

Before

## UTTARAKHAND ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION

**In the Matter of:**

Approval of Capital Investment under Para 11 of the Transmission and Bulk Supply Licence [Licence No. 1 of 2003].

**In the Matter of:**

Power Transmission Corporation of Uttarakhand Limited  
7-B, Lane No. 1, Vasant Vihar Enclave  
Dehradun

..... Applicant

**AND**

**In the Matter of:**

Application No. 522/MD/PTCUL/UERC dated 07/04/2012 filed by Power Transmission Corporation of Uttarakhand Limited in connection with protection of 15 nos. tower foundations of 132 kV Bindal-Majra Double Circuit line.

**Coram**

**Shri Jag Mohan Lal                  Chairman**

**Date of Order: April 30, 2012**

**ORDER**

The Petitioner, PTCUL has submitted a proposal for Capital R&M work vide their application No. 522/MD/PTCUL/UERC dated 07.04.2012 to the Commission for approval under Para 11 of Transmission and Bulk Supply Licence [Licence No. 1 of 2003].

2. The investment proposal of the Petitioner relates to protection of 15 nos. tower foundations of 132 kV Bindal-Majra Double Circuit line. The foundations at locations nos.4,6,7,8,9,10,11,12,13,14,15,16,17,18 and 19 are severely damaged due to scouring of Bindal river bed. The exposed and unprotected tower foundations

pose a great threat to houses built around these towers and in any adverse condition can affect the electricity supply of large section of area in and around Dehradun.

3. I.I.T, Roorkee, appointed as the consultants by the Petitioner, has suggested measures for onsite river bed protection of the towers for the line.
4. The cost for carrying out the work has been estimated by the Petitioner to be Rs. 7.00 Crores and the detailed estimate alongwith the DPR has been submitted by the Petitioner. This work has been included in the proposal submitted by the Petitioner to Power Finance Corporation (PFC) for seeking loan assistance of Rs. 37.35 Crores from the financial institutions under the capital R&M works of various divisions of the Petitioner in the State. As per the Petition submitted by the Petitioner, it has been found that against the said amount sought by the Petitioner, a loan of Rs. 26.14 Crores has been sanctioned by PFC.
5. As per the PFC's sanction letter dated 26.05.2009, the rate of interest and repayment of loan is as mentioned in the table given below:

Interest Rate	Interest Rate Reset Period	No. of Quarterly Installments
11.75%	3 <sup>rd</sup> /10 <sup>th</sup> Year	60

The petitioner has opted for interest rate reset period of 3 years.

6. However, conditions of loan as per sanction letter of the PFC also mentions that the interest rate on the said loan shall be at the rate of interest prevailing on the date of each disbursement alongwith interest tax at the rate applicable from time to time.
7. Considering the critical nature of the work necessary for providing strength to the foundations of the towers, the Commission has no objection to the Petitioner going ahead with this capital investment, subject to fulfillment of the following conditions:
  - a. All the loan conditions as may be laid down by PFC in their detailed sanction letter are strictly complied with.
  - b. After completion of the project the Petitioner shall submit the completed cost of the work.
  - c. The additional cost burden, if any, arising from out of the cost or time over

runs or variation in the scope of implementation of the project and shortfalls in the revenue estimates or on any other account shall not be reflected in the Annual Revenue Requirement of the licensee nor shall be allowed to be passed on to the consumers without specific approval of the Commission.

**(Jag Mohan Lal)**  
**Chairman**