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CIRCULAR

To

All Members,

Sub: TNERC Tariff Order dated 11.08.2017

We had through our earlier circular informed you that TANGEDCO had filed their ARR for the year to TNERC. Members may also be aware that TNERC had conducted public meeting at Chennai, Madurai and Coimbatore to ascertain the views of the stake holders.

The regulatory commission has now published their Order on "Intra-State Transmission Tariff and other related charges" for TANGEDCO and TANTRANSCO along with "ARR for FY 2017-18 and FY 2018-19 and SLDC Charges for FY 2017-18". The orders issued by them are attached for the information of the members.

We are glad to inform our members, that while TNERC has not accepted our plea to reduce the power charges due to the present low cost of power available in the market, they have also not made and significant changes to the existing tariff.

For the first time TNERC has reduced the Cross Subsidy Surcharges to the limits permitted in the National Tariff Policy and this is a very good news to our members who would like to benefit from Open Access power from Third Party sources as well as Power Exchanges. After considerable amount of litigation, TNERC has finally acknowledged the non applicability of Harmonic compensation charges for HT consumers connected at 11kV / 22kV. This will be a big relief for our members who had major problems on this issue.

Some other salient features of these order is as follows:

1. There is no change in Retail charges Tariff and Maximum Demand.
2. **Cross Subsidy Surcharge** reduced to be within 20% of the applicable Tariff cost.
3. **Wheeling charges** for Open Access Customer is fixed as 21.05 paise/unit.
4. Applicable losses for Open Access transactions have been significantly increased.
5. Levy of Harmonic compensation charges is not applicable for all HT consumers connected at 11kV and 22kV.

6. There is no change in the Peak Hour timings and it continues to be at 06.00 hours to 09.00 hours and 18.00 hours to 21.00 hours with 20% extra levy as usual.
7. Off-peak hour rebate also remain at 5% on energy charges for consumption from 22.00 hours to 05.00 hours
8. Low Power Factor disincentive slab was not altered
9. SLDC Charges

a) **System Operation Charges** for FY 2017-2018 is RS.33.74 per MW per day for Long Term Open Access and Medium Term Open Access & Rs.1.41 per MW/ per hour for short Term Open Access.

b) **Scheduling charges** for FY 2017-18 is Rs. 160/day.

10. TANGEDCO's proposal to extend the integration period of 15 minutes for arriving at Maximum Demand for all HT consumers has been accepted.

We are enclosing herewith the copy of orders for your reference and use.

With Warm Regards,

K. Ilango
Secretary