

**CENTRAL ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION  
NEW DELHI**

**Petition No. TT/031/2014**

**Coram:**

**Shri Gireesh B. Pradhan, Chairperson  
Shri M. Deena Dayalan, Member  
Shri A. K. Singhal, Member**

**Date of Hearing: 07.03.2014  
Date of Order: 13.05.2014**

**In the matter of**

Approval of provisional transmission tariff of two Nos. 63 MVAR 400 kV Line Reactor at 400 kV Balia (PG) Sub-station (Extn.) from DOCO (1.2.2014) to 31.3.2014 under NRSS-XXIV for tariff block 2009-14 period

**And in the matter of**

Power Grid Corporation of India Limited,  
"Saudamani", Plot No.2,  
Sector-29, Gurgaon -122 001

.....Petitioner

Vs

- 1 Rajasthan Rajya Vidyut Prasaran Nigam Ltd.  
Vidyut Bhawan, Vidyut Marg, Jaipur – 302005
2. Ajmer Vidyut Vitran Nigam Ltd  
400 KV GSS Building (Ground Floor) Ajmer Road,  
Heerapura, Jaipur
3. Jaipur Vidyut Vitran Nigam Ltd  
400 KV GSS Building (Ground Floor) Ajmer Road,  
Heerapura, Jaipur
4. Jodhpur Vidyut Vitran Nigam Ltd  
400 KV GSS Building (Ground Floor) Ajmer Road,  
Heerapura, Jaipur
5. Himachal Pradesh State Electricity Board  
Vidyut Bhawan, Kumar House Complex Building,  
Shimla – 171004



6. Punjab State Electricity Board  
The Mall, Patiala – 147001
7. Haryana Power Purchase Centre  
Shakti Bhawan, Sector 6,  
Panchkula – 134109
8. Power Development Department,  
Govt. of Jammu and Kashmir  
Mini Secretariat, Jammu
9. Uttar Pradesh Power Corporation Limited  
Shakti Bhawan,  
14, Ashok Marg,  
Lucknow – 266001
10. Delhi Transco Limited  
Shakti Sadan, Kotla Road,  
New Delhi – 110002
11. BSES Yamuna Power Limited  
BSES Bhawan, Nehru Place, New Delhi
12. BSES Rajdhani Power Limited  
BSES Bhawan, Nehru Place, New Delhi
13. North Delhi Power Limited  
Power Trading and Load Despatch Group  
Cennet Building  
Adjacent to 66/11 KV Pitampura – 3  
Grid Building, Near PP Jewellers  
Pitampura Delhi 110034
14. Chandigarh Administration  
Sector 9, Chandigarh
15. Uttrakhand Power Corporation Ltd.,  
Urja Bhawan, Kanwali Road,  
Dehradun
16. North Central Railway,  
Allahabad
17. New Delhi Municipal Council,  
Palika Kender, Sansad Marg,  
New Delhi – 110001

.....Respondents



For Petitioner: Shri Prashant Sharma, PGCIL  
Shri S.S. Raju, PGCIL,  
Shri P. Saraswat, PGCIL  
Shri M.M. Mondal, PGCIL  
Shri S.K. Venkatesan, PGCIL

For Respondents: Shri R.B. Sharma  
Shri T.P.S. Bawa, PSPCL

### **ORDER**

In the instant petition, Power Grid Corporation of India Limited (PGCIL) has sought approval of transmission tariff for two nos. 63 MVAR 400 kV Line Reactor at 400 kV Balia (PG) Sub-station (Extn.) from date of commercial operation (1.2.2014) to 31.3.2014 under Northern Region System Strengthening Scheme-XXIV for tariff block 2009-14 period. Further, the petitioner has requested for grant of provisional tariff as per the 2009 Tariff Regulations.

2. The petition was heard on 7.3.2014 for consideration of petitioner's prayer for grant of provisional tariff. During the hearing, the representative of PSPCL, Respondent No. 6, submitted that regarding the cost of switchgear, there is huge cost over-run. The Commission directed the petitioner to submit the latest status of the commissioning of the asset and justification for cost over-run. The petitioner has submitted, vide affidavit dated 7.3.2014, that the asset was commissioned on 1.2.2014.

3. Regulation 5 of the 2009 Tariff Regulations provides as under:-

**"Application for determination of tariff** (1) The generating company or the transmission licensee, as the case may be, may make an application for determination of tariff in accordance with Central Electricity Regulatory Commission (Procedure for making of application for determination of tariff, publication of the application and other related matters) Regulations, 2004, as amended from time to time or any statutory re-enactment thereof, in respect of the units of the generating station or the transmission lines or sub-stations of the transmission system, completed or projected to be completed within six months from the date of application.

(2) The generating company or the transmission licensee, as the case may be, shall make an application as per **Appendix I** to these regulations, for determination of tariff based on capital expenditure incurred duly certified by the auditors or projected to be incurred up to the date of commercial operation and additional capital expenditure incurred duly certified by the auditors or projected to be incurred during the tariff period of the generating station or the transmission system.

Provided that in case of an existing project, the application shall be based on admitted capital cost including any additional capitalization already admitted up to 31.3.2009 and estimated additional capital expenditure for the respective years of the tariff period 2009-14;

Provided further that application shall contain details of underlying assumptions for projected capital cost and additional capital expenditure, where applicable.

(3) In case of the existing projects, the generating company or the transmission licensee, as the case may be, shall continue to provisionally bill the beneficiaries or the long-term customers with the tariff approved by the Commission and applicable as on 31.3.2009 for the period starting from 1.4.2009 till approval of tariff by the Commission in accordance these regulations:

Provided that where the tariff provisionally billed exceeds or falls short of the final tariff approved by the Commission under these regulations, the generating company or the transmission licensee, as the case may be, shall refund to or recover from the beneficiaries or the transmission customers, as the case may be, within six months with simple interest at the following rates for the period from the date of provisional billing to the date of issue of the final tariff order of the Commission:

- (i) SBI short-term Prime Lending rate as on 1.4.2009 for the year 2009-10.
- (ii) SBI Base Rate as on 1.7.2010 plus 350 basis points for the year 2010-11.
- (iii) Monthly average SBI Base Rate from 1.7.2010 to 31.3.2011 plus 350 basis points for the year 2011-12.
- (iv) Monthly average SBI Base Rate during previous year plus 350 basis points for the year 2012-13 and 2013-14.

Provided that in cases where tariff has already been determined on the date of issue of this notification, the above provisions, to the extent of change in interest rate, shall be given effect to by the parties themselves and discrepancy, if any, shall be corrected at the time of truing up.

(4) Where application for determination of tariff of an existing or a new project has been filed before the Commission in accordance with clauses (1) and (2) of this regulation, the Commission may consider in its discretion to grant provisional tariff upto 95% of the annual fixed cost of the project claimed in the application subject to adjustment as per proviso to clause (3) of this regulation after the final tariff order has been issued:

Provided that recovery of capacity charge and energy charge or transmission charge, as the case may be, in respect of the existing or new project for which provisional tariff has been granted shall be made in accordance with the relevant provisions of these regulations.”

4. As per Regulation 5(4) of the 2009 Tariff Regulations, the Commission may in its discretion grant provisional tariff if an application has been filed under Regulation 5(1) and (2) of the 2009 Tariff Regulations. Regulation 5(1) of the 2009 Tariff Regulations provides that the application for tariff should be made in accordance with the Central Electricity Regulatory Commission (Procedure for making of application for determination of tariff, publication of the application and other related matters) Regulations, 2004 (hereinafter referred to as "2004 Regulations"). Regulation 5(2) of 2009 Tariff Regulations provides that the application shall be made as per Appendix to the 2009 Tariff Regulations.

5. The petitioner has made the application as per the Appendix to the 2009 Tariff Regulations. The petitioner has also complied with the requirements of 2004 Regulations, such as service of the copy of the application on the beneficiaries, publication of notice and web hosting of the application, etc. Accordingly, provisional tariff is being allowed in the instant petition.

6. After carrying out a preliminary prudence check of the Annual Fixed Charges claimed by the petitioner, the Commission has decided to grant the following provisional tariff:-

(₹ in lakh)			
Particulars	DOCO	Annual transmission charges claimed for the year 2013-14	Annual transmission charges allowed for the year 2013-14
Two Nos. 63 MVAR 400 kV line Reactor at 400 kV Balia S/S (Extn.)	1.2.2014	23.81	17.71

7. The tariff allowed in this order shall be applicable from the date of commercial operation (DOCO) of the transmission system and the billing, collection and disbursement of the transmission charges shall be governed by the provisions of Central Electricity Regulatory Commission (Sharing of Inter-State Transmission Charges and Losses) Regulations, 2010, as amended from time to time.

8. The provisional transmission charges allowed in this order shall be subject to adjustment as per Regulation 5(3) of the 2009 Tariff Regulations.

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**(A. K. Singhal)**  
Member

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**(M. Deena Dayalan)**  
Member

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**(Gireesh B. Pradhan)**  
Chairperson