

KERALA STATE ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION
THIRUVANANTHAPURAM

Present: Shri. Preman Dinaraj

IA.No. 10/2020

In the matter of : Condonation of delay in filing Truing Up petition of 2018-19

Petitioner : M/s Rubber Park India Private Limited

Order dated 18-11-2020

1. Instant petition is for condoning the delay in filing the Truing up petition for the year 2018-19 by M/s Rubber Park India Private Limited. As per Regulation 10(2) of the KSERC (Terms and conditions for determination of Tariff) Regulations 2018, the petition for Truing Up for 2018-19 is to be filed by the licensee on or before 30- 11- 2019. The petitioner states that the delay occurred on account of the following reasons:
 - a) The ARR&ERC Order of the licensee for the MYT period 2018-19 to 2021- 22 was issued 08-11-2019 and the licensee has filed review petition on this Order. The Commission issued the Order on the review petition on 24-04- 2020.
 - b) Due to the outbreak of COVID-19 pandemic and consequent lockdown, the office was closed till 31st April and thereafter the company was working with limited staff only after the lifting of lock down. Also the company was totally closed during different occasions due to the spread of Covid 19.
 - c) The staffs who are preparing the Truing Up petitions were under home quarantine for more than two weeks. This also contributed to the delay in filing the petition.
2. The Commission examined the matter and the reasons given by the licensee for condoning the delay. As per the provisions of the Regulation, the petition for Truing Up for 2018-19 is to be filed by 30-11-2019. The Commission vide letter dated 09- 09-2020 had directed all licensees to file pending Truing Up petition by 15- 10- 2020. Based on the same the licensee filed the Truing Up petition and Condonation of delay petition vide letter dated 12-11-2020.
3. The Commission examined the reasons furnished by the licensee. There is a delay

of 11 ½ months in filing the petition. It is to be noted that the ARR&ERC Order for the licensee for the control period was issued only on 08-11-2019. Though the same may not explain the complete delay, the Commission after considering the matters relating to lockdown, is of the view that the delay can be condoned.

Orders of the Commission

4. After considering the matter in detail, the Commission hereby condones the delay of 11 ½ months in the filing and admit the petition on Truing up of Accounts for 2018-19 of the licensee for further processing. Issue notice to the petitioner.

Sd/-

**Preman Dinaraj
Chairman**

Approved for Issue

Sd/-

Secretary (i/c)