

STAFF PAPER

Proposal for Reduction in Fee on Petitions/ Applications/Review by 50% upto 31.03.2020 due to unprecedented situation on account of COVID-19 pandemic

Due to the unprecedented situation arising due to COVID-19 pandemic and resultant financial crunch and hardship being faced by all stake holders, in exercise of the powers conferred vide Regulation 4 of PSERC Fee Regulations 2005, it is proposed that the Court fee specified in the said Regulation should be reduced temporarily in order to facilitate the filing of petitions by the stakeholders before the Commission, during the prevailing situation.

The Punjab State Electricity Regulatory Commission (Fee) Regulations 2005, prescribe the fee on petitions/applications/review. As per Regulation 3 of the above Regulations, every petition/application/review made to the Commission shall be accompanied by the appropriate fees specified in the Schedule to these Regulations. Regulations 4 of the above Regulations stipulates that the Commission may add, amend, alter or vary any of the provisions of the Regulations and the amount of Fee payable as provided in the Schedule in these Regulations by an Order to be made by the Commission.

Therefore, as per Regulation 4 of PSERC Fee Regulations 2005, it is now proposed to reduce by 50% the fee chargeable on all the Petitions/Applications/Review filed before the Commission w.e.f the issue of this Order till 31.03.2021, to mitigate the financial hardship faced by the stakeholders due to the Covid-19 Pandemic. The Punjab State Electricity Regulatory Commission (Fee) Regulations 2005, are attached herewith for ready reference.

Sd/-
Secretary