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To

The Chairman,  
TSERC, 11-4-660, V Floor,  
Singareni Bhavan, Red Hills,  
Hyderabad-04

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Dear Sir,

Sub: Revision of Tariff Category from LT-II to LT VI-B

On behalf of WaterHealth India Private Limited (WHIN), the following representation is being made before your authority with reference to the above mentioned subject:

We are a Company incorporated under the Companies Act, 1956 having registered office at Hyderabad. We are engaged in the activity of constructing and operating Community Water Systems (CWSs) also known as WaterHealth Centers (WHCs) which provide safe and potable drinking water to underserved communities in the rural, peri-urban and urban areas of India (which do not have access to pure and safe drinking water) using six stage purifications process including Ultra-Violet (UV) and Reverse Osmosis (RO) technologies to treat raw water. Currently WHIN has installed over 500 CWS in India which are located in the states of Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, Karnataka, Gujarat and Delhi.

WHIN executes Community Water System agreements with Panchayats and Municipalities (Local bodies) wherein the local bodies provide land, an appropriate (perennial) raw water source and an electricity connection of adequate load to WHIN for setting-up the CWS on BOT (Built, Operate and Transfer) model for the supply of purified drinking water to the community and collects nominal purification charges/user fees for the duration of the concession period agreed upon between the parties at the end of which the CWS is transferred to the local body.

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The Agreements envisage construction of the CWS by WHIN for the benefit of the village communities without any investment or contribution by the Panchayats by way of capital expenditure.

The Agreements also envisage that the application for obtaining electricity service connection of adequate load for operating the CWS shall be made by the respective Panchayats as the project is being executed for the collective benefit of the respective communities. However, it is agreed between the parties that the initial security deposit and the monthly electricity consumption charges would be borne by WHIN.

We would like to bring to your notice that the electricity service connections at most of the WHCs in the state of Telangana are being categorized under LT-II Commercial though electricity is not being used for commercial purpose at these WHCs but for the general benefit of the villagers of around fifty-eight communities in the state of Telangana in order to provide clean drinking water. Kindly take into consideration the fact that WHIN is only discharging the statutory obligation on behalf of the Gram Panchayats by providing clean drinking water to the local villagers which has also been emphasized by the Government of Telangana vide G.O.Ms.No.63 dated 14.08.2015.

The activity undertaken by WHIN on behalf of the Gram Panchayats is in the nature of PWS and therefore, we should be categorized under LT-VI (B) and charged @ Rs.5/- per unit instead of the present rate under LT-II.

We also understand that at the request of the R.O. Plant Owners Association, the Regulatory Commission was pleased to direct the department to consider placing the R.O. plants under LT-III category and it appears that the same has been considered favorably. However, these are plants which are operating on commercial basis while the subject CWSs are being operated by WHIN for the welfare of the local villagers.

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Through this letter, we have attempted to bring the essential facts of our case to your kind attention so that you would be able to consider the matter favourably and issue appropriate orders.

In view of the above, we request your authority to kindly re-categorize the service connections at various WHCs in the State being operated by WHIN which are presently under LT-II category to LT-VI B in the interest of the health and welfare of the communities.

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