BEFORE THE HON'BLE MEGHALAYA STATE ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION SHILLONG, MEGHALAYA

Case No. 36/2023

IN THE MATTER OF:

Petition for approval of True-up of Distribution Business for FY 2022-23

AND

Meghalaya. Power Distribution Corporation Limited (MePDCL)
...Petitioner

AND IN THE MATTER OF:

Sections 62 and 64 of the Electricity Act, 2003 and Regulation 11 of the Meghalaya State Electricity Commission Muti-Year Tariff Regulations, 2014

The Humble application of

The Petitioner MePDCL

MOST RESPECTFULLY SHOWETH:

1. That the instant application is being filed by the Petitioner (MePDCL) bringing on record the order passed by the Hon'ble High Court of Meghalaya dated 23.07.2024 passed in WP (C) No. 218 of 2024 Meghalaya Power Distribution

Director (Distribution)

Corporation Ltd vs Meghalaya State Electricity Commission. The Petitioner seeks re-hearing of its petition for True-up of Business for FY 2022-23 in terms of the order dated 23.07.2024 passed by the Hon'ble High Court. A Copy of the Order dated 23.07.2024 passed in WP (C) No. 218 of 2024 Meghalaya Power Distribution Corporation Ltd vs Meghalaya State Electricity Commission is annexed herewith and marked as Annexure A/1.

- 2. That it is submitted that the Petitioner had filed its petition True-up of Business for FY 2022-23 on 29.11.2023.
- 3. This Hon'ble Commission vide order dated 05.06.2024 passed the True-up order on the petition of the Petitioner.
- 4. The said order was passed in absence of the Chairman / Chairperson of this Hon'ble Commission and was in contravention of Regulation 18(3) of the MSERC (Conduct of Business) Regulations, 2006 and on a number of other grounds. There was no quorum and it is settled principles of the law that one who hears shall decide the matter. It is also not in dispute that the Chairman of the Hon'ble Commission retired on 12.05.2024 before the order dated 05.06.2024 and 06.06.2024. Therefore the orders above were no orders in the eyes of law. In other words, the orders dated 05.06.2024 and 06.06.2024 were *non-est*.
- 5. That it is submitted that the True-up order dated 05.06.2024 was challenged by the Petitioner before the Hon'ble High Court of Meghalaya vide WP (C) 218 of 2024. The Hon'ble High Court vide order dated 25.06.2024 stayed the impugned order 05.06.2024. A copy of the order dated 25.06.2024

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passed in WP(C) 216 of 2024 by the Hon'ble High Court of Meghalaya is annexed herewith and marked as **ANNEXURE** A/2.

- 6. That it is submitted that a statement was made by the counsel of the Commission that the orders dated 05.06.2024 and 06.06.2024 will be taken up for reconsideration afresh by this Hon'ble Commission. The said statement was duly noted by the Hon'ble High Court vide order dated 23.07.2024. It is also relevant to mention here that the order was also passed by the Hon'ble High Court in the presence of one of the consumers i.e., Byrinhat Industries Association.
- 7. That it is submitted that in view of the statement made on behalf of the Commission, the prayer of the Petitioner in the Writ Petition was duly accepted and no *lis* survived in the Writ Petition. The Hon'ble High Court after noting the submissions closed the Writ Petition with liberty to reagitate the matter afresh before this Hon'ble Commission.

PRAYER

In premises of the aforesaid, it is most humbly prayed that this Hon'ble Commission may be pleased to grant the following:

- i. Re-hear the petition filed by Meghalaya Power Generation Corporation Ltd for True-up of Business for FY 2022-23 on 29.11.2023 in terms of the order dated 23.07.2024 passed by the Hon'ble High Court of Meghalaya in WP (C) 218 of 2024;
- ii. Consequently recall the order dated 05.06.2024 and pass fresh orders; and



iii. Pass any other order which the Hon'ble Commission deems fit and proper in the facts and circumstances of the instant case.

It is prayed accordingly.

AND FOR THIS ACT OF KINDNESS THE HUMBLE PETITIONER SHALL FOREVER BE GRATEFUL.

For Meghalaya Power Distribution Corporation Limited

Authorised Signatory Director (Distribution)

MePDCL, Shillong

Filed on: 31.07.2024

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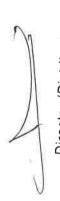
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AFFIDAVIT

- I, Shri Pynkhrawbor Sahkhar, S/o (L) D. Blah, aged about 57 years, the Director (Distribution) of Meghalaya Power Distribution Corporation Limited, Shillong having office at MeECL Healdquarters, Lumjingshai, Short Round Road, Shillong 793001, do hereby solemnly affirm and state as under:
- 1. That I am the Director (Distribution) of Meghalaya Power Distribution Corporation Limited, Shillong and in my official capacity I am conversant with the facts and records of the case and competent and authorized to swear this affidavit on behalf of Respondent Meghalaya Power Distribution Corporation Limited.
- 2. That the accompanying application on behalf of Respondent Meghalaya Power Distribution Corporation Limited is true



and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief and information received and believed to be correct as derived from the official records of the Respondent Meghalaya Power Distribution Corporation Limited.

3. That to the best of my knowledge nothing in the accompanying application is false and nothing material has been concealed therefrom.

DEPONENT
Director (Distribution)
MePDCL, Shillong

VERFICATION:

Verified on this 31st day of July, 2024 at Shillong that the content of the above affidavit is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief and information received and believed to be correct as derived from the official records of the Respondent Meghalaya Power Distribution Corporation Limited and that nothing is false and nothing material has been concealed therefrom.

DEPONENT
Director (Distribution)
MePDCL, Shillong