Comments/ Suggestions on the Draft Central Electricity Regulation Commission (Deviation Settlement Mechanism and Related Matters) Regulations, 2024

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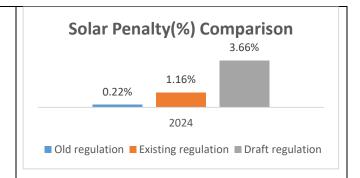
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r Draft Reg	Draft Regulation reference.		Request	Reason
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Charges for generating solar resou at a pooling to grid free pooling to grid free pooling to grid free pooling (Receivable by (i) for VLw _S (1) (ii) for VLw _S (2) (iii) for VLw _S rate,	8(4): Charges for Deviation Charges for Deviation, in respect of a WS Seller being a generating station based on wind or solar or hybrid of wind—solar resources, including such generating stations aggregated at a pooling station through QCA shall be without any linkage to grid frequency, as under: Deviation by way of over injection (Receivable by the Seller) Deviation by way of under injection (Payable by the Seller)		We request the honourable commission, to continue the 2014 regulation and gradually implement the proposed draft regulation over the period of 1-2 years allowing the developers and forecasting agencies to adapt to the change and improve the accuracy.	and abrupt weather changes caused by localised cloud movements, storm, fog, wind variation etc. due to which currently it is close to impossible to operate with in the 5% range. The developers have also tied up with other independent weather forecasters to improve prediction of these low moving clouds and dynamic climatic change. But still no substantial improvements have been achieved. Furthermore, the Oct.23 IEGC protocol makes it even more difficult as the generation revision time

Deviation by the way of over injection (Receivable by the seller)	Deviation by the way of Under injection (Payable by the Seller)
Contract Rate	Contract Rate
90% of the Contract Rate	110% of the Contract Rate
50% of the Contract Rate	150% of the Contract Rate
Zero	200% of the Contract Rate
	(Receivable by the seller) Contract Rate 90% of the Contract Rate 50% of the Contract Rate

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Band	Deviation by way of over injection (Receivable by the seller)	Deviation by way of under injection (Payable by the seller)		
0-10%	Contract rate	Contract rate		
10-15%	90% of the contract rate	110% of the contract rate		
15- 25%	50% of the contract rate	150% of the contract rate		
Above 25%	Zero	200% of the contract rate		



Higher DSM charges will impact revenue and profitability of the project compared to the bid assumptions for renewable energy developers . This may impact the lenders assumptions and pose challenges while executing the financing agreements.

Further, for upcoming bids, it may push the developers to factor in additional impact of the tariffs being quoted and eventually increase the Tariffs in renewable bids.

2. 8.4(a) (a) the contract rate for the purpose of deviation shall be equal to the weighted average of the contract rates of all individual WS seller(s) opting for aggregation at the pooling station;

The deviation charges shall be paid as per individual generators PPA rate.

The weighted average of contract rate at aggregation level will lead to some generators paying more than the double of their contact rate, which will further commercially impact the generators.