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Indore, dated

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To,

The Secretary,
Madhya Pradesh Electricity Regulatory Commission,
Metro Plaza 4th& 5th Floor,
Bittan Market, Bhopal.

Sub: Petition for True up of the ARR for FY 2023-24 under Regulation 7.2 of the Madhya Pradesh Electricity Regulatory Commission (Terms and Conditions for Determination of Tariff for Supply and Wheeling of Electricity and Methods and Principles for Fixation of Charges) Regulations, 2021 and amendment thereof; filed by MPPMCL and Discoms as the Distribution Licensee for seeking objection/suggestion/comment from stakeholders. (P.No.70/2024)-Shri Himanshu Chawla.

Ref: Commission Secretary Letter No. MPERC/RE/2025/258 dated 04/02/2025.

The point-wise response from the MPPKVVCL, Indore on the issues raised by the stakeholder as under:

Objector's Comments:

Power Foundation of India (PFI) is a Policy Research and Advocacy entity and a registered society under the aegis of the Ministry of Power, Government of India. PFI is supported by leading Central Power Sector Organizations to undertake evidence-based policy research and facilitate informed decision making by the Regulators, Ministry and stakeholders concerned with the Power Sector. Further, PFI is also committed to address challenges in the Power Sector for the benefit of consumers, investors and ensuring sustainable development of the Sector.

2) With reference to above-mentioned Public Notice, Hon'ble Madhya Pradesh Electricity Regulatory Commission (MPERC) has sought comments/ suggestions from various stakeholders on True-Up Petition No. 70/2024 filed by MP DISCOMs for FY 2023-24.

11) PFI submits before Hon'ble MPERC to take appropriate action under Section 142 of the Electricity Act 2003 against MP DISCOMs for non-compliance of directions stipulated in MPERC (Terms and Conditions for Determination of Tariff for Supply and Wheeling of Electricity and Methods and Principles for Fixation of Charges) Regulations, 2021 and make available in public domain the Audited Accounts for FY 2023-24 of all MP DISCOMs. It is therefore requested that the Hon'ble Commission to allow at least three (3) weeks' time-period to stakeholders to submit comments / suggestions on FY 2023-24 True-up Petition of MP DISCOMs after availability of its audited accounts in the public domain (MPERC website) and defer the Public hearing (scheduled on 7th February 2025) accordingly.

Petitioner Response: The audited account of MPWZ is already available on its website and the

https://www.mpwz.co.in/assets/img/pdf/Annual_Financial_Statements_Balance_sheet_FY_2023-24.pdf

It seems that the objector might have overlooked the same.

Further, it is submitted that by conjoint reading of Regulation 7.3 and 7.7 of MPERC (Terms and Conditions for Determination of Tariff for Supply and Wheeling of Electricity and Methods and Principles for Fixation of Charges) Regulations, 2021, it is clear that the Licensee is required to publish in an abridged form, the application for ARR & Tariff determination. Accordingly, the Licensee has published in details of ARR and True-up Petition in an abridged form within stipulated time specified in the Regulations.

Further, as per the Regulation 7 of the Multi-Year Tariff (MYT) Regulation 2021, the Petitioner has submitted all the required data to the Hon'ble Commission. Furthermore, as per Regulation 7.8 of Multi-Year Tariff (MYT) Regulation 2021, the Hon'ble Commission may if deemed necessary make available such information to any person. The relevant extract is as reproduced

7.8. The Applicant shall furnish to the Commission all such books and records or certified true copies thereof, including the Financial Statement and operational and cost data, as may be required by the Commission for determination of Tariff. The Commission may, if deemed necessary, make available to any person, at any time, such information as has been provided by the Applicant to the Commission including abstracts of such books and records or certified true copies thereof:

Provided that the Commission may, by order, direct that any information, documents and papers/materials maintained by the Commission, shall be confidential or privileged and shall not be available for inspection or supply of certified copies, and the Commission may also direct that such document, papers or materials shall not be used in any manner except as specifically authorized by the Commission.

In view of the above, the Petitioner has complied with the provisions as stipulated in the MPERC (Terms and Conditions for Determination of Tariff for Supply and Wheeling of Electricity and Methods and Principles for Fixation of Charges) Regulations, 2021. The objections raised by the Stakeholder regarding non-compliance do not hold true and hence, liable to be dismissed.

As regard to the objector's request to extend the time period by at least three weeks for submitting the comments/suggestions on FY 2023-24 True-up Petition of MP Discoms, the same may be granted if the Hon'ble Commission deems fit.

> Dy. Director (TRAC) MPPKVVCL, Indore

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1. Chief General Manager (RM), MP Power Management Co. Ltd, Bhopal.

2. Shri Himanshu Chawla Power Foundation of India, B-28, Qutab Institutional Area, New Delhi (M.P.)- 110016.

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