

OFFICE ORDER

The HPSEB Ltd. is pleased to adopt the guidelines issued by the HPERC in the matter titled M/S. Astha Project Vs. HPSEB Ltd. decided on 23.11.2010 for the purpose of working out the O&M charges for providing inter connection facilities to various IPP up to 25 MW in the State of Himachal Pradesh, on and w.e.f. 23.11.2010. The HPSEB Ltd., in order to maintain consistency and avoid discrimination amongst the similarly circumstanced IPPs, is further pleased to decide as follows:-

1. The O&M charges chargeable from the IPPs till 23.11.2010 shall be governed by the provisions of the O&M agreements entered between the parties and thereafter clause 6.2 of the O&M agreements shall be suitably amended so as to incorporate the guidelines issued by the HPERC in Astha matter and the IPPs shall thereafter be charged O&M charges as per amended clause.
2. That the O&M agreements which shall be entered with various IPPs after 23.11.2010 shall be entered strictly in accordance with the guidelines issued by the HPERC.
3. All such cases, in which the O & M agreements have yet not been entered but the O&M services are being provided by the HPSEB Ltd., shall be governed and regularized as per provisions of clause 6.2 of the O&M agreements entered between few of the parties till 23.11.2010 and thereafter they shall also be governed by the guidelines issued by the HPERC.

This decision supersedes all previous correspondences exchanged between the parties in this behalf by any of the subordinate offices of the HPSEB Limited.

By order of the WTDs of the HPSEB Ltd.

For and on behalf of HPSEB Ltd.


**Chief Engineer (Commercial),
HPSEB Limited, Vidyut Bhawan,
Shimla-171004**

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FAX MESSAGE

No. HPSEBL/ CE (Comm)/PSP-Baragran/O&M/2012-13- 17122-37 Dated: 21.12.2012

Copy forwarded to the following alongwith Annexure-'A' (Clause 6.2 of O&M Agreement for both cases) for information and immediate necessary action:

1. The Chief Engineer(s), Operations, South/ North/ Central Zone at Shimla/ Dharamshala/ Mandi

HIMACHAL PREDSH STATE ELECTRICITY BOARD LIMITED

2. The Superintending Engineer(s), Operation Circles, HPSEB Limited, Shimla/ Solan/ Nahan/ Rampur/ Rohru/ Bilaspur/ Hamirpur/ Kullu/ Mandi/ Una/ Kangra and Dalhousie.
3. The Chief Accounts Officer, HPSEB Limited, Vidyut Bhawan, Shimla.


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1. For all O&M charges applicable before 23/11/2010, the existing clause 6.2, as reproduced below, shall remain same:

"The charges payable by the Company on this account shall be worked out on pro-rata basis i.e. by apportioning the total expenses relating to operation and maintenance of sub-station (including infrastructural works such as approach roads, staff quarters, sanitation, repairs of building etc.) in the ratio of number of bays comprised in Interconnection Facility to the total number of Incoming/ Outgoing bays/ feeders in the sub-station. The pro-rata amount worked out on the basis in respect of Interconnection facility shall be suitably increased to account for applicable departmental charges."

(Note: As per interpretation of the above clause, either the Incoming or Outgoing bays or feeders are to be considered for calculating total number in the sub-station)

2. For all O&M charges applicable after 23/11/2010, the clause 6.2 of the existing O&M agreements shall be replaced as per guidelines issued by the Himachal Pradesh Electricity Regulatory Commission in Astha case on 23/11/2010 as under:

"The total amount of normal O&M costs of the interconnecting manned sub-station shall be apportioned in the ratio of number of feeders for which interconnection facilities are provided to SHPs to the total number of incoming and outgoing feeders irrespective of voltage level of such feeders. The normal O&M cost of the sub-station shall also include the maintenance costs of the infrastructure works, such as approach roads, staff quarters, sanitation, repair of buildings etc., as per provisions of the agreement."

Note: For O&M charges applicable prior to 23/11/2010 and where no O&M agreements have been signed, both clauses shall be inserted in the O&M agreements

3. O&M Estimates for intimating the tentative amount for each ensuing year on or after 15th February of each preceding year based on the yard stick issued on 09/07/1997 in respect of employee cost part to have uniformity across all similar sub-stations.


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