

ANDHRA PRADESH ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION #11-4-660, 4th Floor, Singareni Bhavan, Red Hills, Hyderabad - 500 004 Phone Nos.(040)23397625/381/399 Fax No.(040)23397378 website www.aperc.gov.in APERC – Long pending dues from panchayats, municipalities, corporations, water works and other state government bodies/departments etc., - Waiver of surcharge amounts - One Time Settlement (OTS) scheme - Approved- Reg.

Proceedings. No.9/T-28/2022/406

Date:08-07-2022 Read the following:

Ref: Lr. No.ED/RAC & IPC/GM/RAC/SPDCL/F.No.APERC/D.No.317/22, Dated 15-05-2022

ORDER:

Vide the reference cited above, APSPDCL has submitted а received from the Commissioner, Pulivendula representation Municipality for approval of the Commission to waive of the surcharge amount of Rs.6.66 Cr. on One Time Settlement (OTS) basis so as to enable the municipal commissioner to pay the principal amount of current consumption arrears at an early date.

2. In this regard, to take a holistic view on the matter, the Commission has reviewed the total dues which have mounted over the years that are to be received by the three DISCOMS together from various government bodies/departments as on 31.03.22 and found that total arrears are at Rs.9249 Cr. In spite of protracted correspondence by the Commission with the government and pursuance by the DISCOMS with respective department heads at various levels, the dues from government bodies/departments are not coming down. On the other hand, the DISCOMS' dues to various suppliers of electricity and working capital loans are mounting and hence the DISCOMS are failing regularly to honour the payments due to the generators which is a cause of concern. If the DISCOMS receive at least the principal amounts, their liquidity position will considerably improve which ultimately will lead to better service to the end consumer.

- 3. Therefore, keeping in view the vexed issue relating to non payment of arrears by government bodies/departments, the Commission felt it expedient to offer a one time waiver of surcharge. Accordingly the Commission hereby waives surcharge amounts as a One Time measure for all the government bodies/departments subject to the condition that such arrears shall be paid in full on or before 10.09.2022, failing which, they will not be entitled to the benefit of such waiver.
- 4. Accordingly, the DISCOMS are directed to widely publicise the above decision in newspapers having wide circulation within three days and also place in their respective websites forthwith. The DISCOMS are also directed to write letters to all the Government bodies/departments etc, which are in arrears, informing them about this decision of the Commission and requesting them to avail this one time benefit. The amounts realised under the OTS shall be communicated to the Commission within two weeks from the date of end of the scheme on

10.09.22. The DISCOMS shall not extend the benefit beyond the above stipulated date.

(BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION)

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COMMISSION SECRETARY (I/c)

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The Chairman & Managing Director/APSPDCL/Tirupati. The Chairman & Managing Director/APEPDCL/Visakhapatnam. The Chairman & Managing Director/APCPDCL/Vijayawada

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The Secretary/Energy/AP Secretariat/ Velagapudi /Tulluru (Mandal). The Chairman & Managing Director/APTransco/Vidyut Soudha/Gunadala/ Vijayawada.