RAJASTHAN ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION

Petition No. RERC/243/11
Petition No. RERC/249/11

In the matter of petitions filed by M/s Aravali Transmission Service Company Ltd. (ATSCCL) and M/s Maru Transmission Service Company Ltd. (MTSCL) for grant of licence for transmission of electricity.

Coram:
Sh. D.C. Samant, Chairman
Sh. S.K. Mittal, Member
Sh. S. Dhawan, Member

Petitioner:
1. M/s Aravali Transmission Service Company Ltd. (243/11)
2. M/s Maru Transmission Service Company Ltd. (249/11)

Date of order: 14th Aug, 2012

ORDER

1. M/s Aravali Transmission Service Company Ltd. (ATSCCL) filed petition for grant of licence for transmission of electricity on 25.01.2011 for 400 kV S/C Hindaun - Alwar line with 400 kV/220 kV GSS at Alwar & associated works and M/s Maru Transmission Service Company Ltd. (MTSCL) also filed petition for grant of licence for transmission of electricity on 18.2.2011 for 400 kV S/C Bikaner-Deedwana-Ajmer line with 400/220 kV GSS at Deedwana & associated works.

Facts of the case

2. M/s Rajasthani Rajya Vidyut Prasaran Nigam Ltd., (RVPN), functioned as Bid Process Coordinator (BPC) for both the cases and invited Request for Proposals (RFP) for selection of Transmission service Provider (TSP) through competitive bidding process to establish transmission system. Petitioners were incorporated by RVPN as its wholly owned subsidiary, to initiate the work on identified transmission projects and subsequently to act as Transmission Service Provider, after being acquired by successful bidder. On evaluation of bids M/s GMR Energy Limited was declared lowest bidder which subsequently acquired Petitioner Companies after execution of share purchase agreement. The petitioners signed Transmission Service Agreement (TSA) with JVVNL, AVVNL & Jd. VVNL (Discoms) and filed petitions before Commission for adoption of tariff & grant of licence.
3. Since the petitioners sought licence on the basis of being selected through competitive bidding process, Commission deemed it appropriate to first proceed with petitions for adoption of transmission tariff. The Commission while disposing of the said petitions for adoption of tariff, vide its order dated 30.09.11, held that the process followed for selection of successful bidders had not been in accordance with the guidelines of the Central Government, & therefore, the proposed tariff cannot be adopted under Section 63 of the Electricity Act, 2003 (herein after referred as the Act). The Commission vide its order dated 24.10.11, also rejected the applications filed by the petitioners for grant of licence, as consequential fall-out of rejection of petitions for adoption of tariff.

4. Subsequently, aggrieved with the said order petitioners filed appeal before the Hon’ble APTEL which allowed appeal of petitioners through its decision dated 16.04.2012, and remanded the cases back to the Commission for consequential appropriate orders.

5. Commission vide its order dated 01.06.12, adopted the transmission charges in respect of both the cases arrived through the process of competitive bidding in the light of APTEL’s judgment. Consequently, Commission also decided to grant Licence to petitioners and as per RERC (Licensing) Regulations 2004, the public notices for grant of transmission licence, with details of proposed line(s) & sub-station(s), were got published by the Commission, in the following newspapers, on the dates shown against each:

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6. In response to the public notice no suggestion/objection has been received. The STU has already recommended the grant of Transmission Licence to petitioners. We are satisfied that the applicant companies meet the requirements of the Act for grant of transmission licence for the transmission system mentioned below. Accordingly, we direct that a transmission licence be granted to ATSCL and MTSCL for the following lines & substations:

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7. The grant of transmission licence to the applicants is subject to the fulfilment of the following conditions throughout the period of licence:

(a) The transmission licences shall, unless revoked earlier, remain in force for a period of 25 years;

(b) The transmission licensee shall comply with the provisions of the Rajasthan Electricity Regulatory Commission (Conditions of Licence) Regulations, 2004 or any subsequent enactment thereof during the period of subsistence of the licence;

(c) If the useful life of the transmission system extends beyond the period of 25 years, the applicant may make an application, two years before the expiry of initial licence period, for grant of licence for another term which shall be considered by the Commission in accordance with law;
(d) The transmission licensee shall not enter into any contract for or otherwise engage in the business of trading in electricity during the period of subsistence of the transmission licence;

(e) The transmission licensee shall have the liability to pay the license fee in accordance with the provisions of the Rajasthan Electricity Regulatory Commission (Fees for petitions) Regulations, 2005, as amended from time to time or any of other regulations in force. Delay in payment or non-payment of licence fee or a part thereof for a period exceeding sixty days shall be construed as breach of the terms and conditions of licence;

(f) The transmission licensee shall comply with the directions of the National/ Regional/ State Load Despatch Centre under the Act, as may be issued from time to time for maintaining the availability of the transmission system;

(g) The transmission licensee shall abide by the Rajasthan Electricity Regulatory Commission (Transmission Licensee’s Standards of Performance) Regulations, 2004;

(h) The transmission licensee shall furnish to the Commission such information, documents and details related to the Licensed Business and/or the Other Business of the Transmission Licensee as the Commission may require;

(i) The transmission licensee shall establish adequate telemetering, SCADA, data transfer and communication facilities as required by SLDC.

(j) The transmission licensee shall pay to the State Load Despatch Centre such fee as may be specified by the Commission;

(k) Where the transmission licensee fails, omits or neglects to undertake transmission in electricity, the transmission licence shall be subject to revocation in accordance with the provisions of the Act;

(l) The transmission licensee shall comply with the conditions agreed in Transmission Service Agreement;

(m) The transmission licensee shall provide non-discriminatory open access to its transmission system for use by any other licensee, including a distribution licensee or an electricity trader, or generating company or any other person in accordance with the Act and Regulations as amended from time to time;
(n) The Transmission Licensee shall as soon as practicable, report to the Commission:

(i) any change in major shareholding, ownership or management of the licensee; and

(ii) any proceedings initiated by one or more of the parties signing the agreement for interpretation, amendment or termination of the agreement;

(o) The transmission licensee shall abide by the provisions of the Act, the rules and regulations framed thereunder, in particular the transmission licence regulations, the Grid Code, the Standards specified by the Central Electricity Authority, orders and directions of the Commission issued from time to time.

(p) The interpretation of the Licence and the terms and conditions thereof shall be as determined by the Commission.

8. The licenses shall come into force, w.e.f. 15th September, 2012, before which the licensees shall deposit the security amount, indicated in the licences.

9. The licences in Form - 6, as specified in the RERC (Licensing) Regulations 2004, and appended herewith, may be issued under the signature of the Secretary to the Commission.

(S. Dhawan) (S.K. Mittal) (D.C. Samant)
Member Member Chairman
LICENCE
(Licence for Transmission of Electricity under the Electricity Act, 2003)

RERC/Transmission Licence/8 Date: 14th August, 2012

Licence is hereby granted for transmission of electricity to the person whose name and address is given below with powers and upon terms and conditions specified hereunder:

1. Name of the Licensee:
   Maru Transmission Service Company Limited

2. Address of the Licensee:
   Skip House, 25/1 Museum Road, Banglore – 560 025

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE LICENCE

1. Security
   The licensee shall deposit as security an amount of ₹ 10.00 lacs (₹ Ten Lacs) before the date of commencement of this licence towards fulfillment of terms and conditions of this licence and efficient discharge of duties and obligations imposed upon him by this licence.

2. Area of transmission
   The licensee is authorised to transmit electricity through the transmission system specified in clause 3 below.

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4. **Compliance with provisions of the Act**

The licensee shall comply with the provisions of the Electricity Act, 2003, and rules and regulations made thereunder.

5. **Terms of licence**

(1) The date of commencement of this licence shall be **15th September, 2012**.

(2) The licence shall be in force for a period of **twenty five years** from the date of its commencement unless the licence is revoked earlier.

6. **General conditions of licence**

In addition to the said terms and conditions of this licence, the general conditions of licence specified by the Commission in the order dated 14th August, 2012 granting licence, shall apply to the licensee and shall also be deemed to be the conditions of this licence.

7. **Revocation of licence**

The licence shall be liable to revocation under section 19 of the Electricity Act, 2003, for reasons mentioned therein and also for breach of any terms or conditions of this licence or the conditions specified by the Commission under section 16 of the Act.

By orders of the Commission

(G.K. Sharma)
Secretary
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