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From Commission Secretary, APERC,#11-4-660, 4th Floor, Singareni Bhavan, Red Hills, Lakdi-ka-pul, Hyderabad – 500 004.

To 1)The Chairman & Managing Director, APSPDCL, Corporate Office, Behind Sreenivasa Kalyana Mandapam, 19-13-65A, Kesavayanagunta, Tirupathi - 517 501. 2) The Chairman & Managing Director, APEPDCL, P&T Colony, Seethammadhara, Near Gurudwara Junction, Visakhapatnam - 530 013. 3) The Chairman & Managing Director APCPDCL, Corporate Office, Beside Govt.Polytechnic College, ITI Road, Vijayawada -520 005

Lr. No. APERC/Secy./Tariff/F: 83/D.No. OL4 /2020, Date: 09-04-2020.

Sir,

- Sub:- Prevalence of Covid-19 pandemic & implementation of lockdown by GoAP for the period from 23-03-2020 to 14-04-2020 in the State of Andhra Pradesh- Inability to take meter readings of LT services Issuance of provisional bill in April 2020 Regarding.
- Ref: -1) Lr No.CGM/RAC/APSPDCL/TPT/GM/RAC/F:/D.No.306/2020 Dt.08-04-2020
 - 2) Lr No.CGM/PPA&RA/APEPDCL/VSP/RAC/D.No.1/270193/2020 Dt .08.04.2020

The DISCOMs vide the references cited have submitted to the Commission that pursuant to Government of India (GoI) instructions, the Government of Andhra Pradesh (GoAP) imposed total lockdown in the State of Andhra Pradesh from 24.03.2020 to 14-04-2020 to prevent the spread of Covid-19 pandemic and as a result they are unable to deploy meter readers to take meter readings of LT services at the consumer premises as stipulated in regulations. Hence, they have sought approval to issue the bill in April 2020 provisionally as per the bill raised in March 2020 for all L.T. consumers (whose meter readings are not taken).

Therefore, the Commission having regard to the extraordinary situation as explained in the representation, accepted the request made by the DISCOMs. This acceptance is however subject to the further orders as may be passed after restoration of normal situation.

Yours faithfully,

Commission Secretary i/c