

PS AGRO INDUSTRIES

To,
The Secretary
Jharkhand State Electricity Regulatory Commission
Ranchi

Date: 04 August 2020

Subject: Suo Moto Case No. 15 of 2020

Dear Sir,

We are operating a rice mill near Jama in Dumka district in Jharkhand since December 2019. We have obtained an 11 KVA HTS line from Jharkhand Bijli Vitran Nigam Limited for this purpose.

The spread of COVID-19 has severely impacted our business in the last few months. Since the lockdown, the price of our raw material, i.e., paddy has soared while the price of rice did not rise adequately as this was fixed by the district administration in public interest. Moreover, the price of all the byproducts crashed as several industries that consumed these have stopped operating. Since we are a new unit, it is also difficult for us to survive due to the interest burden on both the term loan and working capital.

Given these circumstances, continuing the operations was not viable for us. However, we decided against closing the industry to enable the smooth supply of food products as mandated by the administration and to also ensure that the livelihood of all the workers could be maintained during this crisis. However, this decision has been very costly for us. As a new unit, we are unable to sustain these losses any further. Your support in this regard is imperative for the survival of our factory.

We therefore request you to consider the following:

1. Waiver of the Demand Charge from March to August 2020
2. Lowering of the energy charge per unit to Rs 4 per KVAH from Rs 6 per KVAH

We sincerely urge you to grant us the necessary relief. Your consideration will be extremely helpful for us and allow us to get through these testing times.

Thanking You

Best Regards


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Partner

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