## MADHYA PRADESH ELECTRICITY REGULATIORY COMMISSION, BHOPAL

**Sub:** In the matter of filing for seeking incentives for consumers for use of Solar Water Heating System.

## **ORDER**

(Date of hearing: 28.04.2015) Date of order:08.05.2015

M/s. MP Urja Vikas Nigam Ltd, Bhopal: Petitioner

Shri Sanjay K. Verma, Addl. EE has appeared on behalf of petitioner.

- 2. The present petition is filed by petitioner in subject matter for allowing incentives through rebates in electricity bills to the consumers in State for encouraging use of solar water heating (SWH) system. Petitioner has stated that there is need to incentivize consumers to use the SWH system as the installation of solar water heating system involves upfront capital cost although benefits on account of saving of electricity is received over useful life of SWH system. Petitioner in his submission has requested the Commission to give incentive in form of either of minimum rebate of Rs100 per 100 LPD (liter per day) SWH system or Rs 0.50 per kWh of monthly electricity consumed as per electricity bill of consumer subject to maximum limit of Rs 270 per month if such consumers installs and uses solar water heating system.
- 3. The petitioner has prayed for providing a rebate in their monthly electricity bills. The matter is to be dealt with the Retail Supply Tariff Petitions being filed by the Discoms. During the hearing, the Commission has enquired the representative of the petitioner whether they have participated in the process of determination of Retail Supply Tariff Order for FY 2015-16 through filing the objections/suggestions in the public notice published on 13.2.2015 or through appearing personally in the public hearings held by the Commission. The representative of the petitioners replied negatively. As the Retail Supply Tariff Order for FY 2015-16 has already been issued on 17.4.2015, the matter may be brought before the Commission when the objection on petition for determination of Retail Supply Tariff is filed for FY-2016-17, are invited by the Commission.
- 4. The petition, therefore stands disposed off.

(Alok Gupta) Member (A. B. Bajpai) Member (Dr. Dev Raj Birdi) Chairman