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**To,
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Sub: Norms for Annual Contracted Quantity (ACQ) for Thermal Power Plants to be effective from 14.07.2021- reg.


Ministry of Power vide its letter no. FU-5/2019-IPC dated 14.07.2021 had approved the recommendations of the Committee constituted to recommend revised Coal Consumption Norms on account of various factors.

The committee had recommended that the present Coal Consumption Norms for different grades of coal are specific to particular design of the unit and have been worked out to ascertain quantity of coal required in a boiler on "as fired basis". However, while calculating the Annual Contracted Quantity (ACQ), losses of heat value of coal occurring in between loading point and coal firing point should be considered additionally to the present Norms of Coal Consumption and thus, there should be separate norms of ACQ that will specify the raw coal quantity to be supplied to a power plant considering various losses.

Based on the approval of MoP, the separate Norms for Annual Contracted Quantity (ACQ) providing the normative requirement of raw coal to be supplied to a power plant are hereby specified for two categories viz. (a) for Pit head Thermal Power Plants, and (b) for Non-pit head Thermal Power Plants. A copy of these ACQ Norms is enclosed at *Annexure*.

These Norms will come into effect from 14th July, 2021 with applicability for all future ACQ determination.

Encl.: As stated above


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The Normative Coal Requirement for different sizes of Pit head Thermal Power Plants for determination of ACQ w.e.f. 14.07.2021

| Grade | GCV Considered (kcal/kg) ¹ | Adjusted GCV after considering effect of Total Moisture* (kcal/kg) | Sub Critical Technology | | | | Supercritical units [§] |
|---|---------------------------------------|--|--|----------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| | | | Less than 100 MW | 100 MW to less than 200 MW | 200 MW to less than 250 MW ** | 250 MW and above [§] | |
| | | | Unit Heat Rate (kcal/kWh) ¹ | | | | |
| | | | 2600 | 2600 | 2500 | 2375 | |
| Annual Coal Requirement at 85% PLF (Tonnes per MW per Annum) | | | | | | | |
| G1 | 6915 | 6569 | 2953 | 2953 | 2839 | 2697 | 2555 |
| G2 | 6615 | 6284 | 3087 | 3087 | 2968 | 2820 | 2671 |
| G3 | 6315 | 5999 | 3234 | 3234 | 3109 | 2954 | 2798 |
| G4 | 6015 | 5714 | 3395 | 3395 | 3264 | 3101 | 2938 |
| G5 | 5715 | 5429 | 3573 | 3573 | 3436 | 3264 | 3092 |
| G6 | 5415 | 5144 | 3771 | 3771 | 3626 | 3445 | 3263 |
| G7 | 5115 | 4859 | 3992 | 3992 | 3839 | 3647 | 3455 |
| G8 | 4815 | 4574 | 4241 | 4241 | 4078 | 3874 | 3670 |
| G9 | 4515 | 4289 | 4523 | 4523 | 4349 | 4131 | 3914 |
| G10 | 4215 | 4004 | 4845 | 4845 | 4658 | 4425 | 4193 |
| G11 | 3915 | 3719 | 5216 | 5216 | 5015 | 4765 | 4514 |
| G12 | 3615 | 3434 | 5649 | 5649 | 5432 | 5160 | 4888 |
| G13 | 3315 | 3149 | 6160 | 6160 | 5923 | 5627 | 5331 |
| G14 | 3015 | 2864 | 6773 | 6773 | 6513 | 6187 | 5861 |
| G15 | 2715 | 2579 | 7522 | 7522 | 7232 | 6871 | 6509 |
| G16 | 2415 | 2294 | 8456 | 8456 | 8131 | 7724 | 7318 |
| G17 | 2115 | 2009 | 9656 | 9656 | 9284 | 8820 | 8356 |

¹ As per Norms of Coal Consumption issued by CEA on 27.03.2019, GCV considered includes storage loss of 85 kcal/kg as prescribed by CERC in its Tariff Regulations 2019

*Adjusted GCV in above table has been calculated as follows:

Adjusted GCV = GCV Considered – {5% GCV Loss due to difference between GCV(ARB) & GCV(EQ)}

-Reconciliation of final coal quantity shall be carried out as per actual data regarding Equilibrated Moisture (%EM) and Total Moisture (%TM) provided by third party sampler using following formula:

$$GCV(TM) = GCV(EM) \times \frac{(1 - TM)}{(1 - EM)}$$

** In case, Main Steam pressure is 150 ata or above, the Unit Heat Rate shall be reduced by 100 kcal/kWh

§ In case of units having Motor Driven Boiler Feed Pump (MDBFP) of 500 MW and above size units (including Super Critical units), the unit heat rate shall be reduced by 50 kcal/kwh

Note:

1. The above norms include Transit Loss as 0.2%. Further, prevailing transit loss will be applicable as per future CERC Tariff Regulations.
2. In case of power projects where approved heat rate by the Regulator is higher than the above considered value, the Heat Rate approved by the Regulator would be considered with upper ceiling of 2600 kcal/kwh.
3. ACQ for the current year may be further adjusted on the basis of Grade Variation data for Q1, Q2 and Q3 of previous year.
4. The above mechanisms for Moisture/Grade correction will have no tariff implications and no performance incentive to be levied by the Coal Companies for supplying the additional quantity due to any variation
5. These Norms will be applicable for Captive Power Plants also.

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The Normative Coal Requirement for different sizes of Non-Pit head Thermal Power Plants for determination of ACQ w.e.f. 14.07.2021

| Grade | GCV Considered (kcal/kg) ¹ | Adjusted GCV after considering effect of Total Moisture* (kcal/kg) | Sub Critical Technology | | | | Supercritical units [§] | |
|---|---------------------------------------|--|--|----------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|------|
| | | | Less than 100 MW | 100 MW to less than 200 MW | 200 MW to less than 250 MW ** | 250 MW and above [§] | | |
| | | | Unit Heat Rate (kcal/kWh) ¹ | | | | | |
| | | | 2600 | 2600 | 2500 | 2375 | | 2250 |
| Annual coal consumption at 85% PLF (Tonnes per MW per Annum) | | | | | | | | |
| G1 | 6915 | 6569 | 2971 | 2971 | 2856 | 2714 | 2571 | |
| G2 | 6615 | 6284 | 3105 | 3105 | 2986 | 2837 | 2687 | |
| G3 | 6315 | 5999 | 3253 | 3253 | 3128 | 2971 | 2815 | |
| G4 | 6015 | 5714 | 3415 | 3415 | 3284 | 3120 | 2955 | |
| G5 | 5715 | 5429 | 3594 | 3594 | 3456 | 3283 | 3111 | |
| G6 | 5415 | 5144 | 3794 | 3794 | 3648 | 3465 | 3283 | |
| G7 | 5115 | 4859 | 4016 | 4016 | 3862 | 3669 | 3476 | |
| G8 | 4815 | 4574 | 4266 | 4266 | 4102 | 3897 | 3692 | |
| G9 | 4515 | 4289 | 4550 | 4550 | 4375 | 4156 | 3937 | |
| G10 | 4215 | 4004 | 4874 | 4874 | 4686 | 4452 | 4218 | |
| G11 | 3915 | 3719 | 5247 | 5247 | 5045 | 4793 | 4541 | |
| G12 | 3615 | 3434 | 5683 | 5683 | 5464 | 5191 | 4918 | |
| G13 | 3315 | 3149 | 6197 | 6197 | 5959 | 5661 | 5363 | |
| G14 | 3015 | 2864 | 6814 | 6814 | 6552 | 6224 | 5896 | |
| G15 | 2715 | 2579 | 7567 | 7567 | 7276 | 6912 | 6548 | |
| G16 | 2415 | 2294 | 8507 | 8507 | 8180 | 7771 | 7362 | |
| G17 | 2115 | 2009 | 9714 | 9714 | 9340 | 8873 | 8406 | |

¹ As per Norms of Coal Consumption issued by CEA on 27.03.2019, GCV considered includes storage loss of 85 kcal/kg as prescribed by CERC in its Tariff Regulations 2019

*Adjusted GCV in above table has been calculated as follows:

Adjusted GCV = GCV Considered – {5% GCV Loss due to difference between GCV(ARB) & GCV(EQ)}

-Reconciliation of final coal quantity shall be carried out as per actual data regarding Equilibrated Moisture (%EM) and Total Moisture (%TM) provided by third party sampler using following formula:

$$GCV(TM) = GCV(EM) \times \frac{(1 - TM)}{(1 - EM)}$$

** In case, Main Steam pressure is 150 ata or above, the Unit Heat Rate shall be reduced by 100 kcal/kWh

§ In case of units having Motor Driven Boiler Feed Pump (MDBFP) of 500 MW and above size units (including Super Critical units), the unit heat rate shall be reduced by 50 kcal/kwh

Note:

1. The above norms include Transit Loss as 0.8%. Further, prevailing transit loss will be applicable as per future CERC Tariff Regulations.
2. In case of power projects where approved heat rate by the Regulator is higher than the above considered value, the Heat Rate approved by the Regulator would be considered with upper ceiling of 2600 kcal/kwh.
3. ACQ for the current year may be further adjusted on the basis of Grade Variation data for Q1, Q2 and Q3 of previous year.
4. The above mechanisms for Moisture/Grade correction will have no tariff implications and no performance incentive to be levied by the Coal Companies for supplying the additional quantity due to any variation
5. These Norms will be applicable for Captive Power Plants also.