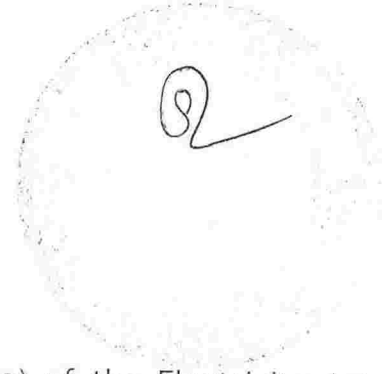


BEFORE THE GUJARAT ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION

GANDHINAGAR

Filing No:

Case No: Petition No. 1954 / 2021



IN THE MATTER OF

Miscellaneous Petition under Section 86 (1)(b) & (e) of the Electricity Act 2003 for incorporating provision regarding "Change in Law" in the Power Purchase Agreements to be executed by State Distribution Licensees with Project Developers under the Government of Gujarat's "Policy for Development of Small Scale Distributed Solar Projects - 2019" notified vide G.R. No: SLR/11/2019/51/B1 dated 06.03.2019 and approval of draft PPA.

PETITIONER Gujarat Urja Vikas Nigam Limited
Sardar Patel Vidyut Bhavan
Race Course,
Vadodara - 390 007

AND

CO-PETITIONERS 1. Madhya Gujarat Vij Company Ltd (MGVCL) Vadodara
2. Uttar Gujarat Vij Company Ltd (UGVCL) Mehsana
3. Paschim Gujarat Vij Company Ltd (PGVCL) Rajkot
4. Dakshin Gujarat Vij Company Ltd (DGVCL) Surat
5. Gujarat Energy Transmission Corporation Ltd (GETCO)

SUBMISSION ON BEHALF OF CO-PETITIONER NO. 2

{in compliance to Hon'ble Commission's Daily Order dated 02.03.2021 in
Petition No. 1954 / 2021}

MOST RESPECTFULLY SHOWETH:

1. In pursuance with Hon'ble Commission's directives vide Oral Order dated 02.03.2021, the Co-Petitioner No. 2 is hereby filing the present submissions before the Hon'ble Commission:-

a) It is humbly submitted that in accordance with the Government of Gujarat's {GoG} "Policy for Development of Small Scale Distributed Solar Projects - 2019" dated 06.03.2019, "Guidelines for

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implementation of Policy for Development of Small Scale Distributed Solar Projects 2019” dated 15.11.2019 {hereinafter the **Guidelines**} and Hon’ble Commission’s Order dated 08.08.2019 approving the mechanism for tariff under the said Policy, the Petitioner, Gujarat Urja Vikas Nigam Limited {GUVNL} had invited applications for development of Small Scale Distributed Solar Projects with size 0.5 MW and above but up to 4 MW, the applicable tariff for the PPAs to be executed by the State DISCOMs (Co-Petitioner Companies No. 1 to 4) during the period from 01.10.2020 upto 31.03.2021 shall be Rs. 2.83 per unit. The last date for receipt of the applications was 15.01.2021.

- b) In accordance with the above, the applications were received by the Co-Petitioner Companies No. 2. As per the “Guidelines for implementation of Policy for Development of Small Scale Distributed Solar Projects 2019”, the applications are being processed on first-come-first-served basis. Further, Co-Petitioner Companies No. 2 has forwarded Nos. of applications along with their respective ‘priority number’ to GETCO (Co-Petitioner No. 5), the State Transmission Utility {STU} for undertaking the technical feasibility analysis.
- c) Pursuant to the receipt of Technical Feasibility Reports (TFRs) from Co-Petitioner No. 5, the Co-Petitioner Companies No. 2 is conveying to the Applicants regarding technical feasibility. Further, the applications that are not feasible are not abandoned completely but are kept on ‘waiting list’ and are processed in order of their eligible priority in the scenario where any feasible application within that particular sub-station does not materialize and the wait listed application can be considered for feasibility in its place.
- d) Meanwhile, the Co-Petitioner No. 2 is conveying to GEDA regarding confirmation of technically feasible applications, for registration of the Projects. As per the timeline stipulated in the GoG’s Guidelines, GEDA is processing the applications (other than incomplete applications) within 15 days from the date of receipt of application and issuing necessary registration certificates to the Applicants.

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e) The status of details of applications received by the Co-Petitioner No. 2 and TFRs approved & conveyed to the Applicants with respect to the Co-Petitioner No. 2 (as on 06.03.2021) is tabulated below:-

Total Applications		TFRs approved & conveyed by GETCO	
No.	Capacity (MW)	No.	Capacity (MW)
3540	2502	2244	1503

f) It is further submitted that the above are subject to change, since the process of scrutinizing the applications with respect to technical feasibility by GETCO is still on-going. Besides, as mentioned in fore-going paras, the above are also dependent on processing of applications under the 'waiting-list' in order of their eligible priority.

g) Further, it is humbly submitted that the sub-stations being owned and maintained by the State Transmission Utility (GETCO), the exact details regarding sub-station including its transformation capacity, load catered from sub-stations, anticipated load growth, etc. is not available with the Co-Petitioner No. 2.

13/03/2021
CO-PETITIONER NO. 2

UTTAR GUJARAT VIJ COMPANY LTD

Date: 10/03/2021

Place: Mehsana

