# COURT-II IN THE APPELLATE TRIBUNAL FOR ELECTRICITY

(Appellate Jurisdiction)

#### <u>IA NOS. 99, 100 & 101 OF 2019 IN</u> <u>DFR NO. 208 OF 2019</u>

Dated: 31<sup>st</sup> January, 2019

Present: Hon'ble Mr. Justice N. K. Patil, Judicial Member

Hon'ble Mr. Ravindra Kumar Verma, Technical Member

In the matter of:

Indian Wind Power Association (IWPA) .... Appellant(s)

Vs.

Maharashtra Electricity Regulatory Commission & Ors. .... Respondent(s)

Counsel for the Appellant (s) : Mr. Anand K.Ganesan

Counsel for the Respondent(s) : Mr. G. Umapathy

Ms. Udit Gupta Ms. Manpreet Kaur Mr. Pulkit D for R-2

#### ORDER (IA No. 99 of 2019 – Leave to file Appeal)

We have heard the learned counsel, Mr. Anand K. Ganesan, appearing for the Appellant on IA No. 99 of 2019.

In the light of the submission of the learned counsel appearing for the Appellant and after perusal of the statement made in the application at para 3, 6 & 7, we find the same satisfactory and accepted. IA is allowed. Application for leave to file the Appeal is granted and stands disposed of.

### (IA No. 100 of 2019) (for Condonation of Delay in filing the Appeal)

We have heard the learned counsel appearing for the Appellant and the learned counsel, Mr. G. Umapathy, appearing for the second Respondent. Other respondents, though served, are unrepresented.

The learned counsel appearing for the Appellant, submitted that, there is a delay of 29 days in filing the appeal which has been explained satisfactorily in paras 8 to 10 of the application and sufficient cause has been shown therein. The delay in filing the appeal is bonafide and unintentional. Therefore, he

submitted that, the delay may kindly be condoned and IA may kindly be allowed. The matter may kindly be heard on merit in the interest of justice and equity.

**Per-contra**, the learned counsel appearing for the second Respondent, inter-alia, contended and opposed the instant IA filed by the Appellant for condonation of delay in filing the appeal on the ground that inspite of having knowledge, the Appellant has not shown justifiable reasons in the application while explaining the delay in filing the appeal and, therefore, he submitted that, the application filed by the Appellant may be dismissed on the ground of delay and latches.

Submissions of the learned counsel for the Appellant and the second Respondent, as stated supra, are placed on record.

After careful consideration of the submissions of the learned counsel appearing for the Appellant and after perusal of the reasons assigned in paragraphs 8 to 10 of the Application, we find that the delay has been explained satisfactorily as sufficient cause has been shown and reasoning assigned is bonafide in nature. The same are accepted. The delay of 29 days in filing the appeal is condoned. **IA is allowed**.

Regarding submission of the learned counsel for the second Respondent opposing the delay in filing the appeal, we do not find any force on the same as the same has been explained satisfactorily by the Appellant in a tabular form at para 10 of their application. The same was accepted.

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Registry is directed to number the appeal and list the matter for admission on <u>06.02.2019</u>, as requested by the learned counsel for the Appellant to enable him to produce the copy of the Central Government's guidelines.

(Ravindra Kumar Verma)
Technical Member
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(Justice N.K. Patil)
Judicial Member