## PUNJAB STATE ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION SCO 220-221 SECTOR-34-A CHANDIGARH

Petition No. 17 of 2018

(Suo-Motu)

Date of hearing: 09.01.2019
Date of Order: 15.01.2019

In the matter of : Regarding Excess Charges for Consumption of Energy Supply/

Cost of Meter and Security etc. from the residents of OMAXE Township situated at New Chandigarh (Distt. SAS Nagar Mohali) by Omaxe Chandigarh Extension Developers Private

Limited.

And

In the matter of: 1. Punjab State Power Corporation Limited, The Mall,

Patiala through its Chairman-cum-Managing Director.

2. Omaxe Chandigarh Extension Developers Pvt. Ltd.

Corporate Office, 10 LSC, Kalkaji,

New Delhi. – 110 019.

Present: Ms. Kusumjit Sidhu, Chairperson

Sh. S.S. Sarna, Member

Ms. Anjuli Chandra, Member

For PSPCL: Ms. Harsharan Kaur, Trehan. Dy. CE/Regulations

Sh. V.P.S. Kailay, ASE/TR-5

Sh. Rajiv Kapur, ASE/Commercial

Sh. Mona Goel, ASE/Tech, DS Circle MHC

Sh. Surinder Singh, Sr. Xen/Kharar

Sh. Major Singh AE/Majra

For OMAXE: Sh. Aman Pali. Advocate Chd. Extension Sh. Mayur Karkra. Advocate

Developers Pvt.

Ltd.

## ORDER

The counsel appearing on behalf of OMAXE Chandigarh submitted that some more time is required to file the legible copies of the Annexures and also requested that since he is a proxy counsel so the hearing may be adjourned to some other convenient date.

The officers appearing on behalf of PSPCL informed the Commission that all the three permanent connections have been released and the developer has submitted the bank guarantee. It was further submitted that after the release of permanent connections, no resident of the colony is being fed from the temporary connections released to the developer. It was also informed that the developer has singed franchisee agreement for these three sites and has sought time to re-lay the existing supply arrangement to segregate the PSPCL/generator supply & to avail connection under regulation 6.7 of the Supply Code. Accordingly, PSPCL has allowed 2½ years to promoter to complete the re-laying of the distribution network of the colony. After the connectivity is allowed under regulation 6.7 of the Supply Code, the developer will remove its dual metering equipment and PSPCL will install its own meters at the premises of the consumers.

On the query of the Commission, PSPCL submitted that the consumers shall be liable to pay meter rental and refund of any amount recovered from the residents by the developer on account of these dual meters shall be settled by the concerned parties. The Commission while taking a strong view of the issue directed the counsel appearing on behalf of OMAXE to file its response regarding refund of the amount recovered from the residents for these dual meters after the same are replaced by PSPCL.

The Commission directed PSPCL to ensure that no resident/consumer of OMAXE Township is charged tariff higher than that approved by the Commission in the Tariff Order for the relevant year. The developer was directed to refund the excess amount charged from the residents/consumers on account of energy charges.

PSPCL is also directed to submit the upto date status of the 14 number connections which were found to be using temporary supply to cater to the

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residential load. PSPCL shall also intimate the action taken against the delinquent officers/ officials as per the enquiry report of Chief Engineer/Technical Audit.

The officers of PSPCL informed that GMADA has undertaken to deposit necessary charges on account of erection of grid sub-stations and the connected lines. The developer shall be responsible for laying the internal LD system. PSPCL is directed to submit the written confirmation received from GMADA and also the charges already deposited by GMADA till date and schedule for depositing the balance amount on account of allowing connectivity to the township. Both the parties shall file reply within 3 weeks.

The petition shall be taken up for hearing on 10.04.2019 at 11.00 A.M.

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

Chandigarh

Dated: 15.01.2019