IN THE APPELLATE TRIBUNAL FOR ELECTRICITY
(APPELLATE JURISDICTION)
COURT-I
(P&NG – BENCH)

APL NO. 13 OF 2023 &
IA NO.1253 OF 2022

Dated: 01.03.2023

Present: Hon'ble Mr. JusticeRamesh Ranganathan, Chairperson
Hon'ble Dr. Ashutosh Karnatak, Technical Member (P&NG)

In the matter of :
AGP City Gas Pvt. Limited …. Appellant(s)
Vs.
Petroleum and Natural Gas Regulatory Board ….. Respondent(s)

Counsel for the Appellant(s) : Mr. Manu Aggarwal

Counsel for the Respondent(s): Mr. Rahul Sagar Sahay
Mr. Mohit Budhiraja
Mr. Kartikey Joshifor R-1

ORDER

Though 03 weeks time was granted for filing reply in the initial instance, no reply was filed within time. A request is again made by the PNGRB for grant of further time. As a result of such repeated requests, the time of the Bench is being needlessly spent in considering such requests for extension of time to file reply / rejoinder. We were initially of the view that costs of Rs. 25,000/- should be imposed on the Respondent (PNGRB) for their failure to abide by the time limit, specified in our earlier order, for a reply to be filed. However, Mr. Rahul Sahay, learned Counsel for the Respondent, submits that a last opportunity be given to the Board to file their reply; and they would ensure that, henceforth, the reply shall be filed in time.

Acceding to the request of Mr. Rahul Sagar Sahay, let the appeal be listed on 20.03.2023, along with the connected appeals, before the Registrar for completion of pleadings. The Respondent shall file their reply on or before 20.03.2023, failing which their right to file reply shall stand forfeited.

Convenience compilation and note of arguments shall be submitted by the next date of hearing.

List the matter before the Registrar on ***20.03.2023.***

(Dr. Ashutosh Karnatak)
Technical Member (P&NG)

(Justice Ramesh Ranganathan)
Chairperson

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