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Sub – Comments on the Proposed Power Tariff for 2012-2013 invited latest by 16th July 2012

All Chapter Chairmen IIA / CEC Members,

Dear Sir(s),

You might have seen Public Notice issued by UPPCL giving details of proposed hike in Electricity Tariff for 2012-13. The detailed proposal can be accessed at http://www.uppcl.org/uppcllink/documents/07072012050718pressnote_eng.pdf in English and at http://www.uppcl.org/uppcllink/documents/07072012051232Press_hindi.pdf in Hindi.

It will be seen from this that for Small & Medium Power (LMV-6) Fixed Charges and Minimum Charges are proposed to be increased by 100% & 60 % respectively. Energy Charges are proposed to be increased from 25 % - 50%.

The hike in Electricity Tariff for Industrial Consumers in the proposals is very high and may adversely affect the operational viability of the Industries in U.P. This is a matter of concern when availability and quality of power supply is erratic. When there is no guaranteed supply of contracted/sanctioned power, recovering minimum charges from Small & Medium Power Consumers is not justified and IIA had been objecting to it since long.

As we know, the Accounts of different DISCOMs and UPPCL have not been audited since 2008-09. In absence of audited accounts, as per provisions of Electricity Act, 2003, ARRs should have not been accepted by the UPERC.

While we are studying the details to workout IIAs objections to the proposed tariff, we would need your urgent feed back to consolidate the objections well before the public hearings and submit these to UPERC before 23rd July 2012.

You are therefore advised to organize the Chapter Meetings and call for the comments of all IIA Members immediately and send these to IIA Head Office latest by 16th July 2012 positively. We will compile the objections and send these back to all IIA Chapters for taking up in the regional Hearing Sessions of UPERC as well as for highlighting in the Media.

With kind regards,

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