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Order Sheet

IN THE HIGH COURT OF SINDH, KARACHI C. P. No. D – 3088 of 2025

Date

Order .with signature of Judge

Priority

- 1. For order on office objection
- 2. For hearing of CMA No.13479/25 (stay)
- 3. For hearing of main case

<u>25.07.2025</u>

Mr.Muhammad Vawda, Advocate for Petitioner Mr.Ayan Mustafa Memon, Advocate for K-Electric Mr.Kashif Hanif, Advocate for NEPRA a/w Abid Hussain, Advisor NEPRA and Syed Tagi Abidi, Additional Director, NEPRA

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Counter Affidavit is filed by the Respondent-K-Electric along with documents. Learned Counsel for K-Electric has highlighted the improvements made by K-Electric in providing the electricity to its consumers, and detail is mentioned in the Counter Affidavit.

Mr. Kashif Hanif has appeared along with Regional Head of NEPRA, Mr. Abid Hussain, Advisor, NEPRA and Syed Taqi Abidi, Additional Director, NEPRA, and requests sometime to file Parawise Comments. 10 days' time is allowed.

On a query, it is stated by Mr. Kashif Hanif that the Complainant himself did not appear on the last date, which is disputed by Mr. Muhammad Vawda. In any event, the next date of hearing is 1st August, 2025, at 10:00 a.m., at Regional Office, NEPRA, Karachi. It is expected that NEPRA will decide the Complaint expeditiously.

Mr. Kashif Hanif has stated that earlier an Order has been passed against K-Electric, *inter alia*, imposing penalty of Rs.50 million, (at Page-83 of the Lis Record), however, same is subjudice before the Appellate Tribunal, under Section 12G of the Regulations, Transmission and Distribution of Electric Power Act, 1997, (NEPRA Law), as stated by Mr. Ayan Memon, appearing for

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K-Electric. The Appellate Tribunal is directed to decide the

Appeal within four weeks.

The fact remains that this City is facing long hours of load

shedding and that too during Summer Season, adding to the

miseries of citizens of Karachi, and this persistent problem should

be resolved by the Respondent-K-Electric and the Regulator-

NEPRA.

NEPRA should also undertake a Technical Survey that

whether during the years, K-Electric has improved its infrastructure

as claimed by its Counsel today, for the betterment of the City of

Karachi and other areas, where K-Electric is supplying the

electricity. We may observe that the basic object of privatization is

that the State Owned Entity (SOE) once privatized would and

should operate in an efficient and feasible manner, all the more,

when the Entity is tasked with the generating, transmitting and

distributing of electricity, which is a Public Utility Service

We may clarify that any observation contained in this Order

should not prejudice the pending Proceedings filed by and/or

against K-Electric, before any learned Fora.

To be listed on 12.08.2025, as per Roster.

JUDGE

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