In exercise of the powers conferred on it by section 56 of THE KARNATAKA ELECTRICITY REFORM ACT, 1999 (Act No.25 of 1999) and all powers enabling it in that behalf, the Karnataka Electricity Regulatory Commission hereby make the following regulations, namely;

The Karnataka Electricity Regulatory Commission (Conduct of Meetings) Regulations, 2000

Chapter - I

GENERAL

1. Short title, Commencement and Extent

1) These regulations may be called the 'Karnataka Electricity Regulatory Commission (Conduct of Meetings) Regulations, 2000'.

2) They shall come into force from the date of their publication in the official Gazette.

3) They extend to the whole of the State of Karnataka.

2. Definitions

1) In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires:

a 'Act' means the Karnataka Electricity Reform Act, 1999;

b. 'Agenda' means the list of business proposed to be transacted at a meeting of the Commission;

c. 'Chairman' means the Chairman of the Commission;

d. 'Commission' means the Karnataka Electricity Regulatory Commission;

e. 'Member' means a member of the Commission;

f. 'Officer' means an Officer of the Commission;

g. 'Receiving Officer' means the officer designated by the Commission in terms of Regulation 7(1);

h. 'Regulations' means the Karnataka Electricity Regulatory Commission
(Conduct of Meetings) Regulations, 2000;
i. 'Seal' means the common seal and the official seal of the Commission as contemplated in part B of Schedule to the Act, wherever applicable;
j. 'Secretary' means Secretary of the Commission.

2) Words or expressions occurring in these Regulations and not defined herein above shall bear the same meaning as in the Act.

Chapter II

MEETINGS

3. Meetings of the Commission
The Commission shall meet ordinarily twice in a month for transaction of business.

4. Decision by Circulation
The Chairman, if he considers expedient, may obtain the views of the Members on any matter by circulation of the matter to the Members.

5. Special Meetings
The Chairman, at his discretion, may call for special meeting either on his own or on receipt of a requisition in writing from any Member specifying the subject for consideration at the meeting.

6. Venue of Meetings
All meetings of the Commission shall ordinarily be held in Bangalore at the office of the Commission.

7. Notice of Meetings
1) For every meeting of the Commission, a notice in writing of three clear days shall be sent by the Secretary to all the Members.

2) A special meeting can be called by the Chairman, in which case the notice for this meeting may be of less than three days.

3) Non-receipt of a notice of a meeting by any Member shall not invalidate the proceeding or any resolution passed or decision taken at such meeting.

8. Agenda for Meetings
The Secretary shall normally send the agenda for the meeting together with notes, statements and reports, if any, along with the notice of the meeting.
9. Quorum for Meetings

The quorum for the meeting shall be two Members. If there is no quorum the meeting shall stand adjourned.

10. Presiding Officer

1) The Chairman shall preside over the meetings and conduct the business. If the Chairman is unable to be present in the meetings for any reason, the senior-most Member shall preside over the meeting and perform the duties of the Chairman.

2) The rulings given by the Chairman, or the Member presiding over the meeting on any points of procedure shall be final and binding.

11. Matters which may be discussed

In addition to matters included in the Agenda, any other matter proposed by any Member may be discussed with the permission of the Chairman or the presiding Member.

12. Decisions at Meetings

The decision of the Commission shall be taken on the basis of majority of Members present including the Chairman. In case the votes in favour of or against any proposal are equal, the Chairman, or the Member presiding over the meeting, shall have a casting vote.

13. Participation at Meetings

The Secretary and such persons as have been invited by the Chairman to attend any meeting may participate in the discussions with the approval of the Chairman or the presiding Member, but will not be eligible to vote.

14. Minutes of Meetings

1) The Secretary or in his absence an officer of the Commission designated by the Chairman, shall record the minutes of the meetings and maintain a book which will, amongst other things, contain the names and designation of Members and invitees present in the meeting, proceedings and notes of dissent, if any. The draft minutes shall, as soon as practicable, be sent to the Chairman and the attending Members. Comments on the minutes shall be sent so as to reach the Secretary within the period of 3 days from the date of issue of the draft minutes. If no comments are received within that period, it shall be presumed that the Member has no comments to offer.

2) The decision taken in a meeting of the Commission shall be recorded in the minutes in clear and concise manner to facilitate implementation.

3) The minutes of the previous meeting shall be confirmed in the next
meeting subject to the condition that the Chairman may initiate action on any decision pending confirmation of the minutes. By order of the Commission Secretary to Commission