Commercial Circular No.204

Sub: - Procedure for refund of Electricity Duty to Duty Exempted Consumers

2) GoM’s lr. No. ELD-2013/79/Urja-1 dt. 05.07.2013

Background :-

As per the provisions of Maharashtra Electricity Duty Regulation 1958 Sec. 5 C and Sec 3(2) the State Government is empower to exempt the Electricity Duty to any class of Industry. Accordingly, the GoM vide letter referred above has notified various Class of Industries eligible for grant of exemption in Electricity Duty and also specified the class of Industries eligible for exemption in Electricity Duty and approving authorities to grand such exemption thereof as details given below:-

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<th>Sr. No.</th>
<th>Classification of Industry</th>
<th>Approving Authority</th>
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<td>1)</td>
<td>Industrial Units under C, D, and D+ Non Industrial Zones in district under Public Incentive Scheme 2007</td>
<td>Director of Industries or Any other authority appointed by the Director of Industries</td>
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<td>2)</td>
<td>IT industry and industrial units under IT Park</td>
<td>Director of Industries or Any other authority appointed by the Director of Industries Or Software Technology Parks of India or MIDC</td>
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<td>3)</td>
<td>Industrial Units of Bio Technology</td>
<td>Director of Industries or Any other authority appointed by the Director of Industries or MIDC</td>
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<td>4)</td>
<td>100% Export Oriented Main Units, Industrial Units under Export Processing Zones</td>
<td>Development Commissioner, Santacruz Electronics Export Processing Zone. (SEEPZ)</td>
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<td>5)</td>
<td>Industries under Special Economic Zones</td>
<td>Commissioner of Special Economic Zones</td>
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<td>6)</td>
<td>Industrial Units under Electronic Hardware Technological Park</td>
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Earlier, after grant of the exemption of electricity duty by the approving authority, the concurrence of the Chief Engineer (Electrical) PWD was required for exempting the Electricity duty and thereafter the separate proposal for duty refund was required to be referred to the Chief Engineer (Electrical) for approval. The Chief Engineer (Electrical) was given with power to approve the refund proposal upto Rs.50,000/- and proposals above Rs. 50,000/- were sent to GoM for approval.

Now to simplify the process of effecting the Electricity Duty exemption through IT based system to eligible consumers and to early processing the refund of Electricity Duty paid by such consumers during the approved period the GoM has issued delegated the power of sanctioning the refund of Electricity Duty to eligible consumers to the concerned utilities vide their letter referred at Sr. No.2 above. Further it has been mentioned in said letter that the no proposals for Electricity Exemption or Electricity Duty refund may be referred to the Chief Engineer (Electrical) or GoM.

In view of above the mechanism for processing of the Electricity Duty exemption/refund cases will be as follows

1) The concerned consumer will have make Consumer to make Online application and fill Online information in Form “F” through our website www.mahadiscom.in
2) On receipt of online application system will generate auto mail to Consumer to submit the original Duty Exemption Certificate with copy to concerned SE O&M Circle
3) On receipt of mail the consumer will have to produce following documents to the concerned Superintending Engineer of Circle office:
   i) Details in Form “F” Copy of Form “F” enclosed
   ii) Original Electricity Duty Exemption Certificate issued by competent authority.
   iii) Month wise statement of Electricity Duty paid during the exempted period for claiming Electricity Duty Refund.
   iv) Copies of Energy Bill paid during the Exemption Period.
4) On submission of original Duty Exemption Certificate the concerned SE will feed online duty exemption / refund within 15 days.
5) If online duty exemption / refund is not fed within 15 days the system will mail such delay to CE Zone who has to ensure the feeding of online duty exemption / refund within 7 days
6) If the online duty exemption / refund not fed within 23 days system will mail such case to CE (Commercial)
7) The entire process to be completed in 30 days. The IT shall develop MIS for above process to circle wise monitoring.
8) In case of Distribution Franchisee area the Consumer will have to submit application in Form “F” alongwith the original duty exemption Certificate to concerned SE Nodal officer who will be responsible to forward the Duty exemption / refund claim to franchisee with 15 days and ensure the effect of ED exemption /Refund in next energy bill. SE Nodal Officer shall also ensure that amount refunded against ED in each month is properly adjusted against amount paid to GoM by franchisee through Power Purchase Invoice.
9) The Electricity refund will be given through IT only and refundable amount will be adjusted against arrears if any or current bills only. In no circumstances the request of the refund in cash may be entertained.

10) It is also observed from the various correspondences that there are various Govt other undertakings who are exempted for levy of Electricity Duty by Act however they are being charged with Electricity Duty for eg. Municipal Corporation, Government connections PWW etc. If the Electricity bill is in the name of Government entity and duty is being charged then such duty exemption and refund cases may also be finalized through online system at Circle level.

All field officers are requested to take necessary action as mentioned above the instruction issued shall be in force with immediate effect.

Encl :- Form “F” Format & Flow Chart for online process

[Signature]
Chief Engineer (Commercial)

Copy s.w.r. to:
The Principal Secretary Energy (GoM) For information please.

Copy s.w.r. to:
1) The Director (Operation) MSEDCL Mumbai.
2) The Director (Finance) MSEDCL, Mumbai.
3) The Executive Director, MSEDCL Mumbai.
4) The Regional Executive Director I,II,III Kalyan/Pune/Nagpur.

Copy f.w.c. to:
The Chief Engineer (Elect) PWD (GoM)

Copy f.w.c. to:
1) The Chief General Manager(IT), MSEDCL, Mumbai.
2) The OSD to MD, MSEDCL, Mumbai
3) All Chief Engineer, O &M Zones, MSEDCL.

Copy to:
All Superintending Engineers O&M Circles

Copy: As per mailing list
Form “F”

Application for exemption or concession under section 3(2)(A)(vii) or 3(2)(b) of the Bombay Electricity Duty Act 1958

1. Name of the applicant
2. Full address
3. Consumer No.
5. Date of Commencement of production
6. Factory Registration No.
   Or
   Shops and Establishment Registration No.
   Or
   Small Scale Industries Registration No.
7. Sanctioned Connected Load
8. Sanctioned Contract Demand
9. Details of applicable tariff
10. Amount of Duty actually paid for
    Duty exemption period.
11. Grounds on which exemption is sought.
12. Name of Sanctioning authority for grant of ED exemption

Signature of applicant

Date:
Place:
Flow Chart of Online ED Exemption & Refund Process

Consumer to make Online application and fill Online information in Form “F” through our website www.mahadiscom.in

On receipt of online application system will generate auto mail to Consumer to submit the original Duty Exemption Certificate with copy to concerned SE O&M Circle

On submission of original Duty Exemption Certificate and other documents mentioned in the Circular, the concerned SE will feed online duty exemption / refund within 15 days

If online duty exemption / refund is not fed within 15 days the system will mail such delay to CE Zone who has to ensure the feeding of online duty exemption / refund within 7 days

If the online duty exemption / refund not fed within 23 days system will mail such case to CE (Commercial) The entire process to be completed in 30 days. The IT will develop MIS for above process to circle wise monitoring.

In case of franchisee area the Consumer will have to submit application in Form “F” alongwith the original duty exemption Certificate to concerned SE Nodal office who will be responsible to forward the Duty exemption / refund claim to franchisee with 15 days and ensure the effect of ED exemption /Refund in next energy bill. He shall also ensure that amount refunded against ED in each month is properly adjusted against amount paid to GoM by franchisee through Power Purchase Invoice.