

Delhi Electricity Regulatory Commission
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ORDER

(Date of Order: 23.12.2024)

Whereas the Schedule of Charges and the procedure under the Delhi Electricity Regulatory Commission (Supply Code and Performance Standards) Regulations, 2017 (hereinafter referred to as the "Regulations") provide, inter alia, for the space required for the installation of Grid Sub-Stations, Transformers, Service Lines, Meters, and other equipment under Rule 22 of the Regulations.

And whereas, by an order dated 01/08/2023, this Commission amended the Schedule of Charges and the procedure, framing guidelines that a Developer/Applicant taking supply at Low Tension (LT) level for any new or reconstructed premises with a plot size of 600 sqm or more shall provide the space for the installation of distribution transformers, as per the required load.

And whereas requests have been received by the Commission from petroleum agencies for facilitation for the expansion of Electric Vehicle (EV) charging infrastructure at their retail outlets in Delhi. These agencies have informed the Commission that, as part of their efforts to promote sustainable mobility in line with government directives, they plan to establish a network of EV chargers and Battery Swapping Stations at retail outlets. However, they have outlined several challenges, including the requirement for space to install transformers and the infrastructure needed for EV chargers and Battery Swapping Stations at these outlets and according to statutory safety norms regulated by the Petroleum and Explosives Safety Organization (PESO), the installation of transformers within the premises of retail petroleum Agencies is not permitted.

Now, therefore, the Delhi Electricity Regulatory Commission, in exercise of the powers conferred under Regulation 85 (Power to grant relaxation and to remove difficulties) of the Regulations, hereby issues this order concerning the release of new connections and connectivity for the installation of public EV chargers at petroleum Agencies.

1. **Short Title & Commencement:** (1) This order shall be called the "Schedule of Charges and Procedure Order" under the Delhi Electricity Regulatory Commission (Supply Code and Performance Standards) Relaxation Order, 2024.
(2) This Relaxation Order be read along with the Order dated 01/08/2023 and shall be applicable prospectively.

2. **Clause 6 of the Schedule of Charges and Procedure (Seventh Amendment) Order, 2023, under Regulation 22 of the Supply Code Regulations:**

(1) The developer/applicant seeking supply at Low Tension level for any new or reconstructed premises requiring LT service connections, whose:

(i) total cumulative demand for all floors on the plot/building for LT service connection exceeds 100 kW/108 kVA; or

(ii) total cumulative built-up area of the premises in the plot/building exceeds 2000 sqm; or

(iii) plot size exceeds 600 sqm;

shall provide space for the installation of distribution transformers, as per the required load.

Provided that the minimum space required for the installation of distribution transformers/equipment shall be in accordance with circular no. South DMC/0148/SE(B)HQ/Addl.Coml/17 dated 30.03.2017 issued by South Delhi Municipal Corporation or as amended from time to time.

In the case of new connections or connectivity for the installation of public EV chargers at petroleum Agencies, the developer/applicant shall comply with the requirement as per the specifications outlined above, except the following.

However, the requirement in para (iii) above, which mandates space for the installation of transformers in cases where the plot size exceeds 600 sqm, shall be applicable for new connections or connectivity for the installation of public EV chargers at petroleum Agencies in the following manner:-

1. LT connections, wherever feasible, from the existing transformer or with augmentation of the existing transformation capacity, shall be released by DISCOMs, without insisting for space for new transformer installation and without insisting for pre-installation of EV Charger at petroleum retail outlets.
2. Whenever the space is required for installation of new transformer, for release of connectivity for EV Chargers at Petrol Pumps, the DISCOMs will seek permission from Land Owning Agency for installation of a new transformer and associated cost for land, if any, will be borne by the Petroleum Agencies/Retail Petroleum Outlets.

Other Terms and Conditions: The other terms and conditions of the Order dated 01/08/2023 shall remain unchanged.

**Sd/-
(Surender Babbar)
Member**

**Sd/-
(Ram Naresh Singh)
Member**

**Sd/-
(Justice Jayant Nath)
Chairperson**