Karnataka Electricity Regulatory Commission, Bengaluru-560001

Notification
No. Y/03/16/ 2641 dated 21.02.2017

KERC (Procurement of Energy from Renewable Sources) (Fourth Amendment) Regulations, 2016

**Preamble**

The Commission had published the draft of the Regulations to further amend KERC (Procurement of Energy from Renewable Sources) Regulations, 2011 [called as Principal Regulations], inviting comments, views and suggestions from the stakeholders as required under sub-section (3) of Section 181 of the Electricity Act, 2003. The Commission also held a public hearing in the matter on 25.01.2017. After considering the views/comments/suggestions of the Stakeholders, the Commission, in exercise of the powers conferred under clause (c) of sub-section (1) of Section 86 read with Section 181 of the Electricity Act, 2003 (Central Act 36 of 2003) and all other powers enabling it in this behalf, hereby, makes the Regulations, namely,

1. **Short Title, Application and Commencement.** –

   (i) These Regulations may be called as the Karnataka Electricity Regulatory Commission (Procurement of Energy from Renewable Sources) (Fourth Amendment) Regulations, 2016.

   (ii) These Regulations shall extend to the whole of the State of Karnataka.

   (iii) These Regulations shall come into force from the financial year 2016-17.

2. **Amendment of Regulation 5.** - In the Karnataka Electricity Regulatory Commission (Procurement of Energy from Renewable Sources) Regulations, 2011, for Regulation 5, the following shall be substituted namely. –
"5. Alternative modes of compliance of RPO. -

Every Distribution Licensee, Captive Consumer and Open Access Consumer[hereinafter, referred to as the obligated entity] specified in Regulation-2, may purchase REC or consume electricity generated from its own Renewable Energy Power Plant (grid-connected or otherwise), to meet either partly or entirely, its RPO specified in Regulation 4.

Provided that the Solar RPO of the obligated entity shall be fulfilled by purchase of Solar RECs or consumption of electricity from its own Solar Power Plant.

Provided further that the capacity of the Renewable Energy Power Plant owned by the obligated entity shall not be less than 250 kW.

Provided also that suitable metering and communication arrangement with the SLDC shall be established for such Renewable Energy Power Plant by the obligated entity for the purpose of monitoring the RPO compliance.

Provided also that SLDC, within 30 days from the notification of these Regulations, shall prepare a detailed procedure for metering, communication, reporting and monitoring of RPO compliance and host the same on its website.

Provided also that the obligated entity shall not have availed RECs in respect of the quantum of electricity consumed from its own Renewable Energy Power Plant for meeting its RPO."

By Approval of the Commission

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