ORDER NO.NERC/05/0002/13

THE NIGERIAN ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION

ORDER MANDATING DISTRIBUTION COMPANIES TO SUPPLY METERS PAID FOR FROM JANUARY 1, 2011

The Nigerian Electricity Regulatory Commission (NERC) in carrying out its objectives in accordance with Section 32 (1) of the Electric Power Sector Reform (EPSR) Act, 2005, is specifically mandated under Section 32 (1) (b) “to maximize access to electricity services by promoting and facilitating consumer connections to distribution systems in both rural and urban areas” and in Section 32(1) (d) “to ensure that prices charged by licenses are fair to consumers....”.

Pursuant to the above objectives as well as the Commission’s general mandate in Section 32(2)(c) to establish appropriate consumer rights and obligations regarding the provision and use of electricity services and its commitment to bridge the metering gap and reduce estimated billing, and

UPON due consideration of the authority conferred on the Commission under Sections 32 and 46 of the EPSR Act, 2005,

THE COMMISSION HEREBY ORDERS THAT:

1. This Order shall become effective as from Tuesday, May 14, 2013.

2. All Distribution Companies shall ensure that customers who have paid for their meters from January 1, 2011 are supplied with meters within 45 days from the date of this Order.
NOTE that failure by any Distribution Company to comply with this Order will be considered a gross violation of its Licence Terms & Conditions and the Chief Executive Officer of the concerned company shall be personally sanctioned.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

Signed this 13th day of May, 2013

Dr. Sam Amadi
Chairman/CEO