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# National Electric Power Regulatory Authority

### NOTIFICATION



Islamabad, the 20 day of October, 2023

S.R.O. 1458 (I)/2023.- In pursuance of Proviso (ii) to Sub-Section 7 of Section 31 of the Regulation of Generation, Transmission and Distribution of Electric Power Act, 1997 (XL of 1997), NEPRA hereby notifies the Interim Decision of the Authority along with revised tariff components regarding quarterly indexation/Adjustment of tariff of Atlas Solar Limited (Formerly Zhenfa Pakistan New Energy Company Pvt Limited) for the quarters April - June 2023 to July - September 2023 and Indexation of Local O&M Component for Quarters April – June 2022 to January – March 2023 on account of N-CPI (Local), Exchange Rate (PKR/USD), KIBOR and LIBOR variations in Case No. No. NEPRA/TRF-482/ZPNECL-2019.

2. While effecting the Decision, the concerned entities including Central Power Purchasing Agency Guarantee Limited (CPPAGL) shall strictly comply with the orders of the courts notwithstanding this Decision.

(Engr. Mazhar Iqbal Ranjha) *Q*be Registrar

# INTERIM DECISION OF THE AUTHORITY FOR ATLAS SOLAR LIMITED (FORMERLY ZHENFA PAKISTAN NEW ENERGY COMPANY (PRIVATE) LIMITED) IN THE MATTER OF INDEXATIONS/ADJUSTMENT OF TARIFF FOR THE QUARTERS FROM APR-JUN 2023 AND JUL-SEP 2023 AND INDEXATION OF LOCAL O&M COMPONENT FOR QUARTERS APR-JUN 2022 TO JAN-MAR 2023 ON THE BASIS OF NCPI

- Pursuant to the decision of the Authority dated February 21, 2020 in the matter of tariff determination of Atlas Solar Limited (ASL) (formerly known as Zhenfa Pakistan New Energy Company (Private) Limited) and subsequent communication of NEPRA dated November 24, 2020, the relevant tariff components are required to be indexed/adjusted according to the stipulated mechanism therein.
- 2) The Authority through its decision dated Aug 11, 2023 allowed the interim relief to ASL. In line with the Authority's decision, ASL filed a request for Indexation of Local O&M component for the quarters April-June 2022 to July-Sept 2023 on the basis of N-CPI which was earlier indexed on CPI. In addition ASL also submitted the request for indexation of local O&M on NCPI as per the Authority's decision dated March 10, 2021 which was notified by the MOE on Aug 09, 2023. Earlier the component was allowed in CPI since NCPI was not notified in the official gazette.
- Accordingly quarterly indexations for the period April-June 2023 to July-Sept 2023 has been adjusted on account of N-CPI (Local), exchange rate (PKR/USD), KIBOR and LIBOR variations in accordance with the requisite indexation/adjustment mechanism stipulated in the decisions of the Authority. Further, the Local O&M component has also been adjusted with N-CPI in line with above referred Authority's decision.
- 4) The indexation allowed is on interim basis and shall be subject to adjustments, if necessary, in the light of the final decision of the Authority with respect to ASL's COD tariff adjustment.
- 5) The adjusted Indexed tariff attached as **Annex-I** and **Annex-II** is to be notified in the official gazette in accordance with the provision of Section 31(7) of the Regulation of Generation, Transmission and Distribution of Electric Power Act 1997.
- 6) CPPA-G to ensure that all the payments are consistent with tariff determination.

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(Mathar Niaz Rana (nsc)) Member

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### Annex-I

## Atlas Solar Limited (Formerly Zhenfa New Energy Company Limited) Quarterly Indexation/Adjustment of Tariff for the Qtrs Apr-Jun 2023 and Jul-Sep 2023.

Tariff Components	Reference Tariff	Revised Apr-Jun 2023	Revised Jul-Sep 2023	Indexation	
Date of Decisions	Feb 21, 2020	<del> 1</del>			
		Rs./kWh			
O&M–Local	0.7970	1.2853	1.3868	N-CPI	
Return on Equity	1.3696	2.5047	2.5311	Rs./US \$	
Return on Equity during Construction	0.0775	0.1417	0.1432	Rs./US \$	
Debt Servicing-Foreign	2.2877	5.8476	6.0248	LIBOR & Rs./US \$	
Debt Servicing-Local	2.6903	4.3030	4.4400	KIBOR	
Total	7.2220	14.0823	14.5259		
Indexation Values				Sources (Websites)	
N-CPI (General)	131.010	211.280	227.960	Pakistan Bureau of Statistics	
Exchange Rate	155.35	284.10	287.10	NBP	
Libor 3-Month	0.9616%	5.1927%	5.5454%	Global-rates.com or moneycafe.com	
Kibor 3-Month	11.95%	21.98%	22.91%	State Bank of Pakistan	
Principal outstanding Foreign (USD.)		26,083,238	25,729,374		
Principal outstanding Local (PKR)		3,029,656,006	3,008,205,329	Tariff Determination Feb 21,2020	
Benchmark Energy	-	47,106,900	47,106,900		

calculation. Insurance has not been considered because it is allowed as per actual on annual basis.

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					Annex-II		
Description	Reference Local O&M dated Feb 21, 2020	Revised Apr-Jun 2022	Revised Jul-Sep 2022	Revised Oct-Dec 2022	Revised Jan-Mar 2023		
	Rs./kWh						
Local O&M component on N-CPI	0.7970	0.9771	1.0052	1.1427	1.1917		
N-CPI	131.01	160.61	165.23	187.84	195.89		

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In pursuance of Proviso-ii of Sub-Section 7 of Section 31 of the Regulation of Generation, Transmission and Distribution of Electric Power Act, 1997 (XL of 1997), enclosed please find herewith 'Interim Decision of the Authority along with revised tariff components regarding quarterly indexation/Adjustment of tariff of Atlas Solar Limited (Formerly Zhenfa Pakistan New Energy Company Pvt Limited) for the quarters April - June 2023 to July - September 2023 and Indexation of Local O&M Component for Quarters April – June 2022 to January – March 2023 on account of N-CPI (Local), Exchange Rate (PKR/USD), KIBOR and LIBOR variation' for immediate publication in the official gazette of Pakistan. Please also furnish thirty five (35) copies of the Notification to this Office after its publication.

Encl: Notification [04 pages]



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