

PUNJAB STATE ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION
SITE NO. 3, BLOCK B, SECTOR 18-A, MADHYA MARG, CHANDIGARH

Petition No. 30 of 2022
Date of hearing: 20.07.2022
Date of Order: 22.07.2022

Petition under Section 86 (1) (e) of the Electricity Act, 2003 as read with Regulation 3 (2), 6 (2) and 7 of the Punjab State Electricity Regulatory Commission (Renewable Purchase Obligation and its Compliance) Regulations, 2011 for carrying forward the shortfall of Renewable Purchase Obligation (RPO) of Punjab State Power Corporation Limited for the FY 2021-22 to FY 2022-23.

AND

In the matter of: Punjab State Power Corporation Limited, The Mall Patiala -147001.
..Petitioner

Present: Sh. Viswajeet Khanna, Chairperson
Sh. Paramjeet Singh, Member

PSPCL: Sh. M.G.Ramachandran, Sr. Advocate
Sh. Rupinderjit Singh Randhawa, CE/ARR&TR
Sh. Ravi Luthra, SE/TR-2
Sh. Gurvinder Singh, Sr.Xen/TR-5
Sh. Baljinder Pal Singh, AE/TR-5

Order

The petition was taken up for hearing on admission. PSPCL has submitted additional affidavit vide memo No. 6512 dated 12.07.2022 raising the issue of the RPO targets giving details of somewhat lower targets set by similarly placed states. While the above issue shall be examined by the Commission during further hearings, PSPCL was asked to explain whether the prayer to carry forward RPO obligations of FY 2021-22 does not tantamount to review of the Tariff Order of PSPCL for FY 2022-23, wherein it was directed to fulfill the RPO Shortfall for FY 2021-22 within one month. The Commission also noted that PSPCL has filed another petition (27 of 2022) seeking approval of Power Procurement Plan on short term basis; PSPCL was asked to explain why endeavour should not be made to meet its RPO short fall through the said short term power purchase. The Counsel for PSPCL undertook to file an affidavit in this regard.

Further, PSPCL has not impleaded the PEDDA as a party in the petition. For the proper adjudication of the petition, the Commission decides to implead PEDDA as a respondent in the petition. Notice be issued to PEDDA to file its reply in the petition within two weeks with a copy to PSPCL (through hard copy & soft copy).

The petition shall be taken up for hearing on admission on 24.08.2022 at 11.00 AM.

Sd/-
(Paramjeet Singh)
Member

Sd/-
(Viswajeet Khanna)
Chairperson

Chandigarh

Dated: **22.07.2022**