Coordination Group of



Silvassa Industries Association, Silvassa

DNH Industries Association, Silvassa



OSIMA Silvassa Industries and Manufacturers Association, Silvassa

UREGNT & IMPORTANT

Appeal

Dear Members.

You are aware that power tariff in the UT are determined by Hon'ble JERC for UTs. DNH PDCL had filed petitions for approving true up for the year 13-14, reviewing for the year 14-15 and estimating for the year 15-16 to determine tariff for the year 15-16.

DNH PDCL had projected surplus of Rs 15.65 cr, FY 13-14, another surplus of Rs. 15.11 cr. FY 14-15 and gap of 160.22 cr FY 15-16 in their ARR petitions.

All three Associations which are members of this coordination group contested the claim keenly. They presented logical arguments before the JERC rebutting the projections made by DNH PDCL.

Hon'ble JERC, announced their verdict on 31.03.15, which has been shared with the members. In the verdict, Hon'ble JERC have also worked out surplus of Rs 139.27 cr in the FY 13-14, surplus of Rs 72.83 cr in FY 14-15 and surplus of Rs. 93.07 in the FY 15-16. The Accumulated surplus with carrying costs at the end of the FY 15-16 would mount to Rs 325.71 cr. In spite of such a huge surplus, Hon'ble JERC did not revise the tariff downwards. Associations felt that it was injustice to the consumers of DNH. The existing power tariff should have been reduced to adjust the significant surplus.

With this backdrop, all three Associations have decided to take up matter before the Appellate Tribunal on Electricity Matter (APTEL) in the form of an appeal.

It is expected that, if appeal is decided in the favor of consumers, existing tariff would get reduced by 10%. It is a considerable amount in today's throat-cut-competition era..

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When power tariff in both neighboring states is exceeding Rs 8/- per unit, energy consumers of the DNH are at much comfortable state. Role of all three Associations to achieve this has been laudable.

Recent success in getting awarded the refund of Rs 41.86 cr in favor of DNH energy consumers was also a long drawn legal battle, but with the support, solidarity and unity of industries, it was made possible.

Industries are again at a point, where, they have no options but to knock the doors of APTEL to seek justice.

Legal battles are very expensive. It is has been estimated that appeal would cost around Rs 5 L as under:

Court Fees (approx)

Rs 2,00,000/-

Advocate's Professional Charges

Rs 2,00,000/-

Local legal and Misc expenses to conduct the appeal

Rs 1.00,000/-

Since, none of the Associations are required quite often to contest such legal cases to protect and promote collective interest, it has been decided to establish a common ongoing fund. This fund would be operated under the joint signatures of Presidents of all three Associations.

All three Associations request members to contribute minimum following amount.

220 KVa consumers

Rs 25.000/-

66 KVa Consumers

Rs 20.000/-

11 KVa Consumers

Rs 10.000/-

Others

Rs 5.000/-



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Operating from Galas

Rs 2500/-

This contribution is to be made urgently through crossed cheque in favor of Silvassa Industries Association (Common Fund)

The professional fees and court fees are required to be paid before 12th May, Associations request you to act promptly.

We are sure that members will come forward in speedy manner for this very important cause.

Regards

Thanking you

Yours' faithfully.

Silvassa Industries Association

Atul R. Shah Secretary

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