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To

All Members,

Dear Sir,

Greetings!

Tamil Nadu Electricity Regulatory Commission (TNERC) is holding public hearings on the tariff petition filed by TANGEDCO at various places in Tamil Nadu. The dates and venues of the hearings are as follows.

Date & Day	Place	Venue	Time
03.05.2013 Friday	Chennai	Tamil Isai Sangam, Rajah Annamalai Mandram, Near High Court, 5, Esplanade Road, Chennai -600108	From 10.00 AM
08.05.2013 Wednesday	Tiruchirappalli	Kalaingaragam Thirumana Mahal, Near Central Bus Stand, Tiruchirappalli	From 10.00 AM
10.05.2013 Friday	Madurai	Platinum Jubilee Hatsun Auditorium, Tamil Nadu Chamber of Commerce and Industry, 178-B Kamarajar Salai, Madurai 625 009	From 10.00 AM
17.05.2013 Friday	Coimbatore	Corporation Kalaingaragam R.S. Puram, Coimbatore	From 10.00 AM

The new tariffs are likely to become applicable from July 2013. TANGEDCO has not asked for any increase in tariffs except for agriculture and hut service the charges for whom will continue to be paid for by the Government and continue to be free for consumers.

However, TNERC may fix higher tariffs for all consumers. It is likely that substantial tariff increases (37% and nearly Rs 9, 400 Crores) will be made as in the last year as TANGEDCO has estimated a deficit of more than Rs 10,000 Crores for 2013-14. TNERC has the powers to do so.

Therefore, please attend the hearings and submit your opposition to any tariff increase in writing as well as person. You should seek an appointment from TNERC in advance for presenting your views. The contact particulars of TNERC are also attached. On the day of hearing you should go well in advance and register your name for submission of your views. The Commission will grant permission in the serial order of registration. If you have contacts with local MLAs and MPs you may request them also to come and support your views.

In addition to the above you may request TNERC for a separate hearing, specifically for industrial and commercial consumers. In the public hearings, lots of domestic consumers and agricultural consumers come and talk at length. The voice of the industrial and commercial consumers do not get sufficient hearing. You seek the separate hearing at Chennai or at any of the locations where TNERC hearings are scheduled to be held. A copy of the draft of such request is also enclosed.

TECA has submitted a detailed note to TNERC on this matter. The note is available in TECA's office. If interested, you may get a copy of the note for your reference.

With Warm Regards,

D Balasundaram
President

Enclosures:

1. Draft Request letter for a separate hearing.