



Before the Appellate Board
National Electric Power Regulatory Authority
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No. NEPRA/Appeal/006/2025/ 873

September 24, 2025

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| 1. M/s. Oasis Golf & Aqua Resort (Pvt.) Limited,
Through its Manager,
Mr. Muhamamd Khalid Faizan Farooqi,
Situated at 42-Main Multan Road,
Opposite Honda Cars, Lahore
Cell No. 0300-9234912 | 2. Chief Executive Officer,
LESCO Ltd,
22-A, Queens Road,
Lahore |
| 3. Saeed Ahmed Bhatti,
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| 5. Assistant Manager (Operation),
LESCO Ltd,
Sarfranz Nagar Sub Division,
Kasur
Cell No. 0370-4991741 | 6. POI/Electric Inspector,
Lahore Region-II,
Energy Department, Govt. of Punjab,
342-B, Near Allah Hoo Chowk,
Johar Town, Lahore
Phone No. 042-99333968 |

Subject: **Appeal No.006/2025 (LESCO vs. M/s. Oasis Golf & Aqua Resort (Pvt.) Ltd.)**
Against the Decision Dated 27.11.2024 of the Provincial Office of Inspection to
Government of the Punjab Lahore Region-II, Lahore

Please find enclosed herewith the decision of the Appellate Board dated 24.09.2025 (03 pages), regarding the subject matter, for information and necessary action, accordingly.

Encl: **As Above**

(Ikram Shakeel)
Deputy Director
Appellate Board

Forwarded for information please.

1. Director (IT) –for uploading the decision of the Appellate Board on the NEPRA website



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Before The Appellate Board

In the matter of

Appeal No.006/POI-2025

Lahore Electric Supply Company Limited

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Versus

M/s. Oasis Golf & Aquq Resort (Pvt) Ltd, through its
Manager Muhammad Khalid Faizan Farooqi, situated
at 42Main Multan Road, opposite Honda Cars, Lahore

.....Respondent

APPEAL UNDER SECTION 38(3) OF THE REGULATION OF GENERATION, TRANSMISSION, AND DISTRIBUTION OF ELECTRIC POWER ACT, 1997

For the Appellant:

Mr. Saeed Ahmed Bhatti Advocate
Mr. Imtiaz Noor

For the Respondent:

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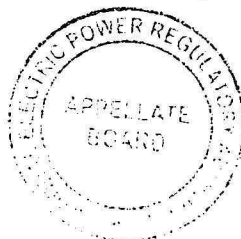
DECISION

1. As per the facts of the case, M/s. Oasis Golf & Aquq Resort (Pvt) Ltd (hereinafter referred to as the "Respondent") is a commercial consumer of Lahore Electric Supply Company Limited (hereinafter referred to as the "Appellant") bearing Ref No.24-11741-9201002-U having a sanctioned load of 480 kW and the applicable tariff category is A-2(c). The Respondent received a bill of Rs.5,307,825/- against 1,180 kW MDI for August 2024, which was challenged before the Provincial Office of Inspection, Lahore Region-II, Lahore (hereinafter referred to as the "POI") on 19.09.2024. During joint checking dated 14.10.2024 of POI, both billing and backup meters were found working within BSS limits. The complaint of the Respondent was disposed of by the POI vide decision dated 27.11.2024, wherein the bill of Rs.5,307,825/- against 1,181 kW MDI for August 2024 was cancelled and the Appellant was directed to charge the revised bill for the said month as per the consumption of August 2023. As per the POI decision, the Appellant was further directed to overhaul the billing account of the Respondent, accordingly.
2. Being dissatisfied, the Appellant has filed the instant appeal before NEPRA and assailed the decision dated 27.11.2024 of the POI (hereinafter referred to as the "impugned decision"). In its appeal, the Appellant opposed the maintainability of the impugned decision, *inter-alia*, on

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the following grounds that the impugned decision is against the law and facts of the case; that the POI misconceived and misconstrued the real facts of the case and erred in declaring the bill as null and void; that the POI miserably failed to consider that the bill of August 2024 was charged as per actual meter reading; that the impugned decision is result of misreading and nonreading of the documents placed on record; that the POI has failed to appreciate that the complaint could not be entertained as no notice as required u/s 26(6) of Electricity Act, 1910 was ever served upon the Appellants before filing the same and that the impugned decision is liable to be set aside.

3. Notice dated 16.01.2025 of the appeal was issued to the Respondent for filing reply/para-wise comment, which however, were not filed.
4. Hearing of the appeal was conducted at NEPRA Regional Office Lahore on 15.08.2025, wherein learned counsel appeared for the Appellant and the Respondent did not tender an appearance. Learned counsel for the Appellant contended that the bill of Rs.5,307,825/- against 1,180 kW MDI for August 2024 was charged to the Respondent as per the actual MDI recorded by the meter. Learned counsel for the Appellant argued that the POI did not consider the real aspects of the case and erroneously declared the bill of August 2024 as null and void and revised the same as per the consumption of August 2023. In response to the question raised by this forum, learned counsel for the Appellant could not justify the charging of 1,181 kW MDI for August 2024 against the sanctioned load of 480 kW.

5. Having heard the arguments and the record perused. Following are our observations:

i **Objection regarding prior notice before filing the complaint before the POI:**

As regards another objection of the Appellant for not issuing notice as per the Electricity Act, 1910 by the Respondent before filing a complaint to the POI, it is elucidated that the matter was adjudicated by the POI under Section 38 of the NEPRA Act, 1997 and as per procedure laid down in Punjab (Establishment and Powers of Office of Inspection) Order, 2005, which do not require for service of any notice before approaching the POI. The above objection of the Appellant is not valid and, therefore, overruled.

ii **Bill of Rs.5,307,825/- against 1,181 kW MDI for August 2024:**

The Respondent challenged the bill of Rs.5,307,825/- against 1,180 kW MDI for August 2024 before the POI, who vide impugned decision revised the same as per the bill of August 2023. Against which subject appeal has been filed by the Appellant before NEPRA?

- iii It is an admitted fact that the impugned billing and backup meters were found within BSS

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limits during joint checking dated 14.10.2024 of POI. Hence, only the fate of the impugned bill for August 2024 be determined through analysis of the MDI chart in the table below:

Month	MDI (kW)	Month	MDI (kW)	Month	MDI (kW)
Jan-22	138	Jan-23	240	Jan-24	240
Feb-22	117	Feb-23	240	Feb-24	240
Mar-22	358	Mar-23	240	Mar-24	240
Apr-22	350	Apr-23	413	Apr-24	454
May-22	438	May-23	504	May-24	482
Jun-22	499	Jun-23	496	Jun-24	491
Jul-22	456	Jul-23	451	Jul-24	342
Aug-22	451	Aug-23	486	Aug-24	1181
Sep-22	466	Sep-23	445		
Oct-22	414	Oct-23	406		
Nov-22	240	Nov-23	240		
Dec-22	240	Dec-23	240		

As evident from the above table, 504 kW is the highest MDI recorded in the billing history of the Respondent, which may be considered compatible with the sanctioned load of 480 kW, as well as the 630 kVA capacity transformer installed on the premises. However, 1,181 kW MDI charged in August 2024 has never been recorded in the past. How is it possible that the Respondent used 1,181 kW MDI against 630 kVA transformer capacity? The Appellant even failed to prove the justification of 1,181 kW MDI before POI as well as before NEPRA. Under these circumstances, we are of the view that the bill of August 2024 against 1,181 kW MDI is excessive, unjustified, and the same be revised for 486 kW MDI as recorded in August 2023, as already decided by POI.

6. Forgoing in view, the appeal is dismissed.

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Member/ALA (Lic.)

Naveed Illahi Sheikh
Convener/DG (CAD)

Dated: 24-09-2025

