



THE UTTAR PRADESH ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION

LUCKNOW

Petition No. 2276 of 2025

QUORUM

Hon'ble Shri Arvind Kumar, Chairman

Hon'ble Shri Sanjay Kumar Singh, Member

IN THE MATTER OF

Petition under section 63 read with section 86(1)(b) of the Electricity Act, 2003 read with the relevant and applicable provisions of the UPERC (Conduct of Business) Regulations, 2019 read with the Guidelines issued by the Ministry of Power, Government of India dated 06.02.2025 for approval of Tender documents including the Request for Selection and Draft Pumped Hydro Storage Power Procurement Agreement, including the proposed deviations floated by Uttar Pradesh Power Corporation Limited for procurement of 2000MW Power from Pumped Hydro Storage Plants.

AND

IN THE MATTER OF

Uttar Pradesh Power Corporation Ltd. (UPPCL),

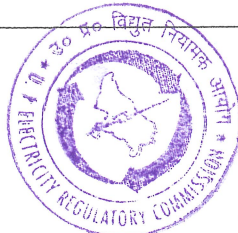
Shakti Bhawan, 14-Ashok Marg, Lucknow-226001.

..... Petitioner

FOLLOWING WERE PRESENT

1. Sh. Divyanshu Bhatt, Advocate, UPPCL
2. Sh. Sashwat Singh, Advocate, UPPCL
3. Sh. Abhayaditya Singh, Advocate, UPPCL
4. Sh. Vikash Gupta, E.E, UPPCL
5. Sh. Gouri Shankar, Consultant, UPPCL
6. Sh. Siddharth, Consultant, UPPCL

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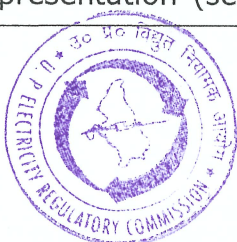


ORDER

(DATE OF HEARING: 13.11.2025)

1. The Petitioner, UPPCL filed this Petition seeking approval of the Bidding documents i.e., Request for Selection (RfS) and Draft Pumped Hydro Storage Power Procurement Agreement for procurement of 2000MW power from Pumped Hydro Storage plants. The prayers of the Petitioner are as follows:
 - (a) Admit the captioned Petition.
 - (b) Approve the Draft RFS and the Draft PPA, along with the proposed deviations, as submitted along with the captioned petition.
 - (c) Approve the overall power procurement of 2000 MW Energy Storage Capacity (For 8 Hours discharge with maximum 6 Hours continuous discharge) for 40 Years from Grid Connected Pumped Hydro Storage Plant/s through Competitive Bidding in accordance with the MoP Guidelines, as proposed vide the captioned Petition.
 - (d) Pass any further order(s) as this Commission may deem fit in the facts and circumstances of the case.
2. During the hearing today, Sh. Divyanshu Bhatt, Counsel of UPPCL submitted that instant Petition has been filed for approval of bidding documents for procurement of 2000MW power from Pumped Hydro Storage plants and the selection process of Bidders was identical to earlier already approved in similar Petition No. 2087/2024. He further submitted that deviation statement with respect the Guidelines were annexed in the Petition. On the specific query of the Commission regarding additional 1000MW, Sh. Bhatt responded that the bidding was for 2000MW, with provision of procuring additional 1000MW.
3. The Commission observed that the Petition was lacking on account of detailed justification in terms of requisitioned quantum, CEA's Resource Adequacy Plan, issue related to commissioned project on and after 08.03.2019, RPO targets etc. Further, the reason of keeping the provision to allow procurement of power from alternate source before SCOD was not provided by UPPCL. Therefore, the Commission stated that it would fix time for detailed presentation (separately) from UPPCL to understand the

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provisions of the Bidding document. Further, UPPCL was directed to furnish two-fold deviation – one from the already approved documents and second form the Guidelines along with specific justifications.

4. The Commission decides to keep the matter **in abeyance** unless UPPCL comes up with clear plan for power procurement with proper justifications that should fit into the CEA's accepted Resource Adequacy Plan and the Commission's already approved power procurement. On the issues archive substantial clarity in the presentation to enthuse confidence in the Commission regarding justification of procurement of such power.

(Sanjay Kumar Singh)

Member

(Arvind Kumar)

Chairman

Place: Lucknow

Dated: 27.11.2025

