

**GUJARAT ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION
GANDHINAGAR**

Draft Gujarat Electricity Regulatory Commission (Electricity Supply Code and Related Matters) (Second Amendment) Regulations, 2019

Notification No. of 2019

In exercise of the powers conferred under Section 181 (2) (x) read with Section 50 of the Electricity Act, 2003 (36 of 2003) and under Section 42 (1) (b) of the Gujarat Electricity Industry (Reorganisation and Regulation) Act, 2003 (Gujarat Act 24 of 2003) and all powers enabling it in that behalf, the Gujarat Electricity Regulatory Commission hereby amends the Gujarat Electricity Regulatory Commission (Electricity Supply Code and Related Matters) Regulations, 2015, “the principal Code”.

1. Short Title, Extent and Commencement

- i. These regulations shall be called the Gujarat Electricity Regulatory Commission (Electricity Supply Code and Related Matters) (Second Amendment) Regulations, 2019.
- ii. These regulations shall come into force from date of their publication in the Official Gazette.

2. Amendment in Section 4 of the principal Regulations

Clause 4.95 of the principal Regulations shall be substituted as under:

“4.95 In case of HT, EHT and Demand Based LT connections, if the maximum demand was recorded to be in excess of contract demand by 5% or more for at least four times during last financial year, the licensee shall issue a 30-day notice to the consumer for submitting an application form for enhancement of load. If there is no response from the consumer by the end of the notice period, the licensee shall start the procedure for enhancing the consumer’s contract demand to the average of four recordings of maximum demand shown by the consumer’s MDI meter in the last financial year. In such case, the consumer shall be liable to pay all applicable charges as per provisions of this Code for regularization of the enhanced demand. The enhanced demand will be considered as revised contract demand on receipt of such charges and all provisions of agreement shall be applicable to such consumers for revised contract demand.

In case of non-Demand Based LT connections, review of Contracted Load/ Sanctioned Load shall be carried out once in a financial year and if it is found that connected load on such type of connection is 25% or more than the Contracted Load/ Sanctioned Load in case of Residential Consumers and 10% or more than the Contracted Load/ Sanctioned Load in case of other categories of consumers, the licensee shall issue a 60-day notice to the consumer for submitting an application form for enhancement of load. If there is no response from the consumer by the end of the notice period, the licensee shall start the procedure for enhancing the consumer’s Contracted Load/ Sanctioned Load to the load found at the time of inspection. In such case, the consumer shall be liable to pay all applicable charges as per provisions of this Code for regularization of the enhanced load. The enhanced load will be considered as revised Contracted Load/ Sanctioned Load on receipt of such charges and all provisions of agreement shall be applicable to such consumers for revised Contracted Load/ Sanctioned Load.

Provided further that in case of Un-metered Agriculture Connections, where connected load is to be assessed based on Accucheck meter measurements due to inaccessibility of connected load and as per the methodology specified by the Commission, if it is found that connected load of such type of connection is 10% or more than the Contracted Load/ Sanctioned Load, the licensee shall issue an estimate for load enhancement giving 30 days’ time period to the consumer for payment of the same. The consumer is liable to pay such estimate issued by the Licensee, failing which, the licensee shall initiate actions as per Clause 7.31 to 7.44 against the consumer.”

3. Amendment in Section 6 of the principal Regulations

Clause 6.50 of the principal Regulations shall be substituted as under:

“6.50 **In case of spot billing**, the licensee shall arrange to get the name of the bill distributor rubber-stamped and the bill distributor shall write down the delivery date of the bill on the body of the bill before it is handed over to the consumer.”

4. New condition added in Section 8, Clause 8.3

Condition No. (6) shall be added in Clause 8.3 of the principal Regulations:

“8.3 The supply may be disconnected temporarily in following cases:

- (1)
- (2)

- (3)
- (4)
- (5)
- (6) The Consumer shall not carry out any construction around the existing service position so as to hinder the access as already agreed. Should the construction become necessary due to remodelling of the structure or for any other reason, the Consumer shall immediately notify the Distribution Licensee and get the service position shifted at his cost to a mutually agreed position. Non-compliance shall be liable for disconnection after serving a notice of not less than seven days, subject to the provisions of the Acts, Rules and Regulations for the time being in force.”**

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