

NOTICE

Subject: Petition filed by Maharashtra State Electricity Distribution Co. Ltd seeking relief for residential consumers for 2% rebate for payment within due date and waiver of delayed payment charges and interest for delay in making payments of electricity bills due to opting for three equal instalments for payment of June -20 and July-20

Case No. 149 of 2020

The Petitioner Maharashtra State Electricity Distribution Co. Ltd has filed the Petition on 18.7.2020 under the provisions for removal of difficulties in implementation of MERC (Multi Year Tariff) Regulations 2019 and MERC MYT Order in case no. 322 of 2019 dated 30th March 2020 Regulation 37, 105, 106 of the MERC (Multi Year Tariff) Regulations 2019; Regulation 94 of the MERC (Conduct of Business) Regulations 2004 for seeking relief for residential consumers for 2% rebate for payment within due date and waiver of delayed payment charges and interest for delay in making payments of electricity bills due to opting for three equal instalments for payment of June -20 and July-20.

The prayers are as under:

- a) *To admit the Petition as per the provisions of the Regulations 105 and 106 of the MERC (Multi Year Tariff) Regulations 2019 and Regulation 94 of the MERC (Conduct of Business) Regulations 2004;*
- b) *To allow a rebate of 2% to the Residential category consumers of the petitioner for payment of total bill at one go (including arrears) of June-20 and July 20, if paid within due date;*
- c) *To allow the option of payment of electricity bills of June-20 and July 20 in three equal instalments without any interest or Delay payment charges for Residential category consumers by relaxing the provisions of Regulation 37.2 of MERC (Multi Year Tariff) Regulations 2019;*
- d) *To allow the financial impact of the said 2% rebate and interest on additional working capital due to waiver of the Delay payment charges & interest as a pass through in tariff of the Petitioner during next tariff determination process;*
- e) *To pass any other order as the Hon'ble Commission may deem fit and appropriate under the circumstances of the case and in the interest of justice;*
- f) *To condone any error/omission and to give opportunity to rectify the same;*
- g) *To permit the Petitioner to make further submissions, addition and alteration to this submission as may be necessary from time to time.*

1. I am directed to communicate that e-Hearing in this matter scheduled on Friday, 29 September 2020 at 10.30 am. has been postponed and rescheduled on **Tuesday, 20 October 2020 at 10.30am** Kindly refer the Practice Directions dated 11 May 2020 and amended on 13 July, 2020 available on MERC website (www.merc.gov.in) for the protocol to be followed for and during the e-Hearing.
2. Petitioner(s) and Respondent(s) shall communicate the name(s), email ID(s), contact number(s), and the address(es) of their Representative(s) (maximum 3 persons) who will be attending e-Hearing. MERC – IT Team will communicate the credentials for login into e-Hearing Application and will also provide assistance for using this Application.
3. Documents to be referred during the e-Hearing shall be emailed to 'ehearing@merc.gov.in' at least one day before the scheduled e-Hearing. The said documents will be uploaded in e-Hearing Application for reference of the Commission and all concerned parties. During the e-Hearing, parties shall refer these uploaded documents only.
4. All communication related to e-Hearing shall be made on 'ehearing@merc.gov.in' mentioning MERC Case number.

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