Outside Solar Park

To optimize costs, Common dedicated transmission line shall be encouraged for cluster of adjoining Developers with appropriate metering at their respective end of project as well as a common meter for such SPGs at the receiving end at CTU Interface/ STU substation/ 11 kV system of DisCom. Energy injection by each SPG at the receiving end shall be worked out on the basis of meter reading of common meter appropriately apportioned as per the respective meter reading at the sending end meter of that SPG by SLDC.

20.4 Reactive Power

 The drawl of reactive power by solar generator shall be charged as per the GERC Order, as amended from time to time.

21 METERING

- 21.1 The electricity generated by the SPGs, shall be metered on 15-minute time block basis by STU/ DisCom/ SLDC/ ALDC at the receiving end of the STU substation/ 11 kV system of DisCom. For the purpose of energy accounting, solar generating projects shall provide ABT-compliant meters at the interface points. Interface metering shall conform to the Central Electricity Authority (Installation and Operation of Meters) Regulations as amended from time to time. STU/ DisCom shall stipulate specifications in this regard.
- 21.2 In case of consumers having contracted load / sanctioned demand not exceeding 1 MW, DisComs may allow installation of non-ABT meters at consumer level reprogrammed at consumer's cost as per the energy accounting requirement.

22 ELECTRICITY DUTY

22.1 Electricity Duty on solar consumption shall be subject to the provision of Gujarat Electricity Duty Act, 1958 as amended from time to time.

23 FORECASTING AND SCHEDULING

23.1 Forecasting and scheduling of energy for day-to-day operations shall be governed by GERC Regulations and its amendments issued from time to time.

24 <u>SECURITY DEPOSIT</u>

24.1 In case, DisCom decides to procure solar power from the Solar Project Developers and sign Power Purchase Agreement, the Developer shall be

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- required to provide Bank Guarantee as per terms and conditions of bid documents / Govt Scheme / MNRE Guidelines.
- 24.2 In case of projects not falling under Clause 24.1 above, the Project Developers shall be required to provide Bank Guarantee towards Security Deposit @ 5 Lakh / MW at the time of signing of PPA with obligated entities.
- 24.3 The bank guarantee shall be refunded, if the developers achieve commercial operation within time period mentioned in Power Purchase Agreement. In case the Developer fails to achieve commercial operation as specified in the Power Purchase Agreement, the bank guarantee shall be forfeited.
- 24.4 Where projects are set up for captive / third party sale, SPGs shall submit Bank Guarantee towards Security Deposit of INR 5 lakhs per MW to STU/DisCom for ensuring speedy and timely completion of evacuation facility by SPG, In case, the SPG fails to commission the entire evacuation line along with bays and metering system within the time period mentioned hereunder, STU / DisCom shall encash the Bank Guarantee.

Solar Project capacity (MW)	Period of Commissioning
1 MW to 100 MW	1.5 years from the date of allotment of transmission capacity
101 MW to 200 MW	2 years from the date of allotment of transmission capacity
201 MW to 400 MW	2.5 years from the date of allotment of transmission capacity
401 MW to 600 MW	3.5 years from the date of allotment of transmission capacity

24.5 The Solar Power Project Developer shall commission the Solar Power Project of at least 10% of the allotted capacity within one month of charging of evacuation line, failing which; the Developer shall be liable to pay long-term Transmission Charges for 10% of allotted capacity till such 10% of allotted capacity is commissioned. Balance 90% capacity shall be required to be commissioned within two years failing which GETCO shall cancel the capacity allotment to the extent of capacity not commissioned and the developer shall have no claim on such capacity. Further, GETCO shall include such cancelled capacity in the list of spare capacity for RE integration to be published on their website for prospective consumers.

25 REGULATION

25.1 The Hon'ble Gujarat Electricity Regulatory Commission shall be guided by this Policy while framing its rules, regulations and orders.

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26 MID TERM REVIEW

26.1 The State Government may undertake a mid-term review of this Policy after a period of 2 years or as and when the need arises in view of any technological breakthrough or to remove any difficulties or inconsistency with the Electricity Act 2003, as amended from time to time.

27 RIGHT TO REMOVE DIFFICULTIES

27.1 The State Government shall have right to remove any difficulties arising in giving effect to this policy and issue clarification/interpretation to remove such difficulties either on its own motion or based on representations from stakeholders.

28 RIGHT TO INTERPRET

If there is any ambiguity or dispute about the meaning, intent or purpose of any provision of this Policy, the interpretations given by Energy & Petrochemicals Department, Government of Gujarat shall be final and binding to all concerned.

This issues with the concurrence of the Finance Department dated 27th December, 2020 on the Department's file of even number.

By order and in the name of the Governor of Gujarat

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