



**TAMIL NADU
GOVERNMENT GAZETTE**

PUBLISHED BY AUTHORITY

No.11] CHENNAI WEDNESDAY, MARCH 21,2012
Panguni 8, Thiruvalluvar Aandu-2043

Part VI --- Section 2
(Supplement)

NOTIFICATIONS BY HEADS OF DEPARTMENTS, ETC.

TAMIL NADU ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION

Notification No. TNERC/SC/ 7 – 30, dated 17-02-2012.

WHEREAS the Tamil Nadu Electricity Regulatory Commission specified the Tamil Nadu Electricity Supply Code under section 50 of the Electricity Act, 2003 (Central Act 36 of 2003) and notified the same in the Tamil Nadu Government Gazette, dated the 1st September, 2004;

AND WHEREAS it is considered necessary to issue certain amendments to the Tamil Nadu Electricity Supply Code and such amendments shall be subject to the condition of previous publication and accordingly undergone previous publication;

NOW THEREFORE, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by section 181 read with section 50 of the Electricity Act, 2003, and all other powers enabling it in this behalf, the Tamil Nadu Electricity Regulatory Commission hereby makes the following amendments to the Tamil Nadu Electricity Supply Code, namely:-

1. Short title and Commencement.-

(a) This Code may be called the **Tamil Nadu Electricity Supply (Amendment) Code, 2012;**

(b) It shall come into force on the date of its publication in the Tamil Nadu Government Gazette.

2. Amendment of Regulation 3.-

For regulation 3 of the Tamil Nadu Electricity Supply Code (hereinafter referred to as the Principal Code), the following regulation shall be substituted, namely:-

“3. Categories of Supply. -

(1) Supply of electricity available to the consumer is of the following categories:-

- (a) *Single-phase 2 wire 240 volts between phase and neutral for supply to a total connected load not exceeding 4000 watts (including power loads);*
- (b) *Three-phase 4 wire 415 volts between phases and 240 volts between phase and neutral for supply to a total connected load exceeding 4000 watts but not exceeding a demand of 112 KW;*
- (c) *The consumer may elect to avail supply under any one of the above categories where the connected load does not exceed 4000 watts;*

Explanation: *If the connected load or demand of a LT consumer exceeds 50 kW, the consumer shall be provided with LTCT metering.*

- (d) *Three-phase three wire supply at 11 kV or 22 kV depending on the voltage level existing in the area of supply shall be provided for a demand limit up to 3 MVA or 5 MVA as the case may be. However, the minimum demand shall be 63 kVA;*
- (e) *The consumer shall be provided supply at 33 kV for a demand exceeding 3 MVA and up to 10 MVA if the area of supply is fed through 11 kV system and if the area of supply is fed through 22 kV system, supply at 33 kV shall be provided for a demand exceeding 5 MVA and up to 10 MVA;*
- (f) *The consumer shall be provided supply at 110 kV for a demand above 10 MVA and up to 50 MVA;*
- (g) *The consumer shall be provided supply at 230 kV for a demand above 50 MVA.*

(2) In case of existing service connection / installation not conforming to the provisions mentioned in Sub-Regulation (1), conversion of such service connection / installation to higher / lower voltage may be carried out based on the mutual consent between the Distribution Licensee and the Consumer duly considering the capacities of the existing line/cable, transformer, etc. and the cost-benefit analysis of such conversion.

(3) If the consumer opts for higher levels of voltages for demands less than that specified, the consumer shall bear the extra expenses to be incurred by the licensee to provide supply at such higher voltages.”

3. Amendment of Regulation 5.-

In the principal Code, in regulation 5,
(1) in sub-regulation (2), -

(i) in clause (ii)(c), for item (II), the following item shall be substituted, namely:-

“(II) Where the recorded demand exceeds 112KW, for every KW or part thereof in excess of sanctioned demand:-

- *at the rate of 1% of the charges for electricity supplied up to 112 kW*
- *and at the rate of 1.5% for every KW or part thereof over and above 112KW for the first two occurrences;*
- *and for the third occurrence, at the rate of 3% for every KW or part thereof over and above 112KW;*
- *and thereafter, that is, the fourth and subsequent occurrences at the rate of 10% for every KW or part thereof over and above 112KW.”;*

(ii) after clause (iv) and the entries relating thereto, the following clause and the entries shall be inserted, namely:-

“(v) In all the above cases, the cost of any modifications in the metering system which may arise due to addition / reduction of loads may be dealt with in accordance with the provisions of the Act and Codes/Regulations made thereon.”;

(2) in sub-regulation (5), in clause (ii), after item No. (c) and the entries relating thereto, the following item and the entries shall be inserted, namely:-

“(d) The security deposit in the above categories shall exclude incidental charges like operation and maintenance of lines/sub-stations of generators, charges for purchase of power from third parties, but shall be inclusive of all other charges specified by the Commission from time to time.”

4. Amendment of Regulation 7.-

In regulation 7 of the Principal Code, after sub-regulation (3) and the entries relating thereto, the following sub-regulation and the entries shall be inserted, namely:-

“(3A) In case of open access consumer, ABT compliant meter with facilities to record export and import of energy shall be provided both at the generator and consumer ends in accordance with the Central Electricity Authority (Installation and Operation of Meters) Regulations, 2006”

5. Amendment of Regulation 13.-

In regulation 13 of the Principal Code, for sub-regulation (1), the following sub-regulation shall be substituted, namely:-

“(1) For the HT services, bills shall normally be sent by post or by hand delivery or e-mail. Two e-mail ids shall be furnished by the consumer for this purpose. For the purpose of reckoning the due date of payment, the date of sending the e-mail alone will be the reference. The Licensee takes no responsibility for loss in transit. The consumer should notify the concerned office of the Licensee, if no bill or assessment is received. Non-receipt of the bills/ assessments will not entitle the consumer to delay payment of the charges beyond the due date. For LT services, entry in consumer meter card shall be the bill of demand and there will be no separate issue of bill.”

(By order of the Tamil Nadu Electricity Regulatory Commission)

**(S.Gunasekaran)
Secretary**