No.48-19/1/2025-NRE Section Government of India Ministry of Power

Shram Shakti Bhawan, Rafi Marg, New Delhi, 25th June, 2025

To,

1. Secretary, MNRE, New Delhi

2. Chairperson, Central Electricity Authority, Sewa Bhavan, R.K. Puram, New Delhi

3. Secretary, Central Electricity Regulatory Commission (CERC), New Delhi

4. Principal Secretaries/Secretaries (Power/Energy) of all State Governments/UTs

5. Secretaries of All State Electricity Regulatory Commissions/JERCs.

6. Chairman/CMDs of all PSUs under administrative control of Ministry of Power

7. CMD, SECI, New Delhi

- 8. CMDs/MDs of Discoms/Gencos of all State Governments
- 9. CMD, IEX LTD New Delhi & MD/CEO, PXIL, Mumbai

10. DG, Association of Power Producers, New Delhi.

11. President, FICCI, House No. 1, Tansen Marg New Delhi

12. President, CII, New Delhi

- 13. President, PHDCCI, New Delhi
- 14. ASSOCHAM, Chanakyapuri, New Delhi

15. Member, PRAYAS Energy Group, Pune

16. DG, Electric Power Transmission Association (EPTA), New Delhi

17. Chairman Indian Wind Power Association, New Delhi

18. Chairman, Indian Wind Turbine Manufacturers Association, New Delhi

19. Director General, National Solar Energy Federation of India (NSEFI), New Delhi.

Amendment to the Guidelines for Tariff Based Competitive Bidding Process for Procurement of Power from Grid connected Power Projects - Regarding.

Sir/Madam.

I am directed to forward herewith the draft amendment to the Guidelines for Tariff Based Competitive Bidding Process for Procurement of Power from Grid connected (i) Solar Power Projects (ii) Wind Power Projects (iii) Wind Solar Hybrid Projects and (iv) Firm and Dispatchable Power from Grid connected Renewable Energy Power Projects with Energy Storage Systems, with a request to provide your comments, if any, to this Ministry within 15 days (i.e. 09th July, 2025) from the date of issue of this letter. The comments may be emailed at nre.section-mop@gov.in.

2. This issues with the approval of Competent Authority.

Encl: As above.

Yours faithfully,

25/6/25 (Sunil Sharma) Director (NRE)

Tel: 011-2306-2914

Copy for information to: PS to Hon'ble Minister for Power and Housing & Urban Affiars, APS to MoSP, PPS to Secretary (P), Sr. PPS to AS(P), PSO to CE (R&R), Ministry of Power.

Copy to: Technical Director, NIC Cell for uploading on MOP's website under "Current Notices" with the heading of "Seeking comments on Amendment to the Guidelines for Tariff Based Competitive Bidding Process for Procurement of Power from Grid connected Power Projects".

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF POWER

New Delhi, Dated the ... June, 2025

RESOLUTION

No. 48-19/1/2025-NRE

Amendment to the Guidelines for Tariff Based Competitive Bidding Process for Procurement of Firm and Dispatchable Power from Grid Connected Renewable Energy Power Projects with Energy Storage Systems

No. 48-19/1/2025-NRE: The Guidelines for Tariff Based Competitive Bidding Process for Procurement of Firm and Dispatchable Power from Grid Connected Renewable Energy Power Projects with Energy Storage Systems have been notified vide Resolution No. 23/03/2023-R&R published in the Gazette of India (Extraordinary) (Part1 - Section 1) on 9th June 2023. Subsequently, the said Guidelines were further amended vide resolution No. 48-19/2/2023-NRE dated 17th November, 2023, resolution No. 48-19/2/2024-NRE dated 2nd February, 2024 and resolution No. 48-19/2/2024-NRE dated 12th February, 2025 respectively.

- 2. The Central Government hereby notifies following amendment in the said guidelines as under: -
 - A new proviso has been added under clause11.4 as under:

Provided that where Procurement of Power is through Intermediary Procurer and the end procurer is a Distribution Licensee, the Distribution Licensee shall, within 30 days from the date of Signing of Power Sale Agreement (PSA), approach the Appropriate Commission for approval of PSA under section 86 (1) (b), if prior approval has not been obtained.

ii. Clause 11.5 of the existing guidelines has been modified as under:

11.5 Subsequent to the distribution licensee or Intermediary Procurer, as the case may be, approaching the Appropriate Commission for adoption of tariffs under Section 63 of the Act or for the approval of PSA; iln case, the Appropriate Commission does not decide upon the same, within sixty days of such submission or within 120 (one hundred and twenty) days from the date of Power Sale Agreement (PSA), whichever is more submission of the application in all respect, the Procurer(s) shall grant appropriate extension of time in SCSD to the generator(s), corresponding to the delay [beyond 60 (sixty) days of submission or 120 (one hundred and twenty) days of PSA whichever is more] in adoption/approval by the

Appropriate Commission, till the date of adoption/ approval by the Appropriate Commission beyond 120 days from the submission.

Provided that the higher of the delays by the Appropriate Commission in adoption of tariff or approval of PSA shall be considered for grating extension of SCSD.

iii. Clause 12.2 of the existing Guidelines has been modified as under:

12.2 Performance Guarantee (PBG), to be fixed by the Procurer, but not to be less than 3 5% (five Three percent), of the estimated RE Project cost, for the financial year in which the bids are invited, or any other criteria specified in the RfS, to be submitted at the time of signing of the PPA, in the form of:

HEMANT KUMAR PANDEY, CHIEF ENGINEER(R&R)

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF POWER

New Delhi,

Dated the June, 2025

RESOLUTION

No. 48-19/1/2025-NRE

Amendment to the Guidelines for Tariff Based Competitive Bidding Process for Procurement of Power from Grid Connected Wind Solar Hybrid Projects.

No. 48-19/1/2025-NRE:The Guidelines for Tariff Based Competitive Bidding Process for Procurement of Power from Grid Connected Solar PV Power Projects have been notified vide Resolution No. 27/03/2023-RCM published in the Gazette of India (Extraordinary) (Part1 - Section 1) on 21st August, 2023. Subsequently, the said Guidelines were further amended vide resolution No. 48-19/2/2023-NREdated 17thNovember, 2023, resolution No. 48-19/2/2024-NRE dated 2nd February, 2024 and resolution No. 48-19/2/2024-NRE dated 12th February, 2025 respectively.

2. The Central Government hereby notifies the following amendment in the said guidelines as under :-

i.Clause 5.1 of the existing guidelines has been modified as under:

"5.1 Bid Documentation:

a) The Procurer shall prepare the bid documents in accordance with these Guidelines.

Any deviations from these Guidelines and/or Standard Bidding Documents (SBDs) in the draft RfS, draft PPA, draft PSA (if applicable) need to be approved by the Government Appropriate Commission in accordance with the process described in Clause 19 of these Guidelines.

However, if the Procurer while preparing the draft RfS, draft PPA, draft PSA and other Project agreements provides detailed provisions that are consistent with the Guidelines, such detailing will not be considered as deviations from these Guidelines."

ii. A new proviso has been added under clause 12.4 as under:

Provided that where Procurement of Power is through Intermediary Procurer and the end procurer is a Distribution Licensee, the Distribution Licensee shall, within 30 days from the date of Signing of Power Sale Agreement (PSA), approach the Appropriate Commission for approval of PSA under section 86 (1) (b), if prior approval has not been obtained.

iii. Clause 12.5 of the existing guidelines has been modified as under:

12.5 Subsequent to the distribution licensee or Intermediary Procurer, as the case may be, approaching the Appropriate Commission for adoption of tariffs under Section 63 of the Act or for the approval of PSA; iln case, the Appropriate Commission does not decide upon the same, within sixty days of such submission or within 120 (one hundred and twenty) days from the date of Power Sale Agreement (PSA), whichever is more submission of the application complete in all respect, the Procurer(s) shall grant appropriate extension of time in SCSD to the generator(s), corresponding to the delay [beyond 60 (sixty) days of submission or 120 (one hundred and twenty) days of PSA whichever is more] in adoption / approval by the Appropriate Commission till the date of adoption/approval by the Appropriate Commission beyond 120 days from the submission.

Provided that the higher of the delays by the Appropriate Commission in adoption of tariff or approval of PSA shall be considered for grating extension of SCSD.

iv. Clause 13.2 of the existing guidelines has been modified as under:

13.2 Performance Bank Guarantee (PBG) to be fixed by the Procurer, but not to be less than 3.5% (five—Three per cent) of the Estimated Capital Cost for Hybrid Power Project for the financial year in which the bids are invited, or any other criteria specified in the RfS, to be submitted at the time of signing of the PPA, in the form of"

HEMANT KUMAR PANDEY, CHIEF ENGINEER(R&R)

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF POWER

New Delhi, Dated the ... June, 2025

RESOLUTION

No. 48-19/1/2025-NRE

Amendment to the Guidelines for Tariff Based Competitive Bidding Process for Procurement Power from Grid Connected Wind Power Projects

No. 48-19/1/2025-NRE:The Guidelines for Tariff Based Competitive Bidding Process for Procurement of Power from Grid Connected Wind Power Projects have been notified vide Resolution No.27/02/2023-RCM published in the Gazette of India (Extraordinary) (Part1 - Section 1) on 26th July 2023. Subsequently, the said Guidelines were further amended vide resolution No. 48-19/2/2023-NREdated 17thNovember, 2023, resolution No. 48-19/2/2024-NRE dated 2nd February, 2024 and resolution No. 48-19/2/2024-NRE dated 12th February, 2025 respectively.

- 2. The Central Government hereby notifies following amendment in the said guidelines as under: -
 - A new proviso has been added under clause11.4 as under:

Provided that where Procurement of Power is through Intermediary Procurer and the end procurer is a Distribution Licensee, the Distribution Licensee shall, within 30 days from the date of Signing of Power Sale Agreement (PSA), approach the Appropriate Commission for approval of PSA under section 86 (1) (b), if prior approval has not been obtained.

ii. Clause 11.5 of the existing guidelines has been modified as under:

11.5 Subsequent to the distribution licensee or Intermediary Procurer, as the case may be, approaching the Appropriate Commission for adoption of tariffs under Section 63 of the Act or for the approval of PSA, iln case, the Appropriate Commission does not decide upon the same, within sixty days of such submission or within 120 (one hundred and twenty) days from the date of Power Sale Agreement (PSA), whichever is more submission of the application complete in all respect, the Procurer(s) shall grant appropriate extension of time in SCSD to the generator(s), corresponding to the delay [beyond 60 (sixty) days of submission or 120 (one hundred and twenty) days of PSA whichever is more] in adoption/ approval by the Appropriate Commission beyond 120 days from the submission.

Provided that the higher of the delays by the Appropriate Commission in adoption of tariff or approval of PSA shall be considered for grating extension of SCSD.

iii. Clause 12.2 of the existing Guidelines has been modified as under:

"12.2 Performance Bank Guarantee (PBG) shall be 3 5% (five three percent) of the Estimated Capital Cost for wind power project for the financial year in which the bids are invited or as per the upper limit stipulated by Ministry of Finance from time to time, whichever is lower. PBG shall be submitted at the time of signing of the PPA, in the form of:"

HEMANT KUMAR PANDEY, CHIEF ENGINEER (R&R)

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF POWER

New Delhi, Dated the June, 2025

RESOLUTION

No. 48-19/1/2025-NRE

Amendment to the Guidelines for Tariff Based Competitive Bidding Process for Procurement of Power from Grid Connected Solar PV Power Projects

No. 48-19/1/2025-NRE: The Guidelines for Tariff Based Competitive Bidding Process for Procurement of Power from Grid Connected Solar PV Power Projects have been notified vide Resolution No. 27/01/2023-RCM published in the Gazette of India (Extraordinary) (Part1 - Section 1) on 28thJuly, 2023. Subsequently, the said Guidelines were further amended vide resolution No. 48-19/2/2023-NRE dated 17th November, 2023, resolution No. 48-19/2/2024-NRE dated 2nd February, 2024 and resolution No. 48-19/2/2024-NRE dated 12th February, 2025 respectively.

- 2. The Central Government hereby notifies following amendment in the said guidelines as under:
 - i. A new proviso has been added under clause 10.4 as under:

Provided that where Procurement of Power is through Intermediary Procurer and the end procurer is a Distribution Licensee, the Distribution Licensee shall, within 30 days from the date of Signing of Power Sale Agreement (PSA), approach the Appropriate Commission for approval of PSA under section 86 (1) (b), if prior approval has not been obtained.

ii. Clause 10.5 of the existing guidelines has been modified as under:

10.5. Subsequent to the distribution licensee or Intermediary Procurer, as the case may be, approaching the Appropriate Commission for adoption of tariffs under Section 63 of the Act or for the approval of PSA, iln case, the Appropriate Commission does not decide upon the same, within 60 (sixty) days of such submission or within 120 (one hundred and twenty) days from the date of Power Sale Agreement (PSA), whichever is more submission of the application complete in all respect, the Procurer(s) shall grant appropriate extension of time in SCSD to the generator(s), corresponding to the delay [beyond 60 (sixty) days of submission or 120 (one hundred and twenty) days of PSA, whichever is more] in adoption/ approval by the Appropriate Commission, till the date of adoption/ approval by the Appropriate Commission beyond 120 days from the submission.

Provided that the higher of the delays by the Appropriate Commissions in adoption of tariff or approval of PSA shall be considered for grating extension of SCSD.

iii. Clause 11.2 of the existing Guidelines has been modified as under:

"11.2 **Performance Guarantee (PBG)**, to be fixed by the Procurer, but not to be less than 3 5% (five three percent), of the estimated Project cost, for the financial year in which the bids are invited, or any other criteria specified in the RfS, to be submitted at the time of signing of the PPA, in the form of:"

HEMANT KUMAR PANDEY, CHIEF ENGINEER(R&R)