

Expression of Interest Document

Invitation for Expression of Interest (EoI) from NABL accredited Electric Meter Testing Laboratories for panelment by Gujarat Electricity Regulatory Commission as Independent Third Party Meter Testing Laboratory in the State of Gujarat

1. Introduction

Gujarat Electricity Regulatory Commission (GERC) was constituted in November, 1998 under the provisions of Electricity Regulatory Commission Act, 1998 which was repealed by the Electricity Act, 2003. It is deemed Commission under sub-section (1) section 3 of the Gujarat Electricity Industry (Reorganisation and Regulation) Act, 2003 and in terms of Section 82 of the Electricity Act, 2003. The Commission undertakes various functions under Section 86 of the Electricity Act 2003 (EA 2003), such as, determination of tariff for generation, transmission and wheeling of electricity; bulk or retail supply of electricity, as the case may be, within the State of Gujarat; regulate electricity purchase and procurement process of Distribution Licensees; issue Licenses for Transmission, Distribution, and Trading and promote cogeneration and generation of electricity from renewable sources of energy. One of the objective of the Electricity Act, 2003 is to protect of interests of consumers.

While carrying out these functions, the Gujarat Electricity Regulatory Commission shall adhere to provisions of the Electricity Act, 2003, National Electricity Policy and Tariff Policy notified by Government of India.

2. The National Electricity Policy 2005

With the objective of protecting interests of consumers, the National Electricity Policy, 2005 vide Clause No. 5.4.9 has mandated the State Electricity Regulatory Commissions to put in place Independent Third Party Meter Testing Arrangement.

3. Gujarat Electricity Regulatory Commission (Electricity Supply Code and Related Matters) Regulations, 2015 and subsequent amendments

The Gujarat Electricity Regulatory Commission, in exercise of powers conferred under various provisions of the Electricity Act, 2003, has notified the Gujarat Electricity Regulatory Commission (Electricity Supply Code and Related Matters) Regulations, 2005, which details the obligation of the licensee and consumers vis-à-vis each other and specifies the set of practices that shall be adopted by the licensee to provide efficient, cost-effective and consumer friendly service to the consumers.

To protect interests of consumers, the Commission vide Regulation 6.30 of the GERC (Electricity Supply Code and Related Matters) Regulations, 2015, has provided measures to the consumers to get their electricity meters tested for accuracy at a third party facility which shall be approved by the Commission.

4. Accreditation by the Gujarat Electricity Regulatory Commission as Independent Third Party Meter Testing Laboratory

In compliance with provision of National Electricity Policy 2005, GERC has empaneled three NABL accredited laboratories situated at Gandhinagar, Vadodara and Udaipur as Third Party Meter Testing facility. In order to enhance the availability of Third Party Meter Testing facility to the consumers of the State, GERC hereby invites Expression of Interest from reputed National Accreditation Board for testing and Calibration accredited Laboratories for empanelment.

5. Procedure for submission of EoI

Interested Meter Testing Laboratories may submit technical proposal in a sealed cover with copies of valid NABL Accreditation for meter testing as well as schedule of charges for single phase and three phase meters and testing of CT/PT units, number of single phase and three phase meters tested during past five years, Independent Third Party Meter Testing Accreditation of other State Electricity Regulatory Commissions or any other relevant institutions, if any.

The EoI shall be addressed to the Secretary, Gujarat Electricity Regulatory Commission and shall be reached at the Office of the Commission, 6th Floor, GIFT ONE, Road 5-C, Zone-5, GIFT City, Gandhinagar – 382 355 on or before 20/04/2019.

The EoI shall be sent through Registered Post only duly mentioning “Application for empanelment as Independent Third Party Meter Testing Laboratory”.

Sd/-
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Secretary
Gujarat Electricity Regulatory Commission
Gandhinagar