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TAMIL NADU ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION

Notification No. TNERC/SC/ 7-29 dated 16-12-2011

WHEREAS the Tamil Nadu Electricity Regulatory Commission specified and notified the Tamil Nadu Electricity Supply Code under section 50 read with section 181 of the Electricity Act, 2003 (Central Act 36 of 2003) and published in Part VI - Section 2 of Tamil Nadu Government Gazette, dated the 1st September 2004;

AND WHEREAS certain difficulties experienced by Tamil Nadu Generation and Distribution Co. Ltd. (TANGEDCO) with regard to the collection of arrears and other miscellaneous charges from the consumer, who is a lease holder and is unable to produce a consent letter from the owner of the premises and the owner of the premises does not take any responsibility for the outstanding bill which results in loss of revenue to TANGEDCO have been brought to the knowledge of the Tamil Nadu Electricity Regulatory Commission;

AND WHEREAS the existing practice of collecting two times or three times of the monthly average of the electricity charges for the preceding twelve months prior to April as Additional Security Deposit in respect of monthly and bi-monthly services respectively as per the Supply Code provisions is not sufficient to cover the outstanding amount;

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AND WHEREAS, it is considered necessary to insert additional clause to regulations in the Tamil Nadu Electricity Supply Code to effect the above change and such insertion shall be subject to the condition of previous publication and accordingly undergone such previous publication;

NOW, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Section 50 read with section 181 of the Electricity Act, 2003 (Central Act 36 of 2003) and all other powers enabling it in this behalf, the Tamil Nadu Electricity Regulatory Commission hereby insert the following sub-clause (vii) to Clause 5 of Regulation 5 of the Tamil Nadu Electricity Supply Code, hereinafter referred to as "the Principal Code":-

TAMIL NADU ELECTRICITY SUPPLY (AMENDMENT) CODE,
2011

1. Short title and commencement.-

- (a) This Code may be called the Tamil Nadu Electricity Supply (Seventh Amendment) Code, 2011.
- (b) This shall come into force on the date of publication in the Tamil Nadu Government Gazette.

2. Amendment to Regulation 5.-

In the Principal Code, in Clause (5) of Regulation 5, the following sub-clause (vii) shall be added at the end, namely,-

" (vii). (a) *For the consumers under monthly billing who are not the owners of the premises and are unable to produce the consent letter in Form 5 of Annexure III to the Distribution Code from the owner of the premises for availing supply, the Security Deposit shall be equivalent to four times of the monthly average of the electricity charges for the preceding twelve months prior to April;*

- (b) For the consumers under bi-monthly billing who are not the owners of the premises and are unable to produce the consent letter in Form 5 of Annexure III to the Distribution Code from the owner of the premises for availing supply, the Security Deposit shall be equivalent to six times of the monthly average of the Electricity charges for the preceding twelve months prior to April; and**
- (c) The provisions in (a) and (b) above shall be applicable to existing service connections when review of security deposit is undertaken. In regard to effecting of new service connections where the applicant is not the owner of the premises and is unable to produce consent letter in Form 5 of Annexure III to the Distribution Code from the owner of the premises for availing supply, collection of security deposit shall be governed by the Orders on Non-Tariff related Miscellaneous Charges of the Commission as amended from time to time and regulation 27(4) of the Tamil Nadu Electricity Distribution Code. Such new consumers will be reviewed for adequacy of security deposit under (a) or (b) above, as the case may be.**

/By Order of the Commission/

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(S. GUNASEKARAN)
SECRETARY