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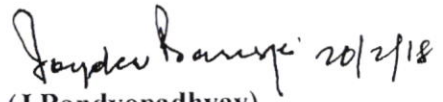
From: Member Secretary, ERPC, Kolkata.

To: (As per list.)

A meeting is hereby convened on 26/02/2018 at 13:30 Hrs. at ERPC, Kolkata regarding the issues raised by Railway Board, Ministry of Railways, Government of India vide letter No. 2008/Elect(G)/170/12Pt. dated 15.02.2018 a copy of which is attached herewith.

It is requested to attend the above meeting.

Regards,


(J.Bandyopadhyay)
Member Secretary

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Sub: Declared capacity of Unit-I of Nabinagar Thermal Power Plant.

Ref: Railways letter No. ECR/ELD/300/49 Pt. IV Vol. 1 dt. 30.01.18.

With reference to above a letter has been sent to ERPC by East Central Railway on the issue of REA acceptance for BRBCL plant from January, 2017 although actual flow of power commenced from 02.08.17.

Earlier, CERC had directed ERPC to convene a meeting of CTU, ERLDC, Indian Railways, BRBCL and Constituent States on 11.07.17 to sort out the outstanding issues in connection with scheduling of power from Nabinagar TPP and report to Commission by 17.07.2017.

Accordingly, the meeting was convened at ERPC and as per Minutes of the meeting (copy enclosed) dated 14.07.17 it was agreed that:

- (a) Drawl percentages specified for the state of Maharashtra and DVC area for Railways and Railways submitted that due to variable traction load, it could not guarantee schedule up to LTA quantum on RTC basis.
- (b) Scheduling will be limited to Unit capacity less auxiliary power consumption.
- (c) Scheduling of second unit would only commence if technical minimum schedule could be provided as per CERC Regulations.

Pursuant to above directives, PGCIL operationalized the LTA w.e.f. 26.07.17 and Railway started scheduling power from 02.08.07 as per the allocation given by ERPC.

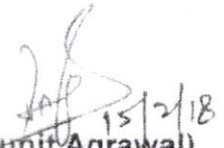
However, it is understood that ERPC in its revised REA statement has verified REA from January'17. Since the actual flow of power commenced from 02.08.2017, the cumulative availability for FY 2017-18 up to preceding month in ROW 7 of REA for the month of August, 2017 shall be taken as zero (0%). CERC in its order had directed that ERPC/ERLDC should accept the DC by BRBCL and accordingly ERPC/ERLDC should accept the DC w.e.f 2nd August, 2017, after operationalisation of LTA from 26.07.2017.

As per para 4.4.3 of Bulk Power Purchase Agreement (BPPA) between Railway and BRBCL, "any change in the methodology of Regional Energy Accounting shall be done only

as per the decisions taken in the ERPC/WRPC/NRPC forums and the parties agree to abide by the methodology so finalized." Since REA has been revised by ERPC unilaterally without consulting/ hearing Railways, this revision in REA cannot be accepted and should be treated as null & void.

It is also submitted that Railway is a **deemed licensee**. Accordingly, Eastern Railway for West Bengal and East Central Railway for Bihar & DVC area should be made members of ERPC.

Therefore it is requested to issue revised and corrected REA by taking cumulative availability prior to 2nd August, 2017 as zero and accordingly modify all the subsequent REA's for BRBCL power and Railway should be made permanent member of ERPC being a licensee. It is requested to immediately call for a meeting in this regard.


15/2/18
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Director Electrical Engg. (PS)
Railway Board

Copy to:- Chairman, CEA-with a request to intervene in this matter appropriately.