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PUBLIC NOTICE

Sub: Suggestion/opinions on the Amendment to the Regulation 80 (5) (i) of OERC Distribution (Conditions of Supply) Code, 2004.

No. OERC-Engg-92/2003(Vol.VII) (Part)/1328 Dt.29.10.2015 - In exercise of powers conferred on it under Section 181 of the Electricity Act, 2003, the Odisha Electricity Regulatory Commission had framed OERC Distribution (Conditions of Supply) Code, 2004 which were published in the Orissa Gazette extraordinary No.710 dtd.28th May, 2004. The said Regulations were amended nine times which were published in Orissa Gazette No.1261, 1266 dtd.22.09.2004, No. 557 dtd.24.03.2007 (No.1688 dtd.17.09.2007 on the same matter on correction of some typographical error), 2066 dtd.31.10.2007, 1586 dtd.26.10.2009, 1689 dtd.12.10.2010, 1203 dtd.19.05.2011, 477 dt.19.03.2013 and 125 dt.22.01.2015 respectively. During hearing of the ARR of DISCOMS for the FY 2015-16, some objectors submitted that the above Regulation framed by the Commission has deprived the poor agricultural consumers of the State of concessional tariff those who have their agricultural lands under the NAC/ Municipality Limits. The Commission in the Tariff Order had directed that after obtaining necessary information the Regulation shall be amended, if necessary. In the meantime the Commission have collected information and intend to amend OERC Distribution (Conditions of Supply) Code, 2004 in the interest of the general public.

The amendments contemplated are available in the Commission's website: <u>www.orierc.org</u>. The copies of the proposed amendment may also be obtained from the Commission's office on request and payment of necessary fees.

Before finalization of the said amendments, the Commission hereby invites opinion through this previous publications u/s 181(3) of the Electricity Act, 2003. Interested persons/ institutions/ associations/ consumers and other stakeholders may furnish their suggestions/ opinions on the said amendments to the undersigned by 30th November, 2015. On receipt of the responses from different quarters, the Commission may, in appropriate cases, bring modifications, if any, to the proposed amendments and approve the same for publication in the official gazette.

By the Order of the Commission

Sd/-SECRETARY

ODISHA ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION BIDYUT NIYAMAK BHAVAN UNIT-VIII, BHUBANESWAR-751012

DRAFT REGULATION

No. OERC-Engg-92/2003(Vol.VII) (Part), Dated the 29th October, 2015

STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS - In exercise of powers conferred on it under Section 181 of the Electricity Act, 2003, the Odisha Electricity Regulatory Commission had framed OERC Distribution (Conditions of Supply) Code, 2004 which were published in the Orissa Gazette extraordinary No.710 dtd. 28th May, 2004. The said Regulations were amended nine times which were published in Orissa Gazette No. 1261, 1266 dtd. 22.09.2004, No. 557 dtd. 24.03.2007 (No.1688 dtd. 17.09.2007 on the same matter on correction of some typographical error), 2066 dtd. 31.10.2007, 1586 dtd. 26.10.2009, 1689 dtd. 12.10.2010, 1203 dtd. 19.05.2011, 477 dt.19.03.2013 and 125 dt.22.01.2015 respectively. The said Supply Code has categorised consumers basing on the purpose of power supply. The existing Regulation 80 (5) (i) of Supply Code, 2004 relates to supply of power for pumping of water in lift irrigation, flow irrigation and for lifting of water from wells/ bore wells, dug-wells, nallahs, streams, revulets, exclusively for agricultural purpose in areas other than areas coming under Municipality/ NAC limit of this State. This category is applicable to pumping capacity of less than 15 HP in aggregate for a single consumer. During hearing of the ARR of DISCOMS for the FY 2015-16, some objectors submitted that the above Regulation framed by the Commission has deprived the poor agricultural consumers of the State of concessional tariff those who have their agricultural lands under the NAC/ Municipality Limits. The Commission in the Tariff Order had directed that after obtaining necessary information the Regulation shall be amended, if necessary. In the meantime the Commission have collected information on agricultural use of electricity in NACs/Municipalities Limit having less population and have been satisfied that there is a necessity of amending the present Regulation. The list of Municipalities/ NACs having population less than 25000 are attached below for information. Accordingly, the existing Regulation 80 (5) (i) which is reproduced below shall be replaced with a proposed Regulation as follows:

Existing Regulation 80 (5)(i):

"This category relates to supply of power for pumping of water in lift irrigation, flow irrigation and for lifting of water from wells/ borewells, dug-wells, nallahs, streams, rivulets, rivers, exclusively for agricultural purposes in areas other than areas coming under Muncipality/N.A.C. limit of the State. This category is applicable to pumping capacity of less than 15 HP in aggregate for a single consumer."

Proposed new Regulation 80 (5)(i):

"This category relates to supply of power for pumping of water in lift irrigation, flow irrigation and for lifting of water from wells/ borewells, dug-wells, nallahs, streams, rivulets, rivers, exclusively for agricultural purposes in areas other than areas coming under Muncipality/N.A.C. limit having population more than 25000 (as per 2011 Census of the State). This category is applicable to pumping capacity of less than 15 HP in aggregate for a single consumer."

Objections /suggestions are invited from the interested persons/ institutions/ associations/ consumers and other stakeholders on the above proposed new Regulation as per Section 181 (3) of the Electricity Act, 2003 so as to reach Secretary, OERC, Bhubaneswar by 30th November, 2015. After considering such objections / suggestions, the Commission may bring about modification in the proposed Regulation, if necessary.

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Name of the Municipality / NAC District wise having population less than 25000 as per 2011 census

SI	DISTRICT	SI.	Municipal	Total Population in
No. (1)	(2)	No. (3)	Corporation/Municipality/N.A.C. (4)	2011 Census (5)
1.	Angul	(3)	Athamallik (N)	12,298
2.	Angui	2	Hindol(N)	17,387
	Bolangir	3	Kantabanjhi(N)	21,819
	Bolangi	4	Patnagarh(N)	21,024
		5	Tusura(N)	10,638
3.	Balasore	6	Nilagiri(N)	17,264
4.	Baragarh	7	Padampur(N)	17,625
		8	Barpalli(N)	20,850
		9	Attabira(N)	16,399
5.	Bhadrak	10	Dhamnagar(N)	22,920
6. 7.	Boudh	11	Boudhgarh(N)	20,424
	Cuttack	12	Athagarh(N)	17,304
		13	Banki	17,521
8.	Deogarh	14	Deogarh(M)	22,390
9.	Dhenkanal	15	Bhuban(N)	22,200
		16	Kamakhyanagar(N)	16,810
10.	Gajapati	17	Kasinagar(N)	9,684
	Ganjam	18	Aska(N)	21,428
		19	Belaguntha(N)	11,297
		20	Bhanjanagar(N)	20,482
		21 22	Buguda(N) Chatrapur(N)	15,176 22,027
		22	Chikiti(N)	11,645
		23	Digapahandi(N)	13,190
		24	Ganjam(N)	11,747
		26	Gopalpur(N)	7221
		27	Hinjilicut(N)	24,671
		28	Kavisuryanagar(N)	17,430
		29	Khallikot(N)	13,022
		30	Kodala(N)	13,965
		31	Polsara(N)	23,119
		32	Purusottampur(N)	15,366
		33	Rambha(N)	12,111
		34	Soroda(N)	14,867
12.	Kalahandi	35	Junagarh(N)	19,656
		36	Dharmagarh(N)	16,585
		37	Kesinga(N)	19,239
13.	Keonjhar	38	Champua(N)	17,096
14.	Khurda	39	Balugaon(N)	17,645
		40	Banpur(N)	17,278
15.	Koraput	41	Kotpad(N)	16,326
16.	Malkangiri	42	Balimela(N)	11,796
17.	Mayurbhanj	43	Karanjia(N) Udala(N)	22,865 13,152
18.	Nayagarh	44	Khandapada(N)	9,038
10.	ivayayalli	45	Daspala(N)	18470
		40	Ranpur(N)	14715
<u> </u>		47	Nayagarh(N)	17030
20.	Nuapara	49	Khariar(N)	15,087
		50	Khariar Road(N)	18,967
		51	Nuapada(N)	16,208
25.	Phulbani	52	G.Udayagiri(N)	11,302
		53	Balliguda(N)	18,664
26.	Puri	54	Konark(N)	16,779
27.		55	Nimapara(N)	19,289
		56	Pipili(N)	17,623
	Rayagada	57	Gudari(N)	6,931
28.		58	Gunupur(N)	24,162
	Sambalpur	59	Kuchinda(N)	15,576
29.		60	Redhakhol(N)	15,379
	Subarnapur	61	Binika(N)	15,765
		62 63	Sonepur(M) Tarva(N)	20,770 8,334