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No. CEA/DPD/Amendment_Metering Regulations/2016

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Dated 18.08.2016

As per List attached

Subject: Review of Central Electricity Authority (Installation and Operation of meters) Regulations, 2006

Sir.

In accordance with Section 73(e) of Indian Electricity Act, 2003, Central Electricity Authority (Installation and Operation of meters) Regulations were notified in the year 2006. Subsequently, these Regulations have been amended twice, first in the year 2010 and then in 2014. These Regulations are available on the website of CEA i.e. www.cea.nic.in.

In the Amendment dated 2010, the amendments mainly pertained to the Clause on Location of Meters and the Schedule to the said Regulations. Amendment in the year 2014 was limited to inclusion of metering arrangement for generation of energy from renewable energy sources.

As a general practice the Regulations are reviewed every 5 years and accordingly now CEA is in the process of reviewing these Regulations.

In this context, this office has received suggestion regarding deletion of Clause 12(1)(d) on Sealing of Meters

"Only the patented seals (seal from the manufacturer who has official right to manufacture the seal) shall be used."

As per their suggestion, since the number of patented seal manufacturers in the country are very few, utilities face problems in procuring patented meter seals, hence this Clause should be deleted.

Further, as per UDAY scheme notified by Govt. of India in November, 2015, it has been mandated to install Smart Meters at consumer premises with consumption above 200 units per month by December, 2019. On account of this, definitions and other related clauses in respect of Smart Meters and Advanced Metering Infrastructure also need to

be incorporated in CEA Regulations.

Also, one of the Resolutions of the Conference of Power, Renewable Energy and Mines Ministers of States/UTs held at Goa on 16-17th June, 2016 reads as follows:

"The States/UTs resolve to procure only Smart Meters after a cut-off date as may be notified by CEA."

This issue also needs to be deliberated upon and requires a thorough discussion with all the stakeholders.

In view of the above, you are requested to review Central Electricity Authority (Installation and Operation of meters) Regulations, 2006 and its subsequent Amendments at your end and comments on the same may kindly be sent to this office latest by 30th September, 2016. On the basis of the suggestions received, draft Amendment to the said Regulations would be prepared and if considered necessary, the draft Regulations would be discussed in a meeting with participation of representatives from all the major stakeholders before submitting the same for approval of the Authority.

Yours faithfully,

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Chief Engineer