In exercise of powers conferred on it by clause (g) of sub-section (1) of Section 86 of the Electricity Act 2003 (Act 36 of 2003) and all powers enabling it in that behalf, the Tamil Nadu Electricity Regulatory Commission hereby makes the following regulations. These regulations supersede "Tamil Nadu Electricity Regulatory Commission – Fees and Fines Regulations, 2002" published in notification No. TNERC/Regulations/F&F/4/1 dated 25-9-2002 in the Gazette dated October 9, 2002 of Government of Tamil Nadu.

1  (i) These Regulations may be called the "Tamil Nadu Electricity Regulatory Commission – Fees and Fines Regulations, 2004".

   (ii) They shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Tamil Nadu Government Gazette.

2  In these Regulations, the words or expressions shall bear the same meaning as in the Electricity Act 2003 or the other regulations published by the Commission.

3  (i) Every petition, application or grievance made to the Commission shall be made by payment of the appropriate fees specified in the schedule to these regulations.

   (ii) The fees or the fines payable to the Commission as prescribed under these regulations or Conduct of Business Regulations shall normally be paid by means of bank draft or Banker’s cheque, drawn in favor of the Secretary, Tamil Nadu Electricity Regulatory Commission, payable at Chennai. For amounts not exceeding Rs 500, Secretary may accept cash payments. Licensees may be permitted to issue cheques, payable at Chennai.

   (iii) The payments received as above by the Secretary of the Commission shall be deposited in a Bank Account to be maintained by the Commission in such branches as the Commission may direct from time to time.
(iv) The Commission shall be entitled to add, amend, alter or waive the amounts of fees or fines payable as provided in these regulations by an order to be made in this regard.

4 For purposes of convenience and the knowledge of public, the petitions presented before the Commission shall be categorized as follows:

(i) Petitions for Licensing to be registered as TNERC- LP No.. of ……

(ii) Tariff petitions to be registered as TNERC - TP No., … of ……

(iii) Dispute Resolution Petition to be registered as TNERC- DRP No…… of …

(iv) Review petition to be registered as TNERC- RP No… of ….

(v) Miscellaneous petition to be registered as TNERC- MP No.. of….

(vi) Consumer grievances about utility or general nature and not falling under Miscellaneous petition – to be treated as normal office disposal

5 The fees payable to State Load Dispatch Centre by the Generating Companies and Licensees engaged in Intra State Transmission of electricity as stipulated under sub-section (3) of section 32 of the Act shall be decided by the Commission from time to time.

6 The fee structure for (a) determination of grid, bulk or retail tariff (b) transmission tariff and review petitions on these tariff (c) petitions/ applications for approval of power purchase or procurement process and (d) Miscellaneous are furnished under this section

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Categories of Petitions, Applications etc.,

Fees payable to State Load Despatch Centre

Fees for Tariff petitions including Power Purchase Agreements and Miscellaneous
7 For various offences, non-compliances of the Act provisions, directions of the Commission, etc. the fines and penalties shall be governed by the respective provisions in the Act and Conduct of Business Regulations.

8 The fees to be paid for an appeal petition against the orders of the Assessing Officer under sub-section (1) of section 127 of the Act shall be separately specified by the Commission.

9 As stipulated in sub-section (2) under Section 180 of the Act, the Licence fee for various licences shall be payable at the rates prescribed by the Government of Tamil Nadu.

(By order of the Tamil Nadu Electricity Regulatory Commission)

R.BALASUBRAMANIAN
SECRETARY