BERC: The Beginning

- Bangladesh Energy Regulatory Commission Act, 2003
  - March 13, 2003
- The Act becomes effective
  - April 27, 2004
- First Chairman was appointed
  - June 04, 2005
BERC : OBJECTIVE

- To create an atmosphere conducive to private investment
- To ensure transparency in the management, operation and tariff determination in the energy sector
- To protect consumer’s interest
- To promote the creation of a competitive market
- To ensure quality service
BERC: AREA OF REGULATION

- BERC
  - Electricity
  - Gas

- Ministry of Power Energy & Mineral Resources
  - Petroleum Products
BERC : NOW-A-DAYS

- 1 Chairman & 3 Members
- 1 Secretary
- 4 Directors
- 3 Deputy Directors
- 16 Assistant Directors
- Other Supporting Staffs
BERC: SALIENT FEATURES

- Authority to issue Licence
- Authority to fix tariff
- Authority to approve codes & standards
- Authority to use Judicial Power in energy issues
- Participatory decision making process
To determine efficiency and standard of machinery and appliances using energy

To initiate *Energy Audit*

To issue Licenses for Electricity Generation and Energy Transmission, Distribution & Marketing

To motivate to adopt energy efficient technology and appliances

To formulate codes and standards
To interact with the utilities

To initiate uniform accounting system for different utilities

To resolve disputes arisen between stakeholders

To ensure remedial actions against dishonest business practices or monopoly

To ensure control of environmental standard of energy
Rules & Regulations

Gazette Publication
- Bangladesh Energy Regulatory Commission License Regulations, 2006

Ministry Vetting
Website Publication

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BERC: ACHIEVEMENTS (CONTD.)

Rate Case

- Refixation Bulk Tariff on Electricity Generation for - BPDB
- Gas Tariff Refixation
- Retail Electricity Distribution Tariff (not increased) for - DESCO - DPDC - WZPDC
- Retail Electricity Distribution Tariff (on process) for - REB - PDB
Advisory Help

- Advise Ministry on
  - Introducing Daylight Saving Time (DST)
  - Implementing Demand Side Management
  - Improving Quality of Service
CHALLENGES

- Developing the confidence building measures
- Encouraging the investment
- Cost plus tariff fixation
LESSONS LEARNED

Regulatory System is an efficient tool:

- to strengthen institutions
- to ensure transparency and accountability
- to develop performance based evaluation
- to ensure public consultation
- to develop improved data collection strategies
- to ensure better monitoring
- to protect consumer interest
THANK YOU FOR PATIENT HEARING