

PUNJAB STATE ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION
SITE NO. 3, BLOCK B, SECTOR 18-A MADHYA MARG, CHANDIGARH

Petition No. 16 of 2023
Date of Order: 18.08.2023

Application for approval of Capital Investment Plan and Business Plan for 2x270 MW Goindwal Sahib Thermal Power Plant at Goindwal Sahib, Punjab for the control period FY 2023-24 to 2025-26 in terms of Regulation 9 of "Punjab State Electricity Regulatory Commission (Terms and Conditions for Determination of Generation, Transmission, Wheeling and Retail Supply Tariff) Regulations, 2022".

AND

In the matter of: GVK Power (Goindwal Sahib) Limited, Plot No. 10 Paigah House, Sardar Patel Road, Secunderabad- 500003.

....Petitioner

Versus

Punjab State Power Corporation Limited, The Mall, PSEB Head Office, Patiala (Punjab)- 147001.

...Respondent

Commission: Sh. Viswajeet Khanna, Chairperson
Sh. Paramjeet Singh, Member

ORDER

During hearing on 27.07.2023, the Ld. Counsel for GVK submitted that Petition No. 17 of 2023 filed by GVK is fixed for hearing on 09.08.2023 and it will be appropriate to hear this petition alongwith Petition No. 17 of 2023. The present petition was taken up for hearing on 09.08.2023 and after hearing, order was reserved. However, it has been noticed by the Commission that GVK was directed to publish a public notice vide order dated 22.05.2023. However, GVK has not complied with the order as the public notice was not published by GVK. As per the Regulation 9.14 of PSERC MYT Regulations Capital Investment Plan and Business Plan shall be approved by the Commission after considering suggestions and objections of all the stakeholders. Accordingly, directions were issued to GVK to publish the public notice and public hearing was fixed on 27.07.2023 to have the suggestions and objections of the stakeholders. The public hearing could not be effected on account of the lapse on the part of GVK. Rather, GVK failed to inform even during the hearing that it had not published the public notice. The non-compliance of the order dated 22.05.2023 by GVK

has hampered the timely decision of the petition. Thus, show cause notice be issued to GVK as to why action should not be taken against GVK under Section 142 of the Electricity Act 2003 for non compliance of the directions of the Commission. The hearing in the petition is reopened and GVK is directed to immediately comply with the order dated 22.05.2023 and publish the public notice without any further delay.

The petition shall be taken up for hearing as well as public hearing on 13.09.2023 at 11.30 AM.

Sd/-

(Paramjeet Singh)
Member

Sd/-

(Viswajeet Khanna)
Chairperson

Chandigarh

Dated: **18.08.2023**