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MEDIA RELEASE

**ELECTRICITY TARIFF REVISION FOR THE PERIOD 1 JULY TO  
30 SEPTEMBER 2005**

1 Electricity tariff will be increased by an average of 2.2 cents per kWh for the quarter, 1 Jul to 30 Sep 05. The revised tariffs are shown in the table attached (Appendix 1).

2 The increase is due to the higher cost of electricity arising from higher fuel oil prices. For the period 1 Jul to 30 Sep 05, tariffs are pegged to a higher fuel oil price of US\$39.32 per barrel as compared to US\$30.09 per barrel for the previous quarter.

3 Fuel cost makes up about 50% of the cost of electricity. The fuel sources for power generation are oil and gas, and gas prices in Singapore are indexed to oil prices. An increase in oil prices will thus lead to higher electricity costs. The electricity tariff is reviewed quarterly and reset if necessary. The tariff will next be reviewed in Sep 05 and will be adjusted accordingly in line with the fluctuation in oil price.

4 The tariff adjustments have been approved by the industry regulator, the Energy Market Authority.

5 To mitigate the increase in electricity bills, consumers are encouraged to adopt good energy conservation practices, such as using energy-efficient electrical appliances like fluorescent tubes and cutting down on the use of air-conditioning. For more tips on energy conservation, please visit [www.neec.gov.sg/energylabel/tips\\_intro.shtm](http://www.neec.gov.sg/energylabel/tips_intro.shtm) or [www.services.spservices.sg](http://www.services.spservices.sg)

6 SP Services has also introduced the Pay-As-You-Use (PAYU) Metering Scheme on 16 May 2005. Pre-paid electricity meters will be installed for HDB households that opt for the scheme. This scheme enables HDB households whose electricity supply has been disconnected to be reconnected and have their arrears paid over time. It also helps households to better manage their consumption. Customers on this scheme need not pay

for the meter nor furnish a deposit. There is also no charge on the installation and the smart key for topping up of credits. Participation is voluntary. More than 350 households have signed up for the scheme within the first month of its launch.

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**REVISION OF ELECTRICITY TARIFFS FROM 1ST JULY 2005**

	Existing Tariff	New Tariff
<b>LOW TENSION SUPPLIES, DOMESTIC</b> All units, ¢/kWh	16.06	18.26
<b>LOW TENSION SUPPLIES, NON-DOMESTIC</b> All units, ¢/kWh	16.06	18.26
<b>HIGH TENSION SMALL (HTS) SUPPLIES</b> Contracted Capacity Charge \$/kW/month	7.04	7.04
Uncontracted Capacity Charge \$/chargeable kW/month	10.56	10.56
kWh charge, ¢/kWh	12.83	15.27
Peak period (7.00am to 11.00pm)	7.32	8.91
Off-peak period (11.00pm to 7.00am)		
Reactive power Charge ¢/chargeable kVARh	0.59	0.59
<b>HIGH TENSION LARGE (HTL) SUPPLIES</b> Contracted Capacity Charge \$/kW/month	7.04	7.04
Uncontracted Capacity Charge \$/chargeable kW/month	10.56	10.56
kWh charge, ¢/kWh	12.83	15.21
Peak period (7.00am to 11.00pm)	7.32	8.90
Off-peak period (11.00pm to 7.00am)		
Reactive power Charge ¢/chargeable kVARh	0.59	0.59
<b>EXTRA HIGH TENSION (EHT) SUPPLIES</b> Contracted Capacity Charge \$/kW/month	6.74	6.74
Uncontracted Capacity Charge \$/chargeable kW/month	10.11	10.11
kWh charge, ¢/kWh	11.93	14.29
Peak period (7.00am to 11.00pm)	7.22	8.81
Off-peak period (11.00pm to 7.00am)		
Reactive power Charge ¢/chargeable kVARh	0.48	0.48