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Statutory Rules and Orders (Other than those published in Parts I, I-A and I-L) made by Statutory Authorities other than the Government of Gujarat including those made by the Government of India, the High Courts, the Director of Municipalities, the Commissioner of Police, the Director of Prohibition and Excise, the District Magistrates and the Election Commission, Election Tribunals, Returning Officers and other authorities under the Election Commission.

GUJARAT ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION (GERC)

GANDHINAGAR

Gujarat Electricity Regulatory Commission (Security Deposit) (Third Amendment) Regulations, 2023

NOTIFICATION NO. 04 OF 2023

In exercise of the powers conferred under Section 47 and Section 181 (2) (v) and (w) of the Electricity Act, 2003 (Act 36 of 2003), read with Clause 5.3 of the Gujarat Electricity Regulatory Commission (Security Deposit) Regulations, 2005, the Gujarat Electricity Regulatory Commission hereby amends the Security Deposit Regulations, 2005 (Notification No.8 of 2005) (The Principal Regulations).

1. Short Title, Scope Extent and Commencement

- 1.1 These Regulations shall be called the Gujarat Electricity Regulatory Commission (Security Deposit) (Third Amendment) Regulations, 2023.
- 1.2 These Regulations extend to the whole of the State of Gujarat.
- 1.3 These Regulations shall come into force from the date of their notification in the *Official Gazette*.

2. Amendment in Chapter 2 of the Principal Regulations

I. Clause 2.1 (m) of the Principal Regulations shall be substituted as under:

“Temporary Service” means supply of electricity will be given initially for a period not exceeding twelve months' subject to review for further extension in accordance with the classifications of installation for purpose of permanent supply.”

3. Amendment in Chapter 4 of the Principal Regulations

I. Clause 4.11 of the Principal Regulations shall be substituted as under:

4.11 The licensee shall pay interest on Security Deposit of consumer other than Security Deposit received from Temporary Consumer for the electricity supplied, at the Bank Rate (as on 1st April of every year) notified by Reserve Bank of India or such higher rate as may be fixed by the Commission from time to time. The interest accrued to the credit of the consumer during the previous year shall be adjusted in electricity bills of May of every year for consumers covered under the monthly billing cycle and in electricity bill of May or June for those covered under bi monthly billing cycles.

II. Clause 4.14 of the Principal Regulations shall be substituted as under:

4.14 The Licensee, on termination of the agreement by either party shall refund Security Deposit after adjustment of dues, if any within 7 days.

Place : Gandhinagar

Date : 05/12/2023

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Secretary.

