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Guidelines/Terms & Conditions for setting up of behind the meter captive solar power plant by commercial and industrial consumers

1. Definitions

Captive Power Plant

"Captive Generating Plant" means a power plant set up by any person to generate electricity primarily for his own use and includes a power plant set up by any cooperative society or association of persons for generating electricity primarily for use of members of such cooperative society or association where not less than twenty six percent of the ownership is held by the captive user(s), and not less than fifty one percent of the aggregate electricity generated in such plant, determined on an annual basis, is consumed for the captive use."

Captive User

"Captive User" means the end user of the electricity generated in a Captive Generating Plant primarily for his own use and the term "captive use" shall be construed accordingly."

2. Allotment of projects:

The allotment of the projects will be done under the category of Commercial and industrial (C&I) Consumer of "Uttarakhand State Solar Policy-2023".

3. Application form:

The application form for allotment of behind the meter captive solar projects under the category of Commercial and industrial (C&I) Consumer of "Uttarakhand State Solar Policy-2023in the State of Uttarakhand shall be obtained from UREDA website www.ureda.uk.gov.in

The application form shall be filled & duly signed in all respect. The relevant information requested for shall be enclosed with the application form and if required separate sheets for providing the information be attached. Not applicable options should be stricken off. All requisite fee/processing charges etc. shall be paid along with the application form in the form of a bank demand draft drawn on a nationalized bank in favour Director UREDA payable to Dehradun.

4. Application Fee:

A transaction charge of **INR 25,000/MW** shall be applicable for processing applications with a maximum of **INR Two lakhs per project**.

5. C&I consumer rooftop and premises related responsibilities

It shall be the sole responsibility of the applicant to ensure that all the statutory permissions/terms and conditions, required pertaining to the use of rooftop and premises for the setting up of behind the meter captive power plant are obtained/fulfilled with, from the concerned authorities. UREDA/Government shall be absolved from all such disputes and responsibilities pertaining to the private land matters those may arise.

6. Termination of project, connectivity, and other provisions etc:

The Applicant shall obtain the requisite permission of the DISCOM for termination of project, connectivity and other provision etc as per the provision of the policy and regulations of the Uttarakhand Electricity Regulatory Commission (UERC). After allotment the behind, the meter captive solar power plant necessary approvals/NOC is mandatory from UPCL.

7. Applicable Incentive and benefits

As per "Uttarakhand, state solar policy 2023" captive generating units shall be eligible for incentives, including the benefits provided to MSME industries as applicable time to time. These benefits provided by MSME policy of the state run by Industries Department of Government of Uttarakhand (GoUK). UREDA, shall have no role in the approve and/or disbursement of applicable incentive and benefits under the MSME policy of Industries Department, GoUK. It is advised that kindly visit the Industry department before to make investment of the allotted behind the meter captive solar power plant for applicable incentive and benefits.

8. Commissioning of the SPP:

As defined by the Hon'ble UERC the Date of commercial operation or Commissioning (CoD) shall be considered as the date of first injection of power into the licensee's grid after completion of project in all respect subsequent to compliance of all the following pre-requisites:

- A. Installation of energy meter as certified by the concerned Executive Engineer of the distribution licensee.
- B. Project completion report as verified by UREDA, the State nodal agency.
- C. Issuance of Clearance Certificate by the Electrical Inspector.
- D. Further, such generator has to demonstrate minimum 75% Performance Ratio based on the rated installed capacity in kW or MW at the time of inspection for initial commissioning.

The role of UREDA shall be only limited to allotment of the projects under the category. UREDA shall not be liable for any of the proceedings of the project regarding land matters, installation/commissioning of the project, evacuation/grid connectivity/termination of the solar power plant with DISCOM, MSME benefits etc .

All the pre requisite for the project before and after installation and commissioning shall be the sole responsibility of the developer/applicant.

GoUK/UREDA reserve right to modify/change the guidelines or any other amendments pertaining to the above as and when required to be done.

Director, UREDA