

Before

UTTARAKHAND ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION

In the matter of:

Non-compliance by UPCL in the matter of directives given to it by the Commission on implementation of Scheme of Prepaid Metering vide Tariff Order dated April 11, 2012 for FY 2012-13.

AND

In the matter of:

Uttarakhand Power Corporation Ltd.

... Respondent

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Shri C.S. Sharma Member-Chairman

Shri K.P. Singh Member

Date of Hearing: May 05, 2014

Date of Order: May 06, 2014

It is observed that implementation of prepaid metering was ordered in the tariff order for FY 2012-13 issued on 11.04.2012. The Respondent has so far failed to comply even after almost 2 years.

It is further observed that on a Show Cause Notice issued under Section 142, MD, UPCL had given a categorical commitment to implement this by 01.02.2014 as recorded in order dated 29.10.2013 of this Commission. It was also mentioned in the aforesaid order that appropriate penalties would be imposed if the commitment made for implementation is not met.

MD, UPCL has neither confirmed implementation nor sought leave of this Commission for delay in implementation.

This hearing was scheduled to hear the MD, UPCL as to why appropriate penalty be not imposed on him for his failure to abide by the commitment given by him. MD, UPCL did not present himself nor sought any postponement of hearing.

The Commission decides to afford another opportunity to MD, UPCL to explain as to why punitive action be not taken against him. Accordingly, this hearing is adjourned to 15.05.2014 at 3.30 PM. If MD, UPCL fails to present himself in this adjourned hearing, it would be presumed that he has nothing to say in his defence and, accordingly, matter would be decided Ex-parte.

(K.P. Singh)
Member

(C.S. Sharma)
Member-Chairman