



Before the Appellate Board
National Electric Power Regulatory Authority
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No. NEPRA/Appeal/054/POI/2020/ 1045


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| 1. Muhammad Azhar Kahlon, S/o. Muhammad Asghar Kahlon, M/s. Kahlon Filling Station, Chak No. 136/9-L, Near Link Canal, Lahore Multan G. T. Road, Sahiwal | 2. Chief Executive Officer, MEPCO Ltd, MEPCO Complex, Khanewal Road, Multan |
| 3. Abdul Hamid, Advocate High Court, 2-A, Rai Iqbal Block, District Courts, Sahiwal | 4. Sub Divisional Officer (Op), MEPCO Ltd, City Sub Division, Sahiwal |
| 5. POI/Electric Inspector, Multan Region, 249-G, Shah Ruken-e-Alam Colony, Phase II, Multan | |

Subject: **Appeal Titled MEPCO Vs. Muhammad Azhar Kahlon Against the Decision Dated 08.01.2020 Provincial Office of Inspection to Government of the Punjab Multan Region, Multan**

Please find enclosed herewith the decision of the Appellate Board dated 08.12.2021, regarding the subject matter, for information and necessary action accordingly.

Encl: As Above


(Ikram Shakeel)
Deputy Director (M&E)/
Appellate Board

Forwarded for information please.

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National Electric Power Regulatory Authority

Before Appellate Board

In the matter of

Appeal No.054/POI-2020

Multan Electric Power Company Limited

.....Appellant

Versus

Muhammad Azhar Kahlon S/o Muhammad Asghar Kahlon,
M/s. Kahlon Filling Station, Chak No.136/9-L, Near Link Canal,
Lahore Multan G.T. Road, Sahiwal

.....Respondent

APPEAL UNDER SECTION 38(3) OF REGULATION OF GENERATION, TRANSMISSION, AND DISTRIBUTION OF ELECTRIC POWER ACT, 1997 AGAINST THE DECISION DATED 08.01.2020 PASSED BY PROVINCIAL OFFICE OF INSPECTION MULTAN REGION MULTAN

For the Appellant:

Mr. Abdul Hamid Advocate

For the Respondent:

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DECISION

1. As per facts of the case, the Respondent is a commercial (Filing Station) consumer of the MEPCO having connection bearing Ref No.28-15551-0973402-R with a sanctioned load of 17 k W and the applicable tariff is A-2(c). Premises of the Respondent was checked by the Surveillance Team MEPCO on 23.10.2018 and reportedly, it was found bogus. Hence FIR NO.686/2018 dated 24.10.2018 was registered against the Respondent and a detection bill of Rs.3,101,000/- for 156,875 units for the period August 2011 to October 2018 was charged by the MEPCO to the Respondent and added in the bill for February 2019.





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2. Being aggrieved, the Respondent initially filed W.P.No.5937/2019 before the Lahore High Court, Multan Bench, which vide order dated 15.04.2019 directed the Respondent to approach the Provincial Office of Inspection, Multan Region, Multan (the POI). Subsequently, the Respondent filed an application before the POI on 03.07.2019 against the above detection bill, which was decided by the POI vide decision dated 08.01.2020, wherein the detection bill of Rs.3,101,000/- for 156,875 units for the period August 2011 to October 2018 was cancelled and the MEPCO was allowed to charge the bills @ 1,010 units/month for the period May 2018 to October 2018.
3. Subject appeal has been filed against the afore-referred decision by the MEPCO before the NEPRA. After issuing notices to the parties, hearing of the appeal was held at the NEPRA Regional Office, Multan on 25.10.2021, which was attended by learned counsel for the MEPCO and no one appeared for the Respondent. At the outset of the hearing, learned counsel for the MEPCO averred that the dispute of billing has been resolved between the parties, as such the MEPCO did not intend to proceed further with the appeal. In this regard, the MEPCO submitted an application for withdrawal of the appeal.
4. Forgoing in view, the appeal is disposed of as withdrawn.

Abid Hussain
Member/Advisor (CAD)

Nadir Ali Khoso
Convener/Senior Advisor (CAD)

Dated: 08.12.2021

