



## **TAMIL NADU ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION**

### **Draft Amendment to Tamil Nadu Electricity Supply Code, 2004**

#### **Notification No. TNERC/SC/ 7- dated -12-2014**

The following draft of amendment to the Tamil Nadu Electricity Supply Code, 2004, is proposed in exercise of the powers conferred by clause (x) of sub-section (2) of section 181 of the Electricity Act, 2003 (Central Act 36 of 2003) and all other powers hereunto enabling in this behalf and is hereby published for information of all persons likely to be affected thereby, as required by sub-section (3) of section 181 of the said Act.

2. Notice is hereby given that the draft amendment will be taken into consideration on or after the expiry of fifteen days from the date of publication of this Notification in the TNERC website and that any objection or suggestion, which may be received from any person with respect thereto before the expiry of the aforesaid period will be considered by the Commission.

3. Objection or suggestion, if any, should be addressed in duplicate to the Secretary, Tamil Nadu Electricity Regulatory Commission, 19-A, Rukmini Lakshmi pathy Salai, Egmore, Chennai 600 008.

#### **DRAFT AMENDMENT**

In the said Supply Code,-

(i) in regulation 15, for sub-regulation (3), the following sub-regulation shall be substituted, namely:-

"Low tension consumers ..... Payment for amounts exceeding Rs.5000/- (Rupees five thousand only) is preferred by DD/Cheque. Depending on the circumstances, the designated authority of the distribution licensee) shall however accept cash payments also and advise the consumer for future remittances by DD/Cheque".

(ii) in regulation 15, for sub-regulation (4), the following sub-regulation shall be substituted, namely:-

"In case the cheque issued by consumer is dishonoured due to insufficient funds, the Low Tension Consumer will be required to pay thereafter the amount due by cash / money order / demand draft only. The Licensee shall have the powers to accord approval for restoring the Cheque facility for payment by the consumers after watching the performance of the consumers in regard to settlement of current consumption charges at least for the last three consecutive billing periods in respect of LT consumers and three months period in respect of HT consumers. The Licensee shall have the powers for restoration of cheque payment facility upto fourth occasion after watching the performance of the consumers in regard to subsequent settlement of charges. But if the cheque is dishonoured due to the reason, other than insufficient funds, the licensee shall have the powers for restoration of cheque payment facility upto fourth occasion without watching the performance of the consumers in regard to subsequent settlement of charges. If the dishonouring of the cheque is not attributable to the consumer, then service charges need not be collected. All other consumers shall pay service charges as stipulated by the Commission in addition to the following:

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/By Order of the Commission/

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**Secretary**

**Tamil Nadu Electricity Regulatory Commission**