



Before the Appellate Board
National Electric Power Regulatory Authority
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No. NEPRA/Appeal/080/2025/ //4/

November 11, 2025

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Irrigation Complex, Canal Bank,
Dharampura, Lahore | |

Subject: **Appeal No.080/2025 (LESCO vs. Mirza Taimoor Baig) Against the Decision Dated 18.03.2025 of the Provincial Office of Inspection to Government of the Punjab Lahore Region-I, Lahore**

Please find enclosed herewith the decision of the Appellate Board dated 11.11.2025 (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.

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Before the Appellate Board

In the matter of

Appeal No.080/POI-2025

Lahore Electric Supply Company Limited

.....Appellant

Versus

Mirza Taimoor Baig Through Waheed Akram
R/o. House No.18, Ghani Road, Sanat Nagar, Lahore

.....Respondent

APPEAL U/S 38(3) OF THE REGULATION OF GENERATION, TRANSMISSION AND DISTRIBUTION OF ELECTRIC POWER ACT, 1997

For the Appellant:

Ch. Aamir Shahzad Advocate

For the Respondent:

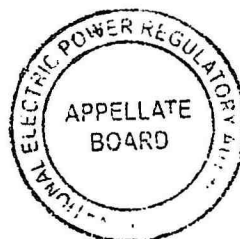
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DECISION

1. Brief facts of the case are that Mirza Taimoor Baig (the “Respondent”) is a domestic consumer of Lahore Electric Supply Company Limited (the “Appellant”) bearing Ref No.13-11144-1494600-U with a sanctioned load of 01 kW, and the applicable Tariff category is A-1(a). The Respondent filed a complaint before the Provincial Office of Inspection, Lahore Region-I, Lahore (the “POI”) and challenged the arrears of Rs.293,701/- accumulated till August 2024, which contained the bills for the period from June 2024 to August 2024. During the checking dated 19.09.2024 of POI, the impugned meter of the Respondent was found defective with erratic behavior. The complaint of the Respondent was disposed of by POI vide the decision dated 18.03.2025, wherein the above-mentioned arrears were cancelled and the Appellant was directed to charge the revised bills for June 2024 to August 2024 on DEF-EST code.
2. Being dissatisfied, the Appellant filed instant appeal before the NEPRA against the afore-referred decision of the POI, which was registered as Appeal No.080/POI-2025. In its appeal, the Appellant opposed the impugned decision, *inter alia*, on the main grounds that the impugned decision is against the law and facts of the case; that the same was based on illegal assumptions and presumptions; that the Respondent was never charged any detection bill; tha the bills were charged as per actual meter reading; that the Appellants have no personal grudge or grouse against the Respondent; that the POI has not applied judicious mind while passing the impugned decision and

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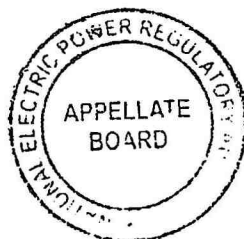


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that the same is liable to be set aside. Notice dated 30.05.2025 was sent to the Respondent for filing reply/para-wise comments to the appeal within ten (10) days, which, however, were not filed.

3. Hearing of the appeal was conducted at NEPRA Regional Office Lahore on 16.08.2025, wherein learned counsel for the Appellant tendered appearance and no one represented the Respondent. Learned counsel for the Appellant contended that the bills for the period from June 2024 to August 2024 were charged to the Respondent as per actual meter reading; however, the said bills were challenged by him before the POI. Learned counsel for the Appellant further contended that the POI neither afforded an opportunity of hearing nor pursued the record and rendered the ex parte decision, which resulted in irreparable loss to the Appellant. Learned counsel for the Appellant termed the bills of the disputed period as justified and payable by the Respondent.
4. Arguments heard and the record perused. Following are our observations:
 - i. The Respondent filed a complaint before the POI and challenged the arrears of Rs.293,701/- pertaining to the bills for the period from June 2024 to August 2024. During the POI checking dated 19.09.2024 of POI, the impugned meter of the Respondent was found defective with erratic behavior. The POI vide impugned decision cancelled the above-said arrears and directed the Appellant to debit the revised bills for the period from June 2024 to August 2024 on DEF-EST code, against which the Appellant preferred instant appeal before NEPRA.
 - ii. Admittedly, the impugned meter of the Respondent was defective; only the bills for the disputed period need to be compared with the consumption of corresponding months of previous and succeeding years in the table below:

Month	Units	Month	Units	Month	Units
Jan-23	0	Jan-24	0	Jan-25	0
Feb-23	15	Feb-24	0	Feb-25	0
Mar-23	0	Mar-24	241	Mar-25	0
Apr-23	145	Apr-24	155	Apr-25	98
May-23	256	May-24	833	May-25	427
Jun-23	293	Jun-24	1304	Jun-25	387
Jul-23	297	Jul-24	1192	Jul-25	333
Aug-23	386	Aug-24	1549	Aug-25	402
Sep-23	173	Sep-24	1350	Sep-25	481
Oct-23	24	Oct-24	82		
Nov-23	0	Nov-24	5		
Dec-23	0	Dec-24	0		



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iii. Perusal of the above table shows that the Respondent was charged excessively during the disputed period, which is much higher than the consumption of corresponding months of the preceding and succeeding years. Such high consumption has neither been recorded in the years 2023 and 2025 nor compatible with the sanctioned load, i.e., 1 kW of the Respondent. Thus, the determination of the POI for cancellation of the bills for the period from June 2024 to August 2024 and revision of the same on DEF-EST code is consistent with Clause 4.3.1(a) of the CSM-2021, and the same is maintained.

5. Forgoing in view, the appeal is dismissed.

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Member/ALA (Lic.)

Naweed Illahi Sheikh
Convener/DG (CAD)

Dated: 11-11-2025

