



**INTRODUCING POWER FACTOR SURCHARGE
FOR
MAXIMUM DEMAND CUSTOMERS**

Notice is hereby given to all industrial customers falling under the Maximum Demand (MD) tariff categories (customers whose electricity power demand exceeds 50kVA), that the Electricity Supply Corporation of Malawi Limited (ESCOM) will be effecting Power Factor (P.F) surcharge to customers with a recorded power factor of less than 0.9 with effect from November 2015.

The objective of the Power Factor Surcharge is to encourage MD Customers to lower their electricity costs and support ESCOM's efforts to improve quality of supply, save power and reduce technical system losses.

The 10% surcharge will be raised against the monthly recorded Maximum Demand (MD) readings over and above the current standard MD tariff rate. The surcharge for the month in which meter readings are taken will appear in the subsequent month.

ESCOM conducted a number of clinic sessions in August and September this year to sensitize its MD customers on P.F improvement and the benefits. ESCOM is pleased to note that a number of MD customers have already made some improvements so far. ESCOM is strongly encouraging those who have not done so to undertake P.F correction and improvement measures.

Maximum Demand customers with predominantly heating loads such as bakeries are advised to monitor their PF before deciding to invest in PF correction measures. Unlike customers with predominantly inductive loads such as motors, heating loads do not contribute towards low Power Factor.

For any additional information or clarifications, please contact ESCOM'S Marketing and Business Development Department on 0888950117 and 0999385556 or email mddeclaration@escom.mw

Save Money and Save Energy by Improving Power Factor for your Electrical Equipment