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Subject:

Decision of the Authority in the matter of HSD Testing on Combined Cycle in the Post Synchronization Period for Quaid-e-Azam Thermal Power Private Ltd. for its Bhikki Power Project (Case No. NEPRA/TRF-347/QATPL-2016)

Dear Sir,

Please find enclosed herewith the subject decision of the Authority (02 Pages) in the matter of HSD Testing on Combined Cycle in the Post Synchronization Period for Quaid-e-Azam Thermal Power Private Ltd. for its Bhikki Power Project.

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.

Enclosure: As above

(Syed Safeer Hussain)

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CC:

- 1. Secretary, Cabinet Division, Cabinet Secretariat, Islamabad.
- 2. Secretary, Ministry of Finance, 'Q' Block, Pak Secretariat, Islamabad.



DECISION OF THE AUTHORITY IN THE MATTER OF HSD TESTING ON COMBINED CYCLE IN THE POST SYNCHRONIZATION PERIOD FOR QUAIDE-E-AZAM THERMAL POWER (PRIVATE) LIMITED FOR ITS BHIKKI POWER PROJECT

 Central Power Purchasing Agency (Guarantee) Limited (CPPA-G) vide its letter No. CTO/DGMT-V/MT-XI/4328-29 dated 21st February 2018 referred the Quaid-e-Azam Thermal Power (Private) Limited (QATPL) tariff determination dated 14th April 2016 for its Bhikki Project wherein Para 12.17 states as under:

"the Authority considers that pre & post synchronization tests of 8 days on HSD shall not be required"

- 2. CPPAG also referred the fuel price adjustment decision dated 28th November 2017 of NEPRA wherein QATPL's fuel cost component has been adjusted for variation in HSD price for plant testing (combined cycle only). CPPAG requested to clarify whether testing on HSD is allowed by the Authority.
- 3. QATPL vide its letter No. QATPL/FIN/2565/2018 dated 19th April 2018 also sought clarification from NEPRA for the legitimacy of the QATPL's claim on units generated and dispatched to national grid during testing of the complex on combined cycle mode on liquid fuel. According to QATPL it has carried out HSD testing of both gas turbines during the conversion period from simple cycle to combined cycle operations and the same was billed/invoiced to CPPA-G for the period from December 2017 to February 2018 on combined cycle test rates duly approved by NEPRA. QATPL further submitted that without such testing on liquid fuel, reliability and efficiency of the complex cannot be determined and notified for reference. QATPL requested clarification on issue.
- 4. The Authority considered the matter and decided to initiate suo moto review proceedings under Regulation 3 of NEPRA (Review Procedure) Regulations, 2009 in order to review the tariff determination dated 4-04-2016 for M/s Quaid-e-Azam Thermal (Private) Limited for its Bhikki Power Project with respect to cost of High Speed Diesel (HSD) during testing phase.
- 5. Further in terms of Rule 4(7) of the Tariff Rules, the Authority decided to grant provisional approval to M/s Quaide-e-Azam Thermal Power (Private) Limited for its Bhikki Power Project for immediate application of HSD as a fuel during testing on

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combined cycle in the post synchronization period subject to final decision of the Authority in the review proceedings.

6. The above Order of the Authority shall be notified in the Official Gazette in terms of Section 31(7) of the Regulations of Generation, Transmission and Distribution of Electric Power Act, 1997.

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