

## ANDHRA PRADESH ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION

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## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

Sub: Loss of life or limb or property due to electrocution - Compensation to the victims - Reg.

During public hearings for fixation of retail supply tariff for FY 2015-16, a number of stakeholders have ventilated the grievances of the victims of electrocution, who are either being not compensated or being under compensated due to the absence of any defined parameters or norms for claiming or paying such compensation. The Commission also found that the procedure being adopted at present by the public utilities in awarding compensation in such cases is adhoc in nature with no uniform or binding guidelines for the purpose. As such victims of electrocution need to be compensated justly and adequately in the interests of justice and fair play, the Commission desires to examine the possibility of evolving a defined procedure for dealing with claims for compensation for loss of life or limb or property by the victims of electrocution. In evolving such procedure, a rational and scientific basis has to be found for determining the extent and quantum of the liability of concerned public utilities with reference to any fault on their part or their personnel. All the issues relating to providing for any fault liability or no fault liability in such cases involving any installation or personnel of the power utilities

have to be examined in depth before attempting either to strengthen the statutes in

this regard or to make appropriate rules or regulations.

Therefore, all the stakeholders are requested to offer their considered

views/suggestions/draft provisions or rules or regulations in this regard to this

Commission to enable it to study and arrive at the appropriate course of action on

evolving the necessary legal framework for the purpose. Your communication may be

sent to the Commission Secretary/APERC at the above mentioned address or through

e-mail commn-secy@aperc.gov.in by 18-07-2015.

Place: Hyderabad

Date: 17-06-2015

Dr. A. Sreenivas Secretary i/c.