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New Delhi, the 20<sup>th</sup> September, 2013

To,

1. The Chairperson, Central Electricity Authority, Sewa Bhavan, R.K. Puram, New Delhi
2. The Secretary, Central Electricity Regulatory Commission (CERC)/FOR, Chanderlok Building, Janpath New Delhi
3. Principal Secretaries/Secretaries (Power/Energy) of all State Governments/UTs
4. Secretaries of All State Electricity Regulatory Commissions/JERCs.
5. Chairman/CMDs of all PSUs under administrative control of Ministry of Power
6. CEO, POSOCO, New Delhi
7. DG, Bureau of Energy Efficiency, New Delhi
8. CMDs/MDs of Discoms of all State Governments
9. Chairman, State Electricity Boards

**Subject: Model Bidding Documents for DBFOT power projects/UMPPs- reg.**

Sir,

I am directed to state that the Ministry of Power had issued Standard Bidding Documents (SBDs) for Case-2 (fuel or location specified) power projects on 31.3.2006 which were also used for Ultra Mega Power Projects (UMPPs). These Documents were amended from time to time.

2. Following the decision taken in the meeting of the Empowered Group of Ministers on UMPPs (EGoM) held in September, 2007 and January, 2010, it was decided to review and revise the aforesaid documents based on the experience gained. Accordingly, the draft Model Power Purchase Agreement (Model PPA) was prepared and circulated on 7<sup>th</sup> September, 2012 for seeking comments of stakeholders and experts. An Inter-Ministerial Group (IMG) was also constituted under the chairmanship of Secretary (Power) to consider the suggestions received from time to time and to finalise the draft MPPA. Several meetings were held over a period of nine months with diverse stakeholders and experts in order to elicit views and build consensus. As an outcome of this process, the IMG finalized the draft MPPA, the draft Model Request for Qualifications (Model RFQ) and the draft Model Request for Proposals (Model RFP), collectively the model bidding documents (MBDs) for construction and operation of power stations on Design, Build, Finance, Operate and Transfer (DBFOT) basis.

3. The aforesaid MBDs were placed before the EGOM for consideration and approval in its meetings held on August 8, 2013 and August 23, 2013. While approving the said MBDs, the EGOM directed the IMG to make certain modifications to reflect the decisions of the EGOM and finalise the documents. Accordingly, the relevant clauses in the MBDs have been suitably modified by the IMG.


4. Following the approval of the competent authority, it has been decided to circulate the aforesaid MBDs comprising the Model RFQ, Model RFP and the Model PPA for construction and operation of power generation projects/ UMPPs on DBFOT basis. Accordingly, a copy each of the aforesaid documents is enclosed for your perusal and record.

5. It has also been decided to issue guidelines under section 63 of the Electricity Act 2003 to enable the utilities to use the aforesaid model bidding documents for inviting tariff based bids for construction and operation of power stations/ UMPPs on DBFOT basis for supply of electricity to such utilities. These guidelines are proposed to be issued shortly.

6. In view of the above, I am directed to state that upon issue of the guidelines referred to above, all power utilities intending to invite prospective power producers to construct and operate thermal power generating stations on DBFOT basis for supply of electricity may adopt the aforesaid model bidding documents for inviting bids henceforth.

Encl: As Above

Yours faithfully,

  
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- ii) Secretary, Department of Economic Affairs, New Delhi.
- iii) Secretary, Ministry of Corporate Affairs, New Delhi.
- iv) Secretary, Ministry of Coal, New Delhi.
- v) Secretary, Department of Environment & Forest, New Delhi
- vi) Secretary, Ministry of New and Renewable Energy, New Delhi
- vii) Secretary, Deptt. of Legal Affairs, Ministry of Law & Justice, New Delhi
- viii) Secretary, Central Vigilance Commission, 'A' Block, CPO Complex, INA, New Delhi
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