

# **PUNJAB STATE ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION**

## **Amendments in Supply Code, 2014**

### **STAFF PAPER**

The Punjab State Electricity Regulatory Commission in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 181 read with Sections 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 50, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 126, 127, 135, 152, 154 & 163 of the Electricity Act, 2003 (Central Act 36 of 2003) read with Electricity (Amendment) Act, 2007 (No. 26 of 2007) and all other powers enabling it in this behalf and in compliance of Electricity (Removal of Difficulties) Order, 2005, issued by the Ministry of Power, Government of India bearing No.S.O.790 (E) dated 8<sup>th</sup> June 2005, notified the Punjab State Electricity Regulatory Commission (Electricity Supply Code and Related Matters) Regulations, 2014 vide notification dated 5<sup>th</sup> November, 2014 (hereinafter referred to as Principal Regulations). The first amendment to the Principal Regulations was issued vide notification no. PSERC/Secy./Regu. 114 dated 22.06.2016, second amendment to the Principal Regulations was issued vide notification no. PSERC/Secy./Regu.116 dated 05.10.2016, third amendment to the Principal Regulations was issued vide notification no. PSERC/Secy./Regu. 119 dated 21.03.2017 and the fourth amendment to the Principal Regulations was issued vide notification no. PSERC/Secy./Regu. 125 dated 17.05.2018.

In terms of provisions of Regulation 3.1 of the Punjab State Electricity Regulatory Commission (Electricity Supply Code and Related Matters) Regulations, 2014, the Commission constituted the Supply Code Review Panel to consider views of the licensee(s), consumers and other stakeholders regarding implementation of the Supply Code and to recommend amendments in the Supply Code, wherever required. The proposals, as received from PSPCL for amendments in the Supply Code were considered by the Review Panel in its meetings held on 09.07.2018 & 09.10.2018. The Review Panel recommended some amendments in Supply Code, 2014 to the Commission.

The Commission after examination of the recommendations of the Review Panel and also the provisions of the Supply Code, 2014, now intends to amend some existing provisions of the Supply Code, 2014. The comments/suggestions/objections from all the stakeholders are solicited under sub-section (3) of section 181 of the Electricity Act, 2003 read with Rule 3 of the Electricity (procedure for Previous Publication) Rules, 2005 on the proposed amendments in Supply Code, 2014, which are placed at Annexure A.