PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF SRI LANKA

# DECISION ON UNIFORM NATIONAL TARIFF ADJUSTMENT

For the period of 1<sup>st</sup> October 2015 to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2015

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In exercising functions vested with the Public Utilities Commission of Sri Lanka ("the Commission") under section 3(d) of the Sri Lanka Electricity Act No 20 of 2009 (the "Act") "to regulate tariffs and other charges levied by licensees and other electricity undertakings, in order to ensure that the most economical and efficient service possible is provided to consumers".

In accordance with Section 30(2) (a) of the Act, the Commission, on 15<sup>th</sup> July 2010, approved a costreflective Methodology for Tariffs ("the methodology"), amended on 15<sup>th</sup> October 2015 and subsequently issued the methodology to the transmission licensee (TL) and to each distribution licensee (DL).

In accordance with the Section 5.2.2 of the amended methodology, uniform national tariff (UNT) adjustment shall be estimated and communicated by the Commission to the transmission licensee for each three-month period. The adjustment amount shall be credited/debited to each distribution licensee in the next invoicing immediately after the Commission approval.

The commission hereby approves the UNT adjustment for the period of 1<sup>st</sup> October 2015 to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2015, and directs the transmission licensee to credit/debit to each distribution licensee in the next invoice.

## List of Acronyms

| BST  | Bulk Supply Tariffs                                       |  |  |  |
|------|-----------------------------------------------------------|--|--|--|
| DL   | Distribution Licensee: Ceylon Electricity Board and Lanka |  |  |  |
|      | Electricity Company (Pvt) Ltd                             |  |  |  |
| DL1  | Distribution and Supply Licensee for CEB Distribution     |  |  |  |
|      | Region 1 holding license number EL/D/09-003               |  |  |  |
| DL2  | Distribution and Supply Licensee for CEB Distribution     |  |  |  |
|      | Region 2 holding license number EL/D/09-004               |  |  |  |
| DL3  | Distribution and Supply Licensee for CEB Distribution     |  |  |  |
|      | Region 3 holding license number EL/D/09-005               |  |  |  |
| DL4  | Distribution and Supply Licensee for CEB Distribution     |  |  |  |
|      | Region 4 holding license number EL/D/09-006               |  |  |  |
| DL5  | Distribution and Supply Licensee LECO holding license     |  |  |  |
|      | number EL/D/09-052                                        |  |  |  |
| kVA  | kilovolt ampere                                           |  |  |  |
| LECO | Lanka Electricity Company (Pvt) Ltd.                      |  |  |  |
| LKR  | Sri Lanka Rupee                                           |  |  |  |
| MWh  | Megawatt hour                                             |  |  |  |
| TL   | Transmission and Bulk Supply Licensee holding License     |  |  |  |

## **1. SALES REVENUE OF DISTRIBUTION LICENSEES**

Sales revenue of each distribution licensee is the actual revenue collected for the period of October to December 2015 as per the approved end-user tariffs. A breakdown of licensee-wise sales revenue is shown in the table 1 below.

|     | Fixed charge<br>(LKR Million) | Max. Demand<br>charge<br>(LKR Million) | Energy charge<br>(LKR Million) | Total<br>(LKR Million) |
|-----|-------------------------------|----------------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------|
| DL1 | 813                           | 1,418                                  | 12,326                         | 14,557                 |
| DL2 | 955                           | 1,559                                  | 11,232                         | 13,746                 |
| DL3 | 523                           | 830                                    | 6,238                          | 7,591                  |
| DL4 | 464                           | 584                                    | 5,058                          | 6,106                  |
| DL5 | 401                           | 511                                    | 5,736                          | 6,648                  |

#### Table 1 – SALES REVENUE OF EACH LICENSEE

### 2. COST OF SALES

#### **2.1 CAPACITY PAYMENT**

Capacity payment of the distribution licensee is the payment to coincidental maximum demand (total of the three monthly readings), calculated as per the capacity charge given in table 10 under Section 6 of *DECISION ON TRANSMISSION AND BULK SUPPLY TARIFFS* effective from 1<sup>st</sup> July 2015. Licensee-wise capacity payments for the period of October to December 2015 are shown in the table 2 below.

#### Table 2 – CAPACITY PAYMENT TO TRANSMISSION LICENSEE

|     | Capacity purchased<br>(MW) | Demand<br>Charge(LKR/MW) | Capacity<br>payment<br>(LKR Millions) |
|-----|----------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| DL1 | 1,698                      | 2,713,469.00             | 4,608                                 |
| DL2 | 1,935                      | 2,713,469.00             | 5,251                                 |
| DL3 | 1,019                      | 2,713,469.00             | 2,765                                 |
| DL4 | 882                        | 2,713,469.00             | 2,395                                 |
| DL5 | 693                        | 2,713,469.00             | 1,880                                 |

#### **2.2 ENERGY PAYMENT**

Energy payment is paid to the transmission licensees for the energy purchased by the distribution licensee (total for the three months). Relevant bulk supply tariffs are given in table 12 under Section 7 of *DECISION ON TRANSMISSION AND BULK SUPPLY TARIFFS* effective from 1<sup>st</sup> July 2015. Energy payments for the period of October to December 2015 are shown in the table 3 below.

|     | Energy purchased (MWh) |         |          | Bulk Supply Tariff<br>(LKR/kWh) |       |          | Energy payment<br>invoice (LKR |
|-----|------------------------|---------|----------|---------------------------------|-------|----------|--------------------------------|
|     | Day                    | Peak    | Off-peak | Day                             | Peak  | Off-peak | Million)                       |
| DL1 | 544,551                | 173,698 | 182,498  | 8.71                            | 10.98 | 6.48     | 7,833                          |
| DL2 | 581,332                | 207,874 | 222,721  | 6.40                            | 8.07  | 4.76     | 6,458                          |
| DL3 | 321,286                | 119,189 | 94,983   | 5.82                            | 7.34  | 4.33     | 3,156                          |
| DL4 | 247,714                | 94,331  | 93,465   | 6.40                            | 8.07  | 4.76     | 2,792                          |
| DL5 | 215,137                | 70,965  | 80,163   | 10.73                           | 13.52 | 7.97     | 3,907                          |

#### Table 3 – ENERGY PAYMENT TO TRANSMISSION LICENSEE

#### **2.3 ADJUSTMENT TO ENERGY PURCHASES**

Invoiced purchases are reverse adjusted to get to the actual energy transferred to the distribution licensees (to adjust for energy transferred through DL2, DL3 and DL4 for DL5). Adjusted actual energy transferred for the period of October to December 2015 is shown in the table 4 below.

#### Table 4 – ADJUSTED ACTUAL PURCHASES

|     | Invoiced<br>purchases<br>(MWh) | Adjusted actual<br>purchases<br>(MWh) |
|-----|--------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| DL1 | 900,747                        | 900,747                               |
| DL2 | 1,011,927                      | 1,014,482                             |
| DL3 | 535,458                        | 537,222                               |
| DL4 | 435,509                        | 438,345                               |
| DL5 | 366,264                        | 359,110                               |

#### **2.4 ACTUAL LOSS OF DISTRIBUTION LICENSEES**

Actual loss is derived from actual sales deducting actual purchases and street lamp consumption allowed for the period. Actual loss of each distribution licensee is shown in the table 5 below.

|     | Actual sales<br>(MWh) | Actual purchases<br>(MWh) | Street lamp<br>allowed for the<br>period (MWh) | Actual loss |
|-----|-----------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| DL1 | 810,341               | 900,747                   | 10,433                                         | 8.9%        |
| DL2 | 914,483               | 1,014,482                 | 12,099                                         | 8.7%        |
| DL3 | 499,633               | 537,222                   | 3,277                                          | 6.4%        |
| DL4 | 385,169               | 438,345                   | 4,812                                          | 11.0%       |
| DL5 | 346,974               | 359,110                   | 6,776                                          | 1.5%        |

#### Table 5 – ACTUAL LOSS OF DISTRIBUTION LICENSEES

#### **2.5 LOSS ADJUSTMENT TO ENERGY INVOICE**

An adjustment to the energy invoice is done for any variance between distribution loss allowed and actual distribution loss. Adjusted invoice values are shown in the table 6 below.

#### Table 6 – LOSS ADJUSTED ENERGY INVOICE

|     | Energy payment<br>invoice<br>(LKR Million) | Allowed loss | Actual loss | Loss adjusted energy invoice (LKR Million) |
|-----|--------------------------------------------|--------------|-------------|--------------------------------------------|
| DL1 | 7,833                                      | 8.2%         | 8.9%        | 7,775                                      |
| DL2 | 6,458                                      | 10.0%        | 8.7%        | 6,554                                      |
| DL3 | 3,156                                      | 8.2%         | 6.4%        | 3,218                                      |
| DL4 | 2,792                                      | 8.6%         | 11.0%       | 2,717                                      |
| DL5 | 3,907                                      | 5.0%         | 1.5%        | 4,051                                      |

## 3. ALLOWED REVENUE

A quarter of the total allowed revenue as per the *DECISION ON TRANSMISSION AND BULK SUPPLY TARIFFS,* effective from 1<sup>st</sup> July 2015 is considered in UNT adjustment calculation. Relevant data is shown in the table 7 below.

| _   | Annual Allowed<br>revenue (wires)<br>(LKR Million) | Annual Retail<br>service price cap<br>(LKR/annum/cust) | Actual customers<br>average for<br>three months | Total allowed<br>revenue per<br>annum (LKR<br>Million) | Allowed<br>revenue for<br>the period<br>(LKR Million) |
|-----|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|
| DL1 | 8,066                                              | 527.98                                                 | 1,399,935                                       | 8,805                                                  | 2,201                                                 |
| DL2 | 8,654                                              | 663.11                                                 | 1,936,251                                       | 9,938                                                  | 2,484                                                 |
| DL3 | 4,609                                              | 488.66                                                 | 1,140,251                                       | 5,166                                                  | 1,292                                                 |
| DL4 | 3,719                                              | 530.90                                                 | 961,417                                         | 4,230                                                  | 1,057                                                 |
| DL5 | 2,703                                              | 725.44                                                 | 536,058                                         | 3,092                                                  | 773                                                   |

#### Table 7 – ALLOWED REVENUE FOR THE PERIOD

## 4. UNIFORM NATIONAL TARIFF ADJUSTMENT (UNT ADJUSTMENT)

As per the Section 5.2.2 *EX-POST CALCULATION OF COMPENSATION,* of *Decision Document on Tariff Methodology*, the UNT adjustment is calculated for the period of 1<sup>st</sup> October 2015 to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2015, as shown in the table 8 below.

#### Table 8 – UNT ADJUSTMENT

| ltem (LKR)      | DL1                | DL2                | DL3                | DL4                | DL5                |
|-----------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Total           | 14,557,327,935.95  | 13,746,111,724.50  | 7,590,875,594.55   | 6,105,949,552.95   | 6,647,609,632.91   |
| revenue         |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |
| (Capacity       | (4,607,950,646.01) | (5,251,433,538.55) | (2,764,742,710.22) | (2,394,614,684.75) | (1,880,200,658.67) |
| payment)        |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |
| (adjusted       | (7,774,936,464.16) | (6,554,055,905.21) | (3,218,337,811.99) | (2,717,196,180.59) | (4,050,996,800.37) |
| energy          |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |
| invoice)        |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |
| (allowed        | (2,201,219,544.14) | (2,484,383,283.39) | (1,291,587,327.61) | (1,057,471,673.88) | (772,930,256.79)   |
| revenue)        |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |
| UNT             | (26,778,718.36)    | (543,761,002.65)   | 316,207,744.72     | (63,332,986.28)    | (56,518,082.92)    |
| adjustment<br>* |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |

\*Positive adjustment refers to fund transfer from DL to TL and vice versa.