## SOUTHERN POWER DISTRIBUTION COMPANY OF A.P. LIMITED CORPORATE OFFICE :: TIRUPATI

## Memo.No:CMD/DIR(F)/CGM(R&IA)/GM(R&IA)/AO(Rev)/D.NO: 644/24, Dt: 01.07.2024

- Sub: APSPDCL-Revenue Wing Third party Payment Channels which were integrated with Billdesk Gateway has withdrawn facilitating to the Users to make payments of electricity Bills with effect from 01-Jul-24 as per the RBI guidelines – Instructions issued - Regarding.
- Ref: 1. Mail Received from M/s. NPCI Bharat Bill Pay LImited. 2. Communication from Billdesk over phone.

It is to inform that the Reserve Bank of India issued the Master Direction i.e. Reserve Bank of India (Bharat Bill Payment System) Directions, 2024 ("BBPS Directions 2024") which specifies that any entity other than a biller, operating a system for payment of bills outside the scope of Bharat Bill Payment System is a "Payment System" and will require specific authorization to undertake the activity.

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In view of the above, M/s. Billdesk vide reference 2<sup>nd</sup> cited, has informed that the third-party payment channels which were integrated with Billdesk are not able to continue facilitating their services to make payments for the electricity bills through their platform/app with effect from 01-Jul-24.

Hence all the Superintending Engineers/Operation and Senior Accounts Officer/Operation are directed to take the note of this fact and inform all the staff to educate the consumers to make digital payments by downloading the APSPDCL App which is available in Google play store.

Further it is also requested to issue the wide publicity to aware the consumers through the Print & Electronic media till the alternative arrangements made by the management of APSPDCL as per the Reserve Bank of India (Bharat Bill Payment System) Directions,2024 ("BBPS Directions 2024"). The model pamphlet is herewith enclosed for wide distribution among consumers through Meter Readers.

Encl: Model pamphlet

Chairman & Managing Director APSPDCL::TIRUPATI

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The Superintending Engineer, Opn, Ananthapur/Kadapa/Kurnool/Nellore/Tirupati. The Senior Accounts Officer, Opn, Ananthapur/Kadapa/Kurnool/Nellore/Tirupati. Copy to Peshi of Director (Finance)/APSPDCL.

Copy to Peshi of Chairman & Managing Director/APSPDCL.

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