

Before the  
**MAHARASHTRA ELECTRICITY REGULATORY  
COMMISSION**

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**CASE No. 24 of 2005**

In the matter of  
General Conditions and Specific Conditions applicable to Distribution Licensees

Dr Pramod Deo, Chairman  
Shri A. Velayutham, Member  
Shri S.B. Kulkarni, Member

**ORDER**

**Dated: 31<sup>st</sup> October, 2006**

In terms of Section 16 of the Electricity Act, 2003 ("EA, 2003"), the Commission is vested with the powers to specify General Conditions and Specific Conditions applicable to all Distribution Licensees in the State, namely those who were existing Licensees on the date when the EA, 2003 came into force, those who will be Licensees as a result of reorganization of the Maharashtra State Electricity Board (MSEB), and new Licensees, i.e., those who are granted Licenses after the coming into force of the EA, 2003. Accordingly, draft General Conditions and model draft Specific Conditions were circulated to the existing Licensees for their comments, in order to meet with the conditions of previous publication. Comments received from some of the existing Licensees, namely Reliance Energy Ltd. (REL), Tata Power Company Ltd. (TPC), the Brihanmumbai Electric Supply and Transport Undertaking (BEST) and the Mula Pravara Electric Co-operative Society Ltd. (MPECS), Shrirampur, were examined and necessary clarifications were issued by the Commission to the principal comments vide its Interim order dated 21<sup>st</sup> September, 2005 in Case No. 24 of 2005. Revised drafts of the General Conditions and specific Conditions, considering the comments received, were annexed to the said Order, and also made available to the general public to elicit their views. A Public Hearing was held on 9<sup>th</sup> January, 2006 in which the Licensees and other interested persons were provided the opportunity to participate and offer comments and suggestions so that



the drafts of General Conditions and Specific Conditions could be altered and finalised considering the comments that were received during the said public hearing.

2. A number of specific and general, oral and written, comments have been received during the Public Hearing held in the matter. The Commission acknowledges the efforts of the Licensees, consumer representatives and other stakeholders including individuals, corporates and associations for their valuable contribution. With this Order, the Commission disposes off the matter relating to General and Specific Conditions of Distribution Licensees and will separately issue the Regulations in this regard, which shall be applicable to all Distribution Licensees in the State of Maharashtra from the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.

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Member

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(A. Velayutham)  
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Chairman, MERC



(Smt Malini Shankar)  
Secretary, MERC