ANDHRA PRADESH ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION

(Interim Balancing & Settlement Code for Open Access Transactions) First Amendment Regulation, 2013

Regulation No.1 of 2013

Introduction

Andhra Pradesh Electricity Regulatory Commission notified Regulation No. 2 of 2006 (Interim Balancing & Settlement Code for Open Access Transactions) in A.P. Extraordinary Gazette dated 11th August 2006, in the matter of guidelines to the licensees & intra State Open Access Users in the State of Andhra Pradesh, in the matters of Scheduling of OA Transactions, Meter Readings, Energy Accounting & Settlements at Entry Point & Exit Points for electricity generators and banking conditions for Mini-Hydel & Wind Generators etc.

In this Principal Regulation, Solar Energy has not been included as a source of renewable power. The Commission considers it necessary to include Solar Energy as one of the types of renewable power to enable all round development of solar capacity additions and open access transactions, compliance to Renewable Power Purchase Obligation (RPPO) on the part of Open Access Consumers for Solar energy.

A draft of the proposed Regulation has been notified in the official website of APERC on 19-12-2012 inviting objections and suggestions from interested persons/stakeholders by 09-01-2013. Ten objections/suggestions have been received within due date and Commission has examined the suggestions/objections made and taken into consideration while finalizing the Amendment Regulation.

Now therefore, the Commission in exercise of the powers conferred by section 181 read with Sections 42(2), 66 & 94(2) of the Electricity Act, 2003 and all other powers enabling it in that behalf, hereby, makes the following (Interim Balancing & Settlement Code for Open Access Transactions) First Amendment Regulation, 2013 to include Solar Energy as one of the sources of renewable power, therein, namely;

1. Short title, commencement and interpretation:

- (a) This Regulation may be called the A.P. Electricity Regulatory Commission (Interim Balancing & Settlement Code for Open Access Transactions) First Amendment Regulation, 2013.
- (b) These Regulations shall extend to the whole of Andhra Pradesh.

(c) This Regulation shall come into force on the date of its publication in the Andhra Pradesh Gazette.

2. Amendment of Clause 4 of Principal Regulation:

Second proviso of Clause 4.1 in the principal Regulation shall be substituted as under; "Provided also that the Wind based, Solar based or Mini-Hydel Open Access Generators shall not be required to provide a day-ahead wheeling schedule and the actual electricity injected by them shall be deemed to be the scheduled energy".

3. Amendment of Clause 7 of Principal Regulation:

Fourth item in the list of Generators, under proviso to Clause 7.2 in the principal Regulation shall be substituted as under;

 Non-Conventional Energy (NCE) Developers (Biomass, Mini-Hydel, Hydro, Wind, Solar etc.)

4. Amendment of Clause 10 of Principal Regulation:

Sub Clause 10.5 in the principal Regulation shall be substituted as under;

"In case of Wind, Mini-Hydel and Solar OA Generators the actual generation during the month shall be deemed as Scheduled Energy. For the purpose of settlement in respect of scheduled/OA consumer availing supply from these OA Generators, the actual generation during the month will be apportioned for each time block of the month and deviations reckoned accordingly".

5. Amendment of Clause 12 of Principal Regulation:

- (a) Sub Clause 12.1 in the principal Regulation shall be substituted as under; "No Generators other than the Wind, Mini-Hydel and Solar power generators shall be allowed the facility of banking the electricity generated by them".
- (b) Sub Clause 12.2 in the principal Regulation shall be substituted as under; "The banking facility to the wind, mini-hydel and Solar power generators shall be subjected to the conditions specified in Appendix-3".

(BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION)

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