## PUNJAB STATE ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION SITE NO. 3, BLOCK B, SECTOR 18-A MADHYA MARG, CHANDIGARH

Petition No. 20 of 2019 Date of Order: 27.09.2019

Petition for determination of Additional Surcharge under Section 42 (4) of the Electricity Act, 2003, read with Regulation 27 of the Puniab State **Electricity** (Terms Regulatory Commission Conditions for Intra-state Open Access) Regulations, 2011 to be made applicable on the open access consumers availing power from the sources other than PSPCL for the period 01.10.2019 to 31.03.2020.

In the matter of: Punjab State Power Corporation Limited,

Patiala (PSPCL), The Mall Patiala

Present: Ms. Kusumjit Sidhu, Chairperson

Sh. S.S. Sarna, Member Ms. Anjuli Chandra, Member

## **ORDER**

Petition No. 20 of 2019 filed by PSPCL for determination of Additional Surcharge payable by open access consumers for the period 01.10.2019 to 31.03.2020 is under process. Meanwhile, the by poll elections for the Punjab Assembly have been announced by the Election Commission of India (ECI) on 21.09.2019 bringing into force the Model Code of Conduct. The policy and stand of ECI on the issue of change in tariff as contained in its letter No. 437/6/1/2014/CC&BE dated 29.03.2014 is as under:

"The Commission has no objection to the continuance of the process required for the decision on the power tariff. However, tariff award shall be made only on the completion of poll in the relevant State, i.e. after the poll date/ dates in that State."

The Additional Surcharge @Rs.1.198 per kWh as determined by the Commission vide Order dated 06.09.2019 in Petition No. 07 of 2019 is applicable for the period upto 30.09.2019 only. As such, the Commission decides to continue with the existing additional surcharge as per the Order dated 06.09.2019 provisionally till the issue of new Order after completion of the by polls.

As and when the Order for Additional Surcharge for the period 01.10.2019 to 31.03.2020 is issued, the same shall become applicable from the date as mentioned therein and shall have an overriding effect on this Order.

Sd/-	Sd/-	Sd/-
(Anjuli Chandra)	(S.S. Sarna)	(Kusumjit Sidhu)
Member	Member	Chairperson

Chandigarh

Dated: 27.09.2019