Special product for funding renewable energy projects through bonds/banks loans/other financial instruments

1. Title

Special product for funding renewable energy projects through bonds/banks loans/other financial instruments against commissioned and operationally viable Renewable Energy Projects.

2. Objective

- i. To fund commissioned renewable energy projects where >75% of the project is commissioned, at competitive rates by linking the rate with the benchmarks /back-to-back fund raising /based on raised resources
- ii. It will help the project developers to avail funds from IREDA at a comparatively lower rate.
- iii. To provide option of fixed and floating rate to the borrower

3. Eligibility Criteria

- i. Commercially viable Renewable Energy projects, the projects should have minimum average DSCR of 1.2.
- ii. The minimum loan should not be less than Rs. 500 Cr. to be eligible under the scheme.
- iii. The minimum stand-alone credit rating (external) of the RE project or portfolio should be at least "A-", such rating should currently be valid.
- iv. The promoters of the project should not be on the defaulters list of Reserve Bank of India (RBI)
 - or Credit Information Bureau (India) Limited (CIBIL) and no criminal proceeding should be pending against the promoters.
- v. The borrower i.e., SPV/holding Company and its subsidiary should not be in default list of IREDA/Banks/FIs as on date of application.
- vi. All other eligibility conditions as per financing norms of IREDA.

4. Fee Charged by IREDA

The front-end fees charged by IREDA for such transaction shall be 0.5% of the total loan amount. However, all other fees shall be charged as per IREDA guidelines from time to time.

5. Net Interest margin for loan:

External Rating of the Project	Net	Margin	Net		Margir	Net	Margin	Net	Margin
	applicable		applicable		applicable		applicable		
	(Fixed	rate for 5	(Fixed	rate	for 3	(Variable	rate for 3	(Variable ra	ate for 5
	years)		years)			years)		years)	
AAA		1.10%		1.0	0%		1.10%	1	.50%
AA, AA+, AA-		1.45%		1.3	5%		1.25%	2	.00%
A, A+, A-		1.65%		1.5	0%		1.35%	2	.20%

6. Other Conditions:

i. If the rating of the project falls below A- than the rate of interest for the project shall be transferred from this regime to IREDA applicable rate of interest.

- ii. In case of prepayment, borrower shall be permitted to replace assets with same or higher loan amount, however minimum rating of A- is to be maintained to replace the assets. Further, in case of prepayment before reset 5% prepayment penalty to be charged. However, in case of replacement of assets borrower has to deposit upfront payment of 5% plus applicable taxes and the same will be refunded once the assets are replaced.
- iii. For replacement of assets, new appraisal of the project shall be carried out as per IREDA guidelines.
- iv. On the date of reset, borrower shall have option to convert loan to IREDA's rate of interest as per applicable grading or prepay IREDA's loan with no prepayment premium.
- v. Reset shall be post initial financing period.
- vi. No further rebate will be extended to the borrower as per IREDA guidelines from time to time.
- vii. External rating to be submitted by atleast two credit rating agencies and lower of the two rating shall be considered for funding.
- viii. Borrower to submit external rating every year.
 - ix. All other terms and conditions shall be guided by IREDA's guidelines.