



**EASTERN POWER DISTRIBUTION COMPANY OF ANDHRA PRADESH LIMITED**

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**Memo.No.CGM/Comml,DM&QC/EPDCL/ VSP/GM/ C/F:49623/D.No. 1980368/26, Dt:31.03.2026**

Sub: APEPDCL - Comml – VSP – Policy on Revival of Sick Industries- Rationalization of procedures in respect of collection of minimum charges–APERC granted renewal of the Policy up to 31.03.2027– APERC’s Instructions – Communicated -Reg.

- Ref: 1. Lr.No.Engg/DD(Trans)/E-273/ D.No.541/2023, Dt.24.03.2023 rcd on 31.03.2023  
 2. Note approval, dated 07.04.2023  
 3. Memo.No.CGM/Comml&DM/EPDCL/VSP/GM/C/F:SU-9/D.No.I/468945/23,Dt:10.04.2023  
 4. Note approval, dated 18.04.2024.  
 5. Lr.No.CGM/Comml&DM/EPDCL/ VSP/GM/ C/F:Dkt/D.No.I/531421/24, Dt:19.04.2024  
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 7. Note approval, dated 03.05.2024.  
 8. Memo.No.CGM/Comml&DM/EPDCL/VSP/GM/C/F:SU-9/D.No.I/534221/23,Dt:05.05.2024  
 9. Note approval, dated 15.03.2025.  
 10.Lr.No.CGM/Comml&DM/EPDCL/ VSP/GM/ C/F:Dkt/D.No.I/577371/25,Dt:19.03.2025  
 11. Lr.No.APERC/DD(Engg)/E-273/ D.No.479/2025, Dt.29.04.2025 received on 30.04.2025.  
 12. Note Approval Dt. 13.02.2026  
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 14. Lr.No.APERC/DD(Engg)/E-273/ D.No.173/2026, Dt.09.03.2026  
 15. Note approval, Dt.

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In the reference (14) cited, Hon’ble APERC communicated the approval for further extension of implementation of the relaxations and to continue the rationalized procedure for collection of minimum charges during the periods of long closure of HT & LT industrial units for one more year up to 31.03.2027. Under the above policy, HT&LT Industrial units which are under disconnection and closed for a period beyond six (6) months would be allowed to revive their industries under certain conditions laid down by the Commission in the renewal policy earlier as follows.

- (i) To make payment of actual consumption charges due upto the date of disconnection along with interest @1% per month upto date (till the date of making payment) plus minimum charges as applicable for a period of four (4) months (on a notional application of provisions of clause 5.9.4.3of GTCS without interest).
- (ii) The DISCOMs shall collect security deposit as per the Andhra Pradesh Electricity Regulatory Commission (Security Deposit) Regulation, 2004 (Regulation No.6 of 2004).
- (iii) The DISCOMs shall not collect development charges for the load/ demand already sanctioned. However, development charges can be collected for the additional load, if any.
- (iv) If any industry is closed (disconnected) within the minimum period of Agreement (within one year), the DISCOM shall not collect minimum charges for the balance period that the agreement is in force and in such cases, minimum charges shall be collected as per para 2(i) above. However, the DISCOMs can enter into a fresh agreement as per the General Terms and Conditions of Supply.
- (v) Consumer has to pay Service line charges, if any, as per APERC (Licensee's duty for supply of Electricity on request) Regulation, 2013(Regulation No.4 of 2013).
- (vi) They will not be eligible for any other concessions if any available for new industrial units under the state Industrial Policy.
- (vii) The above reliefs may be extended to companies which are reviving their activities including by way of change of management as going concerns.

(viii) This order shall not absolve new management taking over the sick companies either through private negotiations or public sales, of payment of development charges as prescribed under the GTCS of the Licensee.

Hence all the SEs and EEs /Operation are instructed to give wide publicity on the subject so as to improve HT & LT industrial sales and to increase revenues. They are requested to submit the proposals along with complete details for restoration of supply to Agreement Terminated HT/LT industrial units immediately on receipt of the requests from such industrial units for taking further action from this end. They shall not violate the provisions mentioned renewal policy and also submit a quarterly report on the status of implementation of Sick Industry Policy with case wise particulars.

Copy of the orders issued by APERC in the reference (14) cited is enclosed for ready reference and which is also available on APEPDCL website.

**#Digitally Signed#**  
**Chief General Manager**  
**Commercial**  
**APEPDCL::Visakhapatnam**

To

All the Superintending Engineers/Operation/.....

Copy to All Executive Engineers/Operation/.....

Copies to

The Chief General Manager/O&CS/APEPDCL/Visakhapatnam.

The Chief General Manager (Revenue)/APEPDCL/Visakhapatnam.

The General Manager/IT/Corporate office/Visakhapatnam with a request to make the order (Ref.14) available on the APEPDCL website as per the instructions of Hon'ble APERC