

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

Petition No. 49 of 2023
Date of Hearing: 04.10.2023
Date of Order: 10.10.2023

Petition under Regulation 19, 20 and 21 of Punjab State Electricity Regulatory Commission (Power Quality) Regulations, 2023 and Regulation 69, 70, 71 & 72 of Chapter XIII of the Conduct of Business Regulations 2005 for allowing time extension to designated consumers for installation of Power Quality Meters.

AND

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

....Petitioner

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

PSPCL: Ms. Harmohan Kaur, CE/ARR&TR
Sh. Rajiv Kapur, Dy.CE/Regulation
Ms. Satwant Kaur, Dy. CE/Metering
Sh. K.S Anand, ASE/No-1
Sh. Jatinderpal Singh Virk/Sr.Xen/PO-Metering
Sh. Lovleen, AEE

ORDER

Vide Order dated 20.09.2023, PSPCL was directed to publish the Public Notice inviting objections/suggestions/comments on the petition from the public/stakeholders. The Public Notice was accordingly published by PSPCL against which objections/written submissions were received from M/s Kannect Engineers Pvt. Ltd., M/s Janitza Electronics GmbH, M/s Energy Electricals and Mandi Gobindgarh Induction Furnace Association.

During the public hearing, Sh. Satiram Tewatia, Director, M/s Kannect emphasized on sufficient availability of stock and of manufacturing capacity to readily cater to the requirement of power quality meters which they had been regularly intimating to PSPCL. While bringing out that they never went out of stock and that there was no pending order from any client, it was requested not to give extension in time for installation of power quality meters. Mr.Hari Balasubramanian, Director, M/s Janitza submitted that their company was capable of readily supplying power quality meters to their partner M/s Kannect to fulfill the demand in the state of Punjab. Sh. Uday Gupta, Director, M/s Energy Electricals confirmed their sufficient stock position and manufacturing capacity of their parent

company. While emphasizing that they readily fulfilled every purchase order for power quality meters, it was requested to provide extension only to the consumers who could prove otherwise. It was also intimated that PSPCL is having maximum two empanelled vendors for HT meters. In the written submission, the President, Mandi Gobindgarh Induction Furnace Association, inter alia, prayed for extension of six months and further period of nine months for checking of harmonics, installation of corrective equipment and stabilization of performance.

The copies of all the objections received be supplied to PSPCL who shall furnish their comments thereon within two weeks.

Vide memo no.7183 dated 03.10.2023, PSPCL submitted that representations were received from industrial associations demanding extension in deadline for installation of power quality meters and accordingly to address various concerns of industrial associations, the instant petition was filed. PSPCL further dwelt upon the reasons for delay in issue of the notices to the designated consumers vis-à-vis the time period of 15 days specified in Regulation 13.5 of PSERC (Power Quality) Regulations, 2023 and also listed out the tender enquiries issued for empanelment of vendors for supply of power quality meters. However, PSPCL failed to specifically explain the reasons for non-empanelment of more vendors despite repeated directions of the Commission to that effect. PSPCL shall examine in detail the reasons for delay in expeditious empanelment of more vendors for supply of power quality meters and shall submit within two weeks the detailed report thereon along with the roadmap for empanelment of more vendors.

The petition shall be taken up for hearing on 08.11.2023 at 11:30 AM.

Sd/-

(Paramjeet Singh)
Member

Chandigarh
Dated: 10.10.2023

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(Viswajeet Khanna)
Chairperson