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PUNJAB STATE ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION

NOTIFICATION

The 16th March, 2020

No. PSERC/Secy./Regu. 148.- In exercise of the powers conferred under Section 181 of the Electricity Act, 2003 (36 of 2003) and all other powers enabling the Commission in this behalf, the Punjab State Electricity Regulatory Commission hereby makes the following Regulation to further amend the “Punjab State Electricity Regulatory Commission (Conduct of Business) Regulations, 2005”, namely: -

1. Short Title and Commencement:

- (1) These regulations shall be called the Punjab State Electricity Regulatory Commission (Conduct of Business) (Fifth Amendment) Regulations, 2020.
- (2) These Regulations shall come into force from the date of their publication in the official Gazette of the State.

2. Amendment to the Appendix-7 Fuel Cost Adjustment (FCA) Formula

Appendix-7 shall be substituted as under:

APPENDIX-7

(See Regulation 55)

FUEL COST ADJUSTMENT (FCA) FORMULA

To reflect the change in the power purchase cost of the distribution licensee on account of variation in the fuel cost, that are due to reasons beyond the control of the distribution licensee, the following formula is approved:-

1. Adjustment Amount:

$$A = C_{fcgen} + C_{fc. PP}$$

where

A is the Adjustment Amount (during the quarter).

$C_{fc.gen}$ is the change in generation cost due to change in fuel cost of licensee's thermal stations.

$C_{fc.pp}$ is the change in power purchase cost due to change in fuel cost for all thermal stations from which distribution licensee purchases power under long term contracts.

2. Chargeable FCA from the consumers:

$$FCA_{kWh} = A/U$$

$$FCA_{kVAh} = FCA_{kWh} \times \text{Avg. Power Factor}$$

$$FCA_{BHP} = (FCA_{kWh} \times \text{Consumption in kWh of AP consumers}) / \text{Connected Load in BHP of AP consumers}$$

(For Flat rate AP consumers)

Where

U is the number of units (kWh) projected to be billed to the consumers during the quarter in which the FCA is to be levied. The units to be billed shall be estimated by applying the annual sales growth rate approved by the Commission in the Tariff Order on the actual sales (kWh) of the corresponding quarter of the previous year.

3. The approved formula is subject to the followings:

- i) The Commission can review the formula at any stage.
- ii) The FCA amount shall be calculated on the basis of norms fixed by the Commission for various parameters including SHR, Transit Loss of Coal, Auxiliary consumption at thermal plants and T&D losses.
- iii) The FCA, for the first quarter of a financial year i.e. from April to June & for the 2nd quarter i.e. from July to September shall be worked out by the Licensee and levied w.e.f. 1st October and 1st January of the same year respectively.
- iv) The FCA for the 3rd quarter of a financial year i.e. from October to December, showing basis of calculations / authenticated data shall be supplied by the Distribution Licensee to the Commission by February end, so that the FCA is approved by the Commission by the end of March of the same year and is charged from April onwards.

Similarly FCA for the 4th quarter i.e. from January to March, showing basis of calculations / authenticated data shall be supplied by the Distribution Licensee to the Commission by May end, so that the FCA is approved by the Commission by the end of June and is charged from July onwards.

Sd/-

SECRETARY,

By order of the Commission.