Draft Scheme for Supply of Round-The-Clock (RTC) Power for RE Power Projects, Complemented with Power from Thermal Power Projects

HIGHLIGHTS

Nodal Agency	Ministry of New and Renewable Energy (MNRE).
Applicable Technologies	Variable renewable energy sources (VRES). Thermal (coal or gas) power plant (TPP).
Share of Energy	 Annually, the generator must supply a minimum 51% from VRES and the remainder from TPP. The generator also needs to maintain an 80% availability factor without affecting the above criterion. To facilitate this condition, usage of Energy Storage System may be implemented.

	Tariff	 A composite single tariff for renewable energy complemented with thermal energy shall be quoted at the delivery point which shall be at the CTU interconnection point. Transmission-related losses and charges from the delivery point shall be borne by the DISCOMs. Generators shall access and bear the cost of obtaining open access for supply of power up to CTU/STU interconnection point. Tariffs for solar, wind and small hydro power are not indexed with any prices, but tariffs for thermal power are indexed with the price of coal. The composite tariff shall be divided into composite fixed charges and composite variable charges by the bidder. The bids shall be evaluated for the composite levelised tariff. If the bidder quotes a firm composite variable charge for all years of supply, then the bid will be evaluated based on the variable charge proposed and the composite tariff thereof. As an alternative to dividing the composite levelised tariff into composite fixed charge and variable charge, the bidder may use normative composite fixed charges and variable
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OTHER PROVISIONS

In the event of shortfall both in availability factor below 80% and shortfall in supply of VRES energy below 51% of the total power supplied, the maximum of two penalties shall be applicable as per State regulation.
 VRES and Energy Storage System charged with VRES sources under this scheme are eligible for RPO compliance. The apportionment of RPO between solar & non-solar may be on the lines of the principle adopted for hybrid plants.