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Minutes of the 5th meeting of the State Advisory Committee held at 1030 hours on Wednesday, the 19th August, 2009.

The list of participants is attached.

The Secretary DERC, on behalf of the Commission, welcomed the members of the State Advisory Committee (SAC) and introduced the agenda.

Sh. K. Venugopal, Member, DERC apprised the Committee that in the matter relating to item no. I in the agenda for the meeting relating to load shedding, the Commission has issued a Show-Cause Notice to BSES Rajdhani Power Limited (BRPL) and, accordingly, it may not be appropriate to have a discussion in the matter. However, the issue could be discussed in the context of preventive actions for the next summer. The discussion on other items in the agenda ensued.

Consumer Satisfaction Survey(CSS) :2009

The Committee members had been provided with a copy of the Consumer Satisfaction Survey (CSS): 2009 Report. A presentations on the findings of the Consumer Satisfaction Survey (CSS): 2009 was made by the Assistant Secretary, DERC. In the discussion that followed the presentation, it was decided that in the next Consumer Satisfaction Survey the behavior of Business Managers and other functionaries of the Discoms who have regular consumer interface may also be covered. It was also decided that the Discoms may be asked, to prominently display the names and telephone numbers, including mobile telephone numbers, of such functionaries at the respective offices for the benefit of the consumers.

As regards the Toll Free number facility, it was explained that this only shifts the burden from calling consumers to all consumers, through the ARR. In fact, there is the added burden of capital investment involved in implementing the scheme. Accordingly, the Committee agreed that the matter may not be taken up any further, at present.

Demand Side Management (DSM) Initiatives

Sh. K. Venugopal, Member, DERC provided a comprehensive view of the Demand-Supply situation in Delhi to the SAC. The Member, DERC also mentioned about the Supply Side status at present as well as the

manner in which it is likely to evolve in the future considering the Power Purchase Agreements (PPAs) already entered into by Discoms. The Member apprised the Committee about various initiatives taken by the Commission for promoting Demand Side Management (DSM), including the MoU with (LBNL), USA for exploring the future potential of collaborations in research and information exchange on policies and programmes related to DSM and energy efficiency. Members of SAC suggested that bulk consumers like DJB may be asked to stagger their demand in such a manner that their consumption does not coincide with peak demand. This would have considerable impact in dealing with peak loads. The members were appreciative of the Supply Side arrangements and DSM initiatives by the Commission.

Promotion of Renewable Energy including Trading in Renewable Energy certificates

Sh. K. Venugopal, Member, DERC apprised the Members about the steps taken by the Commission for promoting generation from renewables. It was also mentioned that the Commission is also promoting the use of solar power from solar photovoltaic and solar thermal plants which would mitigate the usage of the fossil fuels and thereby reducing global warming. In this regard, the SAC was informed that the Commission has already approved a proposal submitted by North Delhi Power Ltd for setting up a 1 MW Solar Photovoltaic Plant.

The SAC was also informed that the Commission has received certain proposals for promoting renewable generation through solar power. The details of the various other proposals being contemplated by NDPL were later described in a separate presentation made to the SAC by the representatives of NDPL.

Consumer Contingency Reserve

The SAC was informed about the Discom-wise present status of Consumer Contingency Reserve. The amount in the Consumer Contingency Reserve of each Discom as on 31.03.2008 was as follows:

BRPL:	Rs.25.28 Crore
BYPL:	Rs.6.49 Crore
NDPL:	Rs.47.85 Crore

The Chairman, DERC mentioned that it has now been clearly established that financial incentives have proved to be the key performance drivers, as the Discoms have shown over achievement in

targets assigned to them. At the present performance level, it is anticipated that the Consumer Contingency Reserve shall grow into a significant corpus in the years to follow and shall act as a useful buffer for absorbing any tariff shocks that may confront consumers in the future.

Presentation by NDPL

The CEO and COO of NDPL made the presentation before the SAC on the NDPL proposal of setting up of various Solar Photo Voltaic (SPV) Plants in their distribution area as well as in the DERC premises. In the presentation, the proposed project-wise generation potential was detailed and the road map for achieving the objective was also explained. A copy of the presentation made by NDPL is being separately mailed to the members. NDPL mentioned that the levelled tariff for a one Megawatt Solar Plant set-up at the cost of Rs.15 crore is likely to be Rs.17.59. The impact on Retail Supply Tariff (RST) would be Re. 0.0376 per kWh at 15% AT&C loss level.

Sh. Shyam Wadhera, Member, DERC thanked the Members of SAC for their contributions while soliciting continued support from the SAC.

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LIST OF PARTICIPANTS

Members of the State Advisory Committee:

1.	Shri Berjinder Singh, Chairman, DERC
2.	Shri K. Venugopal, Member, DERC
3.	Shri Shyam Wadhera, Member, DERC
4.	Shri A.K. Kapoor, Chief Engineer Electrical(Distribution), Northern Railway, Baroda House, Copernicus Marg, New Delhi-110011
5.	Shri Vijay K. Kapoor, Member, Public Grievances Cell (PGC)
6.	Dr. G.C. Datta Roy, Senior Member, PHD Chamber of Commerce & Industry
7.	Sh. Anil Relia, Quality Manager, National Accreditation Board for Testing & Calibration Laboratories (NABL).
8.	Sh. R.K. Trehan, Head Electro Technical Department, Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS)
9.	Shri. K. Ramanathan, Distinguished Fellow, The Energy and Resources Institute (TERI)
10.	Sh. Anil Sood, President, NGO, Chetna

DERC Officers:

(i)	Shri. Amarendra K. Tewary, Secretary
(ii)	Shri Anil Kumar Singh, Director (Tariff)
(iii)	Mrs. Rinku Gautam, Joint Director(Tariff - Finance)
(iv)	Shri B.K. Jain, Joint Director(Tariff-Engg.)
(v)	Shri Anish Garg, Joint Director(PSE)
(vi)	Shri. S.K. Sharma, Assistant Secretary