

**BEFORE THE GUJARAT ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION
GANDHINAGAR**

Petition No. 2160 of 2022.

In the Matter of:

Petition under Regulations 4, 5 and 9.1 of the GERC (Procurement of Energy from Renewable Sources) Regulations, 2010 and the GERC (Procurement of Energy from Renewable Sources) (First Amendment) Regulations, 2014 and the GERC (Procurement of Energy from Renewable Sources) (Second Amendment) Regulations, 2018 and the GERC (Procurement of Energy from Renewable Sources) (Third Amendment) Regulations, 2022.

Petitioner : Reliance Industries Limited
"Vraj", Off Sindhu Bhavan Road
Opp. Kadamb Villa Bungalow
Besides Orion Ceremonial Lawns
Bodakdev, Ahmedabad – 380054.

Represented by : Ld. Adv. Mr. Nisarg Desai alongwith Mr. Anant Kapse

CORAM:

**Anil Mukim, Chairman
Mehul M. Gandhi, Member
S. R. Pandey, Member**

Date: 26/03/2025.

DAILY ORDER

1. The above matter was kept for hearing on 26.07.2024.
2. Ld. Adv. Mr. Nisarg Desai, appearing on behalf of the Petitioner, submitted that the present Petition is filed for seeking appropriate directions under Regulations 4, 5, and Proviso 5 and 6 of the Regulation 9.1 along with Regulation 12 of the GERC (Procurement of Energy from Renewable Sources) Regulations, 2010 to carry forward the compliance requirement of RPO for the FY 2021-22 within one year from the date which Commission decides, on account of difficulty in complying with the Renewable Purchase Obligation

for its plants located in the State of Gujarat, due to certain exigencies beyond the control of the Petitioner.

- 2.1. He further submitted that the Commission had passed Daily Order dated 30.05.2023, wherein directions were given to the Petitioner Reliance Industries Limited for inviting comments/suggestions/objections from the stakeholders in the present Petition by issuing public notices in newspaper and uploading the present Petition alongwith all documents on its website and accordingly, in compliance thereof, the Petitioner has published the same in one English Newspaper i.e., 'Indian Express' and one Gujarati Newspaper, viz. Divya Bhaskar newspaper on 17.06.2023 and also uploaded the same on its website for 30 days for inviting the comments/suggestions/objections from the stakeholders in the present Petition. Moreover, the Petitioner has also filed compliance affidavit dated 28.06.2023 in this regard before the Commission on 30.06.2023. It is further submitted that in response to the aforesaid public notice, the Petitioner Reliance Industries Limited has not received any comments/suggestions/objections from the stakeholders.
- 2.2. In response to the Commission's query in respect of providing the data of RPO compliance for year 2021-2022 by the Petitioner for its Hazira & Dahej Manufacturing Division, the counsel appearing for the Petitioner has agreed to make its submissions for which two weeks' time has been sought for.
3. We note that the Petitioner is seeking permission of the Commission to revise RPO Percentage for compliance of FY 2021-22 and also carry forward the same to FY 2022-23 within one year from the date which the Commission decide in terms of the provisions of the GERC (Procurement of Energy from Renewable Sources) Regulations, 2010 as amended from time to time. The Petitioner has further sought relief to provide capping of RPO percentage as per the Orders of Ministry of Power, Government of India for the Petitioner's CPPs units compliances. We note that the Petitioner also sought clarification under Section 86(1) (e) of the Electricity Act, 2003 and GERC (Procurement

of Energy from Renewable Energy Sources) Regulations, 2010 and its subsequent amendments for deciding the capping of the Renewable Purchase Obligation (RPO) for CPP units of the Petitioner at Hazira and Dahej.

- 3.1. We note that pursuant to directives of the Commission in Daily Order dated 30.05.2023, the Petitioner has published the public notices and uploaded the present Petition alongwith all documents on its website for inviting comments/objections/suggestions from the stakeholders in the present Petition and the Petitioner has not received any comments/suggestions from the stakeholders in the matter. We also note that the Petitioner has filed compliance affidavit dated 28.06.2023 before the Commission on 30.06.2023 in the present matter. We further note that the staff of the Commission also uploaded the present Petition along with the relevant documents on website (www.gercin.org) of the Commission for inviting comments/suggestions from the stakeholders but the Office of the Commission has also not received any comments/suggestions from the stakeholders in the present matter.
- 3.2. We note that as the counsel of the Petitioner has sought two weeks' time to file their submissions in respect of the data of RPO compliance for year 2021-2022 by the Petitioner for its Hazira & Dahej Manufacturing Division, we direct the Petitioner to file the same, within two weeks, from the date of hearing.
4. Next date of hearing will be intimated separately.
5. Order accordingly.

Sd/-
[S. R. Pandey]
Member

Sd/-
[Mehul M. Gandhi]
Member

Sd/-
[Anil Mukim]
Chairman

Place: Gandhinagar.
Date: 26/03/2025.