# BEFORE THE UTTAR PRADESH ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION

### Quorum

Shri Desh Deepak Verma, Chairman Shri I. B. Pandey, Member Shri S. K. Agarwal, Member

#### In the matter of:

In the matter of **petition no. 1020 of 2015** for Denial / Delay by Uttar Pradesh Power Transmission Corporation Ltd. (UPPTCL) in granting connectivity to the 220 kV Gharbara Substation at Noida Power Company Ltd. (NPCL) AT 400 kV Greater Noida (Pali) Substation of UPPTCL.

Noida Power Company Ltd., Commercial Complex, 'H' Block, Alpha II Sector, Greater Noida (UP)

Petitioner

### Versus

- 1. Uttar Pradesh State Load Dispatch Centre, Uttar Pradesh Power Transmission Company Ltd., 14, Ashok Marg, Shakti Bhawan, Lucknow (UP)
- 2. Managing Director, Uttar Pradesh Power Transmission Company Ltd., 14, Ashok Marg, Shakti Bhawan, Lucknow (UP)

Respondents

# **Present in the Hearing:**

# Respondents

- 1. Shri Raghvendra Singh, Sr. Advocate, UPPTCL
- 2. Md. Altaf Mausoor, Adovcate, UPPTCL
- 3. Shri Puneet Chandra, Advocate, UPPTCL
- 4. Shri A. P. Singh, Director, UPPTCL
- 5. Shri Pankaj Saxena, Executive Engineer STU, UPPTCL
- 6. Shri R. P. Prasad, Executive Engineer (Comm.) UPPCL

# Petitioner

- 1. Shri M. G. Ramchandran, Advocate
- Shri Vishal Gupta, Advocate, NPCL
- 3. Shri R. C. Agarwala, MD & CEO, NPCL
- 4. Shri Rajiv Goval, G.M. Power Procurement & Projects
- 5. Shri Alok Sharma, Sr. Manager, Legal NPCL
- 6. Shri A. K. Arora, Resident Manager, NPCL.

# ORDER (Hearing on 01.06.2016 & 06.06.201)

NPCL has filed Petition No. 1020 of 2015 on 11.05.2015 in the matter of Denial /Delay by Uttar Pradesh Power Transmission Corporation Ltd. (UPPTCL) in granting connectivity to the 220 kV Gharbara Substation at Greater Noida Power Company Ltd. (NPCL) AT 400 kV Greater Noida (Pali) Substation of UPPTCL. The reliefs claimed by the Petitioner are mentioned herein below:

- (a) Direct the Respondent to grant connectivity to Petitioner's 220kV Gharbara Substation at 220kV voltage level at 400kV Greater Noida (Pali) Substation and;
- (b) Consequently direct the Respondent to sign the Connectivity Agreement and Bulk Power Transmission Agreement (BPTA) with the Petitioner.
- (c) Pass any other further order(s) as this Hon'ble Commission may deem fit in the facts and circumstances of the case.

Counter Affidavits and the rejoinders have been exchanged between the parties. The Parties have also filed their written submissions. UP Power Transmission Corporation Ltd. has vehemently contested the claims of the petitioner.

While litigation on the subject matter continues, Commission observes that the asset of 220 KV Gharbara substation are lying idle for more than two years after erection. It is not desirable that while consumers of the region suffer on account of quality and reliability of supply in this area and valuable infrastructure remains unused for such a long time. To ensure availability and reliability of electric supply to the public in Greater Noida area, Commission considers it important in public interest to take measures to grant connectivity to 220 KV Gharbara substation from 400 KV Greater Noida (Pali) substation of UPPTCL. Therefore the Commission directs UPPTCL as an interim measure, to provide connectivity to 220 KV Gharbara substation from 400 KV Greater Noida (Pali) substation of UPPTCL within one month.

As regards the question as to who will eventually operate 220 KV Gharbara substation, the Commission opines that the decision on this issue shall be taken later while deciding the ownership / operation issue of R. C. Green substation in Petition No. 987/2014.

(S. K. Agarwal) Member (I. B. Pandey) Member ( Desh Deepak Verma) Chairman

Dated: 30.06.2016