Before the Appellate Tribunal for Electricity (Appellate Jurisdiction)

Appeal Nos. 166 of 2011, 150 of 2011, 168 of 2011, 172 of 2011, 173 of 2011, 09 of 2012 & I.A. No. 14 of 2012, 18 of 2012, 29 of 2012, 26 of 2012 & 38 of 2012

Dated: 5th July, 2012

Present: Hon'ble Mr. Rakesh Nath, Technical Member

Hon'ble Mr. Justice P.S. Datta, Judicial Member

Appeal No. 166 of 2011

In the matter of:

Biomass Energy Developers

Association & Ors. ... Appellant (s)

Versus

Andhra Pradesh Electricity

Regulatory Commission &Ors. ... Respondent (s)

Counsel for the Appellant(s) : Mr. K. Gopal Choudary

Counsel for the Respondent(s) : Mr. A. Mariarputham, Sr. Adv.

Mr. A. Subba Rao

Mr. A.T. Rao Mr. Yusuf Khan

Appeal No. 150 of 2011

M/s SLS Power Limited ... Appellant (s)

Versus

Andhra Pradesh Electricity

Regulatory Commission &Ors. ... Respondent (s)

Counsel for the Appellant(s) : Mr. M.G. Ramachandran

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Appeal No. 168 of 2011

South Indian Sugar Mills

Association & Ors. ... Appellant (s)

Versus

Andhra Pradesh Electricity

Regulatory Commission &Ors. ... Respondent (s)

Counsel for the Appellant(s) : None

Counsel for the Respondent(s) : Mr. A. Mariarputham, Sr. Adv.

Mr. A. Subba Rao Mr. A.T. Rao Mr. Yusuf Khan

Appeal No. 172 of 2011

Sardar Power Private Limited ... Appellant (s)

Versus

Andhra Pradesh Electricity

Regulatory Commission &Ors. ... Respondent (s)

Counsel for the Appellant(s) : K. Gopal Choudary

Counsel for the Respondent(s) : Mr. A. Mariarputham, Sr. Adv.

Mr. A. Subba Rao Mr. A.T. Rao Mr. Yusuf Khan

Appeal No. 173 of 2011 &IA No. 60 of 2012

M/s K.M. Power Private

Limited & Ors. ... Appellant (s)

Versus

Andhra Pradesh Electricity Regulatory

Commission & Ors. ... Respondent (s)

Counsel for the Appellant(s) : Mr. M.G. Ramachandran

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Appeal No. 9 of 2012 & IA No. 14 of 2012

K.C.P Sugars and Industries Corporation Ltd. & Ors. ... Appellant (s)

Versus

Andhra Pradesh Electricity Regulatory

Commission & Ors. Respondent (s)

Counsel for the Appellant(s) : None

Counsel for the Respondent(s) : Mr. A. Mariarputham,

Sr. Adv.

Mr. A. Subba Rao Mr. A.T. Rao Mr. Yusuf Khan

Appeal No. 18 of 2012 & IA No. 61 / 2012

Central Power Distribution Co. of A.P.

... Appellant (s)

Versus

Bollineni Castings Ltd. & Ors. ... Respondent (s)

Counsel for the Appellant (s) : Mr. A. Mariarputham,

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Counsel for the Respondent(s) : Mr. K. Gopal Choudary

Ms. Swapna Sheshdri for

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Appeal No. 29 of 2012 & IA No. 52 of 2012

M/s. Bollineri Castings and Steels Ltd.

Appellant (s)

Versus Andhra Pradesh Electricity Regulatory Commission & Ors. Respondent (s) Counsel for the Appellant(s) : None Counsel for the Respondent(s) Mr. A. Mariarputham, Sr. Adv. Mr. A. Subba Rao Mr. A.T. Rao Mr. Yusuf Khan Appeal No. 26 of 2012 & IA No. 46 of 2012 M/s.Kakatiya Cement Sugar & Industries Ltd Appellant (s) Versus Andhra Pradesh Electricity Regulatory Commission & Ors. Respondent (s) Counsel for the Appellant(s) None Counsel for the Respondent(s) Mr. A. Mariarputham, Sr. Adv. Mr. A. Subba Rao Mr. A.T. Rao Mr. Yusuf Khan Appeal No. 38 of 2012 & IA No. 69 of 2012 M/s. Agri Gold Project Ltd.& Ors. Appellant (s) Versus Andhra Pradesh Electricity Regulatory Commission & Ors. Respondent (s) Counsel for the Appellant(s)

: None

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Mr. A. Subba Rao

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Mr. Yusuf Khan

ORDER

Shri Gopal Choudhary, learned counsel for the appellant generating company pointed out that the learned counsel for the Discoms has raised objections to one of the clauses in the bank guarantee furnished by M/s. Varam Power Projects Pvt. Ltd. Even though the bank guarantee is valid for a period of six months i.e. upto 04.12.2012, as required, but there is an additional clause which states that unless a claim is addressed to and delivered to the bank on or before 04.03.13, all the liabilities of the bank under the guarantee shall cease. According to Shri Gopal Choudary this clause does not in any way affect the rights of the Discoms but provides additional facility to raise their claim before the bank within six months after the date of validity of the LC. We have heard the learned counsel for the Discoms. His contention is that this clause may be deleted as this was not envisaged in the agreed format of the bank guarantee. We find that the LC is valid upto 04.12.2012 as required but the additional clause only gives time to the Discoms to furnish its claim to the Bank upto 04.03.2013. Thus, this additional clause does not appear to be detrimental to the rights of the Discoms but may be beneficial to them. Accordingly, necessary directions will be given to the Registry.

Heard the learned counsel for the appellant in Appeal No. 173 of 2011. Learned counsel for the appellant in Appeal No. 166 of 2011 seeks some time to file

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written submissions. He is permitted to file the same by 19th July, 2012 and 10 days thereafter, the learned counsel for the respondents may file their respective written submissions.

Learned counsel for the appellant in Appeal No. 173 of 2011 files memo. This will be heard on the next date of hearing.

Post the matter for hearing on 19th July, 2012.

(Justice P.S. Datta) Judicial Member (Rakesh Nath)
Technical Member

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