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New Delhi - 1100 001.

Sub.: Report on the 1st Joint Co-ordination Committee Meeting of IPPs granted LTOA in SR.

Dear Sir,

This has reference to the CERC order dated 31.05.2010 granting Regulatory Approval and other relieves for execution of evacuation systems required in connection with grant of long-term open access to a group of developers. In this regard, please find attached the report on the 1st Joint Co-ordination Committee Meeting of IPPs granted LTOA in SR indicating the progress of generation plants and transmission systems pertaining to High Capacity Power Transmission Corridor VI, VII & VIII.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

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**Report on the 1st Co-ordination Committee Meeting of IPPs granted LTOA in SR
(High Capacity Power Transmission Corridors – VI, VII & VIII)**

1. The 1st meeting of the Co-ordination Committee Meeting of IPPs granted LTOA in SR viz. Krishnapatnam, Tuticorin and Srikakulam area was held in POWERGRID office on 17th Sept, 2010. The meeting was attended by the representatives of IPPs granted LTOA in the above three corridors, CEA and POWERGRID. The list of participants of the meeting is enclosed at **Annexure-I**.

2. **Krishnapatnam Area** – 5 nos of following IPPs has been granted LTOA in the Krishnapatnam area. Out of these, IPPs at Sl (i) and (ii) have signed BPTA and furnished BG as per the CERC regulations. The balance 3 IPPs at Sl (iii), (iv) & (v) are yet to sign the BPTA.

(i) Simhapuri	-	2x300	600 MW
(ii) Meenakshi	-	3x150 + 1x300	600 MW
(iii) Thermal Powertech	-	2x 660 MW	1320 MW
(iv) Krishnapatnam Navyuga	-	2x660	1320 MW
(v) Kineta	-	2x660 MW	1320 MW

The review of the progress made by each of the LTA customer in Krishnapatnam area is as given below:

- (i) Simhapuri (600 MW)
 - Representative of Simhapuri informed that site activities for their projects are progressing well and project schedule to commission by U#1 - Feb'2011 and U#2 - April. 2011 (as against U#1 - Dec'10 as per BPTA).
 - As yet, there is no long term PPA signed with any beneficiary.

- (ii) Meenakshi (600 MW)
 - Representative of Meenakshi informed that site activities for their projects are progressing well and project schedule to commission by U#1-Jun'11, U#2 – Sept,11, U#3-Jan'12 & U#4-Mar'12. (as against U#1 – Mar'11 as per BPTA)
 - They have received LOI for long term supply of 200 MW from PCKL (Karnataka) to commence from 48 months from signing of PPA (about 2014 onwards).
 - Startup up requirement shall be from Dec'11 onwards.

- (iii) Thermal Powertech (1320 MW)
 - Representative of Thermal Powertech submitted status report as per which they already have requisite land under possession, fuel allocation, clearance for use

of sea water, environmental clearance etc in place, Further, they have received LOI from PCKL (Karnataka) for supply of 430 MW on long term basis. The project has already achieved financial closure.

- Representative of Thermal Powertech was enquired about the signing of BPTA. He informed that they are in the process of placing award for the main plant equipment after which they would sign the BPTA. It was decided that BPTA shall be signed by 25th Sept, 2010.
- The commissioning schedule was informed as U#1 - Dec'13 and U#2 – Sept'14.

(iv) Krishnapatnam Navyuga (1320 MW) and Kineta (1320 MW)

- Representative of Krishnapatnam Navyuga and Kineta informed that their project shall have 70% domestic coal and 30% imported coal. They are yet to get Coal linkage for the domestic portion which is likely to take place by Oct, 2010.
- Both the projects are yet to achieve financial closure which is planned for Dec, 2010. Therefore, as of now, the realistic commissioning schedule for the generation projects cannot be committed.
- The tentative commissioning schedule was informed as U#1-Dec'13 and U#2 – Sept'14.
- Chief Engineer (SP&PA), CEA advised that looking into the uncertainty of commissioning POWERGRID should sign the BPTA with the only after the Coal linkages are available. He further advised that after the next review meeting when the picture about the commissioning of these projects shall be more clear and if it is established that these projects are getting inordinately delayed then we may explore possibility of initial charging of 765 kV Nellore Pooling station and Nellore – Kurnool 765 kV line at 400 kV to defer the investment on 765 kV equipments

3. **Tuticorin Area** – 2 nos of IPPs viz. Coastal Energen (2x600 MW) and Ind-Barath (2x660 MW) has been granted LTOA in the Tuticorin area. Both the IPPs have signed BPTA and furnished BG as per the CERC regulations.

(i) Coastal Energen (1200 MW)

- Representative of Coastal Energen informed that their project is progressing well as per schedule and achieved major milestones. The foundations for main plant and chimney have already taken shape. He expressed that the construction of dedicated line has been entrusted to POWERGRID on deposit work basis and he is receiving excellent support from the Bangalore office of POWERGRID.
- He expressed that there is no issue that needs attention as all the works are going as per schedule.
- First unit of the project is expected by Mar'2012 and 2nd unit by June'12

(ii) Ind-Barath (1320 MW)

- Representative of Ind-Barath submitted progress report for their generation project. It was informed that land required for the project is under possession, environmental clearance is available, BTG package has been awarded, site leveling completed etc. Coal linkage for one unit is available and for the 2nd unit is expected in the next meeting of coal allocation.
- The commissioning of the project earlier indicated as Mar'12 is likely to get delayed. The revised commissioning schedule is U#1 – Sept,12 & U#2-Feb'13
- The representative of Ind-Barath requested that as the length of dedicated line is of the order of 90-100 kms, he requested that this line may be treated as part of ISTS and constructed by POWERGRID as per the new CERC regulations, 2009. It was explained that this issue was already clarified by Hon'ble CERC in its order dated 31-05-2010 wherein following has been noted

“As regards the construction of dedicated transmission lines by the CTU, we are of the view that under section 10 (1) of the Electricity Act, it is the duty of the generating company to install, operate and maintain the dedicated transmission lines in accordance with the provisions of the Act or the rules or regulations made there under. The 2004 Regulations did not provide for inclusion of the dedicated transmission lines as part of system strengthening and accordingly the CTU has not planned the dedicated transmission lines in the HCPTCs for which the regulatory approval has been sought in this petition. However, recently in 2009, the Commission after detailed deliberation has decided that the CTU should also develop the dedicated transmission lines as part of planned and coordinated development of inter- State transmission system and accordingly, provisions have been made in the 2009 Regulations. Such arrangement cannot be extended in case of the transmission lines which were planned prior to the said regulations as it will delay the construction of the HCPTCs and consequently bottle up the generation projects.”

- Chief Engineer(SP&PA), CEA stated that as per CERC order the construction of dedicated line is under the scope of generation developer, however if there is still any grievance then they may approach CERC.

4. **Srikakulam Area** – 2 nos of IPPs viz. East Coast Energy (2x660 MW) and NCC Power (2x660 MW) has been granted LTOA in the Srikakulam area. East Coast Energy have signed BPTA and furnished BG as per the CERC regulations and NCC is yet to comply the same.

(i) East Coast (1320 MW)

- Representative of East Coast Energy informed that their project is progressing well as per schedule. The foundation for boiler is completed to extent of 80% and similarly other works are also in progress as per schedule. It was indicated that their project shall get commissioned by July' 13.
- East Coast Energy have received LOI for supply of 200 MW on long term basis from PCKL (Karnataka). Further, they are also participating in the power procurement notice issued by Andhra Pradesh bids for which are expected to be opened in Oct' 2010.
- The representative of East Coast stated that LILO of Behrampur – Gazuwaka 400 kV D/c line, being constructed by Reliance Power Transmission Ltd under IPTC route, has been identified as an interim measure for availing startup power and initial evacuation. He enquired about the status of the construction of same. It was informed that as per latest projections the line is expected to be available by Sept' 12.
- He further requested for getting the route alignment and expected location of Srikakulam Pooling station to be developed by POWERGRID so that alignment of dedicated line can be takenup. The contact details of RPTL were given to representative of East Coast and were advised to coordinate with RPTL for getting the route alignment. It was also informed that location of Srikakulam pooling station is being identified and shall be communicated shortly.

(ii) NCC Power (1320 MW)

- Representative of NCC Power informed that though they achieved many milestones in power project development but unfortunately their Environmental clearance has been revoked. They are exploring legal recourse for reinstating the same. He therefore cannot commit any date for signing of BPTA or commissioning schedule for the project.
- The above was noted.

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