

**BEFORE THE GUJARAT ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION
GANDHINAGAR**

Petition No.1781/2019.

In the Matter of:

Petition under Regulation 5 of GERC (Procurement of Energy from Renewable Sources) Regulations, 2010 and subsequent amendments thereto.

Petitioner : Reliance Industries Limited

Represented By : Ld. Adv. Mr. Yash Dadhich alongwith Mr. Anant Kapse and
Mr. Bhadresh Chauhan

CORAM:

**Anil Mukim, Chairman
Mehul M. Gandhi, Member**

Date: 13/11/2024.

DAILY ORDER

- 1) The matter was kept for hearing on 12.11.2024.
- 2) Ld. Adv. Mr. Yash Dadhich appearing on behalf of the Petitioner submitted that the present Petition is filed for seeking appropriate directions under the provisions of the GERC (Procurement of Energy from Renewable Sources) Regulations, 2010 and its subsequent amendments thereto that the REC purchased by the Petitioner in the month of April, 2018 be considered for balance shortfall of RPO obligation for the FY 2017-18 and allow the Petitioner to roll over balance purchase of REC of the FY 2017-18 to FY 2018-19 and also allow the Petitioner to use Solar REC to meet its obligation for Non-Solar REC RPO and vice versa for FY 2018-19.
 - 2.1. He further submitted that the Petitioner has earlier filed other Petitions seeking relief for rollover of RPO before the Commission which were heard by the different bench of the Commission. In the above Petitions also, the Commission has invited comments and suggestions from the Stakeholders by directing the Petitioner to issue public notice and invite comments and suggestions which were complied with by the Petitioner. Similar Procedure need to be followed in the present matter also. Accordingly, the decision of the Commission in this matter with regards to prepublication and invite comment/suggestions from the stakeholders is to be also relevant and applicable as decided in above pending matter.
- 3) We have considered the submissions of the Petitioner. We note that the Petitioner is seeking direction of the Commission that the REC purchased by the Petitioner in the month of April, 2018 is to be considered for balance shortfall of RPO obligation for the FY 2017-18 and to allow the Petitioner to roll over balance purchase of REC of the FY 2017-18 to FY 2018-19 in terms of the provisions of the GERC (Procurement of Energy from

Renewable Sources) Regulations, 2010 and its subsequent amendments. The Petitioner has further sought relief to allow the Petitioner to use Solar REC to meet its obligation for Non-Solar REC RPO and vice versa for FY 2018-19.

- 3.1. We also note that the Petitioner is as such seeking carry forward of its RPO compliance from FY 2017-18 to FY 2018-19. Hence, we are of the view that it is necessary to hear stakeholders etc. prior to granting the prayers in the present matter for which, the Petitioner is required to give public notice in two daily newspapers, one in English language and one in vernacular language having wide circulation and invite suggestions/views/comments/objections from the stakeholders on the present Petition and thereafter, the Commission can decide the matter.
 - 3.2. Accordingly, we hold that a public hearing needs to be conducted to take into consideration the views/comments/suggestions/objections of the stakeholders before deciding the present matter. The Petitioner is, therefore, directed to issue a public notice in two daily Gujarati Newspapers and one English Newspaper having wide circulation in the State/National level stating that they have filed Petition No. 1781 of 2019 before the Commission praying to carry forward the RPO compliance of FY 2017-18 to FY 2018-19 in respect of fulfilment of Renewable Purchase Obligations (RPO) in terms of Regulations of the GERC (Procurement of Energy from Renewable Sources) Regulations, 2010 and its subsequent amendments. The Petitioner is also directed to upload the present Petition with all the documents on its website and invite comments and suggestions from the stakeholders on the said Petition on affidavit within 30 days from the date of issuance of public notice. The Petitioner shall also state in the public notice that the stakeholders/objectors shall file their objections/suggestions in the Petition to the Secretary, Gujarat Electricity Regulatory Commission, 6th Floor, GIFT ONE, Road 5C, Zone 5, GIFT City, Gandhinagar - 382050 in five copies along with affidavit in support of their submissions with a direct copy to the Petitioner. Upon receipt of the comments/views/objections/suggestions from the stakeholders, the Petitioner is at liberty to file its reply, if any, to the Commission.
 - 3.3. The staff of the Commission is also directed to upload the Petition along with all relevant documents on the website of the Commission inviting comments/objections/suggestions/views from stakeholder with published copy of public notices issued by the Petitioner.
 - 3.4. The staff of the Commission is also directed to inform/issue hearing notice for the present Petition to stakeholders/objectors who file their submissions/objections/comments before the Commission in the present matter.
- 4) Next date of hearing will be intimated separately.
 - 5) Order accordingly.

Sd/-
[Mehul M. Gandhi]
Member

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[Anil Mukim]
Chairman

Place: Gandhinagar.
Date: 13/11/2024.