BEFORE THE KARNATAKA ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION

No. 16 C-1, Miller Tank Bed Area, Vasanth Nagar, Bengaluru- 560 052

Dated: 10.03.2020

Present:

Shri Shambhu Dayal Meena .. Chairman
Shri H.M. Manjunatha .. Member
Shri M.D. Ravi .. Member

ORDERS

Preamble:

1. The Commission, based on the information furnished by the State Load Dispatch Center, had noted that Juniper Networks India Private Limited, (hereinafter referred to as the ‘Company’), an obligated entity, had not complied with the Solar and Non-solar RPO for FY18 as mandated in the KERC (Procurement of Energy from Renewable Sources) Regulations, 2011, to an extent of 663.90 MWh Non-Solar RPO and 304.29 MWh Solar RPO. Thus as per the Regulations, the Company had to comply with deficit in Non-solar RPO to an extent of 730.29 MWh (110% of shortage) and Solar RPO to an extent of 334.71 MWh (110% of shortfall). Hence, the Commission had issued notice on 10.04.2019 to show cause, as to why action under Section 142 of the Electricity Act, 2003, should not be initiated against the Company for failure to comply with the aforesaid Regulations.

2. Whereas, the Company furnished its reply on 07.03.2019. The Commission after examining the reply, had noted that the Company had furnished the details of the RPO Compliance for FY19 instead of FY18 and hence, the Company
had not furnished relevant reply for having met solar and Non-Solar RPO. The Commission issued one more ShowCause notice, directing the Company to appear before the Commission in person on 29.08.2019 with relevant facts and figures to substantiate the compliance of Solar RPO.

3. The representative of the Company appeared before the Commission on 29.08.2019 and submitted the reply to the Commission. In the reply the Company has enclosed the documents for having wheeled the Solar/Non-Solar energy. After detail scrutiny of the report, it was observed that the Company had wheeled 5612.3 MWh Solar Energy and 2025 Non Solar for the RR No: S7HT-273, against the target of Solar RPO of 304.29 MWh and Non-Solar of 663.90 MWh respectively, within the time stipulated in the KERC Regulations.

4. Whereas, the Commission vide its letter dated 21.11.2019, directed the SLDC to verify as to whether the wheeled energy submitted by the Company is the actual energy considered and billed accordingly and also to confirm that energy wheeled in the month of April 2017, May 2017, and June 2017 is not accounted for RPO compliance of FY17. Accordingly, the SLDC vide its letter dated 11.12.2019, has confirmed that the SLDC has verified the RE certificates and OM’s Submitted by OA Consumer for RPO compliance of FY18 and that they are not accounted to meet RPO Compliances for the year FY17 and FY19 by M/s Juniper Networks India Private Limited and the actual energy consumed by the OA consumer is being considered for their RPO Compliance.

5. In view of the above, as stated by the SLDC, the Company has met solar RPO for FY18 by purchasing the solar energy through wheeling arrangement of 5612.30 MWh against the target RPO of 304.29 MWh and Non-solar energy of 2025 MWh against the target RPO of 663.90 MWh.

6. Hence, the following orders:-
ORDER

The Commission notes that, as per the written submission made on 29.08.2019, the Juniper Networks India Private Limited, has enclosed the documents for having wheeled the Solar /Non-Solar energy. After detail scrutiny of the report, the Company has wheeled 5612.3 MWh Solar Energy and 2025 MWh Non Solar for the RR No: 57HT-273, against the target of Solar RPO of 304.29 MWh and Non-Solar of 663.90 MWh respectively, which has been duly verified by the SLDC. The Company having fully met the Non-solar and Solar RPO for FY18, the Commission hereby treats the proceedings initiated against the Company, as closed.

(SHAMBU DAYAL MEENA)
CHAIRMAN
10/3/2020

(H.M.MANJUNATHA)
MEMBER
10/3/2020

(M.D.KAVI)
MEMBER