



DELHI ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION

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PUBLIC NOTICE

REQUEST FOR PUBLIC RESPONSE

Petition for True up for FY 2008-09 and Approval of Revised Aggregate Revenue Requirement (ARR) and Tariff for FY 2010-11
filed by BSES Rajdhani Power Ltd. (BRPL), BSES Yamuna Power Ltd. (BYPL),
North Delhi Power Ltd. (NDPL) and New Delhi Municipal Council (NDMC)

1. The Distribution Licensees of Delhi viz. BSES Rajdhani Power Ltd. (BRPL), BSES Yamuna Power Ltd. (BYPL), North Delhi Power Ltd. (NDPL) and New Delhi Municipal Council (NDMC) have filed their petitions for true up of expenses for 2008-09 and approval of revised ARR and tariff for 2010-11 before the Delhi Electricity Regulatory Commission (hereinafter referred to as "the Commission"). The Licensees have filed their respective petitions under the provisions of the Electricity Act, 2003, the Delhi Electricity Reform Act, 2000 and the Distribution Tariff Regulations dated May 30, 2007 issued by the Commission. The Commission has since admitted the Petitions for further examination and hearing the parties on their proposals.
2. The four Distribution Licensees i.e. BRPL, BYPL, NDPL and NDMC have, subsequent to the admission of their petitions by the Commission, issued a Public Notice in the following newspapers of Delhi.

NDPL	15/01/10	Hindustan Times, Times of India	English
	16/01/10	Hindustan	Hindi
	17/01/10	Milap	Urdu
BRPL / BYPL	16/01/10	Hindustan Times, Times of India	English
	16/01/10	Punjab Kesari	Hindi
	16/01/10	Milap	Urdu
NDMC	14/01/10	Hindustan Times	English
	14/01/10	Pratap	Urdu
	15/01/10	Times of India	English
	15/01/10	Hindustan	Hindi

The Public Notices have also been posted on the website of the Distribution Licensees as well as that of the Commission.

3. Three Distribution Licensees viz. BRPL, BYPL and NDPL have sought revision of tariff for FY 2010-11 for all consumer categories to meet the revenue gap in their respective Aggregate Revenue Requirement (ARR) submissions. The tariff proposals have been summarized in the respective Public Notices of the three Licensees.
4. In accordance with the provisions of the Delhi Electricity Regulatory Commission Comprehensive (Conduct of Business) Regulations, 2001 notified by the Commission, the Commission invites comments from consumers and other stakeholders on the above petitions. Comments may be sent to the Secretary of the Commission at the above office address by February 6, 2010, either personally or by post, or by email at secyderc@nic.in.
5. In addition to comments on the petitions filed by the Distribution Licensees, all consumers and other stakeholders are requested to offer their views on the following issues as well. The Commission shall deliberate on these matters while deciding on the tariff for various classes of consumers.

I. Time of Day (ToD) metering

The National Electricity Policy and the National Tariff Policy mandates the State Commission to introduce Time of Day metering in order to reduce the demand of electricity during peak hours. It has also been a long standing demand of various stakeholders of Delhi to introduce Time of Day (ToD) metering in Delhi.

ToD metering could be made applicable for those consumers where there is a possibility of shifting of the load of peak hours to off-peak hours. While other categories of consumers may not be able to shift their load of peak hours to off-peak hours because of the nature of their activities, such possibility exists for industrial consumers in Delhi.

The Commission, therefore, invites comments from the stakeholders regarding introduction of 'Time of Day metering' for industrial consumers of Delhi. As peak hours are normally in the evening, it is possible to have a higher tariff during peak hours (from 6 PM to 11 PM) and reduced tariff during off-peak hours (from 11 PM to 7 AM) for the industrial consumers in Delhi to begin with.

II.Continuation of separate tariff category for DIAL

In its previous Tariff Order, the Commission had created a separate category for the Delhi International Airport Limited (DIAL) due to the essential nature of services provided by it. As per the approved tariff schedule in the last Tariff Order, DIAL is being charged at an average tariff of 470 paise/kVAh, which is lower than the existing Non-Domestic tariff charges applicable to commercial consumers.

Comments are now invited from consumers and stakeholders on whether this separate tariff category should be retained in the ensuing year or DIAL is to be charged at the rate applicable to other non-domestic category of commercial consumers.

III. kVAh billing for Industrial and Non-domestic consumers with Maximum Demand Indicator (MDI) greater than 10 kW

The kVAh tariff encourages consumers to improve their power factor and use electricity in an efficient manner. A higher power factor eventually helps the system by lowering the load and reduction in losses. At present, industrial and non-domestic consumers with sanctioned load less than or equal to 10 kW are billed on kWh tariff, while industrial and non-domestic consumers with sanctioned load more than 10 kW are billed on kVAh tariff. But there are instances of polyphase connections where the MDI of consumers having sanctioned load of less than 10 kW turns out to be more than 10 kW. In such cases, since the sanctioned load is less than 10 kW, the consumer pays kWh tariff even though the consumer's reactive load may be higher. This is at the expense of other consumers who declare their load honestly. Moreover, this also has an adverse impact on the losses in the distribution system.

The Licensees have proposed kVAh billing for consumers with a sanctioned load less than 10 kW whose MDI has recorded a load greater than 10 kW continuously for three billing cycles.

IV. Merger of MLHT and NDLT-II (Non-Domestic) consumer categories

The Commission is of the opinion that there is no rationale for charging differential tariff from the MLHT and NDLT-II consumer categories as these consumers use electricity for the same purpose viz. "non-domestic/commercial activity", and hence the two categories should be merged. This merger of categories is aimed at reducing the number of categories, simplifying the tariff structure and curbing malpractices.

6. As done in the past, the Commission would also hold public hearings with the responding stakeholders and the date of hearing shall be notified separately.
7. The Commission shall scrutinize the petitions and may seek further clarifications from the Licensees, if required. By way of an Order, the Commission shall approve the ARR and Revenue Gap/Surplus with respect to each of the Licensees and explore the ways and means for bridging this gap including support/subsidy, if any, from the Government of Delhi, tariff increase and/or other regulatory measures. The Orders on the petitions shall be issued after considering the suggestions received from various stakeholders.
8. In the past, there have been requests that the Commission may extend help to consumers in understanding tariff petitions and also help them in filing their comments. This year the Commission has taken an initiative in this regard and prepared a document giving the salient features of the tariff petitions filed by Distribution Licensees which is available on the website of the Commission (www.derc.gov.in). The Commission has also nominated certain officers to extend necessary help to all such consumers, who may so desire. Discussions may be held with the following officers after seeking prior appointment:
- Smt. Rinku Gautam, Joint Director (26680433)
- Sh. Anish Garg, Joint Director (26680493)
9. The complete petitions filed by the Licensees can be downloaded from the website of the Commission (www.derc.gov.in) and that of the Licensees. Copies of the petitions are also available for inspection at the Commission's Office.
10. A copy of the petition of each Licensee may be purchased from their respective head offices on any working day upto 4th Feb 2010 between 11 AM and 4 PM on payment of Rs. 100/- either by cash or by Demand Draft/Pay Order payable at New Delhi as per the details provided herewith.

BSES Yamuna Power Ltd. Shakti Kiran Building, Karkardooma Delhi - 110092 Website: www.bsesdelhi.com Demand Draft/Pay Order in favour of BSES Yamuna Power Limited	BSES Rajdhani Power Ltd. BSES Bhawan, Nehru Place New Delhi - 110019 Website: www.bsesdelhi.com Demand Draft/Pay Order in favour of BSES Rajdhani Power Limited
North Delhi Power Limited Substation Building, Hudson Lane Kingsway Camp, Delhi - 110009 Website: www.ndplonline.com Demand Draft/Pay Order in favour of North Delhi Power Limited	New Delhi Municipal Council Palika Kendra, Sansad Marg New Delhi - 110001 Website: www.ndmc.gov.in Demand Draft/Pay Order in favour of New Delhi Municipal Council

Secretary
Delhi Electricity Regulatory Commission