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(Incorporated under the Companies Act, 1956)

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Abstract

Request of the consumer M/s. Pilot Crumb Rubber Factory (LCN 19/912) under Electrical Section, Puthuppally for waiver of meter faulty penalty on account of not changing the metering equipment due to termination of agreement and also to revise the average bills issued as minimum demand bills due to lockdown – Sanctioned – Orders issued.

CORPORATE OFFICE (SPECIAL OFFICER (REVENUE))

B.O(FTD) No.66/2021 (SOR/HTB 19/912/2020-21) Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 23.01.2021.

- Read:-
- (1) No.EC/KTM/DB1/HT-DM/2020-21/874 dated 08.10.2020 of the Executive Engineer-in-charge of Deputy Chief Engineer, Electrical Circle, Kottayam.
 - (2) Letter No.E/14/2019-20/E&P dated 05.10.2020 of Joint Director (P&QC), Rubber Board.
 - (3) Letter No.E/14/2019-20/E&P dated 06.10.2020 of Joint Director (P&QC), Rubber Board.
 - (4) Note No.SOR/HTB 19/912/2020-21 dated 23.11.2020 of the Special Officer (Revenue) submitted to the Director (Finance), KSEBL.
 - (5) Note No.SOR/HTB 19/912/2020-21 dated 03.01.2021 of the Special Officer (Revenue) submitted to the Full Time Directors (Agenda Item 22/1/21).

ORDER

M/s. Pilot Crumb Rubber Factory (LCN 19/912) is an HT consumer of Electrical Section, Puthuppally under Electrical Circle, Kottayam. The ToD meter installed at the premises of the consumer was faulty from 03.03.2020 and the same was intimated to the consumer on 10.03.2020. As per the letter read as 1st above, the Executive Engineer in-charge reported that the outdoor CT-PT unit of the said consumer was damaged and direct supply was given and average consumption for 758 unit (KWh) is taken for billing for the consumption month from 03.03.2020 to 19.06.2020. The factory is not working for the Lock down period due to Covid-19 and requested to issue the same average current charge bill during the last 2 months upto 19.06.2020 and the outstanding current charge for the last month may be adjusted from their cash deposit. As per schedule of tariff Part II B 4(d) General Conditions of HT & EHT consumer, the period of 60 days was completed on 09.05.2020 and the consumer is liable to remit the meter faulty penalty of ₹44,738/- (Rupees Forty Four Thousand Seven Hundred and Thirty Eight only).

Now, the consumer as per letters read (2) & (3) above, requested to waive off the meter fault penalty because, due to Covid-19 outbreak, the factory was not operational with effect from 21.03.2020 and thereafter Rubber Board decided to close down the factory with effect from 01.06.2020 and the HT connection was terminated. Hence the replacement of metering equipment was unwarranted as it was decided to close down the factory. As the factory was closed down and the power was not used

after 21.03.2020, they requested to waive off the meter fault penalty and to revise the average bill to minimum, since the power was not used after 21.03.2020.

Considering the above, the Special Officer (Revenue) as per note read 4th is reported that M/s. Pilot crumb factory is an Institution under Ministry of Commerce and Industry Government of India. Due to Covid-19 Pandemic Situation, the factory was not operational with effect from 21.03.2020 and the factory was close down with effect from 01.06.2020 and the HT connection was disconnected and dismantled on 18.06.2020 and 19.06.2020 respectively. As the factory was closed down and the power was not used after 21.03.2020 and also the same was certified by the Executive Engineer, Electrical Division, Pallom, KSEBL may consider their request of revision of average bill issued with effect from 3/2020 to minimum demand. Since the service connection was dismantled on 19.06.2020 and the Agreement was terminated the replacement of metering equipment was unwarranted. Hence the request of waiving of meter fault penalty was also genuine in nature.

The Director (Finance) in the note read as 4th above directed to put up the matter before the Full Time Directors. Accordingly the subject matter was placed before the Full Time Directors as per note read as 5th above. Having examined the matter in detail, the Full Time Directors in its meeting held on 07.01.2021, resolved to accord sanction for the following:-

- 1) To exempt the meter fault penalty of ₹ 44,738/- of M/s. Pilot Crumb Rubber Factory consider that it is an institution under Minister of Commerce & Industry, Government of India.
- 2) To revise the average bills to minimum bill as recommended by the Executive Engineer (in-charge), Electrical Circle, Kottayam and certified by Executive Engineer, TMR, Pallom, . Since the consumer was under shutdown due to Covid-19 with effect from 21.03.2020 and there was no use of power.

Orders are issued accordingly.

By Order of the Full Time Director,

Sd/-
LEKHA .G,
COMPANY SECRETARY (IN-CHARGE).

To

M/s. Pilot Crumb Rubber Factory (LCN 19/912)

Copy to:-

1. The Financial Adviser/The Chief Internal Auditor.
2. The Deputy Chief Engineer, Electrical Circle, Kottayam.
3. The TA to Chairman & Managing Director/ Director (Distn., IT & HRM/ Director (Transmission, System Operation & REES)/ Director (Generation (Ele.) & SCM) / Director (Generation-Civil)/ Director (Planning & Safety).
4. The PA to Director (Finance)/Senior CA to Secretary (Administration).
5. The Special Officer (Revenue).
6. The Company Secretary-in charge.
7. Library/Stock file.

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