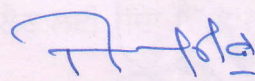


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PUBLIC NOTICE

For inviting objections in respect of Petition No. 31 of 2018 filed by Punjab State Power Corporation Limited under section 62 and 94 of the Electricity Act, 2003 read with Regulation 71 of PSERC (Conduct of Business) Regulations, 2005 seeking approval of Hon'ble Commission for Deferment of kVAh Tariff and Contract Demand system for Small Power Industrial Category consumers.

1. Notice is hereby given to all that the Punjab State Power Corporation Limited (PSPCL) has filed Petition No 31 of 2018 before the Commission under section 62 and 94 of the Electricity Act, 2003 read with Regulation 71 of PSERC (Conduct of Business) Regulations, 2005 seeking approval of Hon'ble Commission for Deferment of kVAh Tariff and Contract Demand system for Small Power industrial Category consumers which was made applicable w.e.f. 01.08.2018 as per commercial circular no. 27/2018 dated 24.04.2018.
2. The petition filed by PSPCL before the Hon'ble Commission is available on the website of PSPCL i.e. www.pspcl.in and the website of the Commission i.e. www.pserc.in and can be downloaded there-from.
3. Objections against the Petition filed by PSPCL together with supporting material may be filed with The Secretary, Punjab State Electricity Regulatory Commission, SCO 220-221, Sector-34A, Chandigarh-160022, in person or through Registered Post so as to reach the Secretariat **by 08.10.2018**. Copy of the same must also be sent to Engineer-in-Chief/Commercial, PSPCL, PSEB Head Office, The Mall Patiala and proof of service of the same must be enclosed with the filing made to Secretary, Punjab State Electricity Regulatory Commission, Chandigarh.
4. The objections as above should be filed in ten copies and should carry full name, signature, postal address and telephone/mobile number of the person sending the objections. All the objectors may also send a soft copy of their objections to the Secretary/PSERC at e-mail ID "secretarypsercchd@gmail.com". If the objection is filed on behalf of any organization or any class of consumers, it should be so mentioned.
5. The petition shall be taken up for hearing by the Hon'ble Commission on **12.10.2018 at 11:00 AM** in the Commission's office at SCO 220-221, Sector 34-A, Chandigarh. Public at large shall also be heard by the Hon'ble Commission during hearing. All the objectors who have filed their objections by the last date for filing of the objections and other persons/ organizations interested in presenting their views/suggestions on the above mentioned matter are invited to participate in the hearing before the Hon'ble Commission.


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- 1) ਸਾਰਿਆਂ ਨੂੰ ਇਹ ਸੂਚਿਤ ਕੀਤਾ ਜਾਂਦਾ ਹੈ ਕਿ ਪੰਜਾਬ ਰਾਜ ਪਾਵਰ ਕਾਰਪੋਰੇਸ਼ਨ ਲਿਮਿਟਡ ਵਲੋਂ ਰੈਗੂਲੇਟਰੀ ਕਮਿਸ਼ਨ ਵਿਚ ਪਟੀਸ਼ਨ ਨੰ: 29/2018 ਬਿਜਲੀ ਐਕਟ 2003 ਦੇ ਸੈਕਸ਼ਨ 62 ਅਤੇ 94 ਅਤੇ ਪੀ ਐਸ ਈ ਆਰ ਸੀ ਰੈਗੂਲੇਸ਼ਨ 71 ਆਫ 2005 (ਕੰਡਕਟ ਆਫ ਬਿਜਨਸ) ਨਾਲ ਪੜਿਆ ਜਾਵੇ, ਅਧੀਨ ਦਾਇਰ ਕੀਤੀ ਗਈ ਹੈ। ਇਹ ਪਟੀਸ਼ਨ ਪੀ ਐਸ ਪੀ ਸੀ ਐਲ ਦੁਆਰਾ ਸਮਾਲ ਪਾਵਰ ਇੰਡਸਟਰੀਅਲ ਖਪਤਕਾਰਾਂ ਦੇ ਕੇਵੀਏਐਚ ਅਤੇ ਕੰਟਰੈਕਟ ਡਿਮਾਂਡ ਸਿਸਟਮ ਨੂੰ ਮੁੱਲਤਵੀ ਕਰਨ ਹਿੱਤ ਮਾਨਯੋਗ ਪੀ.ਐਸ.ਈ.ਆਰ.ਸੀ. ਦੀ ਮੰਜੂਰੀ ਲੈਣ ਲਈ ਪਾਈ ਗਈ ਹੈ। ਜਿਹੜਾ ਕਿ ਵਣਜ ਗਸ਼ਤੀ ਪੱਤਰ ਨੰਬਰ 27/2018 ਮਿਤੀ 24.04.2018 ਅਨੁਸਾਰ ਮਿਤੀ 01.08.2018 ਤੋਂ ਲਾਗੂ ਕੀਤਾ ਗਿਆ ਸੀ।
- 2) ਪੀ ਐਸ ਪੀ ਸੀ ਐਲ ਵਲੋਂ ਦਾਇਰ ਪਟੀਸ਼ਨ ਪੀ.ਐਸ.ਪੀ.ਸੀ.ਐਲ ਦੀ ਵੈਬਸਾਈਟ www.pspcl.in ਉਪਰ ਅਤੇ ਪੀ ਐਸ ਈ ਆਰ ਸੀ ਦੀ ਵੈਬਸਾਈਟ www.pserc.nic.in ਤੇ ਉਪਲਬਧ ਹਨ ਅਤੇ ਉਥੇ ਇਹ ਡਾਊਨਲੋਡ ਕੀਤੀ ਜਾ ਸਕਦੀ ਹੈ ।
- 3) ਇਸ ਪਟੀਸ਼ਨ ਵਿਰੁੱਧ ਆਪਣੇ ਇਤਰਾਜ਼ ਸਮੇਤ ਸਬੰਧਤ ਸਮੱਗਰੀ ਸਕੱਤਰ/ਪੰਜਾਬ ਰਾਜ ਬਿਜਲੀ ਰੈਗੂਲੇਟਰੀ ਕਮਿਸ਼ਨ, ਐਸ.ਸੀ.ਓ 220-221, ਸੈਕਟਰ-34ਏ, ਚੰਡੀਗੜ੍ਹ-160022 ਵਿਖੇ ਖੁਦ ਪੇਸ਼ ਹੋ ਕੇ ਜਾਂ ਰਜਿਸਟਰਡ ਡਾਕ ਰਾਹੀਂ ਦਾਇਰ ਕੀਤੇ ਜਾ ਸਕਦੇ ਹਨ ਜੋ ਸਕਤਰੇਤ ਵਿਚ ਮਿਤੀ 08.10.2018 ਤੋਂ ਪਹਿਲਾਂ ਪਹੁੰਚਣੇ ਚਾਹੀਦੇ ਹਨ। ਇਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਦੀ ਇਕ ਕਾਪੀ ਪ੍ਰਮੁੱਖ ਇੰਜੀਨੀਅਰ/ਵਣਜ, ਪੀ.ਐਸ.ਪੀ.ਸੀ.ਐਲ, ਹੈਡ ਆਫਿਸ, ਦਿ ਮਾਲ, ਪਟਿਆਲਾ ਦੇ ਦਫਤਰ ਵਿੱਚ ਵੀ ਭੇਜੀ ਜਾਵੇ ਅਤੇ ਇਸ ਦਾ ਸਬੂਤ ਸਕੱਤਰ, ਪੰਜਾਬ ਰਾਜ ਬਿਜਲੀ ਰੈਗੂਲੇਟਰੀ ਕਮਿਸ਼ਨ ਕੋਲ ਫਾਈਲ ਕਰਨ ਸਮੇਂ ਨਾਲ ਨੱਥੀ ਕੀਤਾ ਜਾਵੇ।
- 4) ਇਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਇਤਰਾਜ਼ਾਂ ਨੂੰ ਇਤਰਾਜ਼ਕਰਤਾ ਵਲੋਂ 10 ਪਰਤਾਂ ਵਿਚ ਆਪਣੇ ਪੂਰੇ ਨਾਮ, ਹਸਤਾਖਰ, ਪਤਾ ਅਤੇ ਟੈਲੀਫ਼ੋਨ / ਮੋਬਾਈਲ ਨੰ: ਸਮੇਤ ਦਾਇਰ ਕੀਤਾ ਜਾਣਾ ਚਾਹੀਦਾ ਹੈ । ਸਾਰੇ ਇਤਰਾਜ਼ਕਰਤਾ ਆਪਣੇ ਇਤਰਾਜ਼ਾ ਦੀ ਸੋਫਟ ਕਾਪੀ ਸਕੱਤਰ/ਪੀ.ਐਸ.ਈ.ਆਰ.ਸੀ. ਨੂੰ ਵੀ ਈਮੇਲ ਆਈ.ਡੀ. secretarypsercchd@gmail.com ਤੇ ਭੇਜ ਸਕਦੇ ਹਨ। ਜੇਕਰ ਇਤਰਾਜ਼ ਕਿਸੇ ਵੀ ਵਰਗ ਜਾਂ ਕਿਸੇ ਵੀ ਕਿਸਮ ਦੇ ਖਪਤਕਾਰਾਂ ਦੇ ਬਦਲੇ ਦਾਇਰ ਕੀਤਾ ਜਾਂਦਾ ਹੈ ਤਾਂ ਇਸ ਦਾ ਵੀ ਪੂਰਾ ਵੇਰਵਾ ਦਿੱਤਾ ਜਾਵੇ ।
- 5) ਪਟੀਸ਼ਨ ਤੇ ਮਾਨਯੋਗ ਕਮਿਸ਼ਨ ਵਲੋਂ ਸੁਣਵਾਈ ਮਿਤੀ **12.10.2018** ਨੂੰ ਸਵੇਰੇ **11.00** ਵਜੇ ਦਫਤਰ: ਐਸ ਸੀ ਓ ਨੰ: 220-21, ਸੈਕਟਰ 34-ਏ, ਚੰਡੀਗੜ੍ਹ ਵਿਖੇ ਹੋਵੇਗੀ । ਸੁਣਵਾਈ ਦੌਰਾਨ ਜਨਤਾ ਦੀ ਵੱਡੇ ਪੈਮਾਨੇ ਤੇ ਮਾਨਯੋਗ ਕਮਿਸ਼ਨ ਵਲੋਂ ਸੁਣਵਾਈ ਹੋਵੇਗੀ । ਇਤਰਾਜ਼ ਦਾਇਰ ਕਰਨ ਦੀ ਆਖਰੀ ਮਿਤੀ ਤੱਕ ਆਪਣੇ ਇਤਰਾਜ਼ ਦਾਇਰ ਕਰਨ ਵਾਲੇ ਸਾਰੇ ਇਤਰਾਜ਼ਕਰਤਾ ਅਤੇ ਹੋਰ ਵਿਅਕਤੀ/ਸੰਸਥਾਵਾਂ ਜੋ ਉਪਰੋਕਤ ਮਾਮਲੇ ਤੇ ਆਪਣੇ ਵਿਚਾਰ/ਸੁਝਾਅ ਪੇਸ਼ ਕਰਨ ਦੇ ਚਾਹਵਾਨ ਹੋਣ, ਨੂੰ ਮਾਨਯੋਗ ਕਮਿਸ਼ਨ ਅੱਗੇ ਸੁਣਵਾਈ ਵਿਚ ਹਿੱਸਾ ਲੈਣ ਲਈ ਸੱਦਾ ਦਿੱਤਾ ਜਾਂਦਾ ਹੈ।

ਪ੍ਰਮੁੱਖ ਇੰਜੀਨੀਅਰ/ਵਣਜ,
ਪੀ.ਐਸ.ਪੀ.ਸੀ.ਐਲ, ਪਟਿਆਲਾ।

**BEFORE PUNJAB STATE ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION
CHANDIGARH**

PETITION NO. _____ OF 2018

IN THE MATTER OF

Petition under section 62 and 94 of the Indian Electricity Act-2003 read with Regulation 71 of PSERC (Conduct of Business) Regulations, 2005 for seeking approval of Hon'ble Commission **for Deferment of kVAh Tariff and Contract Demand system for SP Category.**

AND

IN THE MATTER OF
PUNJAB STATE POWER CORPORATION LIMITED,
THE MALL, PATIALA.

MOST RESPECTFULLY SHOWETH

That the petitioner is a duly incorporated Public Limited Company and a Distribution Licensee under the Electricity Act 2003 in the state of Punjab.

It is submitted that Hon'ble PSERC vide its order dated 19.04.2018 has issued Tariff Order for FY 2018-19. In Chapter no. 5 of Tariff Order for FY 2018-19, directives issued by Hon'ble PSERC in previous FYs are discussed.

The Directive no. 5.36, issued by Hon'ble PSERC in its Tariff order dated 23.10.2017 for FY 2017-18, regarding **Introduction of kVAh Tariff and Contract Demand system for SP Category and other (remaining) consumers having load in excess of 20 kW**, was as under:-

Directive no. 5.36: The Commission intends to introduce kVAh Tariff and Contract Demand system for SP Category and other (remaining) consumers having load in excess of 20 kW. It requires readiness on the part of PSPCL such as, installation of compatible meters on such consumers etc. PSPCL is directed to submit the roadmap for introduction of contract demand system for the SP Industrial category and other (remaining) consumers having load in excess of 20 kW, within 3 months from the issue of Tariff Order.

In compliance to above directive, a Commercial Circular no. 06/2018 dated 25.01.2018 had been issued which stated as under:-

"As per directive of Hon'ble PSERC, it is hereby instructed to start recording the KVAH reading, Contract Demand along with KWH reading of Energy meters in respect of SP category and other (remaining) consumers having load in excess of 20 kW w.e.f. 24.01.2018. The instructions issued vide CC No.4/2014 dated 14.01.2014 for recording of MDI, resetting of its knob and resealing of MDI knob for all above such category shall also be complied with. Further energy meters not compatible with kVAh reading for these categories of consumers may also be replaced at the earliest."

While taking cognizance of PSPCL's reply with respect to directive no. 5.36, Hon'ble Commission vide its order dated 19.04.2018 i.e. Tariff Order for FY 2018-19 had decided to extend the kVAh Tariff and Contract Demand system for the Non-Residential Supply (NRS) consumers with load exceeding 20 kW and upto 50 kW, all **Small Power Industrial Supply (SP) consumers** and other consumers with load exceeding 20 kW (except Domestic Supply consumers with load upto 50 kW, Public Lighting, AP & AP High Technology/High Density Farming) as under:

- i) Issue notice to all such consumers within one month of issue of Commission's Order dated 19.04.2018 and consumers shall declare their contract demand within two months of the issue of notice. It may also be mentioned in the notice that if a consumer fails to declare his contract demand within the specified period, his sanctioned load shall be converted into sanctioned contract demand in kVA by using 0.90 power factor, subject to a maximum of 20 kVA in case of SP consumers.
- ii) The kVAh tariff and Contract Demand system for the Non-Residential Supply (NRS) consumers with load exceeding 20 kW and upto 50 kW, all Small Power Industrial Supply (SP) consumers shall be applicable with effect from

01.08.2018. However, it is advised to continue to record energy consumption in kWh for the purpose of Energy Balance and Energy Audit purpose and for any other purpose for which energy consumption data in kWh is required.

iii) In case, if any of the subject cited consumers are not provided with kVAh meters, it is directed to provide the kVAh meters within two months of issue of Tariff Order for FY 2018-19 dated 19.04.2018. However, consumers shall be at liberty to arrange their own compatible meters and get these installed from PSPCL before this date, as per the laid down procedure.

iv) Henceforth, no Power Factor Surcharge and/or load Surcharge shall be leviable from consumers covered under kVA/kVAh Tariff. These consumers shall have flexibility in installation of additional equipments/load, provided they keep their demand within the sanctioned limits. The Fixed charges shall be levied as per Condition 9 of General Conditions of Tariff.

In this regard, commercial circular no. 27/2018 dated 24.04.2018 was issued by PSPCL.

In compliance to the above orders, kVAh tariff and Contract Demand system for the Non-Residential Supply (NRS) consumers with load exceeding 20 kW and upto 50 kW, all **Small Power Industrial Supply (SP) consumers** and other consumers with load exceeding 20 kW (except Domestic Supply consumers with load upto 50 kW, Public Lighting, AP & AP High Technology/High Density Farming), was made applicable w.e.f 01.08.2018.

Now, while implementing the kVAh/Contract Demand system for **Small Power Industrial Supply (SP) consumers**, PSPCL is facing some practical problems in the field which are as under:-

1. Meter readers have not initially reset the MDI of all meters and it is not sure that the recorded value of MDI pertains to present billing cycle or some period. As a result of which large number of SP consumers will be charged with the Demand Surcharge in the first bill without their any fault.

2. Although notices to all the consumers were served by PSPCL, but due to lack of knowledge, these small industrial consumers could not declare their contract demand within the specified period resulting in levy of demand surcharge to all the consumers having actual load around 20 kW.
3. The old non-kVAh energy meter which were to be replaced with kVAh compliant meters, are still pending due to non-availability of sufficient quantity of meters. Further this replacement of meters is pending at some places due to in-house manpower shortage & quantum of work due to paddy season.
4. The in-house staff is still being trained to record kVAh / kVA (MDI) readings of meters, which may take some more time, otherwise it is possible that exaggerated /wrong bills will be issued to the consumers, un-necessarily harassing the consumers and resulting a bad name to PSPCL.
5. The required registers in SAP system are still being created for recording & processing of these readings for generation of bills on kVAh tariff, which may take at least one cycle time for completion.
6. Some consumers have opted for their own meters, but still not been able to get meters installed.

Keeping in view the above issues it is requested that for smooth transition to introduction of this tariff, some more time should be given to field offices during which field offices of PSPCL may resolve the above issues & may even issue & check mock billing in their offices for better services to the consumers. However PSPCL will ensure compliance of above directive of Hon'ble PSERC by 31.03.2019.

Therefore, it is humbly prayed that, the kVAh Tariff and Contract Demand system for all Small Power Industrial Supply (SP) consumers, may be deferred for the time being up to 31.3.2019 and may be re-introduced w.e.f. 1.4.2019 with next Tariff Order for the FY 2019-20.

It is further prayed that till the decision on this petition by the Hon'ble Commission, PSPCL may be allowed to issue bills to the consumers on the earlier pattern i.e. on kWh/kW basis so as to avoid the harassment of the consumers on account of accumulation of the energy bills and revenue loss to PSPCL.

4/9/18
Chief Engineer/ARR&TR,
PSPCL, Patiala.

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