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**Second Amendment to the Andhra Pradesh Electricity Regulatory Commission
(Green Energy Open Access, Charges, and Banking) Regulation, 2024 (Regulation
No. 3 of 2024)**

[Regulation No. 02 of 2026]

Introduction:

The Commission notified the Andhra Pradesh Electricity Regulatory Commission (Green Energy Open Access, Charges, and Banking) Regulation, 2024 (Regulation No. 3 of 2024) (hereinafter referred to as “the Principal Regulation”), which was published in the AP Extraordinary Gazette on 02.05.2024.

Whereas keeping in view the objectives of the ICE Policy, the Commission notified the First Amendment to the Principal Regulation on 04.12.2025 to facilitate enhanced participation in Green Energy Open Access and to provide regulatory clarity in matters relating to charges, banking and related operational aspects;

Whereas the Commission has issued a draft amendment to the APERC (Terms and Conditions for Tariff Determination from Renewable Energy Sources) Regulation, 2025, proposing the removal of the requirement of a single interconnection point for Renewable Hybrid Energy Projects, subject to applicable connectivity approvals and grid discipline;

Consequent to the above amendment, it has become necessary to provide explicit regulatory clarity under the Green Energy Open Access framework regarding the definition, metering arrangements, scheduling, energy accounting, and deviation treatment for Renewable Hybrid Energy Projects.

Accordingly, the Commission issued a Draft Second Amendment to the Principal Regulation along with a Public Notice dated 19.02.2026 under Section 181(3) of the Electricity Act, 2003, read with the Electricity (Procedure for Previous Publication) Rules, 2005, inviting comments, suggestions, and objections from all stakeholders and interested parties. In response to the Public Notice, the Commission received comments/objections from various stakeholders. After careful examination of the suggestions as detailed in the Order dated 08-05-2026, and in exercise of the powers conferred under Sections 42, 61, 62, 86(1)(b) read with Section 181 of the Electricity Act, 2003 and all other powers enabling in this behalf, the Commission hereby issues the Second amendment to Regulation 3 of 2024 as follows.

1. Short Title, Extent, and Commencement

- i. This Regulation shall be called the Second Amendment to the Andhra Pradesh Electricity Regulatory Commission (Green Energy Open Access, Charges, and Banking) Regulation, 2024 (Regulation No. 3 of 2024).
- ii. This Regulation shall extend to the whole of the State of Andhra Pradesh.
- iii. This Regulation shall come into force on the date of its publication in the Andhra Pradesh Gazette.

2. The following definition shall be inserted as Clause 2(1)(m-a) of the Principal Regulation.

“(m-a) Renewable Hybrid Energy Project – means a renewable energy project that produces electricity from a combination of renewable energy sources connected at the same or different interconnection point(s).

Provided that the rated capacity of generation from one renewable energy source is at least 25% of the rated power capacity of the other resource, which operates at

the same point or different interconnection point(s):

Provided further that each 1 (one) MW of contracted Wind Solar Hybrid Project shall achieve a minimum CUF of 40%.”

3. The following text shall be inserted at the end of clause 9(2) of the Principal Regulation.

Explanation regarding Non-Colocated RE Hybrid Projects

“Non Colocated Renewable Hybrid Energy Project shall be treated as a single generating project. The capacity of the RE hybrid project shall be the basis for scheduling each individual source, irrespective of that source's capacity. The schedule for each source shall be furnished separately. The sum of schedules of all individual sources of the hybrid projects shall not exceed the capacity of the RE hybrid project at any time block. Any energy scheduled in excess of the RE hybrid project's capacity shall be treated as inadvertent energy. The energy injected shall be scheduled, source-wise, at the interconnection point for energy settlement, deviation and forecasting deviations. Connectivity for each source of the RE hybrid project may be granted in accordance with the normal technical feasibility requirements by TRANSCO/DISCOMS. The individual source of the RE hybrid project may be connected anywhere in the State.”

4. The following text shall be inserted at the end of clause 11 of the Principal Regulation.

“In the case of non-colocated Renewable Hybrid Energy Projects, the interface meter for each individual source shall be installed at the respective interconnection point(s) at the grid substation. ”

5. The following text shall be inserted at the end of clause 12(b) of the Principal Regulation.

“Provided that the Distribution/Wheeling charges shall be exempted for eligible Clean Energy Projects & RE Manufacturing Projects availing Open Access under APERC Regulation No. 3 of 2024, and commissioned (or) achieved Financial Closure (FC) during the operative period (Projects commissioned within the timelines as specified in the approvals), and for the exemption period as mentioned in GO.Ms.No.37, dated 30.10.2024, if injection and drawal of power is at the same voltage level within the State irrespective of DISCOM boundaries. The DISCOMS shall claim such exempted charges from the State Government along with the subsidy claims under Section 65 of the Electricity Act, 2003. In case of Renewable

Hybrid Energy Projects, if the constituent renewable energy components are connected at different voltage levels, wheeling charges and loss allocation shall be applied to each component based on its respective voltage level of interconnection.”

6. The following text shall replace the 5th proviso to Clause 13 of the First Amendment of Principal Regulation.

“Provided further that the Cross Subsidy Surcharge and Additional Surcharge shall be exempted for Green Hydrogen production and its derivatives projects. Additionally, Solar Module and Wind Turbine manufacturing projects shall be exempt from the Cross Subsidy Surcharge, while Battery Manufacturing projects shall be exempt from the Additional Surcharge. These projects shall source renewable energy through third-party open access within the State. Further, these exemptions shall be applicable for a period from the date of commissioning of such projects as mentioned in GO.Ms.No.37, dated 30.10.2024. The Distribution Licensee shall claim the waivers under Section 65 of the Electricity Act, 2003, from the Government of Andhra Pradesh.”

(By Order of the Commission)

Place: Kurnool
Date : 08.05.2026

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Commission Secretary i/c

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