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APERC – Regulation 4 of 2013 (Licensees' Duty for Supply of Electricity on Request and Recovery of Expenses for Providing Electric Line or Electric Plant) - Certain instructions - Issued - Reg.

Proceedings. No.Secy/E-202/16/2020-21

Read the following:

Date:08-01-2021

Ref: 1) Regulation 4 of 2013.

- 2) Proceeding No.Secy/10/2015 dated:29.05.2015.
- 3) Lr No.APERC/E-202/DD-Dist/2016 dated:11.01.2016.
- 4) Lr No.APERC/E-202/DD-Dist/2016 dated:09.09.2016.
- 5) Lr No.E-202/DD-Dist/2016, dated:03.10.2016.
- 6) Lr.No.ED/RAC&PIg./SPDCL/TPT/GM/RAC/F:DTR Cost/D.No.11/21, dt.05-01-2021.
- 7) Lr.No.CGM/PPA&RA/EPDCL/GM/RA/EE/RA/F.E-office No.308809 /D.No/20 Dt 18.02.2020.
- 8) Lr.No.CGM/GM/IPC&RAC/APCPDCL/VJA/F: /D.No.132,dt.05.01.2021.

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ORDER

- 1. The Commission notified Regulation 4 of 2013 (Licensees' Duty for Supply of Electricity on Request and Recovery of Expenses for providing Electric Line or Electric Plant.) which provides, inter alia, for recovery of expenses reasonably incurred in providing any electrical line or electric plant specifically for the purpose of giving supply to a person pursuant to Section 43 of EA, 2003.
- 2. Vide the references (2) to (5) cited, the Commission issued certain guidelines/clarifications in the implementation of the Regulation.
- 3. APSPDCL, APEPDCL and APCPDCL vide the letters under ref (6), (7) and (8) cited requested the Commission to reconsider its guidelines and allow them to collect transformer cost from commercial complexes, apartments and multistoried buildings where dedicated transformers are provided without height restriction as per clause 8 (3) of Regulation 4 of 2013.

4. In the light of the above letters received from the DISCOMs, the Commission examined the matter in detail and finds that the guidelines issued by this Commission in reference 2 cited above run contrary to clause 8(3) of its Regulation, as it has not stipulated any height for collecting Transformer charges as could be seen from the

said clause, which reads as under.

"The Distribution Licensee shall recover full cost of transformer in case of commercial complexes, apartments and multi storied buildings where a dedicated transformer is provided while extending new LT service connections. In such cases, the Distribution Licensee is not entitled to collect development charges and shall own the transformer and maintain it. The Distribution Licensee shall not extend power supply to any other consumer from the dedicated transformer other than the consumer who has borne the

full cost of the Transformer."

5. The guidelines issued in para 3 of reference (2) are therefore hereby revoked. Consequently, the directions for implementation of said guidelines communicated vide

references 3 to 5 are also withdrawn.

6. The DISCOMs are permitted to collect the costs of dedicated distribution transformers wherever they are provided as per clause 8(3) of Regulation 4 of 2013 irrespective of height of the category of buildings included under the said clause.

(By order of the Commission)

Commission Secretary (i/c)