Bhopal Dated: 28th January 2006

No. 301-MPERC-2006 – In exercise of powers conferred by section 43 (1) read with section 181 (t), section 44, section 46 read with section 181 (1), section 47 (1) read with section 181 (v), section 47 (4) read with section 181 (w), section 47 (2, 3, and 5), section 48 (b), section 50 read with section 181(2x) and section 56 of the Electricity Act 2003 (No. 36 of 2003), section 9 (j) of Madhya Pradesh Vidyut Sudhar Adhiniyam 2000 (No 4 of 2001), the Madhya Pradesh Electricity Regulatory Commission makes the following addendum in the M.P. Electricity Supply Code, 2004 notified vide No.861-MPERC/04 dated 27th March, 2004.

FIFTH AMENDMENT TO MADHYA PRADESH ELECTRICITY SUPPLY CODE 2004

1. Short Title and Commencement

- (i) This code may be called the "Madhya Pradesh Electricity Supply Code 2004 (Fifth Amendment) (AG-1(v) of 2006)".
- (ii) This code shall come into force with effect from the date of its publication in the official gazette.
- (iii) This code shall extend to the entire State of Madhya Pradesh.

2. Amendment to Regulation 2:

In the Madhya Pradesh Electricity Supply Code 2004 hereinafter called the Principal Code, at the end of sub-clause 2.1 (d) following definition shall be inserted, namely:

"2.1 (d) (i) "Authorized load" is a term used for domestic category of LT consumers (which shall be expressed in multiples of 0.5KW) based on a consumption of 75 units per half kilo watt per month".

3. Amendment to Regulation 7:

(i) In the Principal Code, **before clause 7.1** for the title "LT Consumers without Maximum Demand (MD) based (two part) tariff" the following title shall be substituted, namely:

"LT Consumers (without Maximum Demand (MD) based (two part) tariff)".

- (ii) In the Principal Code, in clause 7.1 the following para shall be substituted, namely:
- "7.1 The Contract Demand for LT consumers without MD based (two part) tariff will be the connected load of the premises as per the agreement entered into between the Consumer and the Licensee for consumers other than Domestic consumers

In case of Domestic consumers the load shall be expressed as "authorized load" and the agreement shall be executed accordingly. The authorized load shall be only in multiples of 0.5 KW (500 Watts) and shall be sanctioned so initially by the distribution licensee on application of consumer for new connection. Minimum authorized load for domestic connections shall be 0.5 KW. One KW of authorized load will be equated to a consumption of 150 units and half KW with 75 units per month or part.

The above arrangement will provide relief to the consumers who find it irksome to have their domestic premises frequently inspected by the licensee's staff to verify the connected load. This shall also facilitate the licensee in estimating the load on the system and basing his power procurement plan accordingly. Another benefit of the above arrangement is that the licensee shall be in a position to ascertain the

need for a three phase connection in place of a single phase connection when the consumption pattern of the consumer indicates a higher authorized load beyond the specified limit. The licensee will ensure that a three phase meter of appropriate specifications is provided in all such consumer premises where the authorized load qualifies for the same. However the consumer will have the right to ask for a three phase connection even if the consumption is not qualifying for a three phase connection.

A consumer with a higher authorized load can ask for reduction in authorized load if he is able to show that his consumption during the preceding 6 months justifies the lower limit. The licensee shall be required to take a decision on the application of the consumer within 60 days on receipt of application.

For the existing connections which have consumption higher than the sanctioned load, the licensee shall be required to verify from the consumption record and take appropriate action to revise the authorized load and provide appropriate connection and meter.

Even though the Act requires all connections to be metered, there are some unmetered connections and the licensee has been given some time to fix meters. Till then, these un-metered connections (domestic) will be assumed to be having one KW of authorized load and will be billed accordingly."

By order of the Commission

Ashok Sharma, Deputy Secretary