Minutes of Meeting of ESCRP Sub-Committee Held on 16.6.2015

The Managing Director, UPPCL vide letter no. 142/PSDD/15 dated 9.6.2015 proposed amendments in U.P. Electricity Supply Code 2005 in context of the initiative taken by the Department of Industrial Policy & Promotion, Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Govt. Of India to simplify and streamline procedures for obtaining services for various important Departments.

These amendments are proposed to simplify the processes in order to create a conducive environment for doing business and to attract investment in the State. Due to the urgency of matter the proposed amendments could not be put up on website of the Commission and comments / objections of the general public were not called for. The Commission under clause 9.5, Power to Remove Difficulties, called on urgent meeting of Sub-Committee of the Electricity Supply Code Review Panel (ESCRP) on 16.6.2015 vide letter no. 527 dated 12.6.2015.

During the meeting, the following proposed amendments were presented by Shri K. M. Mittal, Director, Distribution, UPPCL.

1. The deletion of sub-clause 17 of annexure 4.1

The Hon'ble Chairman enquired Director Distribution, UPPCL that how the requirements of NOC from Department of Pollution and Registration No. from Department of Industries, Govt. of U.P. shall be taken care of Ms. Kanchan Verma, Special Secretary, Industry and Joint E.O., Udyog Bandhu submitted that both the issues shall be accounted for by the Department of Industries in a single window concept. Dr. R. S. Yadav, CEO, U.P. Pollution Control Board did not raise any objection.

2. The Deletion of requirement of enclosures under point no. 3, 4 & 5.

The Hon'ble Chairman enquired Director Distribution, UPPCL that why enclosure mentioned under the point no. 3 is not required? Director Distribution, UPPCL submitted that the position of the meter room shall be decided at the time of the site inspections.

The Hon'ble Chairman again enquired Shri Lal Bahadur, Deputy Director, Electrical Safety whether work completion certificate contains the details of the building or not. He submitted that the work completion certificate does not contain all these details.

The Commission directed officers of Electrical Safety that they should indicate the position of the meter in the Work Completion Certificate and Test Report (B & L form) itself of the Factory / Industry / Premises / Establishment / House, where supply is desired.

The requirement of enclosure under point no. 4 was also discussed. All the members present agreed that this enclosure is not required.

Then at last the requirement of enclosure under point no. 5 too was discussed. The Hon'ble Chairman proposed that only the name and address of the person authorized to sign the documents of the forms / papers etc. for electricity connection should be entered in the form as sub clause 17. All the members present agreed to the proposal.

Shri Avadhesh Kumar Verma, Chairman, UPRVUP submitted that these amendments will help Industrial Growth in the State as the procedure for taking the connection will be eased.

Accordingly the Commission decided that the amendments shall be incorporated in Supply Code and shall be called the Electricity Supply Code (Sixth Amendment), 2015. It shall come into force with immediate effect.

The amendments shall be as follows:

Amendment in Annexure 4.1. - In the Electricity Supply Code, 2005, hereinafter called the Code, in Annexure 4.1 Application Form For Requisition Of Supply Of Energy and under the sub heading (Following Information is to be furnished by Applicants Requesting Electric Supply more than 50 KW and for Industrial Purposes), the sub clause 17 is omitted.

Further, following para is inserted in the Code.

"The name and address of the person authorized to sign the documents /forms/papers etc. for electricity connection."

This inserted clause shall be named as sub clause 17.

Under the sub heading "Enclosures", point no. 1 is substituted by

"1. Work completion certificate and Test Report (B & L form) in respect of Factory / Industry / Premises / Establishment / House, where supply is desired, indicating tentative position of meter."

Under the sub heading "Enclosures", point no. 2 is substituted by

"2. Documentary evidence in support of lawful occupation of the premises. If such documentary evidence is not available then the applicant shall provide indemnity bond as specified by the licensee."

Under the sub heading "Enclosures", the requirement of document under Point no. 3, 4 & 5 is omitted.

List of Members of ESCRP:

- 1. Shri Desh Deepak Verma, Hon'ble Chairman, UPERC
- 2. Smt. Meenakshi Singh, Member, UPERC
- 3. Shri I. B. Pandey, Member, UPERC
- 4. Shri Sanjay Srivastava, Secretary, UPERC
- 5. Shri Vikas Chandra Agarwal, Director (Distribution), UPERC
- 6. Shri Shamim Ahmad, Managing Director, MVVNL
- 7. Shri K. M. Mittal, Director (Distribution), UPPCL
- 8. Shri Shri Avadhesh Kumar Verma, Chairman, UP Rajya Vidyut Upbhokta Parishad (UPRVUP)

List of other officers present:

- 1. Shri S. K. Verma, Chief Engineer, LESA, Lko.
- 2. Shri A. K. Singh, Superintending Engineer (Comm.), MVVNL, Lko.
- 3. Shri Ram Swaroop, Superintending Engineer, UPPCL
- 4. Shri Lal Bahadur, Director, Electrical Safety
- 5. Shri A. K. Arora, Residential Manager, NPCL

Special Invitee

- 1. Ms. Kanchan Verma, Special Secretary, Industry, Joint E.O., Udyog Bandhu
- 2. Dr. R. S. Yadav, CEO, U.P. Pollution Control Board, Lko.
- 3. Shri Pradeep Shukla, Executive Engineer, U.P. Pollution Control Board, Lko.

(Sanjay Srivastava) Secretary