

HARYANA ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION, PANCHKULA
Notification

The 24th September, 2013

Regulation No. HERC/12/2005/2nd Amendment, 2013:- In exercise of the powers conferred on it by section 181 of the Electricity Act, 2003 (Act 36 of 2003) and all other powers enabling in this behalf and after previous publications, the Haryana Electricity Regulatory commission hereby frames the following regulation to amend the Haryana Electricity Regulatory Commission (Duty to supply electricity on request, Power to recover expenditure incurred in providing supply & Power to require security) Regulation, 2005 and amendment 2009 hereinafter referred to as “the principal regulations” namely:-

1. Short Title, Commencement and Interpretation.

- 1.1 These Regulations may be called the Haryana Electricity Regulatory Commission (Duty to supply electricity on request, Power to recover expenditure incurred in providing supply & Power to require security) Regulations, 2nd Amendment, 2013.
- 1.2 These regulations shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Haryana Govt. Gazette.
- 1.3 These regulations shall extend to whole of the State of Haryana.
- 1.4 These shall be applicable to all the Distribution and Retail Supply licensees in their respective areas of licensed jurisdiction.

2. Amendment to clause no. 4.5.3 (Supply of Electricity through an independent feeder).

- 4.5.3 (i) In case the applicant requests for supply of electricity through an independent feeder, the charges of controlling circuit breaker, metering cubicle complete with CTs & PTs and Meter and terminal equipment required at the sub station-end, electric line up to the metering cubicle, electric plant and metering cubicle complete with CTs, PTs & meter at the consumer-end shall be borne by the applicant/consumer.

Such consumer, who on his own, requests for supply of electricity through an independent feeder, will be billed as per the meter reading taken jointly by consumer and the Licensee, of the meter placed at the sub-station from where the independent feeder is emanating. The licensee will inform the consumer through phone / SMS to be present for joint reading of meter. In case the consumer fails to be present, it will be treated as deemed to be present for meter reading. The installation of metering arrangements at the consumer-end would be optional and would be in addition to the meter at the sub-station. However, for billing purposes only the sub-station meter reading shall be used.

4.5.3 (ii) In case due to right of way problem or otherwise, another or more applicant /consumer(s) are required to be fed from the existing independent feeder, the utility shall connect such consumer(s) to an existing independent feeder provided they are of the same category i.e. HT industrial, HT NDS/bulk supply consumers. In such cases metering arrangement at the consumer end would be mandatory.

The billing of such consumers shall be done as per Regulation 4.5.3(i) on the basis of the joint meter reading of the meter placed at the sub-station from where the independent feeder is emanating, in proportion of the consumption recorded by the meters installed at their premises and read jointly by the licensee and the respective consumer..

The metering arrangement at both ends (sub-station as well as the consumer end) would be of same specifications and accuracy class conforming to CEA metering Regulation.

4.5.3 (iii) The Regulation 4.5.3 (ii) will be applicable as long as the number of consumers connected on an independent feeder are restricted to five only with ceiling of 250 ampere load current on 11kv feeder.

Where more than five consumers are connected on an independent feeder, that feeder shall be considered as general feeder and the billing to the consumers shall be done based on the consumption recorded by the meters installed at the consumers premises.

The differential cost i.e. the cost of the feeder incurred by the consumers on the independent feeder minus service connection charges levy able from them shall be adjusted in the future bills of the original consumer(s).

The additional consumer required to be connected on such general feeder, shall deposit the service connection charges as per the regulation.

4.5.3 (iv) As long as the status of the feeder remains independent, the meters installed at the sub-station and at the consumer premises shall be read by the Discom on the same day in the shortest possible time associating the consumer's representative.

The apportionment of the feeder losses among the consumer on the independent feeder shall be done in proportion of their consumption as per the meter installed in their premises irrespective of the distance of the consumer on the feeder. Thus the consumer shall be billed as per regulation 4.5.3 (ii).

4.5.3 (v) In case due to exigencies / unforeseen reasons, if any other consumer(s) of different category are to be connected to the independent feeder for some period to maintain the continuity of supply, the same will be connected only with the permission of the Chief Engineer operation. If such consumers are required to be connected on an independent feeder for

more than 7 days, the permission of the Managing Director shall be required and during such period the independent feeder will be deemed to be a general feeder.

The consumer(s) of the independent feeder shall be informed prior to the connection / disconnection of consumer(s) of other category on the independent feeder and the reading of the meters installed at the premises of the consumers and the sub-station meter shall be taken simultaneously in a shortage possible time in the presence of the consumer(s) or their representative. No apportionment of losses shall be carried out during this period and the billing for this period shall be as per the consumption recorded by the meters installed at the consumer(s) premises.

- 4.5.3 (vi) For connecting second or subsequent consumer on an independent feeder, if after such connection, the capacity of the feeder is utilized within seventy percent of its rated capacity, no consent of original consumer is required. In case due to connection of such subsequent consumer(s) on the independent feeder the load increases more than seventy percent subject to the rated capacity of the feeder, the consent of the original consumer(s) shall be required.

Provided further that, with the proposed addition of load of the subsequent consumer(s) required to be connected, if the total load on the independent feeder exceeds its rated capacity, such consumer(s) shall not be connected until the capacity of the feeder is augmented.

- 4.5.3 (vii) When a second consumer is connected on the independent feeder the original cost of the common portion of the independent feeder shall be shared by the new consumer and the credit of the same will be given to the original consumer.

Provided further that on subsequent applicant/consumer to be connected, the cost of the portion of the feeder shared by the new incumbent shall be apportioned among the previous connected consumer on the feeder in proportion of their connected load. The proportionate cost paid by the second or subsequent consumer shall be of the original cost of the feeder and not the current cost

- 4.5.3 (viii) In case an independent feeder is laid on common poles/structures or otherwise, any case of misuse, for abstraction of power or unauthorized use of the independent feeder for connecting any other load by the line staff, the same will be dealt under section 142 of the Electricity Act for action against the defaulting employee / person notwithstanding any actions, that may be taken against such employee/person under section 138 of the Electricity Act by the appropriate authority.

Provided further if the connivance of the consumer is proved, the issue will be dealt with under section 135 of the Electricity Act for dishonestly using electricity for the purpose other than for which the usage of electricity was authorized.

4.5.3 (ix) In case of a consumer(s) served through independent feeders or otherwise, if any short assessment is discovered by internal or external audit, a 15 days notice shall be afforded to the consumer to enable him to contest the demand.

However, in case of additional demand being made out by internal audit in respect of any consumer, the officer concerned shall satisfy himself in the matter before giving notice to the consumer.

By order of the Commission

Secretary
Haryana Electricity Regulatory Commission