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16th July 2018

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Dear Sir,

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CHANGE IN TARIFFS ASSOCIATED WITH ENERGY CHARGE

Reference is made to your letter dated 5th July 2018 and pursuant to Part IV of the Electricity Act 2010 find attached, **Order No. 2018/E61** approving changes in tariffs.

The Order approves changes in tariffs based on IPP charges and price of fuel of the month of June 2018. It was noted in the review that the contributions by Hydro production has decreased immensely for the month of June compared to previous month. According to justifications provided by EPC this was due to downtime of both Alaoa and Lalomauga Hydro generators for maintenance works. Moreover the fuel consumption has driven this increase in prices compared to last month. This raises concern on overproduction by diesel as fuel prices are at an increasing trend which results to higher tariff.

In light of the above, the Regulator has requested EPC to provide full detailed reports on maintenance works carried out in the month of June on the Hydro generators as soon as possible. Also in your next energy charge submission a Schedule of Maintenance records and full detailed reports of your generators maintenance are to be provided when these are conducted. Going forward, the Regulator also request EPC to provide detailed clarifications to our office of any major factors impacting the tariff increase. Failure to provide the requested reports may result in the Regulator determining the energy charge with limited data provided.

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.

In view of the above requirement, the Office of the Regulator has allowed for a notification period of **fifteen** (15) days. As such the effective date of this Order is 1st August 2018.

Should you have any query please do not hesitate to contact our office.

Respectfully,

Lefaoali'i Unutoa Auelua Fonoti

REGULATOR

Cc:

Fiaailetoa Pepe Christian Fruean, Chairman EPC

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Order of the Regulator No. 2018/E61

APPROVAL OF ENERGY CHARGE ADJUSTMENT

Pursuant to section 20 of the Electricity Act 2010 ('Act'), the Electric Power Corporation has sought approval from the Regulator to implement retail rates charged to electricity consumers for the provision of electricity services.

The Order sets out the approved changes in tariffs.

Order approving change in tariff per unit of electricity

1. Induction Meter Consumers

The Electric Power Corporation is permitted to charge the following tariffs –

For domestic induction consumers:

Customer Usage	Usage Charge	Debt Charge	Energy Charge	Total
All	0.26	0.07	0.47	0.80

The Electric Power Corporation is permitted to charge the following tariffs –

For non-domestic induction meter consumers

Customer Usage	Usage Charge	Debt Charge	Energy charge	Total
All	0.36	0.07	0.47	0.90

2. Cash Power Consumers

The Electric Power Corporation is permitted to charge the following tariffs -

For domestic cash power consumers:

Customer	Usage Charge	Debt Charge	Energy Charge	Total
Usage 1-100	0.12	0.07	0.47	0.66
101 and above	0.26	0.07	0.47	0.80

For non-domestic cash power consumers

Customer Usage	Usage Charge	Debt Charge	Energy charge	Total
All	0.26	0.07	0.47	0.80

Duration of the Order

This Order will expire on the earlier of -

- (a) the Regulator revoking this Order; or
- (b) the making of a new Order by the Regulator with respect to the tariffs, rates or charges for the provision of electricity services by the Electric Power Corporation.

Ongoing monitoring of electricity tariffs

In accordance with the Regulator's functions under section 6 of the Act, the Regulator shall monitor the tariffs, rates or charges for the provision of electricity services by the Electric Power Corporation.

Effective date of the Order

In accordance with section 20(5) of the Act, the Electric Power Corporation shall not charge the above mentioned rates until such time when the Electric Power Corporation has notified consumers of the new tariffs.

The Regulator will allow the Electric Power Corporation fifteen (15) days to notify the public of the change.

This Order is effective from the 1st day of August 2018.

Lefaoalii Unutoa Auelua Fonoti

Regulator

Dated this 16th day of July 2018