	that the deemed CoD of Transmission
		Clause (3) of Regulation 4 of the Tariff	system declared by transmission
		Regulations, 2014 or Clause (2) of	licensee as per the terms and
		Regulation 5 of the Tariff Regulations,	conditions of the TSA under TBCB
		2019 or (b) deemed COD of the	may also be verified by respective
		transmission system declared by the	load dispatch centre such as
		transmission licensee, in terms of	NLDC/RLDC/SLDC before declaring
		Transmission Service Agreement under	the same as deemed CoD for such
	,	Tariff Based Competitive Bidding	transmission system. It would be
			appropriate for third party to verify
			the same and give its consent before
			getting approval of the Commission.
11 (3)	(3) Transmission charges for T-	(3) Transmission charges for T-GNA and	It is submitted that the interstate
	GNA and T -GNA _{RE} collected in a	T - GNA_{RE} collected in a billing month, shall	transmission licensee in case of delay
	billing month, shall be reimbursed	be reimbursed to the drawee DICs in	in actual power flow, shall not be
	to the drawee DICs in proportion	proportion to their share in the first bill in	paid from the amount of
	to their share in the first bill in the	the following billing month, after	Transmission charges for T-GNA and
	following billing month, after	adjustment of such charges as per sub-	T-GNA _{RE} which are being
	adjustment of such charges as per	clause (d) of Clause (2) of Annexure-III to	reimbursed to the drawee DICs.
	sub-clause (d) of Clause (2) of	these regulations and sub-clause (b) of	Adjustment of this amount may lead
	Annexure-III to these regulations	Clause (12) of Regulation 13 of these	to less receipt of the amount to the
		regulations	drawee DICs and therefore this
10 (0)	mi m	m m	amendment shall be withdrawn.
12 (3)	The Transmission Deviation	The Transmission Deviation charges shall	In case other inter state transmission
	charges shall be recovered through	be recovered through the third bill and	licensee or any generating company is
	the third bill and shall be	shall be reimbursed to the DICs in	responsible for delay in actual power



	reimbursed to the DICs in proportion to their share in the first bill in the following billing month	proportion to their share in the first bill in the following billing month after adjustment of such charges as per sub- clauses (c) and (g) of Clause (12) of Regulation 13 of these regulations	adjustment from the transmission deviation charges collected shall be
13 (12)	In case of a transmission system where COD has been approved in terms of proviso (ii) of Clause (3) of Regulation 4 of the Tariff Regulations, 2014 or Clause (2) of Regulation 5 of the Tariff Regulations, 2019 or where deemed COD has been declared in terms of Transmission Service Agreement under Tariff based Competitive Bidding, the Yearly Transmission Charges for the transmission system shall be: (a) paid by the inter-State transmission licensee whose transmission system is delayed till its transmission system achieves COD, or (b) paid by the generating company whose generating station or unit(s) thereof is delayed, till the generating station or unit thereof, achieves COD, or (c) shared in the manner as decided by the Commission on case to case basis, where more than one	For the cases other than those covered Clauses (3), (6) or (9) of Regulation 13 of these regulations, the YTC for the inter-State transmission system approved or declared as deemed COD shall be treated as follows: (a) The inter-State transmission licensee shall be paid 20% of YTC of its inter-State transmission system for a period of six (6) months from date of deemed COD or till commencement of actual power flow, whichever is earlier. (b) The inter-State transmission licensee shall be paid 100% of YTC of its inter-State transmission system from seventh (7th) month till commencement of actual power flow, in case actual power flow does not commence within a period of 6 months from date of deemed COD (c) The charges under sub clauses (a) and (b) of this Clause shall be disbursed from charges collected under third bill in terms of Clause (3) of Regulation 12 of these regulations: Provided that in case of shortfall in collection under third bill to meet the requirement of payment under	It is submitted that Transmission planning is a co-ordinated activity and generating stations/ inter-state transmission licensees and intra-state transmission licensees shall co-ordinate among themselves so that the actual COD is achieved in line with the SCOD decided by these Entities. However, in case if one of the inter or intra-state transmission licensee incurs a delay beyond SCOD or deemed COD for reasons whatsoever, the inter or intra state transmission licensee responsible for the delay shall compensate for the delay. This amendment only provides for recovery of 20% of YTC from the entity which has delayed the execution of transmission system and the same are to be paid to the entity which has achieved its SCOD. However, if the delay goes beyond six months of the deemed COD, then in that case 100% of the YTC needs to be paid to the licensee achieving



inter-State transmission licensee is involved or both transmission system and generating station are delayed

(d) paid by the respective drawee DIC(s) of the State whose intratransmission system is delayed, till such intra-State transmission achieves system COD. (e) paid by the Bulk consumer or distribution licensee granted approval to directly connect to ISTS, whose connecting transmission line to ISTS is delayed, till such line is connected to ISTS, or (f) paid by the ESS whose project is delayed, till the ESS achieves COD. (g) paid by the Renewable Power Park developer whose Park is delayed, till it is connected to ISTS.

sub-clauses (a) and (b) of this Regulation, the balance shall be paid from charges collected under T-GNA in terms of Clause (3) of Regulation 11 of these regulations: Provided further that in case of shortfall in charges collected under T-GNA to meet the requirement of payment under sub-clauses (a) and (b) of this Regulation, the balance shall be paid from Deviation and Ancillary Service Pool Account under DSM Regulations.

(d) In case an inter-State transmission licensee is responsible for the delay (for any reason including the reason attributable to Force Majeure events) in commencement of power flow in the inter-State transmission system of another inter-State transmission licensee which has achieved deemed COD. inter-State transmission licensee of the delayed inter-State transmission system shall pay 20% of YTC of its transmission system OR 20% of YTC of the transmission system which has achieved deemed COD, whichever is lower, till its delayed inter-State transmission system achieves COD. (e) In case an intra-State transmission licensee is responsible for the delay (for any reason including the reason attributable to Force Majeure events) in commencement of power flow in the inter-State transmission system of an inter-State transmission

the SCOD from 7th month.

It is observed that in the proposed mechanism, for recovery of 20% of YTC from the entity which has delayed the execution of transmission system and is to be paid to the entity which has achieved its SCOD would ultimately result in additional burden on the DICs for balance 80% of YTC even if the transmission system is not put to use. Further, defaulting entity if its YTC is very less than YTC of other transmission licensee who has achieved SCOD or has been approved Deemed COD by the Commission, may not be serious towards the delay.

It is to point out that in the judgement dated 03.03.2016 in Civil Appeal No 9193 of 2012 and Civil Appeal No 9302 of 2012, the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India has taken a view that the beneficiaries can not be made liable to pay the transmission charges before the transmission line is made operations.

Thus the proposed amendment is contra vinous with the settled principle of bearing of transmission charges by the defaulting entity in



	licensee which has achieved deemed COD. intra-State transmission licensee of the delayed intra-State transmission system shall pay 20% of YTC of the inter-State transmission system which has achieved deemed COD, till its delayed intra-State transmission system achieves COD. (f) The billing and collection for the	defaulting entity responsible for delay should bear 100% transmission charges till actual power flows through the
	charges in terms of sub-clauses (d) and (e) of this Clause shall be made in accordance with Clause (3) of Regulation 15 of these regulations. (g) The charges collected as per sub-clause (f) of this Clause shall be reimbursed in terms of Clause (3) of Regulation 12 of these regulations. (h) In case of inter-State transmission system under Tariff based Competitive	1 3 5 1
	Bidding, the first year of the contract shall commence from the date when such transmission licensee starts receiving 100% of YTC under sub-clause (b) of this Clause or under Regulation 5 to 8 of these regulations.	