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ORDER

Subject: Establishment of National Power Committee (NPC).

Keeping in view the ever growing complexity of Power System, synchronous mode of operation of the entire grid of the country and to evolve a common approach to issues related to reliability and security of the grid, it has been decided with the approval of the Competent Authority to establish the National Power Committee (NPC). The composition of the Committee shall be as under:

1. Chairperson, CEA

Chairperson of NPC

2. Member (GO&D), CEA

Member

3. Chairperson of each of NRPC, WRPC,

SRPC and ERPC

Member

4. Representative of Chairperson, NERPC

Member

5. TCC Chairperson of each RPC

(NRPC, WRPC, SRPC, ERPC, NERPC)

Member

6. Member Secretary of each of NRPC, WRPC,

SRPC, ERPC & NERPC

Member

7. Chief Engineer (Grid Management Div., CEA) -

- Member Secretary

- 2. NPC shall carry out following functions for integrated operation of the power system of the country:
 - (i) To resolve issue among RPCs; and
 - (ii) Discuss and resolve issues referred to NPC requiring consultation among one or more RPCs, concerning inter-alia inter-regional implication or any other issue affecting more than one region or all regions.
- 3. Decisions taken in the NPC shall be considered concurred by respective RPCs for implementation.

The Conduct of Business Rule (CBR) for NPC providing for establishment of the secretariat of NPC, procedure for conduct of meetings of NPC, funding, etc. is at Annex.

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To

1. Chairperson, CEA

2. Member (GO&D), CEA

3. Chairperson of NRPC / WRPC / SRPC / ERPC / NERPC

- 4. TCC Chairperson of each RPC (NRPC / WRPC / SRPC / ERPC / NERPC)
- 4. Member Secretary of NRPC / WRPC / SRPC / ERPC / NERPC
- 5. Chief Engineer (Grid Management Division) CEA.
- 6. Director (Grid Management Division) CEA.

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National Power Committee Conduct of Business Rules

CHAPTER I

GENERAL

1. Short title and commencement:

These rules shall come into force from the date of its formation i.e. 26-09-2011 and shall remain in force unless otherwise modified.

2. Definitions:

- 2.1 In these Rules unless the context otherwise requires:-
 - (a) 'Agenda' means the list of business proposed to be transacted at a meeting of the Committee.
 - (b) 'Committee' means the National Power Committee
 - (c) 'Meeting' means a meeting of the Committee convened by Member Secretary after consultation with Chairperson, NPC.
 - (d) 'Member' means the member of the NPC
 - (e) 'Rule' means National Power Committee (Conduct of Business) Rules, 2011.

3. Composition of NPC:

- 1. Chairperson, CEA Chairperson, NPC
- 2. Chairperson, NRPC
- 3. Chairperson, WRPC
- 4. Chairperson, SRPC
- 5. Chairperson, ERPC
- 6. Representative of Chairperson, NERPC
- 7. Chairperson, TCC of NRPC
- 8. Chairperson, TCC of WRPC
- 9. Chairperson, TCC of SRPC
- 10. Chairperson, TCC of ERPC
- 11. Chairperson, TCC of NERPC
- 12. Member (GO&D), CEA
- 13. Member Secretary, NRPC
- 14. Member Secretary, WRPC
- 15. Member Secretary, SRPC
- 16. Member Secretary, ERPC
- 17. Member Secretary, NERPC
- 18. Chief Engineer, GM Div., CEA Member Secretary, NPC

4. Functions of NPC

NPC shall carry out following functions for integrated operation of the power system of the country:

- (i) To resolve issue among RPCs; and
- (ii) Discuss and resolve issues referred to NPC requiring consultation among one or more RPCs, concerning inter-alia inter-regional implication or any other issue affecting more than one region or all regions

Decisions taken in the NPC shall be considered concurred by the respective RPCs for implementation.

5. Secretariat of NPC

Secretariat of NPC will be provided by CEA and Chief Engineer (Grid Management Division), CEA will be Member Secretary. Secretariat shall perform the following duties namely:

- a) Keep custody of records of proceedings of the Committee meetings.
- b) Prepare agenda for the Committee meetings.
- c) Prepare minutes of Committee meetings.
- d) Take follow-up action on the decision taken in the Committee meetings.
- e) Collect from constituent members or other offices or any other party as may be directed by Committee, such information as may be considered useful for the efficient discharge of functions of the Committee and place the information before the Committee.

CHAPTER II PROCEDURE FOR CONDUCTING NPC MEETINGS

6. Place and date of NPC Meeting

The place and date of the meeting shall be decided by Chairperson, NPC

7. Notice for the Committee Meetings and Agenda

7.1 Notice for the Committee meetings shall be issued by Member Secretary, NPC at least 25 days in advance in consultation with Chairperson, NPC. In case of emergency

meetings required to be conducted to carry out urgent business, notice of one week is to be given.

- 7.2 The Agenda points for the meeting shall be sent to the Member Secretary by the members at least 20 days in advance of the meeting. The Member Secretary, NPC shall finalize the agenda and circulate the same to all its members at least 10 days in advance before the meeting.
- 7.3 Agenda for Committee meeting shall generally be put up after discussions in RPC.
- 7.4 Member Secretary, NPC may also put any agenda involving urgent matters/policy issue directly in consultation with Chairperson, NPC.
- 7.5 Member Secretary, NPC may convene a meeting at short notice on any urgent matter in consultation with Chairperson of the NPC.

9. Effect of Non-receipt of Notice of Meeting by a Member

The non-receipt of notice by any member of NPC shall not invalidate the proceeding of the meeting or any decision taken in the meeting.

10. Cancellation / Re-scheduling of Meeting

If a meeting is required to be cancelled or rescheduled the same shall be intimated to the members at the earliest by telephone / fax.

11. Periodicity of Meetings

The Committee members shall meet at least once in six months. However, the Committee may meet any time to discuss any issue as and when required in consultation with Chairperson, NPC.

12. Quorum of NPC Meeting

- 12.1 The quorum of the meeting shall be 50% of its members.
- 12.2 NPC would take decisions based on majority/general consensus of the strength present.
- 12.3 Members of NPC and NPC Secretariat shall participate in Committee Meetings. The Special invitees by the Committee may also attend the meeting.

13. Presiding Authority

13.1 The Chairperson, NPC shall preside over the meeting of NPC and conduct the meeting. The Member Secretary, NPC shall assist the Chairperson of NPC in conducting the meeting. If the Chairperson is unable to be present at the meeting for any reason, Member (GO&D) would preside over the meeting.

13.2 In the absence of Member Secretary, NPC, Director (Grid Management Div.), CEA shall function as Member Secretary to assist Chairperson, NPC.

14. Recording of the Minutes

14.1 The minutes of the meeting shall be finalized and circulated to all its members by the Member Secretary, NPC normally within 15 working days from the date of the Committee Meeting.

15. Confirmation of the Minutes

Minutes of the NPC meeting shall be placed in the next meeting for confirmation. However, in case of urgency the minutes may be confirmed by circulation.

16. Funding

Requirement of funds for hosting the meetings of NPC would be met through CEA's budgetary provisions. However, NPC may decide to create a fund for NPC in future for establishment expenses of its Secretariat.

CHAPTER III MISCELLANEOUS

17. Savings of inherent Power of the NPC

17.1 Nothing in these Rules shall bar the NPC from adopting a procedure that is at variance with provisions of these Rules, if the NPC in view of the special circumstances of a matter or class of matters deem it necessary or expedient to deal with such a matter or class of matters.

17.2 Nothing in these Rules shall expressly or by implication, bar the NPC to deal with any matter or exercise any power for which no Rules have been framed and NPC may deal with such matters, and functions in a manner it thinks fit.

Deputy Secretary 25.03.2013