No. MERC/Case No. 138 of 2013/ 02212

NOTICE

- Subject: Petition of The Maharashtra Krushak Hitwardhak Sanghatana for seeking directions against the MSEDCL, not to disconnect electricity supply of the agricultural consumers within the state of Maharashtra, in view of direction given by the Hon'ble High Court as per Order dated 08.02.2013 in Public Interest Litigation No. 44/2012.
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The Maharashtra Krushak Hitwardhak Sanghatana have submitted a Petition under affidavit on 10.09.2013 under Section 86 of the Electricity Act, 2003 & Regulation No. 91 & 92 of MERC (Conduct of Business) Regulations, 2004 for seeking directions against the MSEDCL, not to disconnect electricity supply of the agricultural consumers within the state of Maharashtra, in view of direction given by the Hon'ble High Court as per Order dated 08.02.2013 in Public Interest Litigation No. 44/2012.

- 2. The main prayers of the Petitioner are as under -
- "A) The Petition may kindly be allowed.

B) The respondent company be directed not to disconnect the electricity supply of the agriculturists on the basis of non- payment of the electricity bills as such the State Government has already paid the said bills to respondent company.

C) Any other suitable and equitable orders may kindly be passed."

3. I am directed to communicate that the **Hearing** in the above matter will be held in the presence of the authorized consumer representatives on **Wednesday**, **12 March**, **2014 at 11.30 hrs** in the office of the Commission at 13th floor, Centre No.1, World Trade Centre, Cuffe Parade, Mumbai 400 005.

4. The Petitioner is directed to immediately serve a copy of its above mentioned Petition (both in soft and hard versions) to the Respondent and the authorised consumer representatives before the scheduled date of hearing.

5. The Respondent is directed to submit its say on affidavit, if any, on the above mentioned Petition with a copy to the Petitioner and the authorised consumer representatives well in advance.

Sd/-(R. S. Sonawane) Dy. Director (Legal)

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Respondent

Petitioner

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