

MEGHALAYA STATE ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION

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The Meghalaya State Electricity Regulatory Commission (Terms and Conditions of Open Access) (First Amendment) Regulations, 2012.

PRE-PUBLICATION NOTIFICATION

Dated: 31st October 2022

No.MSERC/REGULATION/OA-2012/2022/165: In exercise of powers conferred under section 39 (2) (d) and Section 42 (2), (3) and (4) and section 181 (2) (zp) and (3) of the Electricity Act, 2003 and all other powers enabling in this behalf, the Meghalaya State Electricity Regulatory Commission hereby makes **Pre Publication**, to amend the following regulations, namely Meghalaya State Electricity Regulatory Commission (Terms & Condition of Open Access) Regulation 2012, which were originally issued on 27th April 2012 .

The Commission invites suggestions, if any, from the users which may be submitted to the undersigned within 21 (twenty one) days from the date of this notice, for consideration of the commission before publication of the Amendment.

1. Short Title, Extent and Commencement

- (i) These regulations may be called the Meghalaya State Electricity Regulatory Commission (Terms and Conditions of Open Access) (First Amendment) Regulations, 2012.
- (ii) These regulations shall come into force on the date of Notification published in the Meghalaya Gazette.

2. Amendment in Regulation 30.

- i. Regulation 30(4) shall be substituted as under:

SLDC shall also issue the weekly statement for VAR charges, to all state entities who have a net draw/injection of reactive energy under low/high voltage conditions. These payments shall also have a high priority and the concerned

state entities shall pay the indicated amounts into the reactive pool account operated by the SLDC within 10 (ten) days issue of statement, provided that the Commission may direct any entity other than SLDC to operate the reactive pool account. The state entities who have to receive the money on account of VAR charges would then be paid out from the reactive pool account, within two (2) working days from the receipt of payment in the Reactive pool account.

- ii. Regulation 30(5) shall be substituted as under:

If payments against the above VAR charges are delayed by more than two days, i.e., beyond twelve (12) days from issue of statement, the defaulting entity shall have to pay simple interest @ 0.04% for each day of delay. The interest so collected shall be paid to the entities who had to receive the amount, payment of which got delayed. Persistent payment defaults, if any, shall be reported by the SLDC to the Commission, for initiating remedial action.

3. Amendment in Regulation 31.

- i. Regulation 31(1) shall be substituted as under:

All Open Access consumers shall pay for the reactive energy charges in accordance with the provisions stipulated in the State Grid Code or if not mentioned in the State Grid Code, the provisions of the IEGC/CERC will apply.

- ii. Regulation 31(2) shall stand deleted.

By order,

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Secretary

Meghalaya State Electricity Regulatory Commission