

INDIAN INDUSTRIES ASSOCIATION

IN APEX BODY OF MICRO, SMALL & MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

(IN THE SERVICE OF MSME SINCE 1985)

Ref. No. 3/UPPCL/0126 03.04.2020

To, The Chairman Uttar Pradesh Power Corporation Limited Shakti Bhawan , Ashok Marg ,Lucknow

Subject: Regarding implementation of reliefs announced by Hon'ble Chief Minister Government of Uttar Pradesh for industries in U.P related to payment of Electricity bills.

Dear Sir,

We refer to the decision of Hon'ble Chief Minister U.P published by Information and Public Relation Department U.P on 1st April 2020 wherein it is stated that :-

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IIA enquired from Senior Public Relation Officer, UPPCL about the contrary press release of 2nd April 2020. He advised us to see the Office Order released by UPPCL however we are not able to find any Office order in this regard on UPPCL website or elsewhere.

IIA is informed by the members that DISCOMs have started issuing electricity bills for the month of March 2020 with payment date as 16th April wherein there is no exemption for the Fixed / demand charges. It may also be noted that Director Commercial , UPPCL vide his letter dated 1st April 2020 addressed to all Managing Directors of DISCOMs have informed that last date for the payment of electricity bills for the period 1st March to 14th April is extended to 30th April 2020 and no surcharge will be applicable for this period.

In view of the above situation, it is requested that a copy of the UPPCL Order exempting Demand Charges / Fixed Charges for the lock down period be issued urgently and a copy of the same be provided to IIA at iia@iiaonline.in. Clear orders for implementing other relaxations announced by the Government related to payment of electricity bills may also be released.

Thanking you

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Manmohan Agarwal General Secretary



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