

F. No. 283/33/2020-GRID SOLAR
भारत सरकार / Government of India
नवीन और नवीकरणीय ऊर्जा मंत्रालय/ Ministry of New & Renewable Energy (MNRE)
ग्रिड सौर ऊर्जा प्रभाग / Grid Solar Power Division

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Lodhi Road, New Delhi - 110003
Date: 24th April, 2023

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Sub: Designated Intermediary Procurer/ Renewable Energy Implementing Agency (REIA) - reg.

1. In terms of Section 63 (Determination of tariff by bidding process) of the Electricity Act, 2003, the Appropriate Commission shall adopt the tariff if such tariff has been determined through a transparent process of bidding, in accordance with the Guidelines issued by the Central Government.
2. The Ministry of New & Renewable Energy (MNRE) and Ministry of Power, have notified:
 - i. '*Guidelines for Tariff Based Competitive Bidding Process for Procurement of Power from Grid Connected Solar PV Power Projects*';
 - ii. '*Guidelines for Tariff Based Competitive Bidding Process for Procurement of Power from Grid Connected Wind Power Projects*';
 - iii. '*Guidelines for Tariff Based Competitive Bidding Process for Procurement of Round-The Clock Power from Grid Connected Renewable Energy Power Projects, complemented with Power from any other source or storage*'; and

These guidelines also serve the purpose of tariff determination under Section 63 of the Electricity Act.


3. The above Guidelines, inter alia, broadly contain the following provisions:
 - i. In some cases, an intermediary, between the distribution licensees and the generator, may be required to aggregate the power purchased from different Generators and sell it to the distribution licensee, or to enhance the credit profile. In such cases, the "Procurer" would be a trader, buying power from the Generators and selling the same to one or more distribution licensees, such distribution licensees shall be the "End Procurer" and the trader shall be "Intermediary Procurer" for the purpose of these Guidelines.
 - ii. The Intermediary Procurer shall enter into a Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) with the Generator and also enter into a Power Sale Agreement (PSA) with the End Procurer.
4. Further, the Central Electricity Regulatory Commission (Connectivity and General Network Access to the Inter-State Transmission System) Regulations, 2022, as amended by (First Amendment) Regulations, 2023, inter-alia provides that, in case of Applicants which are Renewable Energy Generating Station (other than Hydro Generating Station) or Energy Storage System [excluding Pumped Storage Plant (PSP)], the following documents shall be submitted:
 - a. Letter of Award (LoA) by, or Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) entered into with, a Renewable Energy Implementing Agency or a distribution licensee or an authorized agency on behalf of distribution licensee consequent to tariff based competitive bidding, as the case may be:

Provided that in case of Applicants being multi-located REGS, the details of locations and capacity at each location, duly certified by the Renewable Energy Implementing Agency or the distribution licensee, as the case may be, shall be submitted.

Or



- b. Registered Title Deed as a proof of Ownership or lease rights or land use rights for 50% of the land required for the capacity for which Connectivity is sought;
- Or
- c. Bank Guarantee of Rs. 10 lakh/ MW in lieu of ownership or lease rights or land use rights of land for 50% of the land required for the capacity for which Connectivity is sought subject to provisions of Regulations 11A and 11B of these regulations.
5. Thus, 'Intermediary Procurer' is mentioned in the Standard Bidding Guidelines of the MNRE and 'Renewable Energy Implementing Agency' is mentioned in the Central Electricity Regulatory Commission (Connectivity and General Network Access to the Inter-State Transmission System) Regulations, 2022, as amended by (First Amendment) Regulations, 2023.
6. SJVN Limited has requested MNRE for designating SJVN Limited as Renewable Energy Implementing Agency.
7. MNRE, after due consideration, designates SJVN Limited as Intermediary Procurer/ Renewable Energy Implementing Agency (REIA), for the purposes of the Electricity Act, Central Electricity Regulatory Commission (Connectivity and General Network Access to the Inter-State Transmission System) Regulations, 2022, as amended by (First Amendment) Regulations, 2023 and Guidelines issued by the Central Government under Section 63 of the Electricity Act, for Tariff Based Competitive Bidding Process for Procurement of Renewable Power, subject to SJVN Limited complying with the following conditions:
- Bids are to be floated in accordance with relevant Standard Bidding Guidelines issued by the Government and abiding with MNRE's advice in relation with tenders for Renewable Energy projects.
 - Bids are to be floated in accordance with the directions issued by the Government. Formulation of annual plan of tendering for RE projects based on various instructions issued by the Government and getting concurrence by the Government.
 - Coordination with other Renewable Energy Implementing Agencies such as SECI, NTPC, and NHPC for floating of tenders and opening of bids to avoid concurrent bids.
8. This issues in-line with the approval from Hon'ble Minister (Power and New & Renewable Energy).



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- The Managing Director, Solar Energy Corporation of India (SECI), 6th Floor, Plate-B, NBCC Office Block Tower-2, East Kidwai Nagar, New Delhi-110023
- The Chairman & Managing Director, NTPC Limited, NTPC Bhawan, Scope Complex, 7, Institutional Area, Lodhi Road, New Delhi
- The Chairman & Managing Director, NHPC Limited, N.H.P.C Office Complex, Sector-33, Faridabad - 121003, Haryana
- NIC, MNRE for uploading on MNRE's website

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