



Before the Appellate Board
National Electric Power Regulatory Authority
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No. NEPRA/Appeal/068/POI/2021/ //34

October 21, 2022

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| 1. Muhammad Touqeer Qureshi,
S/o. Nazir Muhammad Qureshi,
R/o. 311-A, Mehran Block,
Allama Iqbal Town, Lahore | 2. Chief Executive Officer,
LESCO Ltd,
22-A, Queens Road,
Lahore |
| 3. Rana Sardar Ali,
Advocate High Court,
Office No. 56, 5 th Floor,
CM Centre, Fareed Kot Road,
Lahore | 4. A. D. Bhatti,
Advocate High Court,
First Floor, Rehmat Tower,
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| 5. Assistant Manager (Operation),
LESCO Ltd.
Canal Road Sub Division,
6-Mehran Block, A. I. Town,
Lahore | 6. POI/Electric Inspector,
Lahore Region, Energy Department,
Govt. of Punjab, Block No. 1,
Irrigation Complex, Canal Bank,
Dharampura, Lahore |

Subject: Appeal Titled LESCO Vs. Muhammad Touqeer Qureshi Against the Decision Dated 17.12.2020 of the Provincial Office of Inspection to Government of the Punjab Lahore Region, Lahore

Please find enclosed herewith the decision of the Appellate Board dated 19.10.2022, regarding the subject matter, for information and necessary action accordingly.

Encl: As Above


(Ikram Shakeel)
Deputy Director (M&E)/
Appellate Board

Forwarded for information please.

1. Additional Director (IT) –for uploading the decision on NEPRA website



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Before The Appellate Board

In the matter of

Appeal No.068/POI-2021

Lahore Electric Supply Company Limited

.....Appellant

Versus

Muhammad Touqeer Qureshi, S/o Nazir Muhammad Qureshi,
R/o. 311-A, Mehran Block, Allama Iqbal Town, Lahore

.....Respondent

APPEAL UNDER SECTION 38(3) OF REGULATION OF GENERATION, TRANSMISSION, AND DISTRIBUTION OF ELECTRIC POWER ACT, 1997 AGAINST THE DECISION DATED 17.12.2020 PASSED BY THE PROVINCIAL OFFICE OF INSPECTION LAHORE REGION, LAHORE

For the Appellant:

Rana Sardar Ali Advocate
Syed Zain Ali Court Clerk

For the Respondent:

Mr. A.D Bhatti Advocate

DECISION

1. As per facts of the case, Mr. Muhammad Touqeer Qureshi (hereinafter referred to as the “Respondent”) is a domestic consumer of LESCO (hereinafter referred to as the “Appellant”) bearing Ref No.11-11233-1064002 U with a sanctioned load of 2 kW and the applicable tariff category is A-1(a). The Appellant claims that the billing meter of the Respondent was found tampered during the Metering and Testing (M&T) checking dated 09.09.2020. Therefore, a detection bill of Rs.94,885/- for six months for the period from



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March 2020 to August 2020 was charged to the Respondent and added to the bill for September 2020.

2. Being aggrieved, the Respondent filed a complaint before the Provincial Office of Inspection, Lahore Region, Lahore (the "POI") on 19.09.2020 and challenged the above detection bill. The complaint of the Respondent was disposed of by the POI vide decision dated 17.12.2020 in which the detection bill of Rs.94,885/- for six months for the period from March 2020 to August 2020 charged to the Respondent in September 2020 was cancelled.
3. Subject appeal has been filed against the above-referred decision of the POI (hereinafter referred to as the "impugned decision") by the Appellant before the NEPRA.

4. Proceedings by the Appellate Board

Upon filing of the instant appeal, a Notice dated 11.06.2021 was sent to the Respondent for filing reply/para-wise comments to the appeal within ten (10) days, which were filed on 06.07.2021.

5. Hearing

- 5.1 Hearing in the matter of the subject Appeal was fixed for 13.10.2022 at Lahore and accordingly, the notices dated 07.10.2022 were issued to the parties (i.e. the Appellant and the Respondent) to attend the hearing. As per schedule, the hearing of the appeal was conducted at the NEPRA Regional Office Lahore on 13.10.2022 in which learned counsels appeared for both the Appellant and the Respondent. At the outset of the



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hearing, learned counsel for the Appellant declared that the matter of the disputed bill was amicably settled between the parties and the Appellant does not intend to press this Appeal anymore. Learned counsel for the Appellant submitted a written application dated 30.04.2020 for the withdrawal of the appeal. Learned counsel for the Respondent seconded the statement of the learned counsel for the Appellant regarding the amicable settlement between the parties.

6. In view of the above, the appeal is disposed of as withdrawn.

Syed Zawar Haider
Member

Muhammad Irfan-ul-Haq
Member

Abid Hussain
Convener

Dated: 18/10/2022.