

## **Terms and Conditions**

For

Appointment of Consultant Firm for assistance to the Commission

in Scrutiny, Analysis and Disposal of Tariff/ARR/True-up Petition/(s)

to be filed by

- BSES Rajdhani Power Limited
- BSES Yamuna Power Limited
- Tata Power Delhi Distribution Limited
- New Delhi Municipal Corporation (Deemed Licensee)

November 2013

Pre-bid of meeting with potential bidders: 19.11.2013 Last date of submission of bid proposals: 26.11.2013 Opening of technical bids: 26.11.2013 Opening of financial bids: 02.12.2013

> Viniyamak Bhavan C-Block, Shivalik Malviya Nagar New Delhi 110017 Ph: 26673608

### **REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP)**

1.	Name of the client: DELHI ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION (herein after			
	referred to as "DERC" or " Commission")			
	Method of selection: QCBS (Quality & Cost Based System)			
2.	As per Electricity Act 2003, the Commission is, inter alia, mandated to determine the			
	tariff for Generating Companies, Transmission Licensee and the Distribution licensees			
	including the deemed licensees.			
	The Commission notified its Multi-Year Generation, Transmission and Distribution Tariff			
	Regulations for the First Control period on 30 May 2007 which were applicable from			
	the date of issue of the Multi Year Tariff (MYT) Order till 31st March 2011. The			
	Commission extended the principles of tariff determination of the MYT Regulations			
	2007-11 for a further period of one year up to FY 2011-12 vide Order dated 10-05.2011.			
	The MYT Regulations for the second Control period were notified by the Commission			
	on 19 January 2012 for the FY from 2012-13 to 2014-15. The MYT Regulation/(s) and the			
	Commission Order dated 10-05.2011 are available on the official website of the			
	Commission, <u>www.derc.gov.in</u> .			
	For the up-coming assignment as detailed in the Terms of Reference (TOR) as per			
	Annexure -1, the Commission desires to appoint the firm of consultant/s to assist them			
	in the preparation of the Tariff Order etc. in consideration of the provisions of The			
	Electricity Act, 2003, Delhi Electricity Reforms Act, 2000, National electricity Policy,			
	Tariff Policy, Rules and Regulations, etc. made thereunder.			

3.	The bidding firm of Consultants (hereinafter referred to as Firm) must possess expertise				
	in the following areas:				
	Clear understanding of the Indian legal, regulatory and power scenario and				
	developments over the last decade including the applicable policies, legal				
	and regulatory framework and reforms at Central and State levels.				
	The firm should have minimum annual turnover of Rs. 3 (three) Crore in each of the				
	last 3 (three) years. The bidder should submit self attested copy of audited Profit and				
	Loss Statement of FY 10-11, 2011-12 and 2012-13 as proof of the same. A copy of PAN				
	Card of firm is also required.				
	A short profile of the firm, containing brief history of the firm and exposure in				
	consultancy, shall also be submitted along with the above details.				
	Notwithstanding anything stated above, DERC reserves the right to assess the work of				
	bidder in the following areas:				
	• Proven experience of similar assistance preferably to Electricity Regulatory				
	Commissions in establishing MYT Framework which would need to be				
	demonstrated.				
	• Expertise will include high level inputs in the Regulatory, Policy, Finance, Legal				
	and Governance fields.				
	• Firm shall preferably have their project office in Delhi and if successful shall				
	place adequate resources at the disposal of Commission during the course of				
	this assignment with office in DERC.				
4.	Firm which can commit full time manpower on regular employment exclusively for the				
	assignment of the Commission will be eligible for consideration. The Commission will				
	require firm assurance in the Technical bids itself that the professional staff committed				
	for the assignment will be actually working. The key professional staff shall be the				
	same as proposed in the Form 2 of the RFP and normally not be changed during the				
	course of the assignment unless both parties agree.				
	Bidders can either be a consultant firm or consortium, which more than one				
	consultant firm may constitute with another /others for submitting their proposals.				
	Where the bid is submitted by a consortium, the written consent of each member of				
	the consortium to participate in the bid on the basis of joint and several liabilities to				
	the DERC for the performance of the services shall be provided along with the bid.				
	The bid shall be submitted by the lead consultant along with the copy of the				
	arrangement/agreement. Change in consortium shall not be permitted unless				
	approved by the Commission.				

5. The Firm shall have an obligation to disclose any situation of actual of						
	conflict that impacts their capacity to serve the best interest of the Commission or					
	that may reasonably be perceived as having this effect.					
	The Firm of consultant/s shall not be hired for any assignment that would be in conflict					
	with their prior or current obligations to their other clients or that may place them in a					
	position of not being able to carry out the assignments objectively and impo This would include an assessment of whether the past or existing work profile					
	key staff assigned to the consultancy can constitute a situation of actual or potential					
	conflict.					
6.	i. Proposals, all related documents and subsequent reports (in case of selection					
	as Firm) shall be submitted in ENGLISH only.					
	ii. Firm is required to quote the prices in the Indian currency only. Proposals must					
	remain valid for 6 Calender months from the date of opening of the bids. The					
	bids valid for a period shorter than the specified period shall be rejected as					
	being non-responsive.					
7.	i. The Terms of Reference (TOR) in respect of the consultancy assignment is given					
	in <b>Annexure I</b> and Deliverables & timelines in <b>Annexure II.</b>					
	ii. Separate Technical and Financial proposals/Bids in separate sealed covers are					
	required to be submitted for the assignment. The Bidder shall submit only one					
	original set of the Bid and two copies marked as Copy -1 and Copy -2. The					
	envelopes shall mention name of assignment and nature of Bid					
	(Technical/Financial) at the top and the name of the submitting bidder at the					
	left hand corner of the envelope. The bids shall be submitted in the enclosed					
	formats (Form 1 to 6) duly accompanied by a covering letter in the prescribed					
	"PROPOSAL SUBMISSION FORM". In no case, submission of bids beyond the last					
	date mentioned in the tender shall be entertained.					
	iii. The Technical bids shall not indicate particulars of the Financial bids otherwise					
	the bids shall be liable to be rejected. All Technical documents like literature,					
	catalogues, etc. shall be placed in the same sealed cover.					
	iv. The Firm shall submit separate financial bid in respect of the Scope of work					
	enumerated as per the enclosed Form 6. The financial proposal submitted in					
	Form 6 shall be a firm and unconditional proposal for the execution of the scope					
	of assignment given in the contract.					
	v. The proposal shall clearly indicate the names, qualifications, experience and					
	designations of the persons who shall be available to the Commission on full					
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		time basis along with the time schedule of availa	bility of other team member					
		showing the exact times of their availability for ea	ch assignment in accordance					
		with Form 4 of the RFP.						
	vi.	Each page of bid should be numbered and signed	ed by the authorized signator					
		with the seal of the firm and the forwarding lette	er must indicate the details c					
		the enclosures attached.						
	vii.	A Power of Attorney duly notarised by the Notary	Public on a non judicial stam					
		paper of Rs. 100/- , indicating that the person(s) signing the bid has the						
		authority to sign the bid and that the bid is binding upon the Bidder during the						
		full period of its validity, shall be submitted.						
	viii.	The tender document can be either downlo	aded from the Commission'					
		website or a copy may be obtained from the Cor	nmission's office.					
	ix.	The technical offer(s) shall be accompanied	by an <u>Earnest Money Depos</u>					
		(EMD) of Rs. 1,00,000/- (Rupees one lakh only) in	form of a Pay Order/Deman					
		Draft in favour of the Secretary, DERC, payable	at New Delhi, in a separate					
		sealed envelope. This must be placed in the	sealed cover containing th					
		technical bid.						
	x.	Any bid not accompanied with Earnest Money D	eposit in accordance with the					
		above stipulation shall be rejected as being non-r	esponsive.					
	xi.	Bid securities (EMD) of the unsuccessful bidders sh	all be returned to them at th					
		earliest after expiry of the final bid validity and latest after the award of the						
		contract.						
	xii.	. Bid security (EMD) shall be refunded to the successful bidder on receipt of						
		Performance Security.						
8.	The	Bid Schedule shall be as under:						
		1 Pre-bid meeting with prospective bidder	5 19.11.2013 at 1130 hours					
		2 Last Date of Receipt of Bid Proposals	26.11.2013 at 1400 hours					
		3 Opening of Technical Bids	26.11.2013 at 1630 hours					
		4 <u>Presentation on the technical proposal</u>	<u>5</u> 28.11.2013 at 1100 hours					
		before the Commission						
		5 Evaluation results of Technical Bids	29.11.2013 at 1500 hours					
		6 Opening of Financial Bids	02.12.2013 at 1500 hours					
		Selection and Award of Assignment	Will be intimated later on					
9.	The	address for submission of proposal and requesting a	larifications is:					

	Delhi Electricity Regulatory Commission,						
	Viniyamak Bhawan,						
	C-Block, Shivalik, Malviya Nagar, New Delhi – 110 017.						
	Telefax: 011-26673608, E-mail: secyderc@nic.in						
10.	Technical Evaluation:						
	The Technical bids shall be opened in the office of the Secretary, DERC, by the						
	Evaluation Committee in the presence of bidders, who wish to particip	oate. The					
	Technical evaluation will be done on the basis of the following criteria with maximum						
	marks of 100 for each criterion. The weights for each factor of the criteria sh	nall be as					
	follows:						
	1. Firm's specific experience relevant to the assignment	0.20					
	2. The quality of proposed methodology and work plan	0.30					
	3. Qualifications and competence of the key-staff for the assignment	0.50					
	and Committed time in man-weeks						
11.	Criterion for Technical evaluation-						
	• <u>Specific experience of the Firm</u> relevant to the assignment with em	phasis on					
	handling ARR related projects of Regulatory Commission and Utility.						
	<ul> <li><u>Adequacy of the proposed methodology and work plan -</u> The qualifying proposal should qualify under all the sub-criteria, viz.</li> <li>(a). <b>Technical approach &amp; methodology</b> – The Firm shall explain their</li> </ul>						
	understanding of the objectives of the Assignment/job, approach to the						
	Assignment/job, methodology for carrying out the activities and obtaining the						
	expected output. They shall highlight the issues being addressed and their						
	importance, and explain the technical approach they would a	adopt to					
	address them. They shall also explain the methodologies proposed	to adopt					
	and highlight the compatibility of those methodologies with the p	oroposed					
	approach.						
	(b). Work plan - The proposed work plan shall be consistent with the	technical					
	approach and methodology, showing understanding of the TOR and	l ability to					
	translate them into a feasible working plan. A list of the final documents,						
	including reports, drawings, and tables to be delivered as final output	t, shall be					
	included here. The work plan shall be consistent with the Work Sched	ule.					
	(c). Organisation & Staffing - The Firm shall propose and justify the	structure					
	and composition of their team. They shall list the main discipline	es of the					
	Assignment/job, the key expert responsible, and proposed technical and						

	support staff.			
	Qualification and competency of the Key professional staff will be evaluated			
	giving due preference to the man-weeks committed by the Team Leader and			
	other professionals, who will be actually working on the project. The sub-			
	criterion to be followed for evaluation of the key professionals shall be (a).			
	Educational Qualifications and (b). Adequacy for the assignment/job (i.e.			
	experience in carrying out similar assignments/Jobs).			
12.	The minimum qualifying total score, for the technical bid shall be 70. The financial bids			
	of only those bidders shall be opened whose score shall be 70 or above in technical			
	bids. After completion of the technical evaluation, the Commission shall inform those			
	Firms whose proposals did not meet the minimum qualifying mark or were considered			
	non-responsive to the TOR and the financial proposal etc. of such non-responsive bids			
	shall be returned un-opened on completion of the selection process. The list of			
	bidders whose offers have been selected after technical evaluation shall be			
	displayed at the website and notice board of the Commission's Office Such selected			
	bidders may attend the opening of financial bids at the office of the Secretary, DERC.			
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	The financial proposals of the technically qualified Firm shall be opened by the			
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	key professional staff, DERC shall award a contract on the basis of the staff, named in				
	the proposal.				
	DERC may hold review meetings fortnightly, or more frequently if so needed, with the				
	Firm during which senior/key personnel of Firm shall be present.				
16.	i. The successful bidder shall enter into a contract agreement with the Commission				
	in the prescribed format as per <b>Annexure 'III'</b> and shall commence the assignment				
	as per schedule assigned by the Commission.				
	ii. The successful bidder shall furnish a "Performance Bank Guarantee" equal to 10%				
	of the value of contract, which shall be valid for 90 days after the completion of				
	the assignment (as per the format attached).				
	iii. If the Firm, finally selected for award of contract on basis of above procedure, fails				
	to enter into a contract within the time limit of 21 days , the Commission shall invite				
	the Firm who has obtained the second highest score on consideration of Financial				
	and Technical bids for award of the contract for carrying out the assignment.				
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17.	The Firm shall not utilize or publish or disclose or part with any statistics, data or				
	information collected for the purpose of assignment, without written consent of the				
	Commission. The Firm shall be duty bound to hand over the entire records o				
	assignment to the Commission before the expiry of the contract. The Firm shall				
	responsible for any explanation/description in the matter of tariff calculations of the				
	relevant order.				
18.	The Commission reserves the right to award the total assignment or to delete any part				
	of assignment or reject any bid without assigning any reasons for the same. Failure to				
	provide all information or conceal any information material to award of contract sh				
	be at bidder's own risk and may result into rejection of the proposal.				
	The Commission may award the assignment in parts or in totality based on the				
	evaluation of the technical and financial bids				
19.	Item wise rates shall be quoted in the financial proposal; however, no payment shall				
	be applicable for review petition/appeal, if the petition/appeal for the same is not				
	assigned specifically to them.				
20	The successful bidder shall take urgent steps to execute the Contract document				
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	within 21 days of issue of letter of acceptance. Non fulfilment of this condition of				
	executing a contract by the Firm of Consultant awarded the Contract would				
	constitute sufficient ground for annulment of the award and forfeiture of Earnest				
	Money Deposit. However the Commission in its discretionary power, on a specific				

	request by the firm which has been awarded the contract may relax this condition with the reasons recorded in writing.
21.	Each bidder shall submit period of validity of the bid document, which shall not be less than 180 days or entire period of contract, whichever is higher.
22.	The successful bidder shall give a certificate that all statutory and other obligations with respect to authorities have been met.

#### PROPOSAL SUBMISSION FORM

Τo,

The Secretary,

Delhi Electricity Regulatory Commission

Viniyamak Bhawan,

C-Block, Shivalik,

Malviya Nagar,

New Delhi - 110 017

Sir/Madam,

We, the undersigned, offer to provide the consultancy services for undertaking the assignments relating to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in accordance with your bid document ref.\_\_\_\_\_.

We are hereby submitting our proposal for undertaking the assignment in one Original and two copies marked as "Original" and Copy no.-1 and Copy no.-2 respectively in the prescribed formats, which includes the Technical Proposal and the Financial Proposal sealed under separate envelopes. Each page of the proposal has been numbered and signed by the Authorized Signatory.

A Power of Attorney duly notarised by the Notary Public, indicating that the person(s) signing the bid has the authority to sign the bid and that the bid is binding upon the Bidder during the full period of its validity is enclosed.

It is also confirmed that presently we are not handling any assignment that would be in conflict with this assignment or place us in a position of not being able to carry out this assignment objectively and impartially.

If negotiations are proposed by the Commission at any stage we undertake to negotiate as per the requirement of the assignment. Our Proposal is binding upon us and subject to the modifications resulting from contract negotiations.

Demand drafts/pay orders no. \_\_\_\_\_dt. \_\_\_\_for <u>Rs. 1,00,000/-</u> as EMD in favour of Secretary, DERC payable at New Delhi is enclosed herewith.

We understand that you are not bound to accept any Proposal you receive.

Yours sincerely,

Encl. As above

Authorized Signatory: Name and Title of Signatory: Name of the Firm:

# FIRM'S REFERENCES Relevant services carried out in the last five years

## that best illustrate qualification and experience

(Using the format below, provide information on each reference/assignment for which your firm/entity, individually as a corporate entity or as one of the major companies within an association, was legally contracted)

1.	Assignment Name:	
2.	Name & address of the client:	
3.	(i) Professional Staff including Senior Staff (Project Director/Coordinator, Team Leader)	
	Provided by Your Firm/entity (attach profiles) (ii)No. of Staff-weeks; duration of assignment	
4.	Start Date and Completion Date (Month/Year):	
5.	Details of Associated Firm of consultant/s, if	
	any:	
6.	No. of Months of Professional Staff Provided by Associated Firm of consultant/s	
7.	Approx. value of Services (in current Indian	
	Rs.)	
8.	Experience Certificate (whether provided or	
	not)	

Note: Please provide documentary evidence (i.e. copy of the work order, contract for each assignment etc.) in the absence of which, the experience shall not be considered for evaluation.

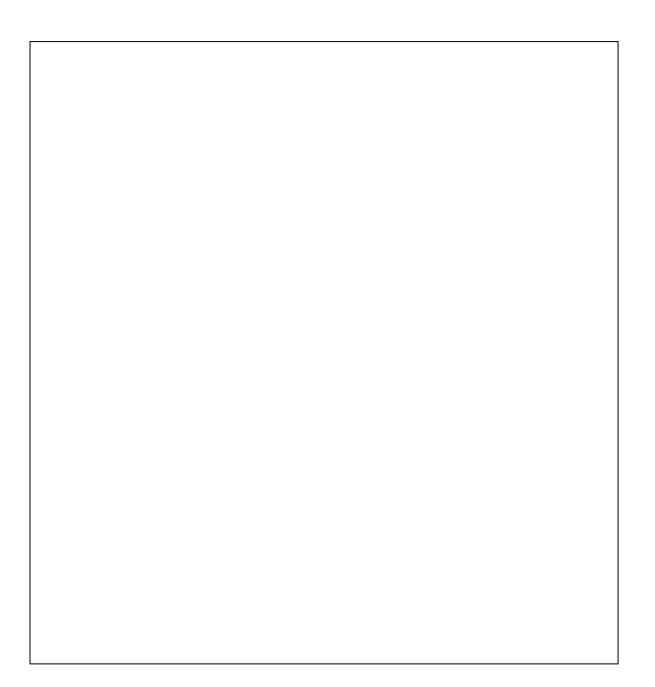
Authorized Signatory

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# Format of Curriculum Vitae (CV) for proposed Professional Staff/Key experts

1.	Proposed position	
2.	Name of Firm	
3.	Name of Staff and Nationality	
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4.	Profession	
5.	Date of Birth	
6.	Years with Firm/entity	
7.	Membership in Professional Societies/	
Ir	nstitutes	
8.	Details of task Assigned	
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9.	Educational Qualifications	
10.	Work undertaken that best illustrates	
	capability to handle the task assigned	
	(mention name of assignment, year,	
	location, employer, main projects,	
	features, position held and activities	
	performed.	
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## <u>Description of the proposed methodology and</u> <u>Work plan for performance of the assignment</u>



## Format of Task Schedule for Professional Staff proposed for assignment

Name	Educational	Position in	Committed	Rate/ day or
	and	current	Time	week
	Professional	assignment	schedule (in	
	Qualifications		days/week)	
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## FINANCIAL PROPOSAL SUBMISSION FORM

To: The Secretary, Delhi Electricity Regulatory Commission Viniyamak Bhawan, C-Block, Shivalik, Malviya Nagar, New Delhi – 110 017 Sir, We, the undersigned, offer to provide the consultancy services for undertaking the assignment relating to \_\_\_\_\_\_in accordance with your bid document ref.\_\_\_\_\_.

We hereby submit our Financial Proposals in Form 6 for the assignment.

We hereby confirm that the financial proposal in Form no.-6 is unconditional and we acknowledge that any condition attached to financial proposal shall result in rejection of our financial proposal.

Our Financial Proposal shall be binding upon us subject to the modification resulting from Contract negotiations, with by the Commission. Each page of the proposal has been signed by the Authorized Signatory.

We understand that you are not bound to accept any Proposal you receive. We further understand that these costs are all inclusive which include manpower cost, establishment cost, travel expenses and other overheads etc.

Encl. Form 6

Yours sincerely, Authorized Signatory: Name and Title of Signatory: Name of the Firm: Address:

## Form 6

# Financial Proposal

## Summary of cost

SI.	Costs	Bid	Taxes	Total
No.		amount	etc.	amount
		(in Rs.)	(in	(in Rs.)
			Rs.)	
1.	Total (A) Distribution Licensees namely:			
	(i) BRPL,BYPL, TPDDL			
	(ii) NDMC			
	Total (i) + (ii)			
2.	Total (B) Assistance for the Review Petitions, if any, before the			
	Commission and other related works.			
3.	Total (C) Assistance for the Appeal, if any, before the Hon'ble			
	ATE and other related works.			
	Total (D) Assistance for the Appeal, if any, before the Hon'ble			
	Supreme Court/High Court and other related works.			
	Total B+C+D			
	Total (E) Legal Vetting of all the Tariff Orders.			
	Grand Total			

#### TERMS OF REFERENCE (TOR)

1. In pursuance to the provisions of the electricity Act, 2003, Delhi Electricity Reforms Act, 2000, National Electricity Policy, Tariff Policy, Rules and Regulations made thereunder, etc., the following activities connected with Tariff-Order for the FY 2014-15 shall be undertaken by the Firm:

#### (A) Distribution Licensees:

a) Preparation of Staff paper covering analysis of the <u>ARR Petitions</u>.

b) Assistance in prudence check of various parameters of true up petitions for the <u>FY 2012-13</u> of the Distribution Licensees and report on the same. The trueup will require detailed verification of the power purchase quantum and cost incurred by the licensees, actual payment made by the licensees against the power purchase cost, segregation of late payment surcharge from the power purchase cost, analysis of short term power purchase and sold by the licensees and cost/revenue from it, verification of the AT&C losses submitted by the licensees, which will require validation of consumer category-wise sales from the licensee's database, collection, etc.

c) ARR and Distribution Tariff (Wheeling & Retail supply) for the FY 2014-15.

d) Adjustments duly giving impact to the Orders/Judgments of the Hon'ble Supreme Court/High Court/Appellate Tribunal for Electricity, etc.

- (B) Assist in analysis of Review Petitions, if any, that may be filed before the Commission, including discussions/conferences with the Commission/Commission's advocates, attending the hearing/(s) before the Commission and preparation of Review Order.
- (C) Assist in analysis of Appeals filed before the Appellate Tribunal for Electricity (ATE), including discussions/conferences with the Commission/Commission's advocates, attending the hearing/(s) before ATE and replies/rejoinder and written submissions etc. to be filed before the ATE.
- (D). Assist in analysis of Appeals filed before the Hon'ble Supreme Court/High Court, including discussions/conferences with the Commission/Commission's

advocates and replies/rejoinder and written submissions etc. to be filed before the Hon'ble Supreme Court/High Court.

- 2. The above mentioned assignment would include the following:
  - a) To attend public hearings and assist the Commission in the conduct thereof and prepare replies to the comments received on the proposal of ARR and tariff petitions.
  - b) Preparation of report on compliance of directives issued by the Commission in its earlier tariff order.
  - c) Assist in drafting of the Order(s) for all the above stated assignments duly placing them before the Commission regarding the impact of various appeals pending in various courts.
  - d) <u>Submission of the comprehensive report & observations duly indicating</u> the methodology adopted in respect of each of the technical validation session/(s) with the Power Utilities along with the recommendations.
  - e) Any other work incidental to the true up and approval of ARR and tariff proposal.

3. The Deliverables and the timelines shall be as per **Annexure 'II'**: The Firm shall deliver the following to DERC for above scope of work:-

- The methodology and work plan of the assignment.
- Back-up data/information/documents to justify true up, ARR and tariff proposal.
- Any other report/data incidentally required.
- MYT Review model in respect of annual review of licensee performance visà-vis MYT targets.
- Soft copy of all the documents along with source codes
- 4. Other Issues:
  - (i) The above description of scope of consultancy is purely indicative and not exhaustive. Changes/additions can be made by DERC as a better understanding develops, to enhance the value of the study, without changing its basic nature.

(ii) Firm shall be paid Consultancy charges on completion of milestones as contained in the Draft Contract Agreement enclosed herewith. All payments as indicated above shall be released within Thirty (30) days of the receipt of invoice subject to adherence to the terms and conditions by the Firm as per the contract agreement executed between the Firm and DERC.

## Deliverables and Timelines as per the following WORK PLAN AND ACTIVITY SCHEDULE for the Tariff Order of Generation, Transmission & Distribution Licensees:

S. No.	Description	Date of start of activity	Proposed number of days for submission from the date of placement of firm in DERC
1	Placement of Firm in DERC		
2	Presentation on Analysis of Tariff Petitions and data gaps to the Commission		
3	Issuance of Admission Order and detailed deficiency note		
4	Submission of Draft Staff Paper / Public Notice / Advertisement to the Commission		
5	Finalization of Staff Paper / Public Notice / Advertisement to be published by the Commission		
6	Submission of Chapter on Background (Chapter 1)		
7	Technical validation session with Utilities		
8	Presentation to Commission on public objections		
9	Public Hearings		
10	Submission of Draft Chapter on Public Hearing covering issues raised by the Stakeholders, Comments of the Licensees etc. (Chapter 2)		
11	Finalization of the Chapter on Public Hearing (Chapter 2) in consultation with Commission		
12	Submission of Draft Chapter 3 to the Commission		
13	Finalization of True-up Chapter 3 in consultation with the Commission		
14	Submission of Draft Chapter 4 to the Commission		
15	Finalization of ARR section (Chapter 4)		
16	Submission of Tariff model		
17	Presentation to Commission on Tariff options/Tariff rationalisation options vis-à-vis the cost of supply		
18	Finalization of Tariff Design (Chapter 5) based on the comments of the Commission.		
19.	Finalization of ARR and Tariff Order write-ups and Annexure		
20.	Compilation, Finalization of the Order,		
21.	Legal vetting and issue of Order.		

ANNEXURE - 'III'

## ( Contract Agreement to be signed by Firm with DERC )

This ARTICLES OF AGREEMENT made on this ...... day of ......2013

#### **BETWEEN:**

**Delhi Electricity Regulatory Commission** a statutory Body set up by the Government of NCT of Delhi under the Delhi Electricity Reforms Act, 2000 and having its office at Viniyamak Bhawan, C-Block, Shivalik, Near Malviya Nagar, New Delhi – 110 017, hereinafter referred to as the "Commission" (Which expression shall unless excluded by or repugnant to the context or meaning thereof, include its successors and permitted assigns) of the FIRST PART

AND

\_\_\_\_\_Company registered under the Companies Act, 1956 and having its office at \_\_\_\_\_\_, hereinafter referred to as the \_\_\_\_\_\_ Firm (which expression shall unless excluded or repugnant to the context or meaning thereof include its successors and permitted assigns) of the SECOND PART.

(The Commission and the \_\_\_\_\_\_are individually referred to as the "Party" and collectively as the "parties").

WHEREAS the Commission has awarded the contract on the basis of open bids to the party of the SECOND part as a Firm inter alia to assist in "preparation of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, more precisely explained in the 'Terms of Reference' contained in the bid document dated\_\_\_\_\_\_".

M/s \_\_\_\_\_have agreed to provide consultancy services to the Commission on the terms and conditions hereinafter contained.

NOW THESE PRESENTS WITNESS and the parties hereto respectively agree as follows:

1. \_\_\_\_\_\_is appointed as Firm of the Commission for the aforementioned assignment. \_\_\_\_\_\_ shall commence the assignment from zero date, which is mutually agreed between the Commission and the Firm of consultant/s as\_\_\_\_\_\_. The Firm shall execute and complete the assignment as per the work plan and activity schedule mentioned herein: -

## WORK PLAN AND ACTIVITY SCHEDULE

S.	Description	Time (No. of
No.		days)
1	Placement of Firm in DERC	
2	Presentation on Analysis of Tariff Petitions and data gaps to the Commission	
3	Issuance of Admission Order and detailed deficiency note	
4	Submission of Draft Staff Paper / Public Notice / Advertisement to the Commission	
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21.	Legal vetting and issue of Order.	

## 2. Scope of Work:

1. In pursuance to the provisions of the Electricity Act, 2003, Delhi Electricity Reforms Act, 2000, National Electricity Policy, Tariff Policy, Rules and Regulations made thereunder, etc., the following activities connected with Tariff Order for the FY 2014-15 shall be undertaken by the Firm:

## (A) Distribution Licensees:

a) Preparation of Staff paper covering analysis of the <u>ARR Petitions</u>.

b) Assistance in prudence check of various parameters of true up petitions for the <u>FY 2012-13</u> of the Distribution Licensees and report on the same and impact of actual capitalization during the 1<sup>st</sup> control period FY 2007-08 to FY 2011-12. The true-up will require detailed verification of the power purchase quantum and cost incurred by the licensees, actual payment made by the licensees against the power purchase cost, segregation of late payment surcharge from the power purchase cost, analysis of short term power purchase and sold by the licensees and cost/revenue from it, verification of the AT&C losses submitted by the licensees, which will require validation of consumer category-wise sales from the licensee's database, collection, etc. c) ARR and Distribution Tariff (Wheeling & Retail supply) for the FY <u>2014-15</u>.

d) Adjustments duly giving impact to the Orders/Judgments of the Hon'ble

- Supreme Court/High Court/Appellate Tribunal for Electricity, etc.
- (B) Assist in analysis of Review Petitions, if any, that may be filed before the Commission, including discussions/conferences with the Commission/Commission's advocates, attending the hearing/(s) before the Commission and preparation of Review Order.
- (C) Assist in analysis of Appeals filed before the Appellate Tribunal for Electricity (ATE), including discussions/conferences with the Commission/Commission's advocates, attending the hearing/(s) before ATE and replies/rejoinder and written submissions etc. to be filed before the ATE.
- (D). Assist in analysis of Appeals filed before the Hon'ble Supreme Court/High Court, including discussions/conferences with the Commission/Commission's

advocates and replies/rejoinder and written submissions etc. to be filed before the Hon'ble Supreme Court/High Court.

- 2. The above mentioned assignment would include the following:
  - a) To attend public hearings and assist the Commission in the conduct thereof and prepare replies to the comments received on the proposal of ARR and tariff petitions.
  - b) Preparation of report on compliance of directives issued by the Commission in its earlier tariff order.
  - c) Assist in drafting of the Order(s) for all the above stated assignments duly placing them before the Commission regarding the impact of various appeals pending in various courts.
  - d) <u>Submission of the comprehensive report & observations duly indicating</u> <u>the methodology adopted in respect of each of the technical</u> <u>validation session/(s) with the Power Utilities along with the</u> <u>recommendations.</u>
  - e) Any other work incidental to the true up and approval of ARR and tariff proposal.
- 3. Time schedule and Task Assignments for completion of respective jobs shall be as mentioned in clause as per the bid document proposed by and reproduced as follows:

# a) Tariff Order of the Distribution Licensees for True up of FY 2012-13 and ARR for FY 2014-15

S. No	Name	Qualification	Position in current assignment	Committed Time Schedule (In Days/weeks)	Rate/day or week

- 4. The \_\_\_\_\_\_ agrees and undertakes that the respective tasks shall be performed & completed only by the personnel mentioned in Para 3 hereinabove and that if any change in the composition of the said team is necessitated, the second party shall seek prior permission of the Commission to effect the changes.
- 5. Firm shall be paid as follows:

(i) Consultancy charges of Rs.\_\_\_\_Rupees\_\_\_\_\_only) including taxes as applicable in respect of assistance for analysis of Petitions filed by the distribution licensees, transmission licensees and generation companies. :

Milestones as per which invoices for fees shall be raised	% of contract value
by Firm	
Submission of staff paper	10%
Submission of final Draft chapter 1 and 2 (responses from	10%
stakeholders)	
Submission of final Draft Chapter 3 on True-up	10%
Submission of final Draft Chapter 4 on ARR	10%
Submission of final Draft Chapter 5 on Cost of Supply and	20%
Tariff Design Philosophy.	
Approval of the Final Draft Order	10%
Issue of final order approved by the Commission	20%
After two(2) years from the date of tariff orders issued by	10%
the Commission	

(ii) Consultancy charges of Rs. \_\_\_\_\_\_ (Rupees \_\_\_\_\_\_\_only) including taxes as applicable in respect of assistance in analysis, discussion, support during the hearing and preparation of Review Order/response to be filed with the Hon'ble Supreme Court/High Court/ATE.

Milestones as per which invoices for fees shall be raised	% of contract value		
by Firm			
Submission of final comments	25%		
Conclusion of briefing sessions to Commission in case of	25%		
review petition or to DERC lawyers in case of Appeal			

before the Hon'ble Supreme Court/High Court/ATE	
Conclusion of hearing in case of review petition before	25%
the Commission or hearing in case of appeal before the	
Hon'ble Supreme Court/High Court/ATE	
Issue of the Order	25%

- 6. a) The Firm shall within one week of signing of this agreement provide performance security by way of Performance Bank Guarantee @ 10% of the total contract value in a format acceptable to the Commission from any scheduled Bank which shall be valid for a period of six months beyond the scheduled completion date, extendable suitably in case of extension of period of contract.
  - b) The payment of fee to Firm shall be made by the Commission after the deduction of applicable tax at source.
  - c) The Commission shall be entitled to evaluate the reports submitted by the Firm at any stage and the Firm shall incorporate / restructure the report as per the recommendations of the Commission within such reasonable time as may be prescribed by the Commission.
  - d) The Commission shall make payments to the Firm within <u>30</u> days of the date of receipt of Invoice in the Commissions' office subject to acceptance of deliverables wherever required unless prevented by reasons beyond its control and in the latter case the Firm shall not be entitled to claim any interest or damages on account of such delay.
  - 7. The Firm shall be liable to the Commission for the performance of its obligations in this Agreement and for any loss suffered by the Commission as a result of a default of the Firm in such performance, subject to the following limitations:
    - a. The Firm shall not be liable for any damage or injury caused by or arising out of the act, omission, neglect or default of any person other than the Firm.
    - b. The Firm shall not be liable for any loss or damage caused by or arising out of circumstances over which the Firm has no control.

- c. The total liability of the Firm under this clause shall be limited to 10% of the consultancy charges mentioned in Clause 5.
- 8. No TA/DA shall be admissible for the Firm for local journey in connection with the Consultancy.
- 9. The Commission reserves its right to amend, foreclose, terminate or cancel the engagement of the Firm without assigning any reasons. In such cases Firm shall be paid remuneration after taking into consideration the part of work completed prior to such foreclosure, termination or cancellation of the engagement as may be decided by the Commission, and the decision of the Commission shall be conclusive and binding. The remuneration so fixed and paid shall be deemed to be the final payment in such cases.
- 10. In case of any differences or disputes between the parties arising out of this AGREEMENT, the matter shall be dealt with in accordance with the provisions of the Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996. Delhi courts will have jurisdiction in the matter if the dispute is not settled within the provisions of Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996.
- 11. Any information of confidential nature, which may be so marked by the Commission, which comes to the knowledge or in the possession of the Firm or of any of its employees by virtue of their engagement on subject matter of this contract; shall not be disclosed by the Firm or its employees to any unauthorized person in any manner. Any breach of this clause without prejudice to any other action that may be initiated as per law, shall also subject the Firm to a liability to pay to the Commission such compensation as may be decided by the Commission keeping in view the nature, manner and motive of the information disclosed and the extent of the damage caused by such unauthorized disclosure.

Provided that any information that was (a) rightfully already known to Firm at the time of its disclosure, (b) independently developed by Firm without referring to the Commission's confidential information, (c) known to the public through a source other than Firm, or (d) disclosed to Firm by a third party not having an obligation of non disclosure to the proprietor of the information, shall not be deemed to be confidential information for the purposes of this agreement.

Provided further that the obligation of confidentiality on Firm shall not apply where such confidential information is required to be disclosed under any law.

12. The Firm undertakes that this assignment shall not be in conflict with its prior or current obligation to other clients nor shall it place him in a position of not being able to carry out the assignments objectively and impartially.

- 13. A team constituted by the Commission shall evaluate the deliverables submitted by the Firm. The team shall finalize the deliverables within 15 days of receipt of the same from the Firm. The Firm shall within a reasonable time incorporate/restructure the deliverables as per the recommendations of the said team.
- 14. It is mutually agreed between the parties that the time will be the essence of this CONTRACT/AGREEMENT. The Firm, the party of the second part, shall adhere to the time schedule as prescribed in this AGREEMENT and complete the work within the stipulated time frame, failing which the party of the second part would be liable for a penalty which may go up to Rs.5000/- per day, subject to a maximum of 10% of entire value of contract, for each day of delay beyond the time stipulated in this AGREEMENT, provided that each day of delay beyond the schedule is attributable solely to the FIRM. The Commission's decision in this matter will be binding on all parties.
- 15. In case the party of the second part fails to fulfil its obligations, the Commission would be entitled to invoke the performance Bank Guarantee as furnished by party of the second part and the amount mentioned in the Performance Bank Guarantee shall stand forfeited.
- 16. In respect of any matter for which no provision has been made in this agreement, the provisions contained in the general instructions of the Government on the subject of engagement of FIRM shall apply. All the letters

issued by the Commission and the proposal and clarifications submitted by the FIRM shall form part of this agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the Firm and Secretary to the Commission on behalf of the Commission have hereto put their hands on the day and the year first above written.

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Executive Director			Secretary	
Firm			DERC	
Witness :				
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