Sub: In the matter of petition under Short Term Open Access Regulations, 2005 and M.P. Electricity Grid Code, 2005 for suitable directions for taking power against Short Term Open Access

ORDER

(Date of hearing: 23rd August,2016) (Date of order: 30th August,2016)

M/s Orient Paper Mills, P.O. Amlai Paper Mills, District Anuppur - Petitioner

M.P. Poorv Kshetra Vidyut Vitaran Co. Ltd., Shakti Bhawan, Rampur, Jabalpur Respondent No.1

M.P. Power Transmission Co. Ltd., Shakti Bhawan, Rampur, Jabalpur - Respondent No.2

Shri Vijay Kandya, Authorised Representative appeared on behalf of the petitioner. Shri Sanjay Okhade, DGM and Shri Devaditya Dubey, Manager appeared on behalf of the respondent no.1.

Shri R.A. Sharma, SLDC appeared on behalf of the respondent no.2.

- 2. The petitioner, M/s Orient Paper Mills has filed this petition seeking clarification under Short Term Open Access Regulations, 2005 and M.P. Electricity Grid Code, 2005 for taking short term open access. In its petition, the petitioner has prayed the clarification on the following points:
 - i) The consumer who has standby power contract and his captive power plant is somehow shut then under what clause petitioner is not allowed to take Short Term Open Access power. The clauses which are mentioned above are for drawing standby power, which is normally needed to start the captive power plant under "Blackout".
 - ii) Further standby contract is done keeping in view of power demand KVA needed for start up of Captive Power Plant and not for process plant production. Hence how petitioner will get power to run plant in case of captive plant breakdown.
 - iii) In event if the petitioner is allowed by MPERC to the Short Term Open Access then what will be condition/limit of maximum drawl?
 - iv) What will be the charges needed to be paid for standby support if open access is allowed with standby contract also standby contract also exist.
 - v) Petitioner also wants to know that what type of consumer can draw power from Short Term Open Access if consumer is having captive power for plant operation.
 - vi) Whether the location ABT meter is to be installed at consumer end or at supply substation.
 - vii) What are charges for Short Term Open Access applicable?

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- 3. The case was listed for hearing on 23.08.2016. During the hearing, the petitioner restated the contents of the petition. The respondent no.1 filed a written submission and stated that the petitioner is having captive power plant and has also been provided a standby HT connection for a contract demand of 6000 kVA at 132 kV. The respondent no.1 further stated that under above arrangements, if the petitioner is allowed open access, there will be a violation of Regulations 4.1,4.2, 4.19 and 4.20 of the MPERC (Power Purchase and other matters with respect to conventional fuel based Captive Power Plants) (Revision-I) Regulations, 2009. The respondent no.2 has also filed a written submission and stated that the petitioner had requested the SLDC to provide various formalities/ guidelines to purchase the power under Short Term Open Access and the same was informed to the petitioner vide letter dated 06.04.2016. But, the petitioner has not submitted any application so far.
- 4. Having heard the petitioner and the respondents, the Commission has noted that the Regulations 4.1 and 4.2 specifically provide the conditions of providing standby supply to the captive power users according to which the standby user shall not have any arrangement for availing supply from a source other than the Licensee of his area of supply. This fact has already been informed to the petitioner by the respondent no.2 vide its letter dated 04.04.2016. Also, the necessary guidelines/procedure have already been informed to the petitioner by the respondent no.1 vide its letter dated 06.04.2016. As such, no further clarification is required.
- 5. In view of the above, the petition no. 18/2016 is disposed of.

Ordered accordingly.

(Alok Gupta) Member (A.B.Bajpai) Member

(Dr. Dev Raj Birdi) Chairman