IN THE JHARKHAND STATE ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION AT RANCHI

Suo-Moto Case No.07 of 2020

In the matter of:

RE- Extending the Jharkhand State Electricity Regulatory Commission (Renewable Energy Purchase Obligation and its compliance) Regulations, 2016 upto March 31, 2021

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. (DR) ARBIND PRASAD, CHAIRPERSON HON'BLE MR. R.N. SINGH, MEMBER (ENGINEERING) HON'BLE MR. P.K. SINGH, MEMBER (LEGAL)

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Date -24th April, 2020

The Commission in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 86(1)(e) r/w Section 181 of the Electricity Act 2003 and its amendments thereof notified the Jharkhand State Electricity Regulatory Commission (Renewable Energy Purchase Obligation and its compliance) Regulations, 2016 on September 28, 2016 applicable till March 31, 2020. The Commission under Clause 5.2 of the said Regulations had specified the minimum percentage of Renewable Purchase required to be met by the Obligated Entities out of their total consumption during the Financial Year. In the above said Regulations, the Commission has notified the Renewable Purchase Obligation till FY 2019-10.

The Commission has issued the Draft Jharkhand State Electricity Regulatory Commission (Renewable Energy Purchase Obligation and its compliance) Regulations, 2020 on January 22, 2020 and invited suggestions/comments from various Stakeholders latest by February 17, 2020. Several suggestions/comments were received by the Commission on the issued Draft Jharkhand State Electricity Regulatory Commission (Renewable Energy Purchase Obligation and its compliance) Regulations, 2020.

In order to provide wide opportunity to all the Stakeholders and general public, the Commission had scheduled the Public hearing on March 24, 2020 for seeking suggestions/comments. However, in light of direction issued by State Government, Jharkhand (Department of Health, Medical Education and Family Welfare) in relation to prevention and cure of COVID-19, the Public Hearing has been postponed till further Order by the Commission.

In view of the facts mentioned herein above, the Commission hereby adopts and extends the Jharkhand State Electricity Regulatory Commission (Renewable Energy Purchase Obligation and its compliance) Regulations, 2016 till March 31, 2021 with the minimum target of renewable purchase for FY 2020-21 same as applicable for FY 2019-20.

Sd/-Member (L) Sd/-Member (E)

Sd/-Chairperson