

GEC: 2/1999

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the matter of the Public
Utilities Commission Act 1990
(No. 26 of 1990), as amended.

-and-

In the matter of the complaint
by R. Sookraj and Sons against
the Guyana Electricity
Corporation.

PAMADATH J. MENON, A.A.	-	CHAIRMAN
HUGH GEORGE	-	MEMBER
JOHN WILLEMS, A.A.	-	MEMBER
CHANDRABALLI BISHESWAR	-	MEMBER
BADRIE PERSAUD	-	MEMBER

This matter was reviewed on the 10th March, 1999.

DECISION

By letter dated January 4, 1999, the Guyana Electricity Corporation (GEC) formally requested that the PUC review its position and amend the Order GEC 4/1998, dated 18th November, 1998, accordingly.

2. The reasons for the request were clearly stated in the letter of January 4, 1999.
3. The Corporation (GEC) in clear and unambiguous terms “respectfully ask(ed) that the PUC review its Order of November 18, 1998, and make an appropriate adjustment so that the award will not be unreasonably excessive but will reflect a percentage of the actual cost incurred by the Claimant.”
4. On the 3rd February, 1999, the Commission acknowledged receipt of the request that was made by the Guyana Electricity Corporation (GEC).
5. On the 11th February, 1999, the Commission served notice on the Complainant of the Corporation’s request and drew attention to section 77 of the Public Utilities Commission Act 1990 (No. 26 of 1990), as amended and requested their submission of comments on the request to the Commission by Friday, February 26, 1999.
6. By letter dated 26th February, 1999, the Complainant complied with the request of the Commission and submitted their comments.
7. On the 10th March, 1999, the Commissioners met and their deliberations found as follows:
 - (a) that the award of \$73,025.00 that was made to the Complainant was approximately 59.35% of the claim;
 - (b) that in considering all of the evidence presented to the Commission and in the circumstances of the case, the award was fair and reasonable;
 - (c) that the award of 59.35% of a claim for \$123,025 was not excessive.

8. The Commission cannot accept the reasons given by the Guyana Electricity Corporation (GEC) for a review and therefore rejects them.
9. For the reasons that have been given above, the Commission holds and so rules:
 - (i) that there is no justification for any adjustment to or variation of its Order GEC : 4/1999, dated 18th November, 1998;
 - (ii) that the decision of the said Order is hereby affirmed;
 - (iii) that the request for a review by the Corporation (GEC) is hereby dismissed.

Dated this 19th day of March, 1999.

(On Leave)

PAMADATH J. MENON, A.A. - CHAIRMAN

Hugh K. George
HUGH GEORGE - MEMBER

John Willems
JOHN WILLEMS, A.A. - MEMBER

Chandraballi Bisheswar
CHANDRABALLI BISHESWAR - CHAIRMAN (AG)

Badrie Persaud
BADRIE PERSAUD - MEMBER

