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19th November 2021

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Dear Sir,

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CHANGE IN TARIFFS ASSOCIATED WITH ENERGY CHARGE REVIEW

- 1. Reference is made to your letter dated 11th November 2021 in regards to the above subject. We acknowledge the usual supporting documents and data provided based on actual Independent Power Producer (IPP) costs and Fuel costs in October 2021.
- 2. After review and monitoring carried out by our team and pursuant to Part IV of the Electricity Act 2010 the Regulator noted the request by EPC to increase energy charge from **0.52sene** to **0.54sene** given the increase in fuel prices and the noticeable decrease in hydro production.
- 3. However, given the Cabinet Directive FK (21)43 for decrease of tariffs by 20% effective this month and ongoing, therefore the rates for November are maintained until further notice.
- 4. As previously advised and in accordance with section 20(5) of the Electricity Act 2010 ('Act'), the Regulator cannot consider an application for changes to tariffs until such time when the licensee has notified consumers of the change in tariff through the media and via an insertion of a notice in bills to consumers.
- 5. In view of the above requirement, the Office of the Regulator has allowed for a notification period of **ten** (10) **days**. As such the effective date of this Order is the 1st **December 2021.**

Respectfully,

Lematua Gisa Fuatai Purcell

REGULATOR

cc: Minister of Information Communication Technology Minister of Works Transport Infrastructure CEO Ministry of Finance

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EPC Chairman

attach: Order of the Regulator No2021/E83