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REGULATOR FOR ENERGY AND WATER SERVICES ACT

(CAP. 545)

Electricity Connection and Supply Regulations (Amendment) Regulations, 2024

IN EXERCISE of the powers conferred by article 37 of the
Regulator for Energy and Water Services Act, the Minister responsible
for energy and water services, after consultation with the Regulator for
Energy and Water Services, has made the following regulations:-

Citation and scope.

S.L.545.41.

1. (1) The title of these regulations is the Electricity Connection and Supply Regulations (Amendment) Regulations, 2024 and these regulations shall be read and construed as one with the Electricity Connection and Supply Regulations, hereinafter referred to as the "principal regulations".

(2) These regulations shall be applicable for applications submitted to the Regulator for Energy and Water Services referring to the installation of a new renewable energy sources generator (RES) or Combined Heat and Power (CHP) generation unit or energy storage facility or replacement of the relevant equipment after the date of publication of these regulations in the Gazette.

Amends regulation 11 of the principal regulations.

2. Sub-regulation 3(a) of regulation 11 of the principal regulations shall be substituted with the following:

“(3) (a) A RES or CHP generation unit or energy storage facility that is intended to be connected to the network shall be equipped with automatic volt-var control and where the total continuous steady state AC rating exceeds the 4.6kW (20Amps) on any phase the customer shall request prior confirmation, in the established manner, from the distribution system operator that such capacity may be connected to the network:

Provided that the distribution system operator may carry out a network connection study and depending on the findings of such study, may reject or accept the request:

Provided further that in the case of a rejection, the distribution system operator shall provide the applicant with a written justification for such rejection.”.