



Petition No. 2074 of 2024

Before

UTTAR PRADESH ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION

LUCKNOW

QUORUM:

Hon'ble Shri Arvind Kumar, Chairman

Hon'ble Shri Sanjay Kumar Singh, Member

IN THE MATTER OF: Multi Year Tariff Petition for Approval of Annual Revenue Requirement and determination of Tariff for FY 2019-20 to FY 2023-24 in respect of Hydro Electric Power Stations namely Rihand and Matatila hydroelectric power stations of U.P. Rajya Vidyut Utpadan Nigam Ltd.

Uttar Pradesh Rajya Vidyut Utpadan Nigam Limited (UPRVUNL)

Shakti Bhawan, 14-Ashok Marg, Lucknow.

.....Petitioner

Vs

1. Uttar Pradesh Power Corporation Limited (UPPCL)

Shakti Bhawan, 14-Ashok Marg, Lucknow.

2. Madhya Pradesh Power Management Company Ltd,

Shakti Bhawan, Vidyut Nagar, Jabalpur (M.P) - 482 008

3. Madhyanchal Vidyut Vitran Nigam Ltd.

4-A, Gokhale Marg, Lucknow - 226001

4. Poorvanchal Vidyut Vitran Nigam Ltd.

Poorvanchal Vidyut Bhawan, P. O. Diesel Locomotive Works, Varanasi - 221004

5. Paschimanchal Vidyut Vitran Nigam Ltd.

Victoria Park, Meerut-250001

6. Dakshinanchal Vidyut Vitran Nigam Ltd.

Urja Bhawan, Mathura bypass Road, Agra - 282007

.....Respondent(s)





ADMITTANCE ORDER

(Date of Order: . .2024)

1. According to Section 64 of the Electricity Act, 2003, a Generating Company is required to apply to the State Electricity Regulatory Commission for determination of Tariff, in accordance with the procedure specified under the Commission's applicable Regulations.
2. The Commission has notified Uttar Pradesh Electricity Regulatory Commission (Terms & Conditions of Generation Tariff) Regulations, 2019 on 11.09.2019. These Regulations and all amendments thereto were applicable for a period of five (5) years from 01.04.2019 to 31.03.2024. The generating company, as per the Regulation 16 of Generation Tariff Regulations, 2019, has to file the Petition for Truing up of Capital Expenditure and determination of tariff for each year of the control period before the Commission by 30.11.2024.
3. UPRVUNL (earlier named as UPJVNL) had filed a Petition bearing number 1790 of 2021 for approval of ARR and determination of MYT tariff for period from 01.04.2019 to 31.03.2024 in respect of its Rihand, Matatila, Obra, Khara, Upper Ganga Canal, Belka/ Babail and Sheetla Hydro Power Stations. However, the matter of jurisdiction and tariff determination for Rihand and Matatila Power Stations was under the consideration of Commission in a separate petition i.e. 1498 of 2019. Therefore, the Petitioner was directed to file the amended Petition excluding the Rihand and Matatila HPS. Accordingly, the Petitioner had excluded the prayers for determination of tariff for Rihand and Matatila HPS from Petition No. 1790 of 2021 and had filed an amended Petition before the Commission.
4. Subsequently, the Commission, vide its Order dated 30.01.2023 in Petition 1498 of 2019, determined the tariff for Rihand and Matatila HPS for the Period 2014-19. Accordingly, the Petitioner has filed instant Petition for approval of ARR and determination of tariff for FY 2019-20 to FY 2023-24 for Rihand and Matatila Hydro Power Stations based on the Order dated 30.01.2023 in Petition 1498 of 2019. The Petitioner claimed additional capitalization of Rs. 24.05 Cr and 2.02 Cr during FY 2022-23 and FY 2023-24 respectively for Rihand HPS and Rs. 0.39 Cr, Rs. 0.44 Cr



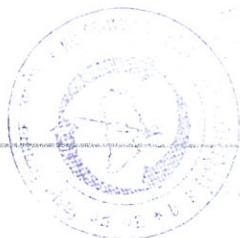
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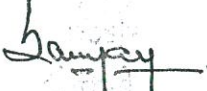
and 0.95 Cr during FY 2019-20, FY 2021-22 and FY 2023-24 respectively for Matatila HPS.

5. Subsequently, UPPCL filed its Reply on 20.08.2024 and UPRVUNL filed its Rejoinder on 05.09.2024 in compliance to the Commission's Order dated 05.07.2024. Thereafter, the Commission issued a data gap query to UPRVUNL on 04.10.2024, to which, UPRVUNL submitted its reply on 05.10.2024 along with final Tariff computations.
6. During the hearing on 17.10.2024, the Commission directed UPRVUNL to submit legible and readable copy of all Annexures submitted along with the Rejoinder dated 05.09.2024 and documentary evidence to substantiate its claim for additional capitalization. UPRVUNL made its submissions on 28.10.2024 in compliance of the directions given by the Commission. Subsequently, during the hearing on 12.11.2024, the Commission decided to issue admittance order and hold a public hearing in the matter.
7. In view of the above, the Commission admits the Petition for further processing and directs the Petitioner to furnish additional information/clarifications, if any, as deemed necessary by the Commission during the processing of the Petition and provide the same to the satisfaction of the Commission within the time frame as stipulated by the Commission. Failing to do so may result in the Commission disposing of the matter based on the information available with it.
8. The Petitioner, in accordance with the Regulation 55 of UPERC (Conduct of Business) Regulations, 2019, shall:
 - i. Within three working days of issue of this Admittance Order, publish a Public Notice in one English and one Hindi daily newspaper having wide circulation in the area, outlining the details of the Petition with ARR and its components, any capex occurred during the Period (FY 2019-20 to FY 2023-24) etc., and invite suggestions and objections from the stakeholders and public at large within 21 days from the date of publication of the Public Notice(s).





- ii. The Public Notice, containing details of Petitioner's website link, shall request the stakeholders and public at large to regularly check the website of the Petitioner for further submissions made in respect to these proceedings.
 - iii. Upload the clear and legible copies of the following documents on its website:
 - a. Petition.
 - b. Reply dated 20.08.2024 filed by UPPCL and Rejoinder dated 05.09.2024 filed by UPRVUNL.
 - c. UPRVUNL's submission dated 05.10.2024 along with final Tariff computations and reply to the Commission's data gap query.
 - d. UPRVUNL's submission dated 28.10.2024 along with documentary evidence to substantiate its claim for additional capitalization.
 - iv. The Petitioner shall submit a copy of the original Newspaper clippings containing Public Notice and the website link of above documents mentioned at iii (a) to (d) posted on its website before the Commission within a week from the date of this order.
9. The Commission has decided to hold a Public Hearing on 15.01.2025 from 11.00 AM onwards in the office of the Commission at Lucknow. The details of the Public Hearing shall also be provided on the Commission's website www.uperc.org.
10. All the stakeholders who wish to participate in the Public Hearing shall submit their written suggestions and objections in hard copies (one original + 5 sets of copies) to the Secretary, UPERC within seven (7) days of the Public Hearing and also to be present during the public hearing for expressing their views. The submission should also be sent in PDF and Word/Excel format on the email id: secretary@uperc.org


(Sanjay Kumar Singh)
Member




(Arvind Kumar)
Chairman

Place: Lucknow

Dated: 03.12.2024