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Dear Sir,

Gazette 2019/28 -Technical and Reliability Requirements for preparation of Least Cost Long Term Generation Expansion Plan (LCLTGE) 2020-2039

This refers to your letter ref. PE/TECH/D/03/09 dated April 29, 2019, regarding the above subject, embedding the Letter sent by the General Manager (GM) of Ceylon Electricity Board (CEB) ref. GP/CE/101 dated March 27, 2019.

The Commission has required the Comments of the Transmission Licensee on the Technical and Reliability parameters (Reserve Margin and Loss of Load Probability (LOLP)), vide the letters ref. PUC/LI/AP19/01/2 dated Aug 21, 2018, letter ref. PUC/LI/AP19/01/3 dated Dec 10, 2018, prior to publishing the same in Gazette. However, the CEB has not submitted any comments on the same. Further, as per the said letter of the GM of CEB, the Transmission Licensee has prepared the LCLTGE 2020-39, based on the parameters published in the Gazette.

Delays in power plants can be modeled in planning studies and is not required to be addressed by increasing the reserve margin throughout the planning period, which results in increase in the cost and the end user tariff.

Hence, the PUCSL is of the view that the Base Case Plan of LCLTGE should be prepared based on the most likely implementation targets of the power plants, as per the planning criteria published in the Gazette, and any additional plants required due to any contingencies as a result of unpredictable delays of the power plants should be identified as separate contingency plans to the Base Case Plan, instead of increasing the Reserve Margin.

Further, your said letter ref. PE/TECH/D/03/09 dated April 29, 2019 and the letter of the GM of CEB ref. GP/CE/101 dated March 27, 2019, have not specified the expected increase in the Reserve Margin or the contingencies considered.

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