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Tο

The Chairman-cum-Managing Director, Uttar Haryana Bijli Vitran Nigam Limited, Vidyut Sadan, Plot No. C-16 Sector-6, Panchkula

The Chairman-cum-Managing Director, Dakshin Haryana Bijli Vitran Nigam Limited, Vidyut Nagar, Hissar-125005 Haryana

Memo No. 4789-90/HERC-Dated:- 22.01.2019

Subject:- Non – Compliance of Commission's Order and penal action u/s 142 of the EA 2003 thereto.

Please refer to the Commission's ARR Order dated 15.11.2018 in case no. HERC/PRO-83 of 2017 & HERC/PRO-85 of 2017, wherein a few directives were issued to be complied with by DISCOMs in a time bound manner. A failure to do so were to attract penal provision of the Act.

The directives are as under:-

1. **FEEDER LOSSES**: The Commission in its Order dated 07.0 5.2015 on revised ARR of two licensees for the FY 2015-16 had directed the licensees to bring down the total number of rural feeders with line losses above 50% as on 31.03.2015 to half by the end of the FY 2015-16 and to bring down the losses of all urban feeders below 25% by the time of next ARR/APR filling. However, a marginal improvement was noticed by the Commission at the time of filling of tariff petition for FY 2016-17 by the distribution licensees. As the distribution Licensees failed to achieve the above targets, the Commission in its tariff Order dated 01.08.2016 for FY 2016-17 had directed the Licensees to introspect the reasons and to submit detailed report for not achieving the above targets. However, even after repeated pursuance, the targets envisaged were not achieved and only depicted marginal improvement. As both the licensee had failed to achieve the targets envisaged by the Commission in its Order dated 01.08.2016 for FY 2016-17, the Commission again in its tariff order dated 11.07.2017 directed the distribution licensees to bring

down the total number of rural feeders with line losses above 50% as on 31.03.2017 to half and to bring down the losses of all urban feeders below 25% by the time of next ARR/APR filing.

- 2. **DISTRIBUTION LOSS REDUCTION**: The distribution licensees have again failed to achieve the targets envisaged by the Commissions in its tariff Order dated 11.07.2017. The distribution licensees in their explanation has submitted that rampant theft, electromechanical meters in the system, meter inside the consumer premises etc. are the reasons for high losses and informed about the efforts made in this regard. Licensees however, have submitted that various loss reduction initiatives such as implementation of MGJG scheme, sanitation of feeders, replacement of defective/Electro-mechanical meters, relocation of replacement of bare conductor with AB Cable, distribution system augmentation to remove overloading, release of new connections in unauthorised colonies, regularization of unauthorized connections, DSM initiatives, IT implementation, theft detection drives are being exercised to reduce the losses. The distribution licensees are again directed to file, within two (2) months, detailed reasons for yet not achieving the targets determined by the Commission in its tariff Order dated 11.07.2017 along with action taken/plan to achieve the same. The Commission also directs the distribution licensees to bring down the total number of rural feeders with line losses above 50% as on 31.03.2018 to half and to bring down the losses of all urban feeders below 25% by the time of next ARR/APR filing. Failure to do so shall attract action under Section 142 of the Electricity Act, 2003.
- 3. **REPLACEMENT OF DEFECTIVE METERS**: The Commission's Order dated 07th May, 2015, further assigned the following targets to the licensees for replacement of defective energy meters.
- 4. a) Single phase meters: The number of defective energy meters should not exceed 10,000 at any time after December, 2015.
- b) Three phase meters: The number of defective energy meters should not exceed 500 at any time after December, 2015. The licensees vide Commission's Order dated 07thMay, 2015 were also informed that failure to comply with the above targets set by the Commission shall attract the penal provision of Section 142 of the Electricity Act, 2003 against the XEN and above responsible for the lapse. However, both the licensees failed miserably in achieving the targets for replacement of defective meters set by the Commission. The licensees vide Commission's Order

dated 01stAugust, 2016 were again, directed to submit a detailed report within two months from the date of issue of Order, indicating the detailed reason for not meeting with the targets assigned failure to do so shall attract penal action as per the Electricity Act, 2003. Distribution licensees, however, again failed to keep the defective meters in the system within the specifiedtargets. The Commission observed that sincere efforts are not made instead for replacement of defective energy meters and accordingly in its tariff order date 11.07.2017, as a last chance, directed the distribution licensees to submit a detailed report indicating the detailed reason for not meeting with the targets assigned along with action plan to achieve the targets and failure to do so shall attract penal action as per the Electricity Act, 2003.

5. **PENDING CONNECTIONS**: The Commission again directs the distribution licensees to expedite the release of pending applications for new connections as well as load enhancement. The present backlog should be removed within two months from the date of this Order and the distribution licensees shall submit a report on the same thereafter. In case backlog is not cleared within two months, it shall be deemed to be a notice under section 142 against the erring Officer/Official and the penalty so levied shall be paid to the sufferers. The hearing for taking action under Section 142 shall be held in the month of February, 2018. Distributions licensees are directed to submit the circle-wise & age wise pendency of new as well as extension of load cases along with reasons for not expediting the same within the given time frame. Compensation paid to the applicants, as specified by the Commission in its Regulations, for delay in expediting new connection or release of extended load shall also informed within two months from the date of this Order. The details of pending connections be uploaded on the website of the DISCOMs on monthly basis along with action plan to release the same.

In view of the above, you are directed to submit the status on compliance of the above directives and explain as to why action against the Discoms should not be initiated u/s 142 of the Act.

This issues with the approval of the Commission.

Director (Tariff) HERC



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To

The Director (Tariff)

Bays Nos. 33-36, Sector-4, HERC, Panchkula

Chairman

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No. 727/CFMS

Memo no. Ch-81/SE/RA/N/F-56/Vol-(15)

Dated: 29.01.2019

Secretary

Subject:

Pending electricity connections in the State.

Please refer to your office memo no. 4673-74/HERC/Tariff dated 10.01.2019 on the above subject.

In this connection, it is intimated that the Nigam has circulated Sales Circular No. U-23/2018 and U-24/2018 in compliance to the ARR/Tariff order dated 15.11.18 of the Hon'ble Commission. With regard to release of pending connections, it is submitted that the directions of the Hon'ble Commission have already been communicated to all Superintending Engineers 'OP' for strict and meticulous compliance vide this office memo no. Ch-8/TR-95(90)/TW Tatkal/ Loose-II/CE/C-I dated 06.12.18 (Copy enclosed). It may further be noted that there are only 37 & 415 Nos. tubewell connections are left to be released under Tatkal and General scheme in the entire jurisdiction of UHBVN. The circle wise detail is as under:

Circle	No. of T/Well connections pending under Tatkal	No. of T/Well connections pending under General category	Total pendency
Rohtak	1	7	8
Jhajjar	0	10	10
Sonepat	2	20	22
Panipat	15	161	176
Karnal	6	29	35
Kaithal	8	79	87
Kurukshetra	0	2	2
Yamunanagar	4.	100	104
Ambala	1	7	8
Total	37	415	452

New connections are mostly being released timely as per the guidelines specified by the Commission. The pendency is being monitored regularly through online monitoring system and due emphasis is given to release the connection well within timelines. It may be appreciated that the order of the Hon'ble Commission came on 15.11.2018, during that day 13579 No. connections are pending and within two months of the order i.e. upto 15.01.2019, 38959 No. new connections have been applied. Out of these connections, a total of 31758 connections have been released (7800 Nos. cancelled) by the Nigam in these two months, leaving only 12980 pending. As per HERC regulations 30 days is given for general LT connections, 71 days for 11KV connections and 97 days for 33 kV. Hon'ble Commission is informed that most of the applications are being released within prescribed timelines except applications where there are some issues pertaining to

ROW, Non-compliance of demand notice, requires new lines /augmentation of the system.

Circle wise pendency of new connection as on 15.01.2019 is as under: -

Name of Circle	Total Pending Application as on date of the Order i.e, 15.11.2018	New application received during 15.11.2018 to 15.01.2019	Application cancelled during 15.11.2018 to 15.01.2019	Connections released during 15.11.2018 to 15.01.2019	Pending Application as on 15.01,2019
Ambala	1626	4011	1094	3217	1326
Jhajjar	1229	2969	705	2735	758
Kaithal	1977	6187	.762	5082	2320
Karnal	2110	6141	1214	5194	1843
KKTRA	911	3071	543	2485	954
Panipat	1036	3802	806	2735	1297
Rohtak	1460	3326	837	2564	1385
Sonipat	1262	4206	810	3105	1553
Y/nagar	1968	5246	1029	4641	1544
Grand Total	13579	38959	7800	31758	12980

^{*} Above figures are excluding AP new connection applications.

Circle wise pendency of load extension cases (without AP) as on 15.01.2019 is as under: -

Name of Circle	Total Pending Application as on date of the Order i.e, 15.11.2018	New application received during 15.11.2018 to 15.01.2019	Application cancelled during 15.11.2018 to 15.01.2019	Connections released during 15.11.2018 to 15.01,2019	Pending Application as on 15.01.2019
Ambala	132	289	110	208	103
Jhajjar	94	156	57	152	41
Kaithal	53	120	21	113	39
Karnal	109	221	77	208	45
KKTRA	32	142	49	87	38
Panipat	122	169	53	175	63
Rohtak	109	113	45	119	58
Sonipat	222	333	91	176	288
Y/nagar	203	212	77	247	91
Grand Total	1076	1755	580	1485	766

This is for your kind consideration of the Hon'ble Commission please,

Superintending^V

nding Engineer / RA UHBVN, Panchkula

DA/As above

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From

Superintending Engineer/ Comml. UHBVN, Panchkula.

To

All Superintending Engineers / OP Circle, under UHBVN.

Memo No. Ch- 08/7R-95 (90)/74/ TatKal/ Louse-II/CE/C-I Dated: 06.12.2018

Subject:

Direction of HERC to award compensation for delay in tubewell connections under Tatkal & Ors. - reg.

In this context, it is intimated that HERC has recently passed its Tariff order dated 15.11.2018 for the FY 2018-19. In said order, HERC has shown its serious concern over the pending applications and has directed following immediate actions:

(a) Tatkal Scheme

- To award compensation as per HERC Regulations wherever the delay in releasing the AP connections under Tatkal Scheme is beyond thirty days.
- Pending connections be released within one month, otherwise interest at State Bank of India MCLR rate with one year tenor applicable on 01.04.2018 shall be payable from the date of deposit of tatkal premium amount.

(b) General

- The present backlog should be removed within two months from the date of this Order and the distribution licensees shall submit a report on the same thereafter.
- In case backlog is not cleared within two months, it shall be deemed to be a notice under section 142 against the erring Officer/Official and the penalty so levied shall be paid to the sufferers.
- To submit the circle-wise & age wise pendency of new as well as
 extension of load cases along with reasons for not expediting the
 same within the given time frame.
- Compensation paid to the applicants, as specified by the Commission in its Regulations, for delay in expediting new connection or release

of extended load shall also inform within two months from the date of this Order.

It is therefore, requested to take immediate necessary action as per the directions of Hon'ble Commission and to ensure the pendency of release of new connections and extension of load within 02 months. Further, to release all pending application under Tatkal scheme within 01 months from the issue of this office memo otherwise interest (as prescribed by the HERC) which would be paid to the consumer shall be recovered from the JE concerned.

It is reiterated that no further connections under Tatkal scheme be entertained and instruction in this regard earlier been issued vide this office memo Ch-43/TR-95(90)/TW/Tatkal/Loose/CE/C-1 dated 04.04.2018. Non compliance of the above instruction shall invite disciplinary action.

The above shall be noted by all concerned for necessary and meticulous compliance

Superintending Engineer/ Comml.

CC:

- Chief Engineer (OP) / UHBVN, Panchkula and Rohtak: They are requested to monitor the release of connections and clearance of pendency under Tatkal within 30 days.
- Chief Engineer / Commercial / DHBVN, Hisar: He is requested to intimate the above in DHBVN as well.



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The Chairman-cum-Managing Director, Dakshin Haryana Bijli Vitran Nigam Limited, Vidyut Nagar, Hissar-125005 Haryana

Memo No. 4673-74/HERC/Tariff Dated: 10.01.2019

Subject:- Pending electricity connection in the State.

Please find enclosed email dated 04.12.2018 received from Mr. Shyam Sunder, with reference to the direction of the Commission to issue the pending electricity connections to the farmers within two months.

In this regard, you are directed to strictly comply with the directions of the Commission and send the compliance report within 10 days from the date of issue of this letter.

This issues with the approval of the Commission.

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Subject: Regarding pending electricity connection in the State

To: chairman.herc@nic.in Cc: cmharyana@nic.in Bcc: secretary.herc@nic.in From: Shyam Sunder <drssunder@gmail.com>

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Respected Sir

Reference to news published in Dainik Bhaskar Nov. 22, 2018 p.3 regarding subject cited above. Respected chairman, HERC, Sh. Jagjeet Singh directed the officers to issue the pending (ca.85000) electricity connections to the farmers within two months. In this regard, when I met to concerned officer, he denied to have any such directions/order from the commission. The respected chairman, HERC and worthy CM of Haryana are requested to get issued the clear cut instructions/directions/orders for officers in field regarding the said subject, so that the farmers get their long awaited tubewell electricity connections as soon as possible (before election) and feel glad.

Your kind and early response will be highly appreciated.

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अधिकारी शामिल होंग।

उसे मान्यता दी जाएगी।

Dainik Bhaskar, 22-11-2018

बिजली के 85 हजार कनेक्शन पेंडिंग, 2 माह में नहीं लगे तो अफसरों पर लगेगा ₹1 लाख तक जुर्माना

- इलेक्ट्रिसटी रेगुलेटरी कमीशन का बड़ा फैसला
- तत्काल ट्यूबवेल कनेक्शन पर 15% ब्याज देना होगा मनंज कमार राजधानी हरियाणा

प्रदेश के बिजली निगमों को पेंडिंग पड़े करीब 85 हजार बिजली कनेक्शन 2 माह में देने होंगे। यदि ऐसा नहीं किया तो जिम्मेदार अधिकारी पर एक लाख रुपए तक की पैनल्टी लगाई जाएगी। साथ ही करीब डेढ़ साल पहले बनाई गई तत्काल ट्यूबबेल कनेक्शन के लिए किसान की ओर से जमा कराई गई राशि पर 15 फोसदी ब्याज देना होगा। 350 किसानों ने इस योजना के तहत ट्यूबवेल कनेक्शन के लिए आवेदन किया हुआ है। हरियाणा इलेक्ट्रिसटी रेगुलेटरी कमीशन ने यह फैसला दिया है। कमीशन चेयरमैन जगनीत सिंह ने जिम्मेदार अधिकारियों को पेंडिंग कनेक्शन को लेकर सेक्शन-142 के तहत नोटिस जारी किया है। पैनल्टी राशि व ब्याज संबंधित अधिकारी को अपनी जेब से देना होगा। कमीशन की ओर से फैसला दिया गया है कि सरकार सरप्लस बिजली दूसरे राज्यों को सस्ती दे रही है। इसे राज्य की ही इंडस्ट्री को दिया जाए, ताकि उत्पादन बढाया जा सके।

इंडस्ट्री को दूसरे प्रदेशों से बिजली हारीदना हुआ सस्ता : दूसरे राज्यों से बिजली खरीदने वाली इंडस्ट्री को प्रति यूनिट 68 पैसे की राहत मिली है। उन्हें अब 2.62 रुपए के बजाय अब 1.94 रुपए प्रति युनिट देने होंगे।

यहां सिंगल पॉइंट कनेक्शन होगा

ग्रुप हाउसिंग सोसायटी, आवासीय या वाणिज्यिक परिसरों, गोशालाओं, वृद्धावस्था आश्रम आदि में अब

स्टील व लोहे की इंडस्ट्री के लिए फिक्स चार्ज में ₹20 की कमी

हरियाणा बिजली रेगुलेंटरी कमीशन ने स्टील व लोहे से जुड़ी इंडस्ट्री के फिक्स चार्ज 190 रु. में 20 रु. प्रति किलोबाट एंपीयर (केवीए) कम किए हैं। वहीं, मेट्रो के लिए रेट प्रति यूनिट 10 पैसे घटाकर 6.25 रु. किए हैं। वहीं, एडबरटाइजमेंट या सजावटी लाइट के लिए प्रति यूनिट 1.90 रु. कम कर 6.45 पैसे किए हैं। वहीं, घरेलू, गैर घरेलू, कृषि आदि के बिजली के रेट 2017-18 के तरह ही रखे गए हैं। स्मार्ट मीटर, स्मार्ट ग्रिड से जुड़ने वालों को भी 25% तक छूट मिलेगी।

सिंगल पॉइंट कनेक्शन होगा। इनसे बिजली के चार्ज भी बल्क सप्लाई के अनुसार लिए जाएंगे।



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The Managing Director, DHBVNL, C-Block, Vidyut Sadan, Vidyut Nagar, Hisar-125005.

Memo No.2058-59/HERC/Smart Meter/FOR/2017.

Dated: 06.03.2017

Subject: Newspaper report appearing in Aaj Samaj (Hindi-Ambala/

Chandigarh edition) dated 14th February, 2017.

Kindly refer to the subject cited newspaper report. A copy of the same is attached herewith for ready reference. A few issues that have been flagged in the said report are summarized as under:-

- i) Procurement and Installation of inferior quality electricity meters with high failure rate and easily amenable to tampering as established by a report of the meter testing lab at Dhulkot.
- ii) Eligibility criteria for empanelment (for procurement of meters) changed from companies having turnover of Rs. 400 Crore to Rs. 100 Crore.
- iii) Financial losses caused to the Nigam due to installation of inferior quality of electricity meters.
- iv) Non-compliance of HERC Order regarding installation of smart meter.

The above issues may kindly be got examined and comments / findings on the same may be submitted to the Commission at the earliest.

This has the approval of the Commission.

DA/- as above

-Sd-Director (Tariff) HERC, Panchkula

Aaj Samaj (Hindi-Ambala/ Chandigarh edition) dated 14th February, 2017





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To

The Chief Engineer, Haryana Power Purchase Centre 2nd floor, Shakti Bhawan, Sector -6. Panchkula

Memo No. 3077/HERC/Tariff/NTPC/FGPP/2015

Dated: 29/31.12.2015

Subject: - Extension of PPA for Faridabad Gas Power Plant of NTPC.

This is with reference to your office Memo No. Ch-23/HPPC/CE/C&R-I/LTP-II dated 13.04.2015 and Ch-39/HPPC/SEC&R-I/LTP-II/PPA-86 dated 28.10.2015.

I am directed to convey that the Commission approves the draft PPA subject to the following conditions:-

- a) The PPA shall be extended for a further period of six (6) months years i.e. from 01.01.2016 up to 30.06.2016.
- b) HPPC/ Discoms shall schedule power on APM Gas only.
- NTPC shall be free to sell, to a third party outside Haryana, any power that may be generated by NTPC using fuel other than APM Gas. To that extent, the fixed cost liability of HPPC shall be accordingly reduced. The condition 4.0 (para 4) may be modified suitably.

For further extension, HPPC shall submit the details of this procurement in accordance with the term 21.3 (a) and (b) of the Distribution & Retail Supply Licence.

A copy of PPA signed by both the parties may be submitted to the Commission for its record. Further, HPPC is directed to submit the requisite fee for approval of PPA within a week from the date of issue of this letter.

-Sd-Director (Tariff) HERC



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To

The Chief Engineer
Haryana Power Purchase Centre
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Memo No. 2663/HERC/Tariff/PPA/492

Dated: 09.12.2015

Subject: Non- submission of PPAs for approval of the Commission.

This is in continuation of this office memo no. 2639/HERC/Tariff/PPA/492 dated 03.12.2015.

Your kind attention is drawn towards Section 86 (1) (b) of the Electricity Act, 2003 wherein the Commission is empowered to regulate electricity purchase and procurement process of the Discoms including the price at which electricity shall be procured from the generating companies or licensees or from other sources through agreements for purchase of power for distribution and supply within the State.

The Commission has observed that there are many such PPAs under which the Discoms are procuring electricity from various sources but these PPAs do not have the approval of the Commission. The Commission feels that the PPAs not having the approval of the Commission are not valid PPAs and hence the power procured from these sources can be termed as unapproved purchases.

You are hereby directed to submit the case wise details of the PPAs which have been signed by the Discoms/HPPC without seeking the approval of the Commission, along with details of the date of signing of these PPAs. Further, it may also be clarified whether the fixed charges in respect of these generating stations have been recovered from the consumers or not. If recovered, whether the same will be considered for truing up of the ARR. HPPC is also directed to submit the

details of year-wise power purchased from such sources, along with fixed and variable charges paid for procuring power from such sources. Further, HPPC may also intimate whether procurement of power from these sources is further required, keeping in view the future scenario and Commission's order dated 07.05.2015 on the ARR of the Discoms for FY 2015-16 directing the Discoms to review all the PPAs.

The detailed reply on the above issues be submitted within a week from the date of issue of this letter, keeping in view the observations of AG Haryana in the audit report of HPPC.

-sd-Director / Tariff HERC, Panchkula



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The Managing Director, DHBVNL, Vidyut Sadan, Vidyut Nagar, Hisar-125005.

Memo No: HERC/Tariff/ 2641-42

Dated: 04.12.2015

Subject: Filling of APR petition for the FY 2015-16, ARR petition for the FY

2016-17 including true up of the FY 2014-15.

Kindly refer to memo no.Ch-14 / SE / RA -545 dated 01/12/2015 of DHBVNL and Ch-20 / GM/ RA / N / F-25 / Vol.-59 dated 30/11/2015 of UHBVNL, regarding extension of one month for filling of APR petition for the FY 2015-16, ARR petition or the FY 2016-17 including true up of the FY 2014-15.

The Commission has considered your request and allows 15 days to file the ARR/ APR petitions.

This issues with the approval of the Commission.

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To

The Managing Director, Dakshin Haryana Bijli Vitran Nigam Limited, Vidyut Sadan, Vidyut Nagar, Hisar 125005

Memo No. 2583/HERC/Tariff

Dated: 27.11.2015

Subject: Notice for compliance.

This is with reference to your office memo no. Ch-72/SE/RA-500/Vol-II/Loose dated 24.09.2015.

I am directed to draw your kind attention towards the Commission's Order dated 29th May 2014 on the ARR of UHBVNL and DHBVNL wherein the Commission has given the directive regarding abolition of vacant posts which is reproduced as under:-

Abolition of Vacant Posts: The Commission, on several occasions, has expressed concern regarding high and ever increasing employees cost of the Discoms and outsourcing of works wherever possible. Hence, all non – technical posts lying vacant for the last three years in the power utilities i.e. UHBVNL/DHBVNL needs to be abolished. However, the same shall not be applicable for the post where the contract / outsourced staff have been engaged.

Nigam should have abolished all non-technical posts lying vacant for the last three years except the posts where the contract/outsourced staff have been engaged but the same has not been done. The manpower position, in respect of Class-III & IV non-technical posts, in DHBVNL as per Annexure-V of the ibid referred letter of DHBVNL is under:

Date	Sanctioned	Working	Vacancy	Vacancy	Vacancy	Outsourced
(as on)	Post	Position	Position	meant for	against	against
				direct	promotion	unsanctioned
				recruitment	quota	post
30.04.2014	5115	2498	2621	1878	741	1050
31.05.2015	5103	2298	2805	1959	787	997

From above, it seems that non-technical posts lying vacant for the last three years have not been abolished.

The Commission again in its Order dated 07th May 2015 reiterated the same and directed the Nigam to abolish all non-technical posts lying vacant for the last three years except the posts where the contract/outsource staff have been engaged and submit the status of non-technical posts lying vacant for more than last three years at the time of above said orders, number of contract/outsourced staff engaged on such posts and the number of such vacant post abolished so far. The data has not been supplied in line with the

Order of the Commission. Further, as per Commission's order dated 15.10.2015 in the review petition against Commission's Order dated 07th May, 2015, if after 29th May, 2014 anyone has been appointed without the prior approval of the State Government as well as the Commission, the DDO/officer concerned shall be held responsible for this lapse.

The Nigam is directed to abolish all non-technical posts lying vacant for the last three years except the posts where the contract/outsource staff have been engaged and resubmit the status of non-technical posts to the Commission.

The Commission is also of the view that the Nigam should implement paperless billing to all the consumers having load above 5 kW in the urban areas by sending the electricity bills in their e-mail IDs and if such consumer asks for a hard copy, the same may be supplied at a cost of Rs.10/- only.

In the 12^{th} Meeting of State Advisory Committee held on 09.09.2015, the Nigam had assured for implementation of the Commission's directions given in the Commission's Order dated 07^{th} May, 2015 but despite assurance the Nigam has not implemented the directives given by the Commission in its Order dated 07^{th} May, 2015.

The Discoms in its reply filed in the Case no. HERC/RA-10 of 2015 & HERC/RA-11 of 2015 has proposed to meet the shortfall in the revenue, due to change in the tariff structure, through reduction in the 0&M cost by outsourcing of the 0&M activity which would result in savings on account of the following:

- a) Reduction in Equipment Failure rate such as Transformer damage etc. (Rs 67 Crore Approx).
- b) Reduction in salaries due to outsourcing of O&M Activities and restructuring of Discoms. In addition, the Discoms also propose to engage the ITI certified/Poly technique Diploma holders as interns. (Rs 100 Crore Approx).
- c) Reduction in cost on account of AMR/Spot Billing in both the Discoms. (Rs 60 Crore Approx).

Accordingly, the Discoms are directed to provide the actual savings achieved on account of the above.

The Commission has taken a serious note on the non-compliance of the directives by the Nigam and directs the Nigam to comply with all the directives given by the Commission in its Order dated 29^{th} May, 2014, 07^{th} May, 2015, 15^{th} October, 2015 and as discussed in State Advisory Committee meeting held on 09.09.2015 and submit the compliance report to the Commission by 16^{th} December, 2015.

In addition to the above, the Commission desires that the Nigam should submit the details of the recruitments made during FY 2014-15 and also the Employees cost incurred by the Nigam in FY 2014-15 in the Tue-up petition of the ARR for FY 2014-15.

-Sd-Director/Tariff HERC, Panchkula

CC: 2584/HERC/Tariff Date: 27.11.2015

The Managing Director, Uttar Haryana Bijli Vitran Nigam Limited, Plot No. C16, Vidyut Sadan, Sector 6, Panchkula for information and similar action.



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The Managing Director, DHBVNL, Vidyut Sadan, Vidyut Nagar, Hisar-125005

Memo No. 2569-2570/HERC/Tariff

Dated: 27.11.2015

Subject: Regarding request for extension for APR filing for FY 2015-16.

UHBVNL, vide Memo No. Ch-17/GM/RA/N/F-25/Vol.59 dated 26.11.2015, has requested the Commission for allowing one month extension in time for filing APR for the FY 2015-16 under MYT Regulations, 2012. The request has been made as the Discom is trying its best to collect significant details from the CAO and field offices. The Commission has considered the request and observes as under:-

The Commission observes that vide its Memo No. 2364-2367/HERC/Tariff/ARR-MYT FY 2016-17 dated 9.11.2015, also made available on the website of the Commission under the heading "Directives" (copy attached), had directed the Discoms "to strictly adhere to the timelines as specified in the MYT Regulations, 2012".

At this stage, and given the reasons recorded in the ibid letter dated 9.11.2015; the Commission is unable to accede to the request of UHBVN. Hence, it is reiterated that the Discoms must adhere to the **timelines as specified in the MYT Regulations**, **2012**.

This issues with the approval of the Commission.

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The Managing Director, DHBVNL, Vidyut Sadan, Vidyut Nagar, Hisar-125005

Memo No. 2364-2367/HERC/Tariff/ARR-MYT FY 2016-17.

Dated: 09.11.2015

Subject:

Filing of Petition for True Up of the ARR for the FY 2014-15, Annual Performance Review for the FY 2015-16 and determination of Transmission Tariff & SLDC Charges, HPGCL's Generation Tariff (s) and Distribution and Retail supply tariff for the FY 2016-17 for Uttar Haryana Bijli Vitaran Nigam Limited (UHBVNL) and Dakshin Haryana Bijli Vitaran Nigam Limited (DHBVNL), under the provisions of the Haryana Electricity Regulatory Commission (Terms and Conditions for Determination of Tariff for Distribution & Retail Supply under Multi Year Tariff Framework) Regulations, 2012, read with section 45, 46, 47, 61, 62, 64 & 86 of the Electricity Act, 2003.

The Commission had notified the Haryana Electricity Regulatory Commission (Terms and Conditions for Determination of Tariff for Generation, Transmission, Wheeling and Distribution & Retail Supply under Multi Year Tariff Framework) Regulations, 2012. These Regulations came into effect on the date of its notification in Haryana Government Gazette (extra) i.e. 5.12.2012.

The timeline for filing of Capital Investment Plan, Business Plan, MYT Petition by the licensees and the generation company as per the ibid Regulations are as under:-

Time Schedule for various activities for the 1 st Control Period S. No	Description	Filing of the Document	Obtaining additional information and acceptance by the Commission	Approval of the Document by the Commission
1	Capital Investment Plan (to be filed only at the beginning of Control Period)	By 1st June by distribution licensee and by 1st August by the generation company/transmissi on licensee of the year preceding the first year of the control period	Within 30 days of filing of document	Within 45 days of acceptance of the filing
2	Business Plan	By 1st June by distribution licensee and by 1st August	Within 30 days of filing of document	Within 45 days of acceptance of the filing or from the

		by the generation company/transmissi on licensee of the year preceding the first year of the control period		date of receipt of additional information whichever is later
3	Filing of MYT Petition (ARR and Tariff Proposal for the control period)	By 30th November of the year preceding the first year of the control period	Within 30 days of filing of document	Within 120 days of acceptance of the filing but by 1st of April of the 1st year of the control period in any case
4	Mid-year Performance Review/True -up	By 30th November of each year of the control period	Within 30 days of filing of document	Within 120 days of acceptance of the filing

Further, section 64 (3) of the Electricity Act, 2003 provides as under:-

"The Appropriate Commission shall, within one hundred and twenty days from receipt of an application under sub-section (1) and after considering all suggestions and objections received from the public,-

- (a) issue a tariff order accepting the application with such modifications or such conditions as may be specified in that order;
- (b) reject the application for reasons to be recorded in writing if such application is not in accordance with the provisions of this Act and the rules and regulations made there under or the provisions of any other law for the time being in force.

Provided that an applicant shall be given a reasonable opportunity of being heard before rejecting his application".

Additionally, the Hon'ble APTEL in OP No. 1 of 2011 had passed the following order:-

"Every State Commission has to ensure that Annual Performance Review, true-up of past expenses and Annual Revenue Requirement and tariff determination is conducted year to year basis as per the time schedule specified in the Regulations.

ii. It should be the endeavor of every State Commission to see that the tariff for the financial year is decided before 1st April of the tariff year. The State Commission could consider making the tariff applicable only till the end of the financial year so that the licensees remain vigilant to follow the time schedule for filing of the application for determination of ARR/tariff".

The aforementioned provisions including order of the Hon'ble APTEL cast statutory obligation on this Commission to issue ARR / Tariff order before 1st April of the tariff year after hearing the stakeholders and conducting technical validation of the documents filed by the applicants.

In view of the above, the Commission directs the Utilities to strictly adhere to the timelines as specified in the MYT Regulations, 2012.

Additionally, in case there exist a significant revenue gap in the ARRs including true-up, the Utilities must file a detailed mechanism including tariff proposal, if any, to bridge the projected revenue gap at the existing tariff(s). Further, the Discoms tariff proposal (including Cross–Subsidy Surcharge, Additional Surcharge) must be consumer category wise / voltage wise and shall necessarily be accompanied with a detailed CoS study.

The Discoms needs to note that any tariff proposal filed at any subsequent stage shall not be admitted by the Commission. Further, the proposed RE Subsidy shall have in-principle approval / consent of the State Government.

A few additional formats are being enclosed herewith and the requisite data must be filed by the Discoms accordingly.

This is being issued with the approval of the Commission.

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- i) Historical Category-wise energy Sales Data from FY 2009-10 to FY 2015-16 in the enclosed Proforma A.
- ii) Data of segregated AP feeders for the period April, 2014 to March, 2015 and for April, 2015 to September, 2015 in the Proforma AP-1 & AP-2 respectively.
- iii) Category/Sub-Category-wise connected load (MW)/Contract demand (MVA) for FY 2014-15 (Actual), FY 2015-16 (Estimated) and FY 2016-17 (Projected) in the Proforma B.
- iv) Abstract of DS Consumers with categorization based on consumption per month with Units sold data for FY 2014-15 in the Proforma C-1.
- v) Abstract of DS Consumers based on connected load with Units sold data from 01.04.2014 to 31.03.2015. The number of consumers and the connected load to be given should be the average number of consumers and the average connected load during the year.
- vi) Abstract of NDS consumers, LT Industrial consumers and HT Industrial consumers based on units sold data from 01.04.2014 to 31.03.2015 in the Proformas D-1, D-2 and D-3 respectively. The number of consumers and the connected load to be given should be the average number of consumers and the average connected load during the year.
- vii) Statement showing category-wise Units sold for the period April, 2014 to March, 2015 and the period April, 2015 to September, 2015 in the Proformas E-1 and E-2 respectively.
- viii) Incremental MMC recovered from DS Consumers, NDS Consumers (upto 20 KW), LT Consumers (upto 20 KW) and AP Metered Consumers in the Proformas F-1, F-2, F-3 and F-4 respectively.
- ix) Progress Report for replacement of Defective energy Meters Single Phase and Three Phase ending September, 2015 in Proforma J-1.
- x) Progress Report for replacement of Electro-mechanical Energy Meters, Single Phase and Three Phase, ending September, 2015 in Proforma J-2.
- 2. For approval of Capital Investment Plan for FY 2016-17, information should be submitted in the Proformas enclosed as under:-
 - Work-wise actual expenditure in respect of Capital Investment Plan for FY 2014-15 viz-a-viz expenditure approved in the ARR/Tariff Order in the Proforma G-1.

- ii) Progress of execution of works in respect of Capital Investment Plan for FY 2015-16 in the Proforma G-2.
- iii) Proposed Investment plan for FY 2016-17 in the Proforma G-3.
- 3. The Discoms are already submitting half yearly report in respect of 11 KV feeders having losses more than 25%. Commission, during the course of processing of ARR/Tariff Petition for FY 2016-17, would like to critically review the progress made by the Discoms in reduction of 11 KV feeders losses during the period FY 2012-13 to FY 2014-15 as also the Circle-wise progress made in reduction of feeders losses in FY 2014-15 with reference to the status in FY 2013-14. It has therefore been desired by the Commission that in addition to the half yearly report already being submitted, required information may be supplied in the Proformas enclosed as under:-
 - i) Abstract of 11 KV feeders having losses more than 25% for the FY 2013-14 in the Proforma H-1.
 - ii) Abstract of 11 KV feeders having losses more than 25% for the FY 2014-15 in the Proforma H-2.
 - iii) Category-wise number of feeders with losses 25% to 50% for the FY 2012-13 to FY 2014-15 in the Proforma H-3.
 - iv) Category-wise number of feeders with losses 50% and above for the FY 2012-13 to FY 2014-15 in the Proforma H-4.
 - v) List of 11 KV Urban/Mixed Urban/Industrial Feeders with losses 25% and above (in Descending order) for FY 2014-15 along with line loss figures of last year and incumbency details of officers/officials in Proforma H-5 in respect of each Circle.
 - vi) List of 11 KV RDS/ AP Feeders with losses 50% and above (in Descending order) for FY 2014-15 along with line loss figures of last year and incumbency details of officers/officials in Proforma H-6 in respect of each Circle.

Besides Report regarding compliance of Commission's Directive in ARR/T.O for FY 2015-16 regarding reduction of Urban as well as rural feeders may also be submitted in the enclosed Proformas H-7 and H-8 respectively.