Before

UTTARAKHAND ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION

Misc. Appl. No. 50 of 2020

In the Matter of:

<u>Repeated violation of Regulation 40 of CBR, clause 11 of licence conditions and</u> <u>directions of the Commission issued in its various orders by UPCL.</u>

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In the Matter of:

Application seeking approval of Uttarakhand Electricity Regulatory Commission (UERC) for investment on the work of construction of 10 nos. 33/11 KV GIS Substations under Integrated Power Development Scheme (IPDS) Project of Ministry of Power, Govt. of India.

And

In the Matter of:

Uttarakhand Power Corporation Ltd., Victoria Cross Vijeta Gabar Singh Urja Bhawan, Kanwali Road, Dehradun

...Petitioner

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Shri D.P. GairolaMember (Law)Shri M.K.JainMember (Technical)

Date of Hearing: March 09, 2021 Date of Order: March 09, 2021

<u>ORDER</u>

Heard the matter for admissibility of the Petition.

The Commission expressed its serious concern over the indifferent approach of the licensee towards compliance of the provisions of clause 11 of the Distribution & Retail Supply Licence dated 20.06.2003 and Regulation 40 of UERC (Conduct of Business) Regulations, 2014, wherein the distribution licensee is required to take prior approval for major investments. However, despite repeated directions of the Commission

issued in its recent Orders dated 14.02.2020, 22.05.2020, 25.08.2020 & 08.12.2020, UPCL is not refraining from its legacy approach and adopting lackadaisical approach towards the compliances.

Hence, the licensee is cautioned for adhering to the aforesaid provisions strictly. Any laxity on the same in future shall not be condoned.

The Petition be admitted.

Ordered accordingly.

(M.K. Jain) Member (Technical) (D.P. Gairola) Member (Law)