PUNJAB STATE POWER CORPORATION LIMITED



Regd. Office- PSEB Head Office, The Mall, Patiala-147001 Corporate Identity Number: U40109PB20108GC033813

(ਜਨਤਕ ਸੂਚਨਾ)

ਪੰਜਾਬ ਰਾਜ ਪਾਵਰ ਕਾਰਪੋਰੇਸ਼ਨ ਲਿਮਿਟਡ ਵਲੋਂ ਮਾਨਯੋਗ ਪੀ.ਐਸ.ਈ.ਆਰ.ਸੀ. ਵਿਚ ਖਪਤਕਾਰਾਂ ਦੀਆਂ ਸਾਰੀਆਂ ਸ਼੍ਰੇਣੀਆਂ ਦੀ ਸਕਿਉਰਟੀ (ਖਪਤ) ਦੀ ਰਵੀਜ਼ਨ 31 ਮਾਰਚ 2021 ਤੱਕ ਮੁਲਤਵੀ ਕਰਣ ਲਈ ਦਾਇਰ ਕੀਤੀ ਗਈ ਪਟੀਸ਼ਨ ਨੰ: 49/2020 ਦੇ ਸਬੰਧ ਵਿਚ ਆਮ ਜਨਤਾ/ਹਿਤਧਾਰਕ (ਸਟੇਕਹੋਲਡਰਾਂ) ਤੋਂ ਸੁਝਾਅ ਅਤੇ ਇਤਰਾਜ਼ ਲੈਣ ਸਬੰਧੀ।

- 1. ਸਾਰਿਆਂ ਨੂੰ ਇਹ ਸੂਚਿਤ ਕੀਤਾ ਜਾਂਦਾ ਹੈ ਕਿ ਪੰਜਾਬ ਰਾਜ ਪਾਵਰ ਕਾਰਪੋਰੇਸ਼ਨ ਲਿਮਿਟਡ ਵਲੋਂ ਖਪਤਕਾਰਾਂ ਦੀਆਂ ਸਾਰੀਆਂ ਸ਼੍ਰੇਣੀਆਂ ਦੀ ਸਕਿਉਰਟੀ (ਖਪਤ) ਦੀ ਰਵੀਜ਼ਨ 31 ਮਾਰਚ 2021 ਤੱਕ ਮੁਲਤਵੀ ਕਰਣ ਲਈ ਪਟੀਸ਼ਨ ਨੰ: 49/2020 ਰੈਗੂਲੇਟਰੀ ਕਮਿਸ਼ਨ ਵਿਚ ਦਾਇਰ ਕੀਤੀ ਗਈ ਹੈ । ਇਹ ਪਟੀਸ਼ਨ ਪੀ.ਐਸ.ਈ.ਆਰ.ਸੀ. (ਇਲੈਕਟ੍ਰਿਸਿਟੀ ਸਪਲਾਈ ਕੋਡ ਅਤੇ ਰਿਲੇਟਿਡ ਮੈਟਰਜ਼) ਰੈਗੂਲੇਸ਼ਨ-2014 ਦੀ ਰੈਗੂਲੇਸ਼ਨ 47 ਅਤੇ ਪੀ.ਐਸ.ਈ.ਆਰ.ਸੀ. (ਕੰਡਕਟ ਆਫ ਬਿਜਨੈਸ) ਰੈਗੂਲੇਸ਼ਨ-2005 ਦੇ ਭਾਗ-13 ਦੀ ਰੈਗੂਲੇਸ਼ਨ 69, 70, 71 ਅਤੇ 72 ਅਧੀਨ ਦਾਇਰ ਕੀਤੀ ਗਈ ਹੈ।
- 2. ਇਹ ਪਟੀਸ਼ਨ ਪੀ.ਐਸ.ਪੀ.ਸੀ.ਐਲ ਦੀ ਵੈਬਸਾਈਟ <u>www.pspcl.in</u> ਤੇ ਉਪਲਬਧ ਹੈ। ਇਹ ਪਟੀਸ਼ਨ ਪੀ.ਐਸ.ਈ.ਆਰ.ਸੀ. ਦੀ ਵੈਬਸਾਈਟ <u>www.pserc.gov.in</u> ਤੇ ਵੀ ਉਪਲਬਧ ਹੈ। ਇਸ ਪਟੀਸ਼ਨ ਦੀ ਕਾੱਪੀ ਇਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਵਿੱਚੋਂ ਕਿਸੇ ਵੀ ਲਿੰਕ ਤੋਂ ਡਾਉਨਲੋਡ ਕੀਤੀ ਜਾ ਸਕਦੀ ਹੈ।
- 3. ਪੀ.ਐਸ.ਪੀ.ਸੀ.ਐਲ ਦੁਆਰਾ ਦਾਇਰ ਕੀਤੀ ਗਈ ਪਟੀਸ਼ਨ ਵਿਰੁੱਧ ਇਤਰਾਜ ਸਮੇਤ ਸਬੰਧਤ ਦਸਤਾਵੇਜ ਸਕੱਤਰ/ਪੰਜਾਬ ਰਾਜ ਬਿਜਲੀ ਰੈਗੂਲੈਟਰੀ ਕਮਿਸ਼ਨ, ਸਾਇਟ ਨੰ. 3, ਸੈਕਟਰ–18 ਏ, ਮੱਧਿਆ ਮਾਰਗ, ਚੰਡੀਗੜ੍ਹ 160018 ਕੋਲ ਖੁਦ ਪੇਸ਼ ਹੋ ਕੇ ਜਾਂ ਰਜਿਸਟਰਡ ਡਾਕ ਰਾਹੀਂ ਇਸ ਜਨਤਕ ਸੂਚਨਾ ਦੇ ਪਬਲਿਸ਼ ਹੋਣ ਦੇ 10 ਦਿਨਾਂ ਦੇ ਵਿੱਚ–2 ਦਾਇਰ ਕੀਤੇ ਜਾ ਸਕਦੇ ਹਨ। ਇਸ ਦੀ ਕਾੱਪੀ ਚੀਫ ਇੰਜੀਨੀਅਰ/ਏ.ਆਰ.ਆਰ. ਅਤੇ ਟੀ. ਆਰ., ਪੀ.ਐਸ.ਪੀ.ਸੀ.ਐਲ, ਐਫ–4, ਸ਼ਕਤੀ ਵਿਹਾਰ, ਪਟੀਆਲਾ ਨੂੰ ਵੀ ਭੇਜੀ ਜਾਵੇ ਅਤੇ ਇਸ ਨੂੰ ਭੇਜਣ ਦਾ ਸਬੂਤ ਪੀ.ਐਸ.ਈ.ਆਰ.ਸੀ., ਚੰਡੀਗੜ੍ਹ ਨੂੰ ਇਤਰਾਜ ਦਾਇਰ ਕਰਨ ਸਮੇਂ ਨਾਲ ਲਗਾਇਆ ਜਾਵੇ।
- 4. ਇਤਰਾਜਾਂ ਵਿੱਚ ਇਤਰਾਜ ਭੇਜਣ ਵਾਲੇ ਵਿਅਕਤੀ ਦਾ ਪੂਰਾ ਨਾਮ, ਹਸਤਾਖ਼ਰ, ਪਤਾ ਅਤੇ ਟੈਲੀਫੂਨ/ਮੋਬਾਈਲ ਨੰ: ਹੋਣਾ ਚਾਹੀਦਾ ਹੈ। ਜੇਕਰ ਇਤਰਾਜ ਕਿਸੇ ਸੰਗਠਨ ਜਾਂ ਕਿਸੇ ਕਿਸਮ ਦੇ ਖਪਤਕਾਰਾਂ ਦੀ ਤਰਫੋਂ ਦਾਇਰ ਕੀਤਾ ਜਾਂਦਾ ਹੈ ਤਾਂ ਇਸਦਾ ਵੀ ਪੂਰਾ ਵੇਰਵਾ ਦਿੱਤਾ ਜਾਵੇ। ਸਾਰੇ ਇਤਰਾਜ਼ਕਰਤਾ ਆਪਣੇ ਇਤਰਾਜ਼ਾਂ ਦੀ ਸੌਫਟ ਕਾਪੀ ਸਕੱਤਰ/ਪੀ.ਐਸ.ਈ.ਆਰ.ਸੀ. ਦੀ ਈਮੇਲ ਆਈ.ਡੀ. secretarypsercchd@gmail.com ਅਤੇ ਪੀ.ਐਸ.ਪੀ.ਸੀ.ਐਲ ਦੀ ਈਮੇਲ ਆਈ.ਡੀ. ce-arr-tr@pspcl.in ਤੇ ਵੀ ਭੇਜਣ।ਜੇ ਜਨਤਾ ਦਾ ਕੋਈ ਵੀ ਮੈਂਬਰ ਵਰਚੁਅਲ ਸੁਣਵਾਈ ਵਿੱਚ ਸ਼ਾਮਲ ਹੋਣਾ ਚਾਹੁੰਦਾ ਹੈ ਤਾਂ ਉਹ ਆਪਣਾ ਪੂਰਾ ਨਾਮ, ਟੈਲੀਫੂਨ/ਮੋਬਾਈਲ ਨੰ: ਅਤੇ ਵੈਧ ਈਮੇਲ ਆਈ.ਡੀ., registrarpsercchd@gmail.com ਤੇ ਭੇਜ ਸਕਦਾ ਹੈ ਅਤੇ ਇਸਦਾ ਲਿੰਕ ਕਮਿਸ਼ਨ ਵਲੋਂ ਮੁਹੱਇਆ ਕੀਤਾ ਜਾਵੇਗਾ।
- 5. ਮਾਨਯੋਗ ਕਮਿਸ਼ਨ ਵਲੋਂ ਪਟੀਸ਼ਨ ਦੀ ਸੁਣਵਾਈ ਅਤੇ ਜਨਤਕ ਸੁਣਵਾਈ ਮਿਤੀ 07.04.2021 ਨੂੰ ਸਵੇਰੇ 11.00 ਵਜੇ ਕਮਿਸ਼ਨ ਦਫਤਰ, ਸਾਇਟ ਨੰ. 3, ਸੈਕਟਰ-18 ਏ, ਮੱਧਿਆਮਾਰਗ, ਚੰਡੀਗੜ੍ਹ 160018 ਵਿਖੇ ਹੋਵੇਗੀ । ਸਾਰੇ ਇਤਰਾਜ਼ਕਰਤਾ ਜਿਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਨੇ ਇਤਰਾਜ਼ ਦਾਖਲ ਕਰਨ ਦੀ ਆਖਰੀ ਮਿਤੀ ਤੱਕ ਆਪਣੇ ਇਤਰਾਜ਼ ਦਾਇਰ ਕੀਤੇ ਹਨ ਅਤੇ ਹੋਰ ਵਿਅਕਤੀ/ਸੰਸਥਾ 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 ।

ਮੁੱਖ ਇੰਜੀਨੀਅਰ/ਵਣਜ, ਪੰ:ਸ:ਪ:ਕ:ਲਿਮ:ਪਟਿਆਲਾ।

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(PUBLIC NOTICE)

Inviting Suggestions and Objections of the Public and all Stakeholders in respect of Petition No. 49 of 2020 for deferment of revision of Security (Consumption) for all categories of consumers till 31st March 2021 in public interest due to impact of Covid-19 pandemic filed before Hon'ble PSERC

- The Punjab State Power Corporation Limited (PSPCL) has filed a Petition No. 49/2020 before Hon'ble Punjab State Electricity Regulatory Commission (PSERC) for deferment of revision of Security (Consumption) for all categories of consumers till 31st March 2021 in public interest due to impact of Covid-19 pandemic under Regulation 47 of Supply Code-2014 and Regulation 69, 70, 71 & 72 of chapter XIII of the conduct of Business Regulations 2005.
- 2. The above said petition is available on the website of PSPCL i.e. www.pspcl.in. The petition is also available on the website of Commission i.e. www.pserc.gov.in. The copy of this petition can be downloaded therefrom.
- 3. Objections against the Petition filed by PSPCL together with supporting material may be filed with the Secretary, Punjab State Electricity Regulatory Commission, Site No. 3, Madhya Marg, Sector-18A, Chandigarh in person or through Registered Post so as to reach within 10 days of the publication of this notice. Copy of the same must also be sent to Chief Engineer/ARR& TR, PSPCL, F-4,Shakti Vihar, 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 should carry full name, signature, postal address and telephone/mobile number of the person sending the objections. If the objection is filed on behalf of any organization or any class of consumers, it should be so mentioned. All the objectors should also send a soft copy of their objections to the Secretary/ PSERC at e-mail ID secretarypsercchd@gmail.com and PSPCL e-mail ce-arr-tr@pspcl.in. If any member of the public wants to attend the hearing virtually then they may send their full name, contact no. and valid email ID to registrarpsercchd@gmail.com and the link for the same will be provided by the Commission.
- 5. The petition shall be taken up for hearing as well as public hearing by the Hon'ble Commission on 07.04.2021 at 11.00 A.M. in the Commission's office at Site No. 3, Madhya Marg, Sector-18A, Chandigarh. 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.

CE Commercial, PSPCL, Patiala.

BEFORE THE PUNJAB STATE ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION, CHANDIGARH

IN THE MATTER OF

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AND

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

MOST RESPECTFULLY SHOWETH

1. That this petition is being filed by the petitioner i.e. Punjab State Power Corporation Limited (PSPCL) for deferment of revision of Security (Consumption) for all categories of consumers till 31st March 2021 in public interest due to impact of Covid-19 pandemic under Regulation 47 of Supply Code-2014 and Regulation 69, 70, 71 & 72 of chapter XIII of the conduct of Business Regulations 2005.

2. Background

Curfew/lockdown was imposed in the state of Punjab w.e.f 23.03.2020 due to outbreak of COVID-19 pandemic. In order to mitigate the impact of COVID-19 pandemic on the esteemed consumers of PSPCL, various relief measure like extension in the due date of payment of bills of all categories of consumers, 1% rebate on electricity bills, no disconnection during the lock-down period, extension in the validity of demand notices, deferment of revision of Security (Consumption) upto 31st December 2020, provision for installment of current bills etc, were given to the consumers of PSPCL with the approval of Hon'ble Chief Minister, Punjab (Annexure-A). One such relief measure is deferment of the revision of security (consumption) of all categories of

Annexure-A P-5 to 6



Annexure-B P-7 to 8 consumers till 31st December 2020 circulated vide Commercial Circular No. 25/2020 dated 29.05.2020 (Annexure-B).

3. Existing Regulation regarding Review Of Security (Consumption) & Payment of Additional Security (Consumption):

As per Regulation 16.1 of Principal Regulation 16 of Supply Code-2014 titled "Review of Security (Consumption) & Payment of Additional Security (Consumption)", all consumers shall maintain as Security (consumption) with the distribution licensee an amount equivalent to consumption charges (i.e. fixed and variable charges as applicable to the relevant category) for two and a half months where bi-monthly billing is applicable and one and a half month in case of monthly billing, during the period of agreement for supply of electricity.

Further Regulation 16.4 of Supply Code-2014 provides that the adequacy of the amount of Security (consumption) in accordance with regulation 16.1 of these Regulations shall be reviewed by the distribution licensee after every three years (preferably after revision of tariff for the relevant year) based on the average monthly consumption for the twelve months period from April to March of the previous year except for HT/EHT consumers in whose case review of Security (consumption) shall be carried out annually

4. Reasons for proposed extension in the deferment of review of Security (Consumption) from 31st December 2020 to 31st March 2021:

The impact of Covid-19 still exists in the state and businesses and industries are still not fully revived due to shortage of labour, strict labour rules, restriction of inter-state movements of goods, non-disbursement of loan amount from the bank etc. Further, the demand of goods is also on the lower side and not yet reached to the extent which is prior to the Outbreak of Covid-19. Consumers of PSPCL are requesting for extension of various relief measure already provided by PSPCL.

Further, the revision of security (consumption) is being carried out every year in the month of April. The revision for Security for the year 2020-21 was deferred till December-2020 and therefore could not be carried out in the

month of April-2020 for year 2020-21. Due to deferment of revision of security (consumption) till 31st December 2020, the review for the year 2020-21 can be carried out only in the month of January-2021 and where the consumer is required to pay the additional Security (consumption), PSPCL shall issue separate notice cum bill to the consumer and consumer shall be liable to pay the additional Security (consumption) within thirty (30) days from the date of service of the notice. In view of above, if notices for security consumptions are issued in the month of January-2021, it is more likely that the maximum portion of payable amount will be received in the month of February. This exercise of revision of security shall be repeated just after 3 months for the year 2021-22 (in April-2021) after a very short interval of time and consumer may resist payment of additional security consumption repeatedly in the gap of 3 months and also due to impact of Covid-19.

5. Method for calculation of Security(Consumption) for year 2021-22

Due to outbreak of COVID-19 pandemic, there was a complete lockdown for the period from 23.03.2020 to 3rd May 2020 and thereafter businesses and industries were opened in phased manner. However, businesses and industries are still not revived fully due to shortage of labour, strict labour rules, restriction of inter-state movements of goods, non-disbursement of loan amount from the bank etc. which caused abnormally less electricity consumption in this year in comparison to the load of consumer.

Security (consumption) is the amount towards estimated electricity likely to be supplied in the coming year. Therefore revision of security consumption for the year 2021-22 to be carried out in the month of April-2021 on the basis of electricity consumption in the year 2020-21 as per Supply Code - 2014 Regulations may not truly reflect the estimated electricity consumption of consumers for the year 2021-22. The electricity consumption of commercial and industrial category of consumer may be very less in the year 2020-21 due to impact of Covid-19 pandemic, therefore, it may possibly lead to refund the Security (Consumption) of all these consumers due to revision in the next year. So, the security consumption for the year 2021-22 may become insufficient in case of revival of businesses and industries to their full extent in the next financial year, which is most likely to occur.





In view of above, it is proposed that the security (consumption) for the year 2021-22 may be reviewed on the basis of average monthly consumption for the year 2019-20 or 2020-21 whichever is higher.

<u>Prayer:</u>

On the basis of facts & reasons brought out above, Hon'ble Commission is requested to consider and approve the following proposal in public interest due to impact of COVID-19 pandemic:

- 1. The revision of security (consumption) for all categories of consumers shall be deferred till 31st March 2021.
- 2. The security (consumption) for the year 2021-22 shall be reviewed on the basis of average monthly consumption for the twelve months period from April to March for the year 2019-20 or 2020-21 whichever is higher.

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GOVERNMENT OF PUNJAB DEPARTMENT OF POWER (Power Reforms Wing)

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The Chairman-cum- Managing Director, Punjab State Power Corporation Limited, Patiala.

Memo No.1/14/2014-EB (PR)/ 296
Dated, Chandigarh, the

Subject:- Relief to the electricity consumers in the State of Punjab for mitigating the impact of COVID-19.

Please refer to Chief Engineer/Commercial, PSPCL, Patiala Memo.No.553/DB-132 dated 15:5,2020 on the subject cited above.

- 2. In this regard, Hon'ble Chief Minister, Punjab has accorded approval to the proposal of PSPCL submitted vide above referred letter to give following reliefs to the Electricity consumers in the State of Punjab for mitigating the impact of COVID-19: -
 - Due date of electricity bills of all the Domestic & Commercial consumers having current monthly/bimonthly bills up to Rs.10000/-and all Industrial consumers i.e. Small Power (SP), Medium Supply (MS) and Large Supply (LS) payable from 20th March, 2020 till end of May, 2020 be extended upto 1st June, 2020 without levy of late payment surcharge.
 - Domestic & Commercial and all Industrial consumers i.e. Small Power (SP), Medium Supply (MS) and Large Supply (LS) who are unable to pay their bills upto 1st June, 2020 will be given an option to pay the same in a maximum of 4 monthly instalments. Further, in place of Late Payment Surcharge (LPS) and Late Payment Interest (LPI), only 10% interest per annum shall be charged on reducing balance computed from 11.5.2020 (extended due date) or the original due date of the bill, whichever is later, subject to the condition that current bills with due date on or after 1st June, 2020 shall be deposited timely by the consumer.

- iii) No new disconnection of any consumer against non-payment of bills shall be made till 15.6.2020.
- iv) The revision of Security (Consumption) of all categories of consumers be deferred till 31st December, 2020.
- v) The Demand Notice of Industrial and all other categories of consumers, wherein the validity falls between 20.3.2020 to 31.5.2020, the same be extended upto 30.6.2020 without payment of Demand Notice Extension Charges.
- vi) In case of industrial and all other categories of consumers (new as well as extension cases) whose feasibility clearance has been approved and validity to submit the A&A Form falls between 20.3.2020 to 31.5.2020, the same be extended upto 30.6.2020 without any financial liability.

vii) All pending new electricity connections be released by 15.6.2020

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Principal Secretary, Power

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TeleFax: 0175-2210320, email: ce-commercial@nspcl.in, directorbilling@yahoo.com.

Commercial Circular No. 25/2020 Dated: 29.05,2020

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Ref:

All Engineer-in-Chief/Chief Engineer (DS), Under Punjab State Power Corporation Limited.

Memo No. 597-601/DB-139

Dated: 29.05.2020

Subject: Relief to electricity consumers in the State of Punjab for mitigating the impact of

COVID-19.

This office CC no. 16/2020 dt: 09.04.2020, CC 19/20 dated 21.4.2020 and CC 23/2020 dated

18.5.2020

In continuation to the relief measures provided to the electricity consumers of the state vide above referred commercial circulars, the following additional measures have been approved by the Hon'ble CM Punjab for giving more reliefs to the electricity—consumers of the state in order to mitigate the impact of Corona virus pandemic:

- 1. Due date of electricity bills of all the Domestic & Commercial consumers having current monthly/bimonthly bills up to Rs 10,000/- and all Industrial consumers i.e. Small Power (SP). Medium Supply(MS) and Large Supply(LS) payable from 20th March, 2020 till end of May, 2020 be extended up to 1st June. 2020 without levy of late payment surcharge. In case where Bills in the month of May 2020 have already been issued by levying LPS on previous bill. LPS shall be refunded.
- 2. a) Domestic, Commercial and all industrial consumers i.e. Small Power (SP), Medium Supply(MS) and Large Supply(LS) who are unable to pay their bills upto1stJune 2020 will be given an option to pay the same in a maximum of 4 monthly instalments. Further, in piace of late payment surcharge (LPS) and late payment interest (LPI), only 10% interest per annum shall be charged on reducing balance computed from 11/5/2020 (extended due date) or the original due date of the bill, whichever is later, subject to the condition that current bills with due date on or after 1st June 2020 shall be deposited timely by the consumer.
 - b) AEE/AE(DS) or AEE/AE(Commercial) is authorised to allow the instalments as per para 2
 (a) above. The Addt.SE/Sr.Xen (DS) will monitor the recovery against instalments.
- 3. No new disconnection of any consumer against rion-payment of bills be made till 15/6/2020.
- The revision of security (consumption) of all categories of consumers is deferred till 31st December 2020.
- All pending new electricity connections be released by 15.06.2020 after following due procedure

Meticulous compliance of the above instructions be made by all the concerned offices.

SE/Billing, For CE/Commercial PSPCL, Patiala

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Principal Secretary, Power

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BEFORE THE PUNJAB STATE ELECTRCITY REGULATORY COMMISSION, CHANDIGARH

PETITION NO. 49 OF 2020

IN THE MATTER OF:

Petition for deferment of revision of Security (Consumption) for all categories of consumers till 31st March 2021 in public interest due to impact of Covid-19 pandemic under Regulation 47 of Supply Code-2014 and Regulation 69, 70, 71 & 72 of chapter XIII of the conduct of Business Regulations 2005

ADDITIONAL AFFIDAVIT ON BEHALF OF THE PETITIONER, PUNJAB STATE POWER CORPORATION LTD.

Gurchain Singh Banga S/o Hakam Ram Banga aged 57 years is working as E/ARR&TR in PSPCL having office at F4, Shakti Vihar, Patiala do solemnly affirm and

That am as CE/ARR&TR of Punjab State Power Corporation Ltd., the petitioner in the above matter, is duly authorized by the PSPCL to make affidavit in this Denalf.

- 2. I say that I am filing the present affidavit pursuant to the hearing before the Hon'ble Commission on 10/03/2021 and the queries raised during the course of the hearing.
- 3. In regard to the proposal as to how PSPCL would be dealing with any increase/decrease in load/demand during this period of review i.e. during FY 2019-20 and FY 2020-21, I say that the existing Regulation 16.4 of Supply Code-2014 has a provision to deal with any change in load in previous years for the review of Security (Consumption).

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4. The Regulation 16.4 of Supply Code-2014 provides as under:

The adequacy of the amount of Security (consumption) in accordance "16.4 with regulation 16.1 of these Regulations shall be reviewed by the distribution licensee after every three years (preferably after revision of tariff for the relevant year) based on the average monthly consumption for the twelve months period from April to March of the previous year except for HT/EHT consumers in whose case review of Security (consumption) shall be carried out annually.

In case of new connection or extension in load/demand of an existing connection which is less than one year old, the first review shall be carried out only after 12 months consumption from April to March is available with the distribution licensee.

Provided that in case of reduction in load/demand by the consumer during the period from April to March of the previous year, the Security (consumption) shall be reviewed for the current year based on the consumption of the previous year extrapolated on the basis of the reduced load/demand."

5. I further say that the proposal/prayer under para-6 of petition no. 49 of 2020 nevice vevised in line with Regulation 16.4 of Supply Code-2014 as below:

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The security (consumption) for the year 2021-22 shall be reviewed on the basis of average monthly consumption for the twelve months period from April to March for the year 2019-20 or 2020-21 whichever

In case of reduction in load/demand by the consumer during FY is higher. 2019-20 or 2020-21, the Security (consumption) shall be reviewed for iii. the year 2021-22 based on the consumption as per para-2 above in proportion to reduced load/demand as on 31/03/2021 i.e. The consumption of each billing cycle during the year 2019-20 or 2020-21 whichever is applicable, shall be reduced in proportion to the load/demand of the consumer as on dated 31/03/2021.

- iv. In case of new connection or extension in load/demand of an existing connection during FY 2019-20 or 2020-21, the first review shall be carried out only in 2022-23
- 6. I further say that sr. no. iv mentioned in para-5 above has been proposed due to following reasons:

"If the connection of a consumer has been released during FY 2019-20 or extension in load/demand of an existing connection during FY 2019-20, then first review of Security (consumption) is to be carried out in 2021-22 on the basis of consumption of FY 2020-21 as per the provisions of Regulation 16.4 of Supply Code-2014. The year 2020-21 is Covid-19 impacted year and the consumption of the consumers may be very less in comparison to the load of the consumer which could not depict expected consumption for 2021-22 for Security (consumption). Therefore, in these cases, the review of Security (Consumption) may not be carried out in FY 2021-22."

 In the circumstances mentioned above, I respectfully submit that the Hon'ble commission may approve the revised proposal/prayer as per para-5 of this affidavit.

VERIFICATION

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I, the deponent above-named, do hereby verify the contents of the above affidavit to be based on the records of PSPCL maintained in the ordinary course and believed by me to be true, no part of it is false and nothing material has been concealed therefrom.

Verified at Patiala on this 12 day of March, 2021

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