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Consumer Affairs Department

POL.05/468-2024 April 03, 2024

Chief Executive Officer, Lahore Electric Supply Company (LESCO), 22-A, Queens Road, <u>Lahore.</u>

Subject: DECISION IN THE MATTER OF COMPLAINT FILED BY MR. MUHAMMAD AMIR RASHEED S/O MUHAMMAD RASHEED UNDER SECTION 39 OF THE REGULATION OF GENERATION, TRANSMISSION AND DISTRIBUTION OF ELECTRIC POWER ACT, 1997 AGAINST LESCO REGARDING EXCESSIVE BILLING (REF# 45 11734 0974900 U) Case No. LESCO-LHR-24716-05-23

Please find enclosed herewith the decision of the NEPRA, dated April 03, 2024 regarding the subject matter for necessary action and compliance within fifteen (15) days, positively.

Encl: As above

Copy to:

- 1. C.E/Customer Services Director LESCO, 22-A, Queens Road, <u>Lahore.</u>
- Rana Rizwan Sibghat Ullah, Manager/Incharge Central Complaint Cell LESCO, (Focal Person, NEPRA) LESCO, 22-A, Queens Road, <u>Lahore</u>.
- 3. S.E Kasur Circle LESCO, Kaim Kam Road, Wapda Complex, <u>Kasur</u>.
- 4. XEN Chunian, LESCO WAPDA Colony, Changa Manga Lahore, <u>Chunian</u>.
- Mr. Muhammad Amir Rasheed S/O Muhammad Rasheed R/O Burj Run Singh, Talwandi Adda, Haji Sharif Electric Store, Adda Talwandi, Tehsil Chunian, District <u>Kaşur.</u> <u>Cell# 0300-4215697/ 0301-6819262</u>





BEFORE THE NATIONAL ELECTRIC POWER REGULATORY AUTHORITY (NEPRA)

Complaint No. LESCO-LHR-24716-05-23

Mr. Muhammad Amir Rasheed, R/O Burj Run Singh, Talwandi Adda, Haji Sharif Electric Store, Adda Talwandi, Tehsil Chunian, District <u>Kasur.</u> <u>Cell# 0300-4215697/ 0301-6819262</u>

Versus

Lahore Electric Supply Company (LESCO) 22-A, Queens Road, Lahore. Respondent

..... Complainant

Date of Hearing: March 21, 2024 On behalf of: Complainant: Mr. Muhammad Ilyas

Respondent: Mr. Abdul Rasheed, SDO, LESCO Mr. Adeem Ur Rehman, RO, LESCO

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DECISION

This decision shall dispose of the complaint filed by Mr. Muhammad Amir (hereinafter referred to as "the Complainant") against Lahore Electric Supply Company Limited (hereinafter referred to as the "Respondent" or "LESCO"), under Section 39 of the Regulation of Generation, Transmission and Distribution of Electric Power Act, 1997 (hereinafter referred to as the "NEPRA Act").

The Complainant in his complaint submitted that LESCO has charged him 2. excessive bills as compared to actual meter reading at site. Accordingly, the matter was taken up with LESCO and a hearing was held on March 21, 2024 at NEPRA Provincial Office, Lahore. The hearing was attended by both the parties (i.e., LESCO and the Complainant) wherein the matter was discussed in detail. During the hearing, it was revealed that the Complainant was being charged with excessive billing since long. The Complainant was charged upto 34706 kWh, Off-peak & 10988 kWh, peak reading index upto the month of February, 2024 whereas the actual meter reading as per snap taken on February 29, 2024 was 32606 kWh, Off-peak & 5829 kWh, peak which shows that the Complainant was charged 2100 kWh, (Off-peak) and 5159 units (Peak), units excessively. Clause-6.1 of Consumer Service Manual (CSM) provides mechanism of meter reading and according to Clause 6.1.3 of CSM taking snapshot of meter reading is mandatory. Moreover, Clause-6.2 envisages the procedure of percentage checking to ensure accuracy of meter reading. Sanctioned load of the Complainant is 5.6 kW, therefore, Meter Reader and the Meter Reading Section Supervisor/LS are responsible for meter reading and percentage checking respectively. In the instant case meter reader provided legible snaps of meter reading to concerned sub division, however, excessive billing was made during the process of data entry. Sub Divisional Officer (SDO/AMO) and Meter Reading Section Supervisor/LS are responsible to ensure feeding of correct readings for issuance of Page 1 of 2 LESCO-LHR-24716-05-23

was charged excessive billing due to sheer negligence of meter reading section superviser/LS and concerned SDO.

3. مندرجہ بالا محاکّ کے بیش نظر، نیکو کو بدایت کی جاتی ہے کہ دہ الکے بلکہ مائیل تک اصل میزریڈ تک تسویر کے معالی خلایت کندہ کے لم کی تھی کرے اور اس کے معالی خلایت کندہ کے لم کی تھی کرد اس کے معالی اور کا لی کو تھی کر اس کر دیڈ تک معالی خلاف کے معالی خلاف کے معالی خلاف کے معالی خلاف کی تعلق معالی کی معالی خلاف کی تعلق معالی کی معالی معالی کر حکم کے اس کے معالی معالی کر حکم کے اس کے معالی معالی کر حکم کے اس کر بیڈ تک معالی معالی معالی معالی معالی کر حکم کر معالی خلاف کے معالی خلاف کے معالی معالی معالی معالی محکم کر معالی کر معالی کر معالی کر حکم کے معالی معالی معالی معالی معالی معالی کر حکم کر معالی کر معالی کر حکم کر معالی کر معالی کر معالی معالی کر معالی معالی کر حکم کر معالی کر حکم کر معالی معالی کر حکم معالی کر حکم کر معالی کر حکم کر معالی معالی کر حکم کر معالی کر حکم کر معالی کر حکم کر معالی کر حکم کر حکم کر معالی کر حکم کر حکم کر معالی کر حکم کر حکم کر حکم کر معالی کر حکم ک معالی کر حکم کر جار معالی کر حکم کر حکم کر جار کر کر حکم ک حکم کر حکم کر حکم کر حکم کر حکم کرد حکم کر حکم کرد حکم کر حکم کر

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