

**PUNJAB STATE ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION**  
SITE NO. 3, BLOCK B, SECTOR 18-A MADHYA MARG, CHANDIGARH

**IA No. 22 of 2024 in**  
**Petition No. 67 of 2022**  
**Date of Order: 21.04.2025**

Petition under Regulation 8.1 (b) of the supply code 2014 by Punjab State Power Corporation Limited for seeking approval of Hon'ble Regulatory Commission for extension in time period of release of EHT connection under regulation 69, 70, 71 & 72 of chapter XIII of the conduct of Business Regulations 2005.

In the Case of New Connection of 4500kV load/ 5000kVA contract demand applied by Divisional Railway Manager (Elect./TRD), Ferozepur through Senior Divisional Electrical Engineer (TRD), DRM office Ferozepur under the category Railway Traction in sub Division Ghubaya under Division Jalalabad (RID No. 5553).

And

In the matter of: Punjab State Power Corporation Limited, The Mall, Patiala-147001

...Petitioner

Commission: Sh. Viswajeet Khanna, Chairperson  
Sh. Paramjeet Singh, Member

PSPCL: Sh. Harjeet Singh, ASE/TR-5  
Sh. Navdeep Singh, Sr.Xen

Northern  
Railways: None

**ORDER**

PSPCL filed Petition No. 67 of 2022 for extension in time for release of EHT connection of 4500kV load/5000kVA

contract demand applied by Divisional Railway Manager (Elect./TRD), Ferozpur through Senior Divisional Electrical Engineer (TRD), DRM office Ferozpur under the category Railway Traction which was disposed of by the Commission vide order dated 01.06.2023. PSPCL had sought to extend the time limit to release the connection till 31.03.2025. However, vide order dated 01.06.2023 PSPCL was directed to release the electricity connection by 31.10.2024 by making all out efforts. PSPCL filed the present petition seeking extension in time upto 31.10.2025 for release of aforementioned electricity connection. As the relief sought in the present petition is only for extension of time in releasing the connection, the same was taken on record as an IA No. 22 of 2024 in Petition No. 67 of 2022. Vide Order dated 21.11.2024, it was directed to issue notice to Senior Divisional Electrical Engineer (TRD), DRM office, Northern Railway, Ferozpur to file its reply to the IA, if any, within two weeks with a copy to the petitioner. PSPCL was directed to file rejoinder to the reply to be filed by the respondent within one week thereafter with a copy to the respondent. The IA was taken up for hearing on 08.01.2025. The Northern Railway neither appeared nor filed any reply. Vide Order dated 10.01.2025, the Northern Railway was granted one more opportunity to file its reply in the interest of justice. Northern Railway was directed to file its reply within two weeks with a copy to the petitioner. The petitioner was directed to file rejoinder thereto, if any, within one week thereafter with a copy to Northern Railway. The IA was then taken up for hearing on 02.04.2025. However, neither anybody appeared on behalf of Northern Railways nor any reply was filed. After hearing the representative appearing on behalf of PSPCL, the IA was allowed and it was observed that the detailed order would follow separately.

The Commission has heard the representative appearing for PSPCL and has examined the submissions made by PSPCL in the petition. PSPCL has submitted that the work of erection of 220 kV line from 220 kV Substation Ghubaya to RTSS Bhamniwala was in progress till 30.06.2024. The foundation work for all 15 towers was completed and 11 towers out of these 15 towers were already erected. However, work was temporarily halted due to the paddy season. Due to the construction of the Double Bus Bar at the 220 kV Substation Ghubaya, the additional work of shifting 5 towers (from the existing 220 kV line) related to the 220 kV bus bar was yet to be started and would be completed after the clearance from the Civil Construction and Grid Construction wings to avoid a blackout at the 220 kV Substation Ghubaya. It has been further submitted that the entire work, including the construction of the 220 kV line, shifting of the towers and civil work would be completed by 31.10.2025. The connection could not be released due to aforementioned reasons and to complete the remaining formalities, including the installation of metering equipment, PSPCL prayed that the time period for the release of this connection may be extended up to 31.10.2025.

Despite giving repeated opportunities, the Northern Railways has neither appeared nor filed any reply during the hearings. Even since the last interim order dated 03.04.2025, no response has been received from the Northern Railways. Accordingly, it is presumed that Northern Railways has no objection to the extension sought by PSPCL. Thus, keeping in view the foregoing and the submissions made by PSPCL, the extension in time period upto 31.10.2025 for the release of connection is hereby allowed with the directions to PSPCL to make all out efforts to ensure the

release of connection by the aforementioned date. The I.A. is disposed of accordingly.

Sd/-  
(Paramjeet Singh)  
Member

Sd/-  
(Viswajeet Khanna)  
Chairperson

Chandigarh  
Dated: **21.04.2025**

