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O/o the Managing Director
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SUB: ELECTRICITY - Payment of Electricity Charges - Revised Tariffs -Reg.

- REF: 1) Lr.No. MF(Elec)/158(1)/72-MD, Dated 09-06-1972.
2) Lr.No. MF(Elec)/223(1)/76-MD, Dated 24-03-1976.
3) Lr.No. AE(E)/223(3)/78-MED, Dated 03-06-1978.
4) Office Circular No. 2/80, Dated 25.02.1980.
5) Office Circular No. 6/80, Dated 29.09.1980.
6) Office Circular No. 7/80, Dated 26.12.1980.
7) APSEB Gazette No. 52, Dated 03.06.1981.
8) Circular No. 28/1982, Dated 12.08.1982.
9) APSEB Gazette No. 117, Dated 10.06.1987.
10) APSEB Amendment Gazette No. 117, B.P.Ms.No.735, 14.07.1987
(This Office Circular No. 18/1987-MED, Dated 10.08.1987.
11) APSEB Amendment Gazette No. 102, Dated 17.04.1989.
12) This Office Circular No: 9/1989-MED, Dated 26.05.1989.
13) APSEB Amendment Gazette No. 272, B.P.Ms.No.225, (Operation &
Commercial), Dated 16.10.1990.
14) This Office Circular No: 33/1990-MED, Dated 08.11.1990.
15) APSEB Gazette No. 334, B.P.Ms.No.321, (Operation & Commercial),
Dated 18.12.1991.
16) This Office Circular No: 8/1992-MED, Dated 31.01.1992.
17) APSEB Gazette No. 224, B.P.Ms.No. 147, (Operation & Commercial),
Dated 18.11.1992.
18) This Office Circular No: 67/1992-MED, Dated 31.12.1992.
19) APSEB Gazette No. 191, B.P.Ms.No.167, (Operation & Commercial),
Dated 01.08.1995.
20) APSEB Abstract, B.P. (Opn. Comml) Rt.No. 58, Dated 27.07.1995.
21) This Office Circular No: 18/1995-MED, Dated 16.08.1995.
22) This Office Circular No: Dy.CME(E)/138/(5)/95/-MED, Dated 16.10.1995.
23) This Office Circular No: Dy.CME(E)/138/(6)/96/-MED, Dated
10.05.1996.
24) APSEB Gazette No. 166, B.P.Ms.No.32, (Operation & Commercial),
Dated 29.07.1996.
25) Circular No: 8/1997-MED, Dated 15.04.1997.
26) Circular No: 29/1998-MED, Dated 16.10.1998.
27) Circular No: 30/1998-MED, Dated 18.11.1998.
28) APSEB Gazette No. 117, B.P.Ms.No.62, (Operation & Commercial),
Dated 28.12.1998.
29) Circular No: 2/1999-MED, Dated 14.01.1999.
30) Circular No: 4/1999-MED, Dated 02.02.1999.
31) AP TRANSCO Gazette No. 64, Dated 03.06.2000, AP TRANSCO
Office Order (Comml) Ms.No. 50.

In continuation to the circulars cited at References from 1 to 30. the latest APTRANSCO tariffs which comes into force with effect from 4.6.2000 vide Reference- 31 may be read as follows along with other APSRTC guidelines. These tariffs will be in force from 4.6.2000 upto 31.3.2001.

ELECTICITY DUTY CHARGES:

The tariffs notified now are exclusive of electricity duty payable under section 3 of A.P. Electricity Duty Act, 1939 as amended from time to time. The electricity duty shall be payable by the consumers of all categories except Agriculture category, Government of India and Railways at the rate of 6 paise per Unit, vide G.O.Ms No.277 Dated 9.12.94.

These tariffs will be applicable for the consumers of Distribution Companies shall be entitled to enforce these tariffs in their respective areas with effect from 4.6.2000 upto 31.3.2001.

PARTA' - H.T. TARIFFS:

The tariffs are applicable for supply of electricity to H.T. Consumers having loads with a connected load exceeding 75 HP/ 56 KW.

H.T. Category - I.

This tariff is applicable for supply to all H.T. Industrial Consumers. Industrial purpose shall mean manufacturing, processing and / or preserving goods for sale, but shall not include shops, Business Houses, Offices, Public Buildings. Hospitals, Hotels, Hostels, Choultries, Restaurants, Clubs. Theatres, Cinemas, Railway Stations and other similar premises not with standing any manufacturing, processing or preserving goods for sale. The water works of municipalities and Corporations and any other Organisation comes under this category.

A) DEMAND CHARGES
Per KVA of Billing Demand : Rs.170 per KVA per month

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B) ENERGY CHARGES
For first 1 Lakh Units per month Next 1 376 Paise per Unit
Lakh Units per month Balance units during 390 Paise per Unit
the month 395 Paise per Unit

IMPORTANT

- i) The billing demand shall be the maximum demand recorded during the month or 80 % of the contracted demand whichever is higher.
- ii) Energy charges will be billed on the basis of actual energy consumption or 50 Units per KVA of billing demand whichever is higher.

NOTES:

- 1 The consumption of energy for lights and fans in the factory premises in excess of 10 % of total consumption shall be billed at 450 paise per unit provided lights and fans consumption in the unit is separately metered.
- 2 In case segregation of lights and fans loads has not been done, 15% of the total energy consumption shall be billed at 450 paise per unit and the balance at H.T. Category - I rates.

3 **COLONY CONSUMPTION:**

The consumption of energy exclusively for the residential colony / township in a month, separately metered with meters installed by the consumer and tested and sealed by the TRANSCO shall be billed at 320 paise per unit.

4 **SEASONAL INDUSTRIES:**

Where a consumers avails supply of energy for manufacture of sugar or ice or salt, decorticating, ginning and pressing, tobacco processing and retrying and for such other industries or processes as may be specified by the TRANSCO from time to time principally during certain seasons or limited periods in the year and his main plant is regularly closed down during certain months of the year, he may be charged for the months during which the plant is shut down (which period shall be referred to as the off-season period) as follows under H.T. Category-II rates.

DEMAND CHARGES :

Based on the recorded Maximum Demand
or 30% of the Contracted Demand
whichever is higher : Rs. 170 per KVA/Month

P L U S

ENERGY CHARGES

For all the units of energy consumed : 450 Paise per Unit

This concession is subject to the following conditions :-

- i) Consumers, classified as seasonal load consumers, who are desirous of availing the seasonal benefits shall specifically declare their season at the time of entering into agreement that their loads should be classified as seasonal loads.
- ii) The period of season shall not be less than 4 (Four) continuous months.
- iii) Existing eligible consumers who have not opted earlier for availing of seasonal tariffs will also be permitted to opt for seasonal tariff on the basis of application to the concerned Superintending Engineer of the APTRANSCO.
- iv) The seasonal period once noticed cannot be reduced.
- v) The off-season tariff is not available to composite units having seasonal and other categories of loads.
- vi) The off-season tariff is also not available for such of those units who have captive generation exclusively for process during season and who avail TRANSCO's supply for miscellaneous loads and other non-process loads.

- vii) Any consumer who after declaring the period of season consumers power for his main plant during the off-season period, shall not be entitled to this concession during that year. This will be without prejudice to any other action the TRANSCO may take.

H.T. CATEGORY - II :

This tariff is applicable to all H.T. Consumers other than these covered under other H.T. Categories :

DEMAND CHARGES:

Based on the recorded Maximum Demand
or 30% of the Contracted Demand
whichever is higher : Rs. 170 per KVA/Month

P L U S

ENERGY CHARGES

For all units consumed during the month : 450 Paise per Unit

IMPORTANT

- i) The billing demand shall be the maximum demand recorded during the month or 80% of the contracted demand, whichever is higher.
- ii) Energy charges will be billed on the basis of actual Energy consumption or 25 units per KVA of Billing Demand, whichever is higher.

GENERAL CONDITIONS OF H.T. SUPPLY :

The foregoing tariffs are subject to the following conditions :

A. VOLTAGE OF SUPPLY :

The voltage at which supply has to be availed by H.T. consumers shall be

Upto 1500 KVA
1501 KVA to 5000 KVA
Above 5000 KVA
11000 Volts
33000 Volts
132000 Volts or 220000 Volts
As may be decided by TRANSCO

B.VOLTAGE SURCHARGE

H.T. Consumers who are now getting supply at voltage different from the declared voltages and who want to continue taking supply at the same voltage will be charged as per the rates indicated below :-

SI No	Contracted Demand with TRANSCO and Other sources	Voltage at which supply should be availed	Voltage at which Consumer is availing supply charge	Rate % Extra over Normal Rate	
				Demand Charge	Energy Charge
	KV	KV	KV	KV	Kwh
1	70 to 1500	11 33 138 or 250	6.6 or below 12%	11	10%
2	to 5000		or below 12%	66 or below 12%	10%
3	Above 5000				10%

NOTE:The Fuel surcharge will be charges extra at the rates approved by the Commission from time to tome.

2) MAXIMUM DEMAND

The maximum demand of supply of electricity to a consumer during a month shall be twice the largest number of Kilo-Volt. Ampere Hours (KVAH) delivered at the point of supply to the consumer during any consecutive 30 minutes in the month. However, for the consumers having contracted demand above 4000 KVA the maximum demand shall be four time the largest number of Kilo-Volt-Ampere -Hours (KVAH) delivered at the point of supply to the consumer during any consecutive 15 minutes in the month.

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3) BILLING DEMAND:

The Billing demand shall be maximum demand recorded during the month or 80% of the contracted demand whichever is higher.

4) MONTHLY MINIMUM CHARGES

Every consumer whether he consumes energy or not shall pay monthly minimum charges calculated on the billing demand plus energy charges specified for each category in this part to cover the cost of a part of the fixed charges of TRANSCO.

5) SUPPLY TO TOWNSHIPS OR RESIDENTIAL COLONIES OF H.T. CONSUMERS :

Consumers of High Tension supply except those coming under H.T. Category-VI may, with the permission of the TRANSCO and subject to the conditions mentioned hereunder and such other conditions as may be imposed by the TRANSCO, supply electricity after converting it into Low Tension at their own cost for the township or residential colonies attached to the consumer's establishment for domestic purposes like lighting, fans and heating to their employees or other residing therein and for any non-domestic supply in the residential area and street lighting of such residential colony.

CONDITIONS

The consumer shall lay suitable internal distribution lines at his own cost and maintain the same in accordance with the statutory rules and TRANSCO's directions, if any.

Such HT consumers may have to obtain License or exemption as required under section 15 or 16 of AP Electricity Reforms Act, 1998, if it is so required under the provisions of the Act.

6) SURCHARGE FOR LOW POWER FACTOR

The power factor for the month shall be the ratio of Kilo-Watt hours to the Kilo-Volt-Ampere Hours supplied to the consumer during the month. The power factor shall be calculated upto two decimal places. The power factor of the consumer's installation shall not be less than 0.90. If the power factor falls below 0.90 during a month, the consumer shall pay a surcharge as detailed below :-

1% of C.C. chargesbill of that month for every 0.01 fall in Power Factor from 0.90
1.5% of C.C. chargesbill of that month for every 0.01 fall in Power Factor from 0.85

2% of C.C. chargesbill of that month for every 0.01 fall in Power Factor from 0.80

3% of C.C. chargesbill of that month for every 0.01 fall in Power Factor from 0.75

Should the power factor drop below 0.75 and so remain for a period of 2 consecutive months it must be brought upto 0.90 within a period of 6 months by methods approved by the TRANSCO failing which, without prejudice to the right of the TRANSCO to collect surcharge and without prejudice to such other rights as having accrued to the TRANSCO or any other right of the TRANSCO, the supply to the consumer may be discontinued.

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7) ADDITIONAL CHARGES FOR MAXIMUM DEMAND IN EXCESS OF THE CONTRACTED DEMAND :

If in any month the recorded maximum demand of the consumer exceeds his contracted demand, that portion of the demand in excess of the contracted demand will be billed at twice the normal charges.

8) EXISTING CONSUMERS REQUIRING TEMPORARY SUPPLY OR TEMPORARY INCREASE IN SUPPLY :

i) Temporary supply of High Tension may be made available by the

TRANSCO to a consumer, on his request subject to the conditions set out hereinafter as also in Part-C. Temporary supply shall not ordinarily be given for a period exceeding 6 (six) months. The electricity

supplied to such consumer shall be charged for, at rates 50% in excess of the rates set out in the H.T. Tariffs applicable subject to, however, that the billing demand for temporary supply shall be the contracted demand or the recorded maximum demand registered during the month whichever is higher.

- ii) If any consumer availing regular supply of electricity at High Tension requires an additional supply of electricity at the same point for a temporary period, the temporary additional supply shall be treated as a separate service can be charged for as in Clause (i) above, subject to the following conditions :
 - a) The contracted demand of the temporary supply shall be the billing demand for that service. The recorded demand for the regular service shall be arrived at by deducting the billing demand for the temporary supply from the maximum demand recorded in the month.
 - b) The total energy consumed in a month including that relating to temporary additional supply, shall be apportioned between the regular and temporary supply in proportion to the respective billing demands.

9) ADDITIONAL CHARGES FOR BELATED PAYMENT OF CHARGES :

The consumer shall pay an additional charge at 0.07 paise per rupee per day of delay on the amount of the bill for the period of delay if he does not pay the bill within the prescribed period. The amount of additional charges shall be rounded off to nearest Paise.

10) CUSTOMER CHARGES :

Every consumer of H.T. Electricity shall in addition to demand and energy charges billed as per tariff applicable to them, pay customer charges as applicable. He need not pay any charges for fuse-off-call service. The consumer shall, however, pay Rs.50/- if any false fuse-off-call is made.

11) FUEL COST ADJUSTMENTS :

The Fuel Cost Adjustment (FCA) charge now being levied is merged in the revised tariff. The fuel surcharge on account of variation in prices of fuels, computed for a quarter will be passed on to the consumers as per the formula to be prescribed by the Commission.

Commercial load letout to Canteens, stalls etc., where H.T. supply is availed, H.T. Category - II Tariff rates may

be levied for all type of charges including KVA demand charges based on each month's consumption

PART - 'B' - L.T. TARIFFS :

System of supply : Low Tension A.C. 50
Cycles Three Phase
Supply at 415 Volts
Single Phase supply at
240 Volts.

The tariffs are applicable for supply of Electricity to L.T. consumers with a connected load of 56 KW/75 HP and below.

L.T. Category - I : Domestic

Applicability :

Applicable for supply of energy for lights and fans and other domestic purposes in domestic premises.

R A T E S :

Consumers shall pay electricity charges as shown below.

0 – 50 UNITS PER MONTH	135 PS PER UNIT
51-200 UNITS PER MONTH	295 Ps PER UNIT
201-400 UNITS PER MONTH	450 Ps PER UNIT
ABOVE 400 UNIT / MONTH	525 Ps PER UNIT

Subject to monthly minimum charges of : **Single Phase :**

Upto 250 W : Rs. 25/- per month
Above 250 W : Rs. 50/- per month
Three Phase : Rs. 150/- per month

NOTES:

1 Three phase supply for domestic purpose will not normally be given. However three phase supply can be considered if three phase supply of the TRANSCO is available at that point. For loads less than 3 KW single phase supply only will be given.

2 If electricity supplied in domestic premises is used for non-domestic and commercial purposes, the entire supply shall be charged under L.T. Category-II tariff.

MODE OF BILLING AND PAYMENT :

TRANSCO may introduce monthly billing for all consumers instead of bimonthly (once in two months presently in vogue).

L.T. CATEGORY - II

NON-DOMESTIC AND COMMERCIAL :

Applicability :

Applicable for supply of energy for lights and fans for non-domestic and commercial purposes excluding loads falling under L.T. Categories - I, III to VII and shall include supply of energy for lighting, fans, heating and power appliances in Commercial and Non-Domestic premises such as shops, business houses, Offices, Public buildings, Hospitals, Hostels, Hotels, Choultries, Restaurants, Clubs, Theatres, Cinema Halls, Railway Stations, Timber Depots, Photo Studios and other similar premises. The Educational Institutions run by individuals, Non-Government Organisations or Private Trusts and their student hostels are also classified under this category.

Consumers shall pay electricity charges as shown below :-

First 100 Units/month 340 Ps per unit

Next 100 Units/month 665 Ps per unit

Balance Units/month 745 Ps per unit

Monthly Minimum Charges Rs.65 per month single phase

Rs 200 per month Three phase

NOTES:

1. For Loads less than 5 KW single phase supply only will be given.
2. In respect of the complexes having connected load of more than 56 KW/75 HP released under specific orders of TRANSCO for single point bulk supply where such complex is under the control of a specified organization/agency

- taking responsibility to pay monthly current consumption bills regularly and abide by the Terms and Conditions of supply as per agreement, the billing shall be done at the highest slab tariff rate under this category. The energy shall be measured at H.T. In cases where energy is measured on L.T. side of the transformer, 3% of the recorded energy during the month shall be added to arrive at the consumption on High Tension side of transformer.

MODE OF BILLING :

TRANSCO may introduce monthly billing for all consumers instead of bimonthly

(Once in two months) presently in vogue.

When the Sub-Meters are not working, charges may be levied as under :

- 1 Total connected load may be calculated as per wattage used on each point considering 10 hours usage per day. 25 days to 30 days per month as the case may be.
- 2 Load may be calculated as per previous Circular No. 18/1987-MED, dated 10.08.1987. This has reference to A.P. Gazette No. 91, dated 20.09.1975.
- 3 All Sub-Meter of Let-out Stalls etc., have to be fitted at Bus Station Managers Room under lock-and-key custody.

L.T. CATEGORY - III (A) - INDUSTRIAL : NORMAL CATEGORY :

The tariffs are applicable for supply of electricity to Low Tension Industrial consumers with a Contracted load of 75 HP/56 KW and below including incidental lighting load not exceeding 5% of the total Contracted Load. Industrial purpose shall mean supply for purpose of manufacturing, processing and /or preserving goods for sale but shall not include shops, business houses, offices, public buildings. Hospitals, Hotels, Hostels, Choultries, Restaurants, Clubs, Theatres, Cinemas, Railway Stations and other similar premises, notwithstanding any manufacturing, processing or preserving goods for sale. This tariff will also apply to Water Works & Sewerage pumping Stations operated by local Authorities or Government Departments or Co-operative Societies and pump sets of Railways, pumping of water by industries as subsidiary function. This tariff is also applicable to Workshops, flour mills, oil mills, saw mills, coffee grinders and wet grinders, Ice candy units with or without sale outlets, Goshalas, grass cutting and fodder cuttings units. Further, this tariff is also applicable to :

- i) Poultry Farming Units other than those coming under LT Category - IV.
- ii) Pisciculture and Prawn culture units with Contracted Loads of 10 HP and above,
- iii) Mushroom production units, Rabbit Farms
- iv) , iv) Floriculture in Green Houses.

RATES

First 1000 Units/month 385 Ps PER UNIT

Balance Units in the month : 430 Ps PER UNIT

Fixed Charges :Rs 15 / month per HP of contracted load

Subject to a min.of 5 HP

Tariff for Pisciculture and Prawn:

Culture units with Contracted Load Below 10 HP : 174 ps/kwh plus fixed charges

Rs.10/- HP/month subject to a min.of 3 HP. Optional flat rate rs.1200/- HP/year of contracted load.

NOTE:

- 1 The TRANSCO reserves the right to restrict usage of Electricity by the consumers for Industrial purpose during evening peak load hours ie., 17:00 Hours to 21:00 Hours in any area based on system constraints through notification by the Superintending Engineer of the area from time to time. Violation of this condition by the industrial consumer shall entail disconnection of power supply.
- 2 The contracted load shall be the connected load required by the consumer and is so specified in the agreement as per sanction accorded for the service.
- 3 If the actual connected load for lighting purpose exceeds the prescribed limit of 5%, the energy recorded prorata to the lighting load shall be billed at the L.T. Category - II highest slab rate. It is not necessary to have a separate service for lighting load in the premises.

General Conditions of L.T. Tariff :

The foregoing L.T. Tariffs are subject to the following conditions :

1 Classification of Premises :

The AP TRANSCO shall have the right to classify or re-classify the supply of energy to any premises under an appropriate category of L.T. Tariff.

- 2 The connected load of the consumer shall not exceed his contracted load and if the connected load of the consumer is found to be in excess of his contracted load, the provision of Terms and Conditions of supply notified shall be applied.
- 3 Additional charges for belated payment of Bills :
 - a) The C. C. bills shall be paid by the consumers within the due date mentioned in the bill ie., 14 days from date of the bill.
 - b) If payment is made after due date, the consumers are liable to pay belated payment charges on the bill amount at the rate of 0.07 ps.Per rupee per day of delay calculated from due date mentioned in the bill upto the date of payment.
 - c) If the C.C. bills amount is not paid within 7 days from the due date, the power supply will be disconnected without any further notice.
 - d) For re-connection of power supply after disconnection, the consumer has to pay reconnection fees plus belated payment charges calculated as per para (b) above.

PART - D'

POWER FACTOR APPARATUS

2 FOR L.T. CONSUMERS :

a) Other than welding transformers :

Every L.T. Consumer using induction motors shall install L.T. Shunt Capacitors of specified rating as given below :

S.No.	Rating of individual Motor (in H.P) RPM	KVAR rating of L.T. Capacitors for various RPM of Motors			
		750 RPM	1000 RPM	1500 RPM	3000
1	Upto 3	1	1	1	1
2	5	2	2	2	2
3	7.5	3	3	3	3
4	10	4	4	4	4
5	15	6	5	5	4
6	20	8	7	6	5
7	25	9	8	7	6
8	30	10	9	8	7
9	40	13	11	10	9
10	50	15	15	12	10

b) Welding Transformers :

SI No	Rating of welding Transformer (KVA)	Rating of Capacitor in KVAR	SI No	Rating of welding Transformer (KVA)	Rating of Capacitor in KVAR
11		1	19	19	15
2	2	2	20	20	15
3	3	3	21	21	16
4	4	3	22	22	17
5	5	4	23	23	18
6	6	5	24	24	19
7	7	6	25	25	19
8	8	6	26	26	20
9	9	7	27	27	21
10	10	8	28	28	22
11	11	9	29	29	22
12	12	9	30	30	23
13	13	10	31	31	24
14	14	11	32	32	25
15	15	12	33	33	25
16	16	12	34	34	26
17	17	13	35	35	27
18	18	14			

NOTE:

- 1 If any such consumer fails to install the capacitors at all or fails to install the capacitors of required rating or the capacitors already installed are found during inspection to be damaged or become defective or ceased to function, the consumer shall be served with a notice to get the same installed/replaced/rectified or corrected within 30 days of the inspection and intimate the fact of replacement/rectification to the concerned Section Officer, (Operation) of the TRANSCO, who will inspect the capacitors again to verify their satisfactory performance.
- 2 In the event of failure on the part of the consumer to comply with the above notice, the TRANSCO shall levy a surcharge of 25% per month on the bill amount from the date of release of power to the service/the date from which the capacitor was defective or ceased to function till such a time the capacitor is installed/replaced/rectified or corrected provided further that such retrospective levy of surcharge shall be limited to one year from the date of inspection. The consumer aggrieved by the retrospective levy, may appeal to the concerned Superintending Engineer (Assessments whose decision shall be final.
- 3 In case the rated capacity of the welding transformer falls in between the steps of the stipulated ratings, the capacitors suitable for the next higher step shall be installed by the consumer.
- 4 The failure on the part of the consumer to comply with the above notice, shall be treated as violation of terms and conditions of the supply and TRANSCO reserves the right to terminate the contract and collect the sum equivalent to the minimum charges for the balance initial period of agreement.

Payment of surcharge towards power capacitors should be avoided. Once a Notice is served by the Inspecting Officials of AP TRANSCO, or surcharge levied on any electricity bill for non-fixing or non-functioning of power capacitors, it should be immediately intimated in writing to the concerned Executive Engineer (Civil) / APSRTC of the Region/Zone, duly enclosing a Xerox copy of the Notice or the Bill as the case may be, for taking proper corrective action within the stipulated period of 30 days and it should be followed up by the Paying Officer, so as to see that the necessary rectification is done within given time limit.

AP TRANSCO TRANSMISSION

CORPORATION OF ANDHRA PRADESH LTD

Terms and Conditions of Supply

20th October 1975 (As amended upto 30.01.1999)

(B.P.Ms.No. 365 (Opn. Comml), dated 07.10.1994)

22.3.3 Procedure for arriving at consumption when the meter is defective :-

Where supply to the consumer has been given without a meter or where the meter fixed is found defective or to have ceased to function and no pilferage of energy or malpractice is suspected, the quantity of electricity supplied during the period when meter was not installed or the meter installed was defective, shall be assessed as mentioned hereunder.

22.3.3.1 The quantity of electricity supplied during the period in which the meter ceased to function or became defective, shall be determined by taking average of the electricity supplied during the preceding three months the month in which the said meter ceased to function or became defective provided that condition in regard to use of electricity during the

said three months were not deferent from those which prevailed during the period in which the meter ceased to function or became defective.

22.3.3.2 If the conditions in regard to use of electricity during the periods as mentioned above were different, assessment shall be made on the basis of any consecutive three months during the proceeding 12 months when the conditions of working were not different.

22.3.3.3 Where it is not possible to select a set of three months as indicated in sub-clause 22.3.3.1 or 22.3.3.2 or if meter is not at all installed, quantity of electricity supply shall be assessed by the Assistant Divisional Engineer/Divisional Engineer of the area on the basis of connected load and hours of usage of electricity by the consumers. However in the case of industrial consumers due regard shall be given to the production figures and conditions of working in the period under question.

The concerned Asst. Divisional Engineer (Operation) of the area shall issue the assessment notice to the consumer (Appendix - XII) within a week from the date of receipt of the inspection report from the inspecting officer. The Asst. Divisional Engineer Operation shall indicate the details based on which the assessment was made in the said notice. The consumer shall be advised to file his representation if any to the concerned Divisional Engineer (Operation) in the case of LT services and Superintending Engineer (Operation) in the case of HT services within fifteen days from the date of receipt of the notice. The Divisional Engineer (Operation)/Superintending Engineer (Operation) as the case may be, shall permit the consumer to represent his case in person, if the consumer so desires.

After due consideration of the material furnished in the reply to the Assessment notice, representation made available if any, during personal hearing and the facts and material of the case on record, the Divisional Engineer (Operation)/Superintending Engineer (Operation), as the case may be, shall then pass an order in the case which shall be a speaking order. The amount payable by the consumer towards short billing on account of defect in meter, pursuant to the said order of the Divisional Engineer (Operation) Superintending Engineer (Operation) shall be payable by the Consumer within 30 days from the date of issue of the order, by cash or by D.D. drawn in favour of the concerned AAO (ERO) in case of L.T. services and SAO of circle officer in case of HT Services.

(B.P. Ms.No. 377 (Opn. Comml), Dated 23.12.1993) (B.P.
Ms.No. 110 (Opn. Comml), Dated 06.03.1998)

22.3.3.4 The consumer, if aggrieved by the order of the Divisional Engineer (Operation)/Superintending Engineer (Operation), may appeal to the Superintending Engineer (Operation) in case of LT services and to the concerned Zonal Chief Engineer (Elec) in case HT services within thirty days from the date of the order or within such further time as the Superintending Engineer or Chief Engineer (as the case may be) as may in his own discretion deem fit to allow and his decision shall be final. Provided however that no such appeal by any such aggrieved person is maintainable unless he deposits with the concerned AAO (ERO) in case of LT services and SAO of circle office in case of HT services, the full amount as assessed in the order passed by the Divisional Engineer (Operation) and in the event of the appeal being allowed in full or in part, the consumer is entitled for adjustment of the amount lying in deposit (with the Divisional Engineer (Operation)/ Superintending Engineer (Operation), against future c.c. bills of the consumer.

(B.P. Ms.No. 377 (Opn. Comml), Dated 23.12.1993) (B.P.
Ms.No. 110 (Opn. Comml), Dated 06.03.1998)

22.4. The Chairman or his nominee (the nominee being any member of the Board) may suomoto at any time call for and examine the record of any order passed or proceeding recorded by the final assessment authority under condition 22.3.3.3 or appellate authority under condition 22.3.4. for the purpose of satisfying himself regarding the propriety or legality

of such order or proceeding and may pass such order in reference thereto, as he may think fit. No orders adverse to the consumer shall be passed without giving notice and opportunity for making a written representation to the Consumer.

The order passed by the Chairman or his nominee shall be final and not liable to be questioned in any Court of Law.

The Consumer shall have no right to invoke this provision.

28 Consumption Deposits :

28.1 Initial Consumption Deposit

28.2 The consumer shall deposit with the Board a sum in cash equivalent to estimated three months consumption charges.

The consumers coming under the following LT categories shall however pay at the following rates per Kilowatt or part thereof of connected Load.

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| a) Rs.100/- per KW or part thereof of connected load | For domestic, Public lighting and general purpose Categories. |
| b) Rs.200/- per KW or part thereof of connected load. | For non-domestic and Commercial Categories. |

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| c) Rs.200/- per KW or part thereof of connected load | For Cottage of industry and LT industrial Category. |
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Provided that the Board may, in the case of industrial consumers, accept by way of consumption deposit a sum equivalent to two months consumption charges during a period of three years from the date of first release of supply of electricity.

28.1.2 In the event of the consumer failing to pay to the Board any sum that may become due for payment to the Board on the dates fixed for payment thereof, the Board may, in addition to and without prejudice to the other rights of the Board, appropriate a part or whole of such deposit towards the sum due from the consumer.

28.1.3 Additional Consumption Deposit (ACD)

28.2.1(a) All consumers, other than the domestic consumers whose monthly consumption is upto 50 Kilo Watt Hours per month shall keep with the Board an amount equivalent to three months consumption charges (ie., demand and energy charges) as consumption deposit.

(B.P. Ms.No." 14 (Opn. Comml), Dated 07.05.1996)

General Review :

The adequacy of the consumption deposit in respect of consumers shall be reviewed by the Board based on the average consumption for the period representing 12 (Twelve) consumption months from April to March, usually once in every year and/or at any time during the year, if so warranted, due to revision of tariffs, enhancement of the CMD by the consumer, changes in pattern of consumption by the consumer, relaxation of power restriction,

completion period of tariff rebate, if any, or such other factors, which in the opinion of the Board, warrant review of adequacy of the existing consumption deposit.

- c) In the case of new consumers of all categories, other than LT domestic consumers whose monthly consumption is up to 50 kilowatts Hours, the adequacy of the consumption deposit shall be reviewed based on the average consumption for the period of 12 (Twelve) months starting from the month of April next following the date of release of service, irrespective of expiry of 12 months period from the date of release of supply before such general review. However, the Board may review the consumption deposit at any time after release of service, if so warranted, due to revision of tariffs, enhancement of contracted maximum demand by the consumer, changes in pattern of consumption by the consumer, relaxation of power restrictions, completion period of tariff rebate if any, or such other factors which in the opinion of the Board warrant review of adequacy of the existing consumption deposit.

(B.P. Ms.No. 16, Dated 12.04.1990)
(B.P. Ms.No. 3, Dated 02.04.1992)
(B.P. Ms.No. 681 (Opn. Comml), Dated 31.01.1995)
(B.P. Ms.No. 14 (Opn. Comml), Dated 07.05.1996)

Interest on consumption Deposit :

Interest shall be paid by the Board on deposits of more than Rs.60.00 made in cash at the rate of 3% per annum or such other rate as may be fixed by the Board from time to time. Full calendar months only shall be taken into account for the purpose of calculating interest and interest shall be calculated to nearest five paise. The interest accruing to the credit of the consumer shall be adjusted every year in the month of April in the Electricity Supply bills.

28.4 Disconnection for non-payment of Consumption Deposit :

If the consumer does not make payment of amount of Consumption Deposit or additional consumption deposit in cash when so demanded by Board within the notice period of 30 days, supply of the consumer shall be liable for disconnection.

(B.P. (Opn. Comml) Ms.No. 279, Dated 08.03.1996)

28.5 The Consumption Deposit so calculated as per the Clauses 28.1 and/or 28.2 above shall not be less than three times the monthly minimum charges applicable to the consumer under the category to which he belongs.

28.6 All consumers shall pay the Consumption Deposit or additional consumption deposit within thirty days from the date of the demand notice. If there be any delay in payment, the consumer shall pay surcharge thereon equal to 1 1/2% per month or such other percentage to be fixed by the Board from time to time, of the demanded amount for each month of delay or part thereof. This will be without prejudice to the Board's right to disconnect supply of electricity.

The A.P. Electricity Regulatory Commission's practice directions on procedure for obtaining consent of the A.P.E.R.C. for captive power plants were already communicated vide Lr No. Dy.CME(E)/138(9)/2000-MED, dated 12.05.2000 of Chief Mech. Engineer (Elec).

The Depot Managers/Paying Officers are therefore advised to go through the Gazette Notifications of AP TRANSCO for any changes in Tariffs for making subsequent payment.

These instructions are given only just as guidelines to the Paying Officers against the Bills raised by the AP TRANSCO.

No excuse will be entertained for wrong categorization, excess payment and avoidable payments etc., to the AP TRANSCO and the responsibility will be fixed on the Unit Incharge for such irregular payments.

Please acknowledge the receipt of the Circular.

Sd/-
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR (Engg)

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Dy Chief Mechanical Engineer (Elec.)