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ANDHRA PRADESH ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION

Regulation No. 04 of 2019

**Fourth Amendment to
(Interim Balancing & Settlement Code for Open Access Transactions)
Regulation No.2 of 2006.**

Introduction

The Andhra Pradesh Electricity Regulatory Commission (hereinafter referred to as "the Commission") notified the Andhra Pradesh Electricity Regulatory Commission (Interim Balancing & Settlement Code for Open Access Transactions) Regulation 2006 (No.2 of 2006) in A.P. Extraordinary Gazette dated 11th August, 2006 (Principal Regulation).

The Commission notified "Andhra Pradesh Electricity Regulatory Commission (Interim Balancing & Settlement Code for Open Access Transactions) First Amendment Regulation, 2013" and published in the Gazette of Andhra Pradesh on 02-05-2013. Subsequently, the Commission notified "APERC (Interim Balancing & Settlement Code for Open Access Transactions) Second Amendment Regulation, 2014, published in the gazette of Andhra Pradesh on 01-04-2014 and third Amendment Regulation No. 2 of 2016, published in the gazette of Andhra Pradesh on 08-01-2016.

Whereas the Government of Andhra Pradesh has issued the new Solar Power Policy, 2015 and new Wind Power Policy, 2015 vide G.O.Ms.No.8, Dated : 12-02-2015 and G.O.Ms.No.9, dated 13-02-2015 superseding the earlier Solar Power Policy, 2012 and Wind Power Policy, 2008 *inter alia*, to meet the twin objectives of energy security and clean energy development.

And whereas M/s APTRANSCO submitted a representation to make appropriate amendment to the regulation mentioning that for all the wind and solar power generators, the un utilized banked energy by the end of the year shall be deemed to be purchased at 50% pooled cost of the applicable year, instead of existing 100% pooled cost.

The Commission published the above issues in its website to elicit views / suggestions from interested persons and stakeholders and public hearing was conducted on 15-12-2018 and on 19-01-2019.

In the meanwhile, the GoAP has promulgated the Solar Power Policy - 2018, vide Go.Ms.No. 1 Dated : 03-01-2019 and Wind Power policy - 2018 vide Go.Ms.No. 2 dated 03-01-2019.

In view of the above mentioned latest Solar and Wind power policies - 2018 and after considering all the comments/ suggestions, the Commission decided to make the following amendments to the Regulation No 2 of 2016.

In exercise of the powers vested with it u/s 181 of the Electricity Act, 2003 read with Section 86(1)(e) and all other enabling powers, the Commission makes the following Regulation, namely:

1. Short title, commencement and interpretation:

- (i) This Regulation may be called the Andhra Pradesh Electricity Regulatory Commission (Interim Balancing & Settlement Code for Open Access Transactions) Fourth Amendment Regulation, 2019.
- (ii) This Regulation shall come into force with effect from the date of its publication in the Andhra Pradesh Gazette.

2. Clause 2 of Appendix-3 shall be substituted with the following:

“The energy injected into the grid from the date of synchronization to the Commercial Operation Date (COD) shall be considered as deemed banked energy.”

3. In Appendix -3, the proviso to 3 (f) shall stand deleted.

**This Order is signed by the Andhra Pradesh Electricity Regulatory Commission
on 06-03-2019**

(BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION)

C. RAMAKRISHNA,
Secretary (I/c).

Hyderabad,
Date : 06-03-2019.