BEFORE THE UTTAR PRADESH ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION, LUCKNOW.

IIA Reference No: 3/UPERC/11927

Date: 9th April 2015

In the matter of Public notice issued by Noida Power Company Limited (NPCL) regarding petition filed in pursuant to Regulation 135 of the Uttar Pradesh Electricity Regulatory Commission (Conduct of Business) Regulations, 2004 read with Section 64 (1) of the Electricity Act, 2003 and Section 24(4) of the UP Electricity Reforms Act, 1999 and in accordance with the provisions of the Uttar Pradesh Electricity Regulatory Commission (Terms and Conditions for Determination of Distribution Tariff) Regulations 2006 for their ARR and Tariff proposals for the year 2015-16.

AND

In the matter of Objections and Comments of Indian Industries Association, Vibhuti Khand, Gomti Nagar, Lucknow through its Executive Director-D.S.Verma.

MOST RESPECTFULLY, WE WISH TO PLACE THE FOLLOWING FACTS / VIEWS/OBJECTIONS AND COMMENTS OF THE INDIAN INDUSTRIES ASSOCIATION BEFORE THE HON'BLE COMMISSION:-

- 1. That Indian Industries Association (IIA) is an Industry Association of Micro, Small and Medium industries (MSMEs) in U.P. One of the objectives of the Association is to ensure uninterrupted, good quality and reasonably priced supply of industrial inputs to MSMEs so that they could contribute to the socio-economic development of the State.
- 2. That Indian Industries Association have its Chapters in Gautam Budh Nagar where NPCL is supplying Electrical Power to our Members.
- 3. That the views expressed hereunder on ARR and Tariff proposal of NPCL for the year 2015-16 are the combined views of the members of the Association in general, while its members are free to place their views before the Hon'ble Commission.
- 4. That other points if any will be submitted by Indian Industries Association during the public hearing of Hon,ble Commission to be held at different places in Uttar Pradesh in times to come.

SPECIFIC OBJECTIONS:

- (A) The last revision of tariff including regulatory surcharge for retail consumers had been implemented only in the month of Oct 2014 and as per electricity act 2003 revision of tariff before completion of 12 months is unjustified.
- (B) NPCL is already charging 5% extra regulatory surcharge compared to other DISCOMs in U.P.As such in the same state there are two Electricity Tariffs and unfair competition. This inequality may please be removed.
- (C) Line losses in NPCL are very low compared to other DISCOMs, still the consumers have to pay higher electricity charges compared to other DISCOMs. The lower losses are due to co-operatio of the consumers.
- (D) Industries in Greater Noida / surrounding areas where NPCL is supplying power are facing stiff competition not only intra state but interstate as well . Therefore any further increase in the tariff will be a great setback to the local industry.
- (E) NPCL was granted contract in Greater Noida with the commitment to install its own Power Plant. But they have failed to do so till date. This is why there is acute shortage of power availability in Greater Noida. Hon,ble Commission may order NPCL to full fill their commitment.
- (F) NPCL in their presentations before the Hon,ble Commission claims to compare themselves with private companies in Mumbai and Delhi. Whereas the real situation is not like that. The quality and availability of power supply given by NPCL is no where near to that of supply available in Mumbai or Delhi. Tripping of Power in greater Noida is very high. Generally it is more than11 time /day. Hon,ble Commission may direct NPCL to maintain quality standards as prescribed by the Hon.ble Commission and compensate for any deficiency.

<u>AFFIDAVIT</u>

I, D.S.Verma, aged about 61 years S/O late Shri S.R.Verma employed in Indian Industries Association, Vibhuti Khand Gomati nagar, Lucknow do solemnly affirm and say on oath as follows:

- 1. That I am the applicant / objectioner in the above matter and am duly authorised to make this affidavit on behalf of the Indian Industries Association.
- 2. That the statements made by me in the application / objections are true to my personal knowledge and belief.

Lucknow Deponent
Dated: 9th April 2015 (D.S.Verma)

Verification

I the above deponent do hereby verify that the contents of para 1 and 2 of this affidavit are true to my personal knowledge. No part of it is false. So help me God.

Lucknow Deponent
Dated: 9th April 2015 (D.S. Verma)