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No. NEPRA/DG(Trf)/TRF-172/SHPL-2011/ 22065-69 November 16, 2025

Subject: **Decision of the Authority in the matter of Reimbursement of Pass-Through Withholding Tax on Dividends for Star Hydro Power Limited (SHPL)**

Dear Sir,

Please find enclosed herewith the subject Decision of the Authority alongwith **Annex-I** (total 02 pages) regarding reimbursement of withholding tax on dividends for Star Hydro Power Limited in Case No. NEPRA/TRF-172/SHPL-2011.

2. The Decision is being intimated to the Federal Government for the purpose of notification in the official Gazette pursuant to Section 31(7) of the Regulation of Generation, Transmission and Distribution of Electric Power Act, 1997 within 30 Calendar days from the intimation of this Decision. In the event the Federal Government fails to notify the subject tariff Decision within the time period specified in Section 31(7), then the Authority shall notify the same in the official Gazette pursuant to Section 31(7) of NEPRA Act.

Enclosure: As above

Wasim Anwar Bhinder
(Wasim Anwar Bhinder)

Secretary,
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Copy to:

1. Secretary, Ministry of Finance, 'Q' Block, Pak Secretariat, Islamabad
2. Deputy Secretary (RA), Cabinet Division, Cabinet Secretariat, Islamabad
3. Chief Executive Officer, Central Power Purchasing Agency Guarantee Limited (CPPA-G), Shaheen Plaza, 73-West, Fazl-e-Haq Road, Islamabad
4. Chief Executive Officer, Star Hydro Power Limited (SHPL), Usman Square, 3rd & 4th Floor, Main Double Road, E-11/2, Islamabad

DECISION OF THE AUTHORITY IN THE MATTER OF REIMBURSEMENT OF PASS-THROUGH WITHHOLDING TAX ON DIVIDENDS FOR STAR HYDRO POWER LIMITED (SHPL)

Pursuant to the Decisions of the Authority dated July 29, 2020 in the matter of Tariff Adjustments at Commercial Operation Date (COD), actual withholding tax on dividend paid by the power producer will be reimbursed subject to a maximum of 7.5% of 17% return on equity. The Authority hereby allows Star Hydro Power (SHPL) to claim Rs.417,011,358/- for the period from 1st January 2026 to 31st December 2026, as a pass-through on account of withholding tax on dividends from Central Power Purchasing Agency Guarantee Limited.

2. The schedule attached as **Annex-I** is to be notified in the Official Gazette, in accordance with the provisions of Section 31(7) of the Regulation of Generation, Transmission and Distribution of Electric Power Act 1997.

3. CPPA (G) to ensure that all payments are consistent with tariff determination(s).

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ANNEX - I

STAR HYDRO POWER LIMITED

REIMBURSEMENT OF 7.5% WITHHOLDING TAX ON DIVIDEND

Sr No.	Tax Challan Number	Payment Date	Dividend Amount angst. Which Tax is being Withheld	Withholding Tax @ 7.5%
			Rs.	Rs.
1	IT-20260904-0101-1098627	04-Sep-2026	5,560,151,442	417,011,358
Grand Total			5,560,151,442	417,011,358

Carry Forward of Unclaimed Dividend Tax:	Rs.
Balance Carried Forward (As per decision No. NEPRA/R/ADG(Trf)/TRF-172/SHPL-2011/19439-43 dated Nov 11, 2025)	1,101,388,810
Added:	
Limit of WHT on Dividends due to PKR/USD variation for the year ending December 2025	811,580
Limit of WHT on Dividends based on 7.5% of 17% of Return on Equity (1st Jan 2026 to 31st Dec 2026)	290,730,666
Total limit available	1,392,931,056
Less:	
Claimed during the year starting from 1st Jan 2026 to 31st Dec 2026 (Withholding Tax @ 7.5%)	417,011,358
Balance Carried Forward	975,919,698

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