

ORDER NO: NERC/2024/091

BEFORE THE NIGERIAN ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION ORDER ON PERFORMANCE MONITORING FRAMEWORK FOR IKEJA ELECTRICITY DISTRIBUTION PLC

TITLE

 This regulatory instrument may be cited as the ORDER ON PERFORMANCE MONITORING FRAMEWORK FOR IKEJA ELECTRICITY DISTRIBUTION PLC ("IKEDC") 2024.

COMMENCEMENT

 This Order shall take effect from 08 July 2024 and shall remain in effect until it is amended or revoked by the Nigerian Electricity Regulatory Commission ("NERC" or the "Commission").

BACKGROUND

- 3. On 20 December 2021, the Bureau of Public Enterprise ("BPE") vide the letter Ref. No. BPE/PTMD/NERC/20/12/M.1, notified the Commission of the expiration of the term of the Performance Agreement ("PA") executed between BPE and the Distribution Companies ("DisCos") on 31 December 2021. Consequentially, the Commission was required to assume the sole responsibility for setting and monitoring DisCos' performance targets with effect from 01 January 2022.
- 4. Section 34(1)(a) of the Electricity Act ("EA") provides that one of the principal objects of the Commission is to *"create, promote and preserve efficient industry and market structures and to ensure optimal utilisation of resources for the provision of electricity service"*.
- Based on the above, on 01 October 2022, the Commission issued the Order No. NERC/321/2022 on Performance Monitoring Framework for Ikeja Electricity Distribution Company plc ("IKEDC" or "the Utility") providing seven

(7) Key Performance Indicators ("KPIs") for assessing the performance of the top management of IKEDC over the period of 01 October 2022 to 30 September 2023.

- 6. It is noteworthy that Order No. NERC/321/2022 provided a performance monitoring framework for critical operational activities to ensure that IKEDC improved its operational efficiency and guaranteeing its long-term financial sustainability and the following primary objectives:
 - a. Ensure that IKEDC maintains market discipline and operate in compliance with the industry targets.
 - b. Ensure improved reliability and quality of supply in accordance with IKEDC's commitment in the Performance Improvement Plan ("PIP").
 - c. Lay the foundation for long term sustainability of IKEDC.
 - d. Hold the Board and management of IKEDC accountable for meeting operational targets specified herein.
- During the effective period of Order No. NERC/321/2022, the Commission 7. undertook periodic evaluation of the performance of IKEDC vis-à-vis the set targets and regulatory interventions were taken in line with the provisions of the Order and extant rules of the Commission. A detailed performance report further shared was with the Board of IKEDC who remain responsible/accountable for managerial performance and setting the overall strategic direction and targets for IKEDC.
- 8. The Commission notes that IKEDC's inability to fully comply with all the KPIs contained in the Order No. NERC/321/2022 has led to the failure of IKEDC to meet its operational obligations, widespread customer dissatisfaction, undermined its ability to uphold market discipline and imperiled the long-term financial sustainability of the utility.
- 9. Upon the expiration of the Order No. NERC/321/2022, and to reflect the latest developments in the expected evolution of the Nigeria Electricity Supply Industry ("NESI"), it has become imperative for the Commission to develop an updated performance monitoring framework along with a revised list of KPIs against which the management of IKEDC shall be measured. With the objective of driving operational and financial excellence, the revised KPIs are also focused on IKEDC's compliance with key regulatory actions of the Commission.

OBJECTIVES

- 10. This Order seeks to
 - a. Hold the top management of IKEDC accountable for the utility's compliance with reporting requirements and implementation of directives of the Commission in line with the terms and conditions of the utility's licence.

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- b. Drive increased operational performance from IKEDC thereby improving energy delivery to customers under the IKEDC franchise area.
- c. Drive IKEDC towards achieving customer-centric operations and enhanced efficiency, which will consequentially boost the satisfaction of customers under the IKEDC franchise area.
- d. Reinforce market discipline and ensure that IKEDC's commercial performance sets it on the path of long-term financial sustainability.
- e. Hold the top management of IKEDC accountable for meeting all targets specified herein.
- 11. The key performance indicators as measured by the indices defined in Table 2 shall be as follows:

Index	Definition		
Energy Off-take Relative to PCC	Measures the proportion of energy IKEDC delivered to its customers relative to the total energy available and nominated for distribution by IKEDC.		
Revenue Recovery Rate	Measures the ratio between the amount of revenue realised by IKEDC for each unit of energy consumed relative to the amount it is allowed to recover per unit based on the extant tariff order.		
Compliance with Reporting of USoA	Measures the timeliness, accuracy and completeness of IKEDC's USoA submissions to the Commission pursuant to extant rules/regulations.		
Compliance with API Feeder Streaming	Evaluates the ratio between the actual number of streams and the expected number of streams from IKEDC's 11kV and 33kV feeders over a given period via the API system as prescribed by the Commission.		
Compliance with the Order on Capping of Estimated Bills	Measures IKEDC's compliance with the periodic capping orders issued by the Commission both at an individual level (monthly energy billed to each customer) and a gross level (total energy billed to all unmetered customers via estimation).		
Compliance with the Implementation of Forum Decisions	Measures the rate and completeness with which IKEDC implements the ruling of forum decisions.		
Resolution of Complaints received through the NERC Contact Centre and NERC HQ	Measures the rate with which IKEDC resolves customer complaints within the customer service standards provided in the Customer Protection Regulation 2023 ("CPR").		

Table 2: Definition of Indices

KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

- 12. The Commission hereby orders as follows:
 - a. The performance of IKEDC's management team shall be assessed with the following KPIs (full definition of each KPI is contained in Table 2):
 - i. Energy off-take relative to Partial Contracted Capacity ("PCC")
 - ii. Revenue recovery rate
 - iii. Compliance with reporting of Uniform System of Accounts ("USoA")
 - iv. Compliance with API feeder streaming
 - v. Compliance with the Order on capping of estimated bills
 - vi. Compliance with the implementation of forum decisions
 - vii. Compliance with service standards for the resolution of complaints received through the NERC contact centre and NERC HQ
 - b. The KPIs specified herein shall, with effect from 08 July 2024, be included in the basis for managerial performance measurement and may be amended or revoked by subsequent Orders issued by the Commission.
 - c. The Commission may issue updated targets, attainment trajectories and review periodicity for any of the KPIs, having regard to the evolution of the wider NESI and overarching policy environment.
 - d. The IKEDC's management team shall be held accountable for achieving the KPIs specified in Table 3 and their performance shall be assessed periodically based on the review cycle for each KPI.
 - e. Where IKEDC fails to achieve any target on a consecutive basis, the utility and its top management shall be liable for the consequential regulatory intervention specified in this Order.

	KPI Targ	ets for IKEDC Effe	ctive 08 July 2024
	î. E	nergy Offtake (Ma	onthly) Target
Baseline: Averag	ge (October – Dece	ember 2023)	Minimum Monthly Target effective 08 July 2024
Avail. Nomination (MW)	Energy Offtake (MWh/h)	% of Energy Offtake to PCC	% of Energy Off-take Relative to PCC
573.10	550.41	96.04%	100.00%
	ii. Rev	enue Recovery (Q	varterly) Target
Baseline: Average (October – December 2023)			Minimum Recovery Targets

Table 3: KPI Targets for IKEDC



	KPI Targ	jets for IKEDC Effe	ctive 08 July	2024		
Allowed Tariff (₩/KWh)	Revenue Recovered (#/KWh)	Recovery Rate (%)	Q3/2024	Q4/2024	Q1/2025	Q2/2025
56.57	38.15	67.45%	то	T12	T2 ³	T34
	iii. Reportin	g Submission of U	SoA (Monthly	y) Target		- I
Baselii	ne: March 2024 US	οA	Minimum Monthly Target			
Timeliness	Completeness	Accuracy	Timeliness Complete		leteness	Accuracy
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes Y		Yes Yes	
	iv.	API Streaming (Mo	onthly) Targe	t	I	
Baseline: Ave	rage (July - Septem	ber 2023)	Minimum Monthly Target			
Feeder Type	No of Feeders	Streaming Rate	Feeder Type		Streaming Rate	
33kV	68	96%	33kV		100%	
11kV	298	92%	11kV		100%	
	v. Cappi	ng of Estimated Bil	ls (Monthly)	Target		
Baseline: Ave	rage (July - Septem	ber 2023)	Minimum Monthly Target			
Customers billed within cap		Customers billed within cap				
53%			100%			
% Gross energy billed relative to allowed cap (July –			% Gross energy overbilled relative to allowed			
September 2023)			сар			
88%			0%			
		n of Forum Office				
Baseline: Average (July - September 2023)			Minimum Monthly Target			
Compliance Rate			Compliance Rate			
94%			100%			
vii.	Resolution of Comp	laints through NER	C Contact Ce	entre and NE	RC HQ	
Baseline: December 2023		Monthly Target				
Complaints Resolved within timelines (SLA)			Complaints Resolved within timelines (SLA)			nes (SLA)
73%			100%			

CONSEQUENTIAL REGULATORY INTERVENTION

10. The management of IKEDC shall be held accountable for achieving the KPIs specified in Table 3 above and the top management shall be liable to the consequential regulatory interventions listed in Table 4 for failure to achieve the specified targets.

11. Without prejudice to the provisions of the Electricity Industry (Enforcement) Regulations 2014, this Order specifies a clear/empirical basis for the achievement of each KPI and shall therefore be treated as strict liability infractions by the utility/management team which shall neither require the issuance of a Notice of Intention to Commence Enforcement ("NICE") action from the Commission nor

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 $^{^{1}}$ TO = RRR (%) is sufficient to finance market invoices

² T1 = RRR (%) is sufficient to cover T0 and OPEX

³ T2 = RRR (%) is sufficient to cover T1 and Depreciation

⁴ T3 = RRR (%) is sufficient to finance T2 and Return on Investment

written defense/justification from the management team prior to the exercise of any consequential regulatory intervention specified herein.

Indicator	Evaluation Frequency	Primary Penalty -1 st Instance of Non- compliance	Secondary Penalty - Subsequent Instance(s) of Non- compliance	
Energy Offtake Relative to PCC	Monthly	Failure to offtake up to 95% of available nomination in any month: <i>Issuance of a</i> <i>rectification directive</i> .	Failure to offtake up to 95% of available nominations in 2 of the 3 months in any quarter: Downward adjustment of DisCos guaranteed Admin OPEX by 5% for the next guarter.	
Revenue Recovery Rate	Quarterly	Image: Instrument of the performance target within a quarter. Failure to meet performance target within a quarter: Issuance of a rectification directive by the Commission and notification of the Board (as required). The quarterly targets are as follows: • Jul - Dec 2024 RRR% to meet TO threshold • Jan - Mar 2025 RRR% required to meet T1 threshold • April - June 2025 RRR% required to meet T2 threshold • From Jul 2025: RRR% required to meet T3 threshold		
Reporting Compliance with Submission of USoA	Monthly	Failure to meet 100% reporting compliance within a month: <i>Issuance of a</i> <i>rectification directive.</i>	Failure to meet 2 monthly compliance targets within a quarter: The Commission may take other enforcement actions including the withdrawal of the "Fit and Proper" approval of the CFO's or its	

Table 4: Consequential Regulatory Interventions

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Indicator	Evaluation Frequency	Primary Penalty -1 st Instance of Non- compliance	Secondary Penalty - Subsequent Instance(s) of Non- compliance equivalent position in
API Feeder	Ad a milita	Ear an ab fa a la sa t	the utility.
Streaming	Monthly	Commission's system v ₩10,000.00 per day	-
Capping of Estimated Bills	Monthly	For any instance of customer overbilled: 10% of the Naira value of the total over-billing for the period to be deducted from the DisCo's annual Admin OpEx allowance during the next tariff review; and credit adjustment for overbilled customers.	If the energy overbilled is >20% of allowed cap or number of customers overbilled represent >20% of unmetered customer base: The Commission may take other enforcement actions including the withdrawal of the KYL of the Head of Billing or the officer responsible for the billing function in the utility.
Compliance with Forum Decisions	Monthly	For each forum decision that is neither appealed nor complied with: <i>Daily fines of</i> <i>₦ 10,000.00 per day</i> <i>per case.</i>	Failure to comply with >25% of rulings issued over any quarter: The Commission may take other enforcement actions, including the withdrawal of the "Fit and Proper" approval of the Head, Regulatory and Compliance or its equivalent in the utility.
Compliance to Resolution of Complaints through	Monthly	Penalties to be charged for non- resolution after	Failure to meet targets within 2 consecutive months:

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Indicator	Evaluation Frequency	Primary Penalty -1* Instance of Non- compliance	Secondary Penalty - Subsequent Instance(s) of Non- compliance
NERC Contact Centre and NERC HQ		 expiration of timelines in the CPR: Billing:	The Commission may take other enforcement actions including the withdrawal of the KYL of the Head of Customer Service or the officer responsible for resolving customer complaints in the utility.

12. The imposition of the consequential regulatory interventions specified in this Order shall not be construed as a limitation or foreclosure of the power of the Commission to impose any other enforcement sanction under the Electricity Act or any other regulatory instrument.

13. This Order is issued without prejudice to the existing obligations and commitment of IKEDC as provided in executed contracts and extant rules in the NESI.

Dated this 5th day of July 2024

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Sanusi Garba Chairman

Dafe C. Akpeneye Commissioner Legal, Licensing & Compliance