CENTRAL ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION **NEW DELHI**

Petition No. 52/2009 (Suo-Motu)

Coram

1. Dr. Pramod Deo, Chairperson

2. Shri S.Jayaraman, Member

3. Shri V. S. Verma, Member

DATE OF ORDER: 2.2.2010

In the matter of

Maintenance of Grid Discipline-Non compliance of provisions of Indian Electricity Grid Code.

And in the matter of

1. Karnataka Power Transmission Corporation Limited, Bangalore

2. Ms. G.Latha Krishna Rao, Managing Director, Karnataka Power

Transmission Corporation Limited, Bangalore

....Respondents

ORDER

Suo-Motu proceedings were initiated against the respondents, based on

the report of the Southern Regional Load Despatch Centre (SRLDC), for over-

drawal at frequency below 49.0 Hz on a number of time blocks during 31.12.2008

to 7.2.2009. On examination of the reply filed by the respondents, the

Commission vide its order dated 6.5.2009 concluded that the charge of

contravention of and non-compliance with the provisions of the grid code by

the respondents was established. Accordingly, penalty of Rs. one lakh for over-

drawal on each occasion mentioned in the show cause notice aggregating to

Rs. 17.00 lakhs was imposed on the first respondent.

1

- 2. As regards the second respondent, the Commission directed her to appear in person on 21.5.2009. During the hearing, the second respondent was directed to file submissions bringing out status of the Power Purchase Committee in the State, its administrative set up and the hierarchy. The above details were filed on 2.6.2009.
- 3. In the meantime, the respondents moved the Hon'ble Appellate Tribunal for Electricity (Appellate Tribunal) against the Commission's order dated 6.5.2009. The Appellate Tribunal vide its order dated 13.1.2010 in Appeal No. 94/2009 has set aside the Commission's impugned order dated 6.5.2009. In the meantime, the respondents, however, had deposited Rs. 8.50 lakhs as directed by the Appellate Tribunal vide its order dated 27.5.2009, towards 50% of the penalty imposed vide Commission's order dated 6.5.2009.
- 4. In the light of the judgment of the Appellate Tribunal, we direct that the amount of Rs. 8.50 lakhs deposited by the respondents be refunded and the proceedings initiated in the present petition be closed.

sd/-(V.S. VERMA) MEMBER sd/-(S.JAYARAMAN) MEMBER sd/-(Dr. PRAMOD DEO) CHAIRPERSON