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### **COMMERCIAL CIRCULAR No. 110**

**Subject: Clubbing of common meters of Residential Housing Societies & Commercial Complexes.**

In the Urban areas, fast development, is taking place and large construction activities are in progress. These construction activities mainly are for Residential & Commercial complexes. The MSEDCL plays important part in this development by providing power supply.

In many Residential Housing Societies & Commercial Complexes it is observed that separate connections for separate purposes i.e. common lighting, lift, water pump, stair case etc. are released. Though many of the Residential Housing Societies & Commercial Complexes pay their electricity bills by due date, there are many societies/ complexes, who do not pay for either one or two connections out of three provided for the common purpose. Despite disconnection for arrears, the Housing Societies / Commercial Complexes may restore the supply from the connection which is live. Moreover, with the already over burdened O & M staff, the detection of such type of unauthorized use of electricity becomes difficult.

Prior to formation of MERC, separate connection to common lighting, water pump, lift and stair case used to be released and for which separate service line charges for each purpose was recovered. Need was not felt at that time for separate instructions for releasing such connections & applying specific category as such societies were very small in numbers. MERC has determined the "Schedule of Charges" w.e.f. 8<sup>th</sup> September 2006 wherein Commission has not permitted to recover Service Line Charges from prospective consumers and only Service Connection Charges based on the load applied for are recoverable. Also, the number of Housing Societies/Commercial Complexes have increased considerably and their growth rate is positive. It has become necessary to issue common guidelines for releasing such connection and applying uniform tariff category for all such connections throughout the State.

In view of above, if only one common connection is provided for such type of Residential Housing Societies & Commercial Complexes, instead of giving separate three or four connections, it will reduce expenses of manpower and materials, reduce cost of maintenance, increase revenue as the units used & registered in a single meter will attract higher slab of tariff. Prompt payment by such consumers is expected as default would result in disconnection, leading to stoppage of lift, Common area lighting & Water Pump service simultaneously. Also this will be in line with the MERC Regulations and MSEDCL's Commercial Circulars.

It is therefore decided that,

- 1) Common connection is to be given to Residential Housing Societies & Commercial Complexes for common lighting, lift, water pump and stair case etc. (This common connection should be 1 phase or 3 phase supply depending on the load applied.)
- 2) Residential / Commercial tariff as per main purpose of usage of electricity is to be made applicable to such common connection.
- 3) Existing separate connections in Residential Housing Societies & Commercial Complexes are to be clubbed in to one common connections in a phased manner within a period of 6 months.
- 4) IT System data to be updated immediately after amalgamation of the connections & proper bills are to be issued by field offices.

All field officers are requested to take due note of the decision and take necessary action accordingly.

  
**Chief Engineer (Commercial)**

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-- It is requested to keep the track of the changes accordingly.

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