

Comm/SOC/OA/Tr. Charges/16711

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COMMERCIAL CIRCULAR NO. : 198

Sub: Levy of transmission charges and losses for Open Access.

Ref: 1. Commercial Circular No. 174 dated 05.09.2012.
2. Commercial Circular No. 185 dated 01.02.2013.
3. MERC order dated 13.05.2013 (Case No. 56 of 2013).

Open Access is one of the most important features of the Electricity Act 2003, wherein, Distribution Companies and eligible consumers have the freedom to buy electricity directly from generating companies or Trading Licensees of their choice and correspondingly the generating companies have the freedom to sell it to any Licensee or to any eligible consumer.

MERC has approved the schedule of charges for the services provided to the Open Access consumers of MSEDCL while passing the Tariff order dated 16.08.2012 (Case No. 19 of 2012) for FY 2012-13 applicable with effect from 1st August 2012. The charges were communicated vide Commercial Circular No. 174 dated 05.09.2012.

Subsequently, the Commercial Circular No. 185 dated 01.02.2013 was issued regarding levy of transmission charges and losses for Open Access in line with MERC order dated 21.05.2012 (Case No. 51 of 2012).

Now, the State Commission vide order dated 13.05.2013 (Case No. 56 of 2013) has determined the transmission charges and transmission loss from FY 2013-14 upto FY 2015-16 **applicable with effect from 01st April, 2013** as under:

Sr. No.	Type of Open Access	Units	Transmission Tariff for FY 2013-14	Transmission Tariff for FY 2014-15	Transmission Tariff for FY 2015-16
A	Long Term/ Medium Term	Rs/kW/Month	320.22	265.25	285.13
B	Short term/ Collective/ Renewable energy	Rs/kWh	0.43	0.36	0.38

The transmission loss as approved by the State Commission from FY 2013-14 to FY 2015-16 is **4.19 %**. The transmission charge and loss shall remain in force till revised by MERC from time to time. The procedure for levy of transmission charges and losses shall as under.

The Open Access transaction referred with levy of transmission charges are categorised as under.

- i. Above 33 KV Level and
- ii. Below 33 KV Level.

i. Above 33 KV Level:

The Open Access generator/consumer who is injecting/sourcing power from the transmission network is covered under the Base TCR of MSEDCL and is covered under the definition of Medium term/Long term open access. Accordingly, the transmission charges shall be levied on Rs./KW/Month i.e. 320.22 per kw/month for FY 2013-14.

The transmission charges shall be levied on Rs/Kwh basis for the collective transactions for the consumers sourcing power from Energy Exchange/Renewable Energy.

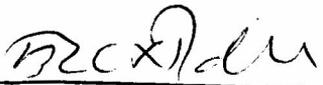
ii. Below 33 KV level:

The transmission charges shall be levied on Rs/Kwh basis i.e. Rs. 0.43 per unit for FY 2013-14.

The Competent Authority has accorded approval for levy of transmission charges as under:

1. MSEDCL shall recover the transmission charges from all Open Access transactions including EHV Open Access under its area of supply except those having Bulk Power Transmission Agreement (BPTA) with MSETCL or involving interstate Open Access.
2. In respect of interstate Open Access transactions and for those having BPTA with MSETCL, the recovery of transmission charges from MSETCL shall be dealt separately.
3. The transmission charges shall be levied on Rs/Kw/Month basis for EHV transactions i.e. For transactions where either injection or drawal point is at EHV level.
4. The transmission charges shall be levied on Rs/Kwh basis for transactions below 33 KV level.
5. The transmission charges shall be levied on Rs/Kwh basis for short term bilateral open access transactions, collective transactions over power exchange and for renewable energy transactions.
6. The transmission charges as per above shall be levied on all open access transactions with effect from 1st April 2013.

All the field officers are requested to take necessary action accordingly.


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