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PRESS RELEASE

CERC directs PowerGrid to ensure grid stability

1. In order to take action for violating the Indian Electricity Grid Code (IEGC) by drawing electricity in excess of their schedule drawal, the Central Electricity Regulatory Commission (CERC) has directed PowerGrid to furnish the list of States and their quantum of overdrawals in the time-blocks when the frequency in the extended Central Grid was below 49.0 Hz during the period 9th to 15th October 2006.
2. The Commission has further directed all the RLDCs to keep a strict watch over the Grid Code violations, which can possibly endanger the grid stability and promptly inform the Commission about the defaulters with appropriate recommendation regarding remedial action.
3. The maintenance of satisfactory grid frequency has assumed added importance after synchronization of Northern Regional Grid with Central Grid comprising Western, Eastern and North-Eastern Regional Grids. In this context, the IEGC requires that the various beneficiary States shall always endeavor to restrict their net drawal from the grid to their respective drawal schedules,

whenever the system frequency is below 49.5 Hz and when the frequency falls below 49.0 Hz, the requisite load shedding shall be carried out by the concerned State to curtail its over drawal.

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