

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

Petition No. 49 of 2023
Date of Hearing: 13.09.2023
Date of Order: 20.09.2023

Petition under Regulation 19, 20 and 21 of Punjab State Electricity Regulatory Commission (Power Quality) Regulations, 2023 and Regulation 69, 70, 71 & 72 of Chapter XIII of the Conduct of Business Regulations 2005 for allowing time extension to designated consumers for installation of Power Quality Meters.

AND

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

....Petitioner

Commission: Sh. Viswajeet Khanna, Chairperson
Sh. Paramjeet Singh, Member

PSPCL: Sh. Rajiv Kapur, Dy.CE/Regulation
Sh. J.K Jindal, Sr.Xen
Sh. K.S Anand, ASE/No-1

ORDER

The petition was taken up for hearing on admission. The Commission pointed out that six month extension for installation of Power Quality meters has been sought by PSPCL by referring to the representation from the industry regarding less availability of the meters due to only 2 nos. empanelled vendors and their inability to order and procure the meters within the stipulated six months. However, PSPCL itself had earlier confirmed sufficient availability of Power Quality meters vide memo dated 20.06.2023. It was also observed that there was delay on the part of PSPCL in issue of notices required to be issued within 15 days of notification of the Power Quality regulations. Further, the petitioner has not been able to empanel more vendors despite repeated directions of the Commission. The officer representing PSPCL assured that all out efforts are being made to empanel more vendors. The Commission observed that the specific reason for seeking extension of particularly six months has not been given nor any time frame for empanelment of more vendors has been mentioned in the petition.

Admitting the petition, PSPCL is directed to publish the Public Notice inviting suggestions/objections/comments from the public/stakeholders as required under Regulation 67 of the PSERC (Conduct of Business) Regulations, 2005 without any delay.

PSPCL is also directed not to take any punitive measures for non-installation of Power Quality meters till the disposal of this petition.

The petition shall be taken up for hearing as well as public hearing on 04.10.2023 at 11:30 AM.

Sd/-
(Paramjeet Singh)
Member

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(Viswajeet Khanna)
Chairperson

Chandigarh

Dated: **20.09.2023**