

CENTRAL ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION

(Terms and Conditions for recognition and issuance of Renewable Energy Certificate for Renewable Energy Generation) Regulations 2010 Dated 14th January 2010 with Amendments Dated 29.9.2010 and 2.4.2013

| Sl. No. | Description | Summary |
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| 1. | Title | (i) CERC (Terms and Conditions for recognition and issuance of Renewable Energy Certificate for Renewable Energy Generation) Regulations 2010 (ii) First Amendment Regulations dated 29-09-2010 (iii) Second Amendment Regulations dated 02-04-2013 |
| 2. | Definitions and Interpretation | As per Regulations |
| 3. | Central Agency and its functions | The Commission shall designate an agency as the Central Agency after satisfying itself that the said agency has the required capability of performing its functions as provided under these Regulations. |
| 4. | Category of Certificates | (i) There shall be two category of certificates viz. solar electricity based on solar as renewable energy source, and non Solar Certificate issued to eligible entities for generation of electricity based on renewable energy sources other than solar. (ii) Solar and non-solar certificates shall be issued to obligated entities to meet their respective obligations for purchase of renewable energy. |
| 5. | Eligibility and Registration of Certificates | A generating company engaged in generation of electricity from renewable energy sources shall be eligible to apply for Registration for issuances of and dealing in certificates subject to fulfillment of the following conditions: (a) It has obtained accreditation from the State Agency. (b) It does not have a PPA to sell this power to the obligated entity. However, in case of Co-generating plant for RE sources, his load capacity as assessed or sanctioned by the distribution licensee shall be considered as self consumption for issue of certificates. (c) It sells the electricity generated either to the distribution licensee of his area at a price not exceeding pooled cost of purchase of such distribution licensee or it sells to any other licensee or open access consumer at a mutually agreed price or through power exchange at market determined price. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If the generating company prematurely terminates his agreement to supply, shall not be eligible for participating in REC Scheme for three years or up to the expiry of the agreement whichever is earlier. • A captive generating plant (CGP) shall be eligible for the entire RE energy generated for self consumption subject to the condition that such CGP has not availed or does not propose to avail any benefit in the form of concessional/ proportional transmission or wheeling charges or banking facility benefit. If the CGP foregoes these benefits it shall be eligible for REC schemes after three years. Also it does not sell electricity generated either directly or through a trader to an obligated entity for compliance of RPO by such entity. |
| 6. | Revocation of Registration | If the Central Agency after making an enquiry or based on the report of the Compliance Auditors is satisfied that public interests so require, it may revoke registration of the eligible entity. |
| 7. | Denomination of issuance of Certificates | Each certificate issued shall represent one MW hour of electricity generated from RE sources and injected on demand to be injected (for self consumption by CGP) into the grid. |
| 8. | Dealing in the Certificate | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unless otherwise specifically permitted by the Commission by order, the certificate shall only be dealt through the power exchange and not in any other manner. • However, RE generator including CGP shall be permitted to retain the certificates for offsetting its RPO as a consumer subject to certification and verification by the Concerned State Agency. |

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| 9. | Pricing of Certificate | The price of certificate shall be as discovered in the Power Exchange provided that the Commission in consultation with Central Agency and Forum of Regulators from time to time provide for the floor price and forbearance price separately for solar and non-solar Certificates. |
| 10. | Validity and extinction of Certificates | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • After registration the renewable energy generator shall be eligible for issuance of Certificates under these Regulations from the date of Commercial Operation or from the date of registration of such plant by the Central Agency whichever is later provided that these Certificates shall remain valid for seven hundred and thirty days from the date of issuance, subject to time limit. • The certificate shall be deemed to be extinguished after it has been exchanged by way of sale and purchase in the Power Exchange. |
| 11. | Fees and Charges | The Commission may fix the fees and charges payable by the eligible entities for participating in the scheme . |
| 12. | Funding for Capacity building of State Agency | Commission may fix certain percentage of the proceeds from Sale of Certificates for training and capacity building of State Agency. |
| 13. | Power to Relax | Vested with the Commission |