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PART IV-C

Statutory Rules and Orders (Other than those published in Parts I, I-A and I-L) made by Statutory Authorities other than the Government of Gujarat including those made by the Government of India, the High Courts, the Director of Municipalities, the Commissioner of Police, the Director of Prohibition and Excise, the District Magistrates and the Election Commission, Election Tribunals, Returning Officers and other authorities under the Election Commission.

GUJARAT ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION (GERC)

GANDHINAGAR

Gujarat Electricity Regulatory Commission (Licensee's Power to Recover Expenditure incurred in providing Supply and other Miscellaneous Charges) (Third Amendment) Regulations, 2023

NOTIFICATION NO. 05 OF 2023

In exercise of the powers conferred under Section 181 (2) (u) read with Sections 45 and 46 of the Electricity Act, 2003 (Act 36 of 2003), and all powers enabling it in that behalf, the Gujarat Electricity Regulatory Commission hereby amends the Gujarat Electricity Regulatory Commission (Licensee's Power to Recover Expenditure incurred in providing Supply and other Miscellaneous Charges) Regulations, 2005 (Notification No.9 of 2005) (The Principal Regulations).

1. Short Title, Scope Extent and Commencement

- 1.1 These Regulations shall be called the Gujarat Electricity Regulatory Commission (Licensee's Power to Recover Expenditure incurred in providing Supply and other Miscellaneous Charges) (Third Amendment) Regulations, 2023.
- 1.2 These Regulations extend to the whole of the State of Gujarat.
- 1.3 These Regulations shall come into force from the date of their notification in the *Official Gazette*.

2. Amendment in Chapter II of the Principal Regulations

I. Clause 2.1 (xvii) of the Principal Regulations shall be substituted as under:

“Temporary Service” means supply of electricity will be given initially for a period not exceeding twelve months subject to review for further extension in accordance with the classifications of installation for purpose of permanent supply.

3. Amendment in Chapter VII of the Principal Regulations

I. Clause 7 (vi) of the Principal Regulations shall be substituted as under:

(vi) The excess amount, if any, shall be refunded to the Applicant/Consumer by issuing account payee cheque or by electronic mode within 30 days of energisation of connection, failing which the Licensee shall be liable to pay interest at a rate equivalent to the Delayed Payment Charge as per the prevailing Tariff Order issued by the Commission. The Applicant/ Consumer shall be given the detailed bill showing the details of item-wise estimation and actual expenditure along with item-wise figures of variance to the extent possible. Further, if Applicant/ Consumer seeks further information, the Distribution Licensee shall furnish the same or state the reasons for not furnishing the same within 10 days of receipt of such request.

II. Clause 7 (vii) of the Principal Regulations shall be substituted as under:

(vii) Any expenditure incurred in excess of the amount deposited by the Applicant/ Consumer shall be paid by the Applicant/ Consumer within thirty days of demand, failing which such amount shall be debited to the next electricity bill of the consumer.

4. Amendment in Chapter VIII of the Principal Regulations

I. Clause 8 (ii) of the Principal Regulations shall be substituted as under:

All the charges proposed below in 8.1 and 8.2 [Except charges mentioned at Clause 8.2 (E) (f)] are payable in advance.

Place : Gandhinagar

Date : 05/12/2023

RANJEETH KUMAR J., IAS

Secretary.

