COURT-I

Before the Appellate Tribunal for Electricity (Appellate Jurisdiction)

IA No. 308 of 2016 in DFR No. 1403 of 2016

Dated: 3rd June, 2016

Present: Hon'ble Mrs. Justice Ranjana P. Desai, Chairperson

Hon'ble Mr. B.N. Talukdar, Technical Member

In the matter of:

Central U.P. Gas Ltd. ...Appellant(s)

Versus

Petroleum & Natural Gas Regulatory Board ... Respondent(s)

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ORDER

IA No. 308 of 2016 (Appl. for condonation of delay)

There is 177 days delay in filing this appeal. Hence, this application is filed praying that the delay may be condoned.

The impugned order is dated 12.10.2015. It appears that since this Tribunal was not functional at that time, the Appellant had approached the Delhi High Court by filing Writ Petition (c) No. 11548 of 2015 challenging the impugned order. On 22.04.2016, the Delhi High Court passed the following order:-

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"Since the Appellate Tribunal for Electricity (APTEL) is

now functional, learned senior counsel for the petitioner

wishes to withdraw the present writ petitions with liberty

to approach the APTEL.

With the aforesaid liberty, the present writ petitions are

disposed of. It is clarified that in the event, appropriate

petitions are filed with the APTEL within a period of two

weeks, the same shall not be dismissed on the ground of

limitation."

Pursuant to this order, the Appellant has filed the present

appeal. Since the Appellant had approached the Delhi High court

because this Tribunal was not functional, the delay will have to be

condoned. The delay is accordingly condoned. The application is

disposed of.

Registry is directed to number the appeal and list the matter

for admission on <u>05th August</u>, <u>2016</u>.

(B.N. Talukdar) Technical Member

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(Justice Ranjana P. Desai)

Chairperson