

**PUBLIC NOTICE****O.P.No. 3 of 2017**

In the matter of according approval for amending the distribution and retail supply licence granted earlier to M/s. Telangana State Southern Power Distribution Company Limited (TSSPDCL) and also to permit taking over of assets falling under the additional area of operation from M/s. Telangana state Northern Power Distribution Company Limited (TSPDCL).

Whereas the erstwhile Andhra Pradesh Electricity Regulatory Commission (APERC) has granted license (License No. 13 of 2000) on 29.12.2000 under Section 15 of the Andhra Pradesh Electricity Reform Act, 1998 (State Act No. 30 of 1998) to the Central Power Distribution Company of Andhra Pradesh Limited (APCPDCL), a company incorporated under the Companies Act, 1956 and having registered office at 2nd Floor, Vidyut Soudha, Khairatabad, Hyderabad for carrying on the business of distribution and retail supply of electricity within the area of supply of Kurnool, Anantapur, Hyderabad, Ranga Reddy, Nalgonda, Medak and Mahaboob Nagar Districts for a period of 30 years.

And whereas, the Government of India enacted the Andhra Pradesh Reorganisation Act, 2014 (Central Act No. 6 of 2014) carving out to new states of Telangana and Andhra Pradesh. Consequent thereto and after the State of Telangana coming into being as such, the erstwhile APCPDCL has been now renamed as Southern Power Distribution Company Limited of Telangana State (TSSPDCL). The area of operation has been curtailed to 5 districts of the erstwhile State of Andhra Pradesh leaving the districts of Kurnool and Anantapur to be included in the present State of Andhra Pradesh and consequently clubbed to Southern Power Distribution Company Limited of Andhra Pradesh (APSPDCL) by virtue of schedule XII of the Central Act No. 6 of 2014.

And whereas, the TSSPDCL has proposed and sought approval of amending the licence on the following two aspects. (i) Change the name of the distribution license from "Central Power Distribution Company of Andhra Pradesh Ltd. (APCPDCL)." to "Southern Power Distribution Company of Telangana Limited (TSSPDCL)." (ii) Amending the area of distribution and retail supply by deleting the "Kurnool, Anantapur, Hyderabad, Ranga Reddy, Nalgonda, Medak and Mahaboob Nagar including cantonment, aerodrome, fortresses, arsenal, dockyard or camp or any building or place in occupation of Central Government for defence purposes and without however affecting the rights of any other licensee or exemption holder, as the case may be, under Sections 15 and 16 of the Act" and by adding "Sangareddy, Medak, Siddipet, Yadadri, Suryapet, Nalgonda, Nagarkurnool, Wanaparthy, Jogulamba, Mahabubnagar, Ranga Reddy, Medchal - Malkajgiri, Vikarabad and Hyderabad including cantonment, aerodrome, fortresses, arsenal, dockyard or camp or any building or place in occupation of Central Government for defence purposes and without however affecting the rights of any other Licensee or exemption holder, as the case may be, under Section 14 of Electricity Act, 2003."

Whereas, the Government of Telangana State, in order to facilitate better administration, has initiated and notified new districts by undertaking the redrawing of boundaries of the existing districts in the State. Consequently, pursuant G. O. Ms. No. 238 to 251 dated 11.10.2016 forming new districts with new boundaries resulting in additional 9 more districts apart from the existing 5 districts in the area of operation of TSSPDCL. In those circumstances, the TSSPDCL now seeks orders of the Commission to amend the existing licence as stated above.

The application along with enclosures and the existing licence are available at the corporate office of TSSPDCL as well as the offices of the Superintending Engineer of the existing circles. The application and all other documents can be inspected during office hours and if required obtain copies of the same from the above said offices on payment of reasonable charges not exceeding photocopying charges.

The Commission desires that all the stakeholders, interested persons and others in the matter and public at large may offer their comments, objections and suggestions on the proposed amendments. The comments, objections and suggestions shall be filed in the form prescribed in Regulation No. 2 of 2015 being Conduct of Business Regulation available on the website of the Commission at www.tserc.gov.in. The comments, objections and suggestions shall be filed in 6 copies address. to the Secretary within 30 days from the date of the first publication of the notice.

The Comments and suggestions may be filed either in writing addressed to the Secretary TSERC at the above address or sent by email to secy@tserc.gov.in. However, in that event of mailing the objections, the same shall be sent in 3 copies as post copy confirmation. The comments, objections and suggestions should be filed before the Commission on or before 5.00 PM on 28.02.2017 with a copy of such comments served to TSSPDCL for its response.

Place: Hyderabad

Date: 28.01.2017

Sd/ COMMISSION SECRETARY