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To,

### The Gigaplex Estate Private Ltd.,

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**Subject:** Post facto approval of Fuel Adjustment Charges (FAC) submissions of GEPL for the month of July, 2019 to September, 2019.

**Reference:** GEPL's FAC submission for the month of July, 2019 to September, 2019 vide letter no. GEPL/ Power/ 2019-20/ 215/ G 693 dated 4 November, 2019.

#### Sir,

Upon vetting the FAC calculations for the months of July, 2019 to September, 2019 as mentioned in the above reference, the Commission has accorded post facto approval for charging FAC to its consumers as shown in the table below:

Month	FAC Amount (Rs. Crore)
July, 2019	0.13
August, 2019	0.24
September, 2019	0.23

- a. The Commission allows the carry forward FAC of Rs. 0.05 Crore to be recovered as against a claim of Rs. 0.22 Crore by GEPL. This is on account of errors rectified by the Commission and its associated impact as explained in para 7.1, 8.4 and para 9.5 of this vetting report.
- b. In recent approvals in respect of the 4 major Licensees, it has been decided not to permit any levy or refund of FAC amounts for the period of the final true up in 2018-19 as has been finally trued-up and accounts are closed. This post facto approval is for second quarter of the FY 2019-20. The FY 2019-20 is only provisionally trued-up and will be taken up for final true up during upcoming MTR. Further the under and over recovery of the adjustment for Quarter 2 are rolled over in Quarter 3, and for Quarter 3 are rolled over to Quarter 4. Since these are post facto approvals, any amount balance for recovery/ refund are rolled over till final quarter of FY 2019-20. Any balance, thereafter, may be taken care during the final true up for FY 2019-20 during MTR.

c. Since the FAC amount pertains to FY 2019-20 and the same has been provisionally trued up in the MYT order for the 4<sup>th</sup> Control period, recovery is not to be effected and the same will be reconciled at the time of final true up during MTR.

The above approval of FAC is subject to final True-up of FY 2019-20 under the MERC (Multi Year Tariff) Regulations, 2015.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/-(*Dr. Rajendra Ambekar*) Executive Director, MERC

Encl: Annexure A: Detailed Vetting Report for the period of July, 2019 to September, 2019.

ANNEXURE Detailed Vetting Report Date: 23 May, 2019

# POST FACTO APPROVAL FOR FAC CHARGES FOR THE MONTHS OF JULY, 2019 TO SEPTEMBER, 2019

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#### 1. FAC submission by GEPL Undertaking:

1.1 GEPL has made FAC submissions for the months of July, 2019 to September, 2019 as referred above. Upon vetting the FAC calculations, taking cognizance of all the submissions furnished by GEPL, the Commission has accorded post facto approval for the FAC amount to be charged in the billing months of August, 2019 to October 2019.

#### 2. <u>Background</u>

- 2.1 On 12 March, 2018 the Commission has issued Tariff Order in respect of GEPL, (Case No.149 of 2016) for approval of Aggregate Revenue Requirement and Multi Year Tariff for FY 2016-17 to FY 2019-20. Revised Tariff has been made applicable from 1 April, 2018.
- 2.2 Vide its letter dated 15 November, 2016, the Commission communicated the excel formats for filing of FAC submissions to all Distribution Licensees. The Commission also directed all Distribution Licensees to submit FAC computations, including details pertaining to variation in fuel cost of generators for the approval of the Commission.
- 2.3 Vide FAC vetting Report dated 2 July, 2018 the Commission accorded prior approval to the FAC for the month of April, 2018.
- 2.4 In terms of MERC (MYT) Regulations, 2015 a Distribution Licensee is required to obtain post facto approval of the Commission on a quarterly basis for FAC charges. Accordingly, vide its letter dated 4 November, 2019, GEPL has filed FAC submissions for the months of July, 2019 to September, 2019 for post facto approval. The Commission has scrutinized the submissions provided by GEPL and has also verified the fuel and power purchase bills provided along with its submissions.

## 3. <u>Energy Sales of the Licensee</u>

3.1 The net energy sales within licence area as submitted by GEPL in the FAC submission and as approved by the Commission are as shown in the Table below:

	Approved	Monthly	Actual Sales		
	by the	Approved	(July-	(Aug-	(Sept-
Consumer Category	Commission	(MU)	<b>19</b> )	<b>19</b> )	<b>19</b> )
	( <b>MU</b> )		(MU)	(MU)	(MU)
	(I)	(II=I/12)	(III)	( <b>IV</b> )	<b>(V)</b>
HT Category					
HT- I Industrial	64.95	5.41	2.43	2.35	2.24
HT-II Commercial	2.04	0.17	0.10	0.10	0.09
LT Category					
LT-I General Purpose	-	-	-	-	-
LT-II(A) Commercial (0-20 kW)	0.06	0.01	0.06	0.06	0.06
LT-II (B) Commercial (above 20 kW)	0.16	0.01	0.02	0.02	0.01
LT-III (A) Industrial (0-20 kW)	0.52	0.04	0.01	0.01	0.02
LT-III (B) Industrial (above 20 kW)	9.19	0.77	0.28	0.27	0.26
Total	76.92	6.41	2.91	2.82	2.69

3.2 It can be observed from above Table that the actual sales during the months of July, August and September 2019 is 2.91 MUs, 2.82 MUs and 2.69 MUs respectively, i.e., total of 8.41 MU which is lower than 50% of the approved energy sales of 19.23 MU per Quarter for the FY 19-20. The major variation was observed in the HT-I Industrial and LT-III (B) Industrial categories as shown in the Table above.

# 4. <u>Cost of Power Purchase</u>

- 4.1 GEPL is a deemed Distribution Licensee notified by the Commission for IT& ITES SEZ located at Airoli, Thane. GEPL does not own or operate any generating stations. Accordingly, GEPL is required to procure power from outside sources in order to fulfil the electricity demand of its consumers.
- 4.2 The Commission in its MYT Order dated 12 March, 2018 in Case No. 149 of 2016 had approved the Power Procurement Plan of GEPL to purchase Base Load power through medium-term competitive bidding and Peak Load power through short-term competitive bidding. Further, the Commission had approved the Power purchase rate of Rs. 4.38/kWh for both medium term and short-term power procurement for FY 2018-19 as well as for FY 2019-20. Further, as the then existing Short-term Power Purchase Agreement (APP) with M/s GMR Energy Trading Limited (GMRETL) was valid only up to 30 September, 2018, GEPL had been directed to initiate the process of procurement of medium term power to meet its projected demand.

- 4.3 As per the directives of the Commission, GEPL initiated competitive bidding for Medium Term Power Procurement of 3.5 MW Base load from 1 October, 2018 to 31 March, 2021 in line with the Guidelines issued by Ministry of Power (MoP), Government of India (GoI) on 17 January, 2017. GEPL had also published notice on 11 June, 2018 in Times of India, Mumbai and Hindustan Times, Delhi and floated e-Tender/Bidding Document through DEEP Portal for the same.
- 4.4 Based on bidding GMRETL was found to be the lowest bidder (L1). Accordingly, the Commission under Section 63 of the Electricity Act, 2003, had adopted Medium term Power Procurement of 3.5 MW at a price of **Rs 4.94/kWh** on RTC basis for the period of 1 October, 2018 to 31 March, 2021. Aforesaid Agreement for Procurement of Power (APP) got approved by the Commission in the Order dated 26 September, 2018 in Case No. 266 of 2018.
- 4.5 With regards to the short-term power procurement, GEPL initiated competitive bidding under Section 63 of the EA 2003 up to a quantum of 2 MW (09:00-23:00 hours on working days) (Weekdays, i.e., Monday to Friday excluding Saturday, Sunday and National holidays) for the period from October 2018 to March 2019. After completion of the competitive bidding process, GMRETL emerged as the lowest bidder, with a bid of Rs. 4.36/kWh, and the PPA was signed with GMRETL on 22 August, 2018 for supply of power from 1 October, 2018 to 31 March, 2019.
- 4.6 Further, as the existing short-term PPA with GMRETL is valid up to 31 March, 2019 as mentioned in para above, GEPL initiated process for procurement of power upto 2.5 MW (09:00-23:00 hours) (Weekdays, i.e., Monday to Friday excluding Saturday, Sunday and national holidays) for a period of six months from 1 April, 2019 to 30 September, 2019 as per Standard Bidding Guidelines dated 30 March, 2016 issued by the MoP. However, GEPL did not get any response to the bid even after two extensions of bid submission date. Hence, said bidding process was cancelled by GEPL. Under such circumstances, GEPL explored option of extending existing PPA with GMRETL which has been agreed by GMRETL.
- 4.7 In view of the above, GEPL has filed a separate Petition for approval of extension of Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) with GMRETL at a rate of **Rs. 4.36/kWh** for 2.5 MW for a period of one year from 1 April, 2019 to 31 March, 2020 at a delivery point of Maharashtra State periphery. The Commission in its Order dated 26 March, 2019 in Case No. 74 of 2019 has accorded approval on the above.
- 4.8 The following Tables show the variation in average power purchase cost (Rs/kWh) for the months of July, 2019 to September, 2019 as compared to average power purchase cost approved in the MYT Tariff Order dated 12 March, 2018:

Particulars	Tariff Order Dated 12 March,	Actual for July, 2019
	2018	

	Net Purchase	Cost	Average Power Purchase Cost	Net Purchase	Cost	Average Power Purchase Cost
	MU	Rs. Crore	Rs/kWh	MU	Rs. Crore	Rs/kWh
Short Term/Medium Term PPA	81.16	35.55	4.38	2.95	1.47	4.99
FBSM	-	-	-	-	-	-
Solar REC	-	0.28	NA	-	-	-
Non Solar REC	-	0.93	NA	-	-	-
Total	81.16	36.76	4.53	2.95	1.47	4.99

	Actual	for Augus	st, 2019	Actual for September, 2019			
Particulars	Net Purchase	Cost	Average Power Purchase Cost	Net Purchase	Cost	Average Power Purchase Cost	
	MU	Rs. Crore	Rs/kWh	MU	Rs. Crore	Rs/kWh	
Short Term/Medium Term PPA	2.97	1.48	4.98	2.84	1.42	4.98	
Solar REC	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Non Solar REC	-	-	-	-	-	_	
Total	2.97	1.48	4.98	2.84	1.42	4.98	

- 4.9 The Commission has scrutinised the detailed bills/invoices submitted for power purchase during the respective months of July, 2019 to September, 2019, in order to verify the claim of GEPL regarding Average Power Purchase Cost (APPC). The Commission has verified the actual as well as approved Net Purchase (MUs), Variable Cost (Rs./kWh) and Power Purchase Cost considered in FAC computation from the invoices and applicable MYT Order respectively.
- 4.10 For its base load requirement, GEPL has purchased 2.42 MUs, 2.37 MUs and 2.29 MUs under Medium Term base load arrangement from GMRETL during the month of July, August and September, 2019 respectively. The above power has been procured at a base price of Rs.4.98/kWh (i.e. Rs. 2.19/kWh of Fixed cost and Rs. 2.79/kWh of variable cost) in line with the Commission's Order in Case No. 266 of 2018 dated 26 September, 2018 with applicable rate escalation. However, considering the incentives for higher availability, rebate and other adjustments; the actual APPC for the month of July, August and September, 2019 stands at Rs. 5.13/kWh, Rs. 5.14/kWh and Rs. 5.13/kWh respectively. The Base Tariff as discovered under the competitive bidding (i.e., Rs. 4.98/kWh) itself is higher than the MYT approved rate (i.e., Rs. 4.38/kWh). Further, there

has been an increase in the price over this Base Tariff due to reasons stated above. Therefore, actual APPC for base load has been works out to be higher than that of MYT approved price.

- 4.11 For its Peak Load requirement, GEPL has purchased 0.53 MUs, 0.59 MUs, and 0.55 MUs during the month of July, August and September, 2019, respectively, through short-term arrangements. The Peak load power during the above-mentioned period was procured at a price of Rs. 4.36/kWh, in line with the price adopted by the Commission in Case No. 74 of 2019 dated 26 March, 2019. This adopted peak power price is marginally lower than the price approved by the Commission in its MYT Order (Rs. 4.38/kWh).
- 4.12 Accordingly, the total power procured by GEPL to meet its base & peak load demand, stands at 2.95 MUs, 2.97 MUs and 2.84 MUs during the month of July, August and September, 2019, respectively. The weighted average power purchase cost considering both, i.e., base load and peak load power purchase has been worked out as Rs.4.99/kWh, Rs.4.98/kWh and Rs.4.98/kWh for the month of July, August and September, 2019, respectively. This purchase price is higher compared to the price, i.e., Rs. 4.38/kWh approved in MYT Order. The reasons for variation are as explained in para below.
- 4.13 It is to be noted that the Commission has approved the rate of Rs.4.38/kWh for both short and medium-term power procurement for FY 2018-19 and FY 2019-20 in its MYT Order. Further, at the time of issuance of MYT Order dated 12 March, 2018, GEPL had short term PPA with MSEDCL for the contract period of 6 Months from 1 October, 2017 to 31 March, 2018. Since, the short term PPA was ending on 31 March, 2018 and in absence of MYT Order (Case No. 149 of 2016) at that time, GEPL had initiated procurement of 5 MW Round-the-Clock (RTC) power at its periphery at 22kV at Rs. 4.38/kWh (excluding Transmission Charges), based on the price discovered in short-term power procurement under the Competitive Bidding Guidelines, for the period from April to September, 2018. Hence, based on the above and in the absence of any other suitable benchmark, the Commission had considered this discovered price in its MYT Order for FY 2018-19 and FY 2019-20.
- 4.14 However, as already explained in para 4.4 and 4.7 above, GEPL subsequently, entered into medium term and short term PPA through competitive bidding and the resulted Tariff of which has also been approved and adopted by the Commission in its respective Orders. The Base Tariff (mainly for medium term) discovered under competitive bidding itself is higher than the MYT approved rate, therefore, the APPC is higher than that of MYT approved rate. Although the same is in line with the base adopted Tariff of Rs. 4.94/kWh for medium term and Rs. 4.36/kWh for short term. Further, other adjustment done such as adjustment due to difference in transmission charges and losses, amount of incentives and rebate etc. as per approved PPA during the respective months has also resulted into a variation in actual power purchase rate form the adopted base rate.
- 4.15 Apart from above, the share of medium-term power having a higher approved Tariff in the total portfolio of power purchase is almost 80% as that of short-term power. Due to this,

the weighted average price of power purchase has driven towards price of medium-term power price and is thus, higher than the MYT approved power purchase price.

- 4.16 Further, no RECs were procured by GEPL during the present quarter.
- 4.17 Considering the above, the Commission allows the average power purchase cost of Rs.4.99/kWh for the month of July, 2019, Rs. 4.98/kWh for the month of August, 2019 and Rs. 4.98/kWh for the month of September, 2019 as shown in Table above. The variation in power purchase cost is mainly on account of revised Tariff adoption for the base load requirement as already explained in para above.

## 5. <u>FAC on account of fuel and power purchase cost (F)</u>

- 5.1 The Commission has worked out the average power purchase costs for the months as shown in above Tables. The same has been compared with the average power purchase cost approved by the Commission in MYT Order dated 12 March, 2018 and arrived at differential per unit rate at which  $Z_{FAC}$  is to be passed on to the consumers.
- 5.2 Thus, the following table shows the rectified  $Z_{FAC}$  worked out by the Commission on account of difference in fuel and power purchase cost for the months of July, 2019 to September, 2019.

S. No.	Particulars	Units	July 2019	Aug 2019	Sept 2019
1	Average power purchase cost approved by the Commission	Rs./kWh	4.53	4.53	4.53
2	Actual average power purchase cost	Rs./kWh	4.99	4.98	4.98
3	Change in average power purchase cost (=2 -1)	Rs./kWh	0.46	0.45	0.46
4	Net Power Purchase	MU	2.95	2.97	2.84
5	Change in fuel and power purchase cost (=3 x 4/10)	Rs. Crore	0.14	0.13	0.13

### 6. Adjustment for over recovery/under recovery (B)

6.1 The adjustment factor for over recovery/under recovery (B) is as computed as shown in Table below.

S. No.	Particulars	Units	July 2019	Aug 2019	Sept 2019
1.1	Incremental cost allowed to be recovered in Month n-1	Rs. Crore	0.25	0.14	0.24
1.2	Incremental cost in Month n-1 actually recovered in month n	Rs. Crore	0.25	0.13	0.23

S. No.	Particulars	Units	July 2019	Aug 2019	Sept 2019
1.3	Over-recovery/under-recovery (1.1 - 1.2)	Rs. Crore	0.00	0.00	0.01
2.0	Carried forward adjustment attributable to application of ceiling limit for previous month	Rs. Crore	-	-	0.15
2.1	Refund/Recovery as per previous post facto FAC approval	Rs. Crore	-	0.26	-
3.0	Net Adjustment factor for over- recovery/under-recovery	Rs. Crore	0.00	0.26	0.16

- 6.2 The incremental cost actually recovered as considered by GEPL during the respective months of Q2 of FY 2019-20 has been/ verified from the bill report generated through SAP system submitted by GEPL and found to be in order.
- 6.3 Further, the Commission in its post facto approval for January to March, 2019 has allowed GEPL to recover a total sum of Rs. 0.26 Crore in future period. GEPL has initiated the aforesaid recovery in the present quarter and the same has been considered in present FAC approval.

## 7. <u>Carrying Cost for over recovery/under recovery (C)</u>

7.1 GEPL has not levied any carrying cost for the months of July, 2019 to September, 2019 and the Commission has also not considered the same. However, it was observed that GEPL has inadvertently considered the carry forward adjustment for over-recovery/under-recovery attributable to application of ceiling limit as the carrying cost for the month of September. The Commission has rectified the said error and accordingly computed the FAC for Q2.

# 8. <u>Disallowance due to excess Distribution Loss</u>

- 8.1 Regulation 10.8 of MYT Regulations, 2015 provides for FAC amount to be reduced in case the actual distribution loss for the month exceeds the approved distribution loss. The relevant extract is reproduced as follows.
  - "10.8 The total ZFAC recoverable as per the formula specified above shall be recovered from the actual sales in terms of "Rupees per kilowatt-hour":

Provided that, in case of unmetered consumers, the ZFAC shall be recoverable based on estimated sales to such consumers, computed in accordance with such methodology as may be stipulated by the Commission: Provided further that, where the actual distribution losses of the Distribution Licensee exceed the level approved by the Commission, the amount of ZFAC corresponding to the excess distribution losses (in kWh terms) shall be deducted from the total ZFAC recoverable"

S. No.	Particulars	Units	Units Approved Order	Actual Cumulative up to			
			Order	July-19	Aug-19	Sept-19	
1	Net Energy input at Distribution Voltages	MU	19.50	11.95	14.82	17.56	
2	Energy sales at Distribution voltages	MU	19.23	11.73	14.54	17.23	
3	Distribution Loss (1 - 2)	MU	0.27	0.23	0.28	0.33	
4	Distribution Loss as % (3/1)	%	1.37%	1.89%	1.89%	1.88%	
5	Excess Distribution Loss = [Actual Distribution Loss (4) - Distribution loss approved] x Net Energy Input (1)	MU	_	0.06	0.08	0.09	
6	Disallowance of FAC due to excess Distribution Loss	Rs. Crore	-	0.003	0.01	0.01	

8.2 The following table provides the comparison of approved and actual distribution loss and disallowance due to excess distribution loss, if any.

- 8.3 As seen from the above Table, cumulative distribution loss for the months of July, 2019 to September, 2019 is higher than the MYT approved distribution loss of 1.37%. The Commission has sought for reasoning for the higher distribution losses. In response to same query raised by the Commission in its previous vetting report, GEPL has stated that, the losses approved by Commission in MYT were the average of FY 2016-17. However, since March, 2017 the occupancy of buildings B#2 & B#3 has increased thereby increasing load losses of the system. Further, these are minimal technical losses of the network and are consistent.
- 8.4 The Commission observed that GEPL has worked out disallowance of FAC due to excess Distribution Loss based on the Distribution Loss corresponding to the standalone energy input at distribution voltage for the respective months. However, the Commission recomputed the disallowance based on the cumulative Distribution Loss. Accordingly, the disallowance on account of excess distribution loss for the month of July, August and September, 2019 has been worked out.

# 9. Summary of Allowable Z<sub>FAC</sub>

9.1 The summary of the FAC amount as approved by the Commission for the month of July, 2019 to September, 2019 as shown in the Table below.

S. No.	Particulars	Units	July 2019	Aug 2019	Sept 2019
	Calculation of ZFAC		-017	_01>	_01>
1.1	Change in cost of generation and power purchase attributable to Sales within the License Area (F)	Rs. Crore	0.14	0.13	0.13
1.2	Carrying cost for over-recovery/under- recovery (C)	Rs. Crore	-	-	-
1.3	Adjustment factor for over-recovery/under- recovery (B)	Rs. Crore	0.00	0.26	0.16
1.4	$\mathbf{ZFAC} = \mathbf{F} + \mathbf{C} + \mathbf{B}$	<b>Rs.</b> Crore	0.14	0.40	0.29
2.0	Calculation of FAC Charge				
2.1	Energy Sales within the License Area	MU	2.91	2.82	2.69
2.2	Excess Distribution Loss	MU	0.06	0.08	0.09
2.3	ZFAC per kWh	Rs./kWh	0.46	1.37	1.04
2.4	Cap at 20% of variable component of Tariff	Rs./kWh	0.86	0.86	0.86
2.5	FAC Charge allowable (Minimum of 2.3 and 2.4)	Rs./kWh	0.46	0.86	0.86
3.0	Recovery of FAC				
3.1	Allowable FAC	Rs. Crore	0.14	0.40	0.29
3.2	FAC disallowed corresponding to excess Distribution Loss [(2.2 x 2.5)/10]	Rs. Crore	0.00	0.01	0.01
4.0	Total FAC based on category wise and slab wise allowed to be recovered	Rs. Crore	0.13	0.24	0.23
5.0	Carried forward FAC for recovery during future period (3.1-3.2-4.0)	Rs. Crore	-	0.15	0.05

- 9.2 It can be seen from the above Table that standalone FAC for the months of July, August and September, 2019 is Rs. 0.14 Crore, 0.40 and Rs. 0.29 Crore respectively. Based on energy sales and excess distribution loss, FAC per unit has been worked out as Rs. 0.46/ kWh, Rs. 1.37/ kWh and Rs. 1.04/ kWh for the months of July to September, 2019 as shown above.
- 9.3 Further, the Regulation 10.9 of MYT Regulations, 2015 specifies as:

Provided that the monthly ZFAC shall not exceed 20% of the variable component of Tariff or such other ceiling as may be stipulated by the Commission from time to time:

9.4 As the FAC per unit computed mainly in the month of August & September, 2019 as shown in Table above is higher than the 20% cap specified in Regulation, hence, there is restriction triggered with regards to such ceiling and accordingly, the allowable ZFAC per unit has been considered as Rs. 0.86/kWh instead of Rs.1.37/kWh & Rs. 1.04/kWh for the month of August & September, 2019 respectively as shown in Table above. Accordingly,

FAC per unit allowable for the months of July to September, 2019 is Rs. 0.46/ kWh, Rs. 0.86/ kWh and Rs. 0.86/ kWh respectively.

9.5 Also, from the above Table, at the end month of Quarter 2, i.e., September, 2019 Commission has computed the standalone FAC as Rs. 0.29 Crore as against the GEPL's claim of Rs 0.45 Crore. Further, due to ceiling limit, the FAC recoverable has been worked out as Rs. 0.23 Crore. Thus, FAC equivalent 0.05 Crore (i.e., Rs. 0.29 Crore minus Rs. 0.23 Crore) has remained unrecovered. Accordingly, the Commission allows the recovery of Rs. 0.05 Crore as carried forward FAC to be recovered in future period due to application of ceiling as against the Rs. 0.22 Crore as claim by GEPL.

#### **10.** Recovery from Consumers:

10.1 Regulation 10.9 of MERC MYT Regulations, 2015 provides for methodology of recovery of FAC charge from each category of consumers. The relevant extract is reproduced as below.

"10.9 The ZFAC per kWh for a particular Tariff category/sub-category/consumption slab shall be computed as per the following formula: —

ZFAC Cat (Rs/kWh) = [ZFAC / (Metered sales + Unmetered consumption estimates + Excess distribution losses)] \* k \* 10, Where:

ZFAC Cat = ZFAC component for a particular Tariff category/sub-category/consumption slab in 'Rupees per kWh' terms;

*k* = Average Billing Rate / ACOS;

Average Billing Rate = Average Billing Rate for a particular Tariff category/subcategory/consumption slab under consideration in 'Rupees per kWh' as approved by the Commission in the Tariff Order:

Provided that the Average Billing Rate for the unmetered consumers shall be based on the estimated sales to such consumers, computed in accordance with such methodology as may be stipulated by the Commission:

ACOS = Average Cost of Supply in 'Rupees per kWh' as approved for recovery by the Commission in the Tariff Order:

Provided that the monthly ZFAC shall not exceed 20% of the variable component of Tariff or such other ceiling as may be stipulated by the Commission from time to time:

Provided further that any under-recovery in the ZFAC on account of such ceiling shall be carried forward and shall be recovered by the Distribution Licensee over such future period as may be directed by the Commission...."

- 10.2 The Commission has worked out FAC per unit for each category of consumer based on the formula provided in the above Regulations. The Commission observed that there is a variation of  $Z_{FAC}$  in absolute terms on considering category wise per unit FAC worked out and category wise actual sales for the months of July, 2019 to September, 2019.
- 10.3 The variation in FAC in absolute terms is due to formula error of  $Z_{FAC}$  computed on per unit basis. The variation however is taken care in the adjustment factor of subsequent months.
- 10.4 The following table shows per unit Z<sub>FAC</sub> for the months of July, August and September,
  2019 to be levied on consumers of GEPL in the corresponding billing month of August,
  September and October, 2019, respectively.

S.	Consumer Category		ZFAC con	ZFAC computed for the month of			
No		Slabs	Aug, 2019	Sept, 2019	Oct, 2019		
			(Rs./kWh)	(Rs./kWh)	(Rs./kWh)		
	HT Category						
1	HT- I Industrial	all units	0.47	0.86	0.86		
2	HT-II Commercial	all units	0.47	0.86	0.86		
	LT Category						
3	LT-I General Purpose	all units	0.47	0.86	0.86		
4	LT-II(A) Commercial (0-20 kW)	all units	0.47	0.86	0.86		
	LT-II (B) Commercial (above 20	all units	0.47	0.86	0.86		
5	kW)		0.47	0.00	0.00		
6	LT-III (A) Industrial (0-20 kW)	all units	0.47	0.86	0.86		
7	LT-III (B) Industrial (above 20 kW)	all units	0.47	0.86	0.86		

### FAC for Billing Month, i.e., in August 2019 to October, 2019