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To

ALL MEMBERS,

Dear Sir,

Sub: Tamil Nadu Government Order to curtail Open Access for below less than 1 MW requirement-

Ref: The G.O. (Ms) No.37 Energy (D1) Department dated 17.04.2018.

With reference to subject cited above, Tamil Nadu Government has issued G.O. (MS) No. 37 dated 17.04.2018 to direct TNERC under Section 108(1) of Electricity Act 2003 to curtail power purchase under open access for less than 1 MW. This GO may require amendment of Intra State Open Access Regulation 2014 by TNERC.

A copy of the GO is enclosed for reference. If current regulation gets amended, SE's may not issue NOC's for availing power under Open Access through CGP arrangement. Consumers who are having less than 1 MW requirement may have to avail supply from TANGEDCO only. Such a decision is not in tune with spirit of Electricity Act made in 2003.

Usually, on receipt of Government's directive, TNERC may call for recommendations from stakeholders either by issuing a Draft Amendment or a Consultative Paper. TNERC's decision may be communicated either by amending Regulation or as issue of separate order.

We may have to wait for further information from TNERC. TECA is monitoring developments and information will be updated as soon received from sources.

We have updated the order copy in our website.

With Warm Regards,

N. Pradeep
Secretary