

ENERGY AND INFRASTRUCTURE SECTOR NEWS UPDATE

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OIL AND GAS SECTOR



FEDERAL GOVERNMENT OF NIGERIA COMMISSIONS THE FIRST 20MEGAWATT GAS MODULAR LIQUEFIED PETROLEUM GAS PLANT IN NIGERIA

The Federal Government commissioned the Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) extraction plant, a 20-Megawatt (MW) gas to power project at Otakikpo field in River State, marking Nigeria's first LPG production. Green Energy and Lekoil Joint Venture jointly developed this project. This project is envisioned to create opportunities for a robust gas economy, provide electricity for the communities, and create jobs for youths in the Host Community

ACQUISITION OF SPDC BY RENAISSANCE AFRICA ENERGY COMPANY

Renaissance Africa Energy Company has completed the acquisition of 100% equity holding in Shell Petroleum Development Company of Nigeria Limited (SPDC). With the acquisition, Renaissance will control SPDC's 30% stake in the SPDC JV an unincorporated joint venture with the government-owned Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation (55%), Total Exploration and Production Nigeria Ltd (10%) and Agip Energy and Natural Resources (Nigeria) Limited (5%).

ACQUISITION OF SINOPEC NIGERIAN SUBSIDIARY BY SAVANNAH ENERGY

Savannah Energy has acquired the Sinopec International Petroleum Exploration and Production Company Nigeria Limited (SIPEC), a subsidiary of Sinopec International Petroleum Service Corporation. SIPEC's principal asset is the 49% non-operated interest in the Stubb Creek oil and gas field, which is operated and 51% owned by Universal Energy Resources Limited, a Savannah affiliate company. The acquisition consolidates Savannah Energy's interest in the Stubb field. The acquisition of SIPEC is expected to significantly enhance Savannah Energy's reserves and resources base, increasing it by approximately 30% from 151 million barrels of oil equivalent (MMboe) to 197 MMboe.

AQUATERRA ENERGY SECURES MULTI-MILLION DOLLAR NIGERIA OIL WELL INTERVENTION DEAL

Aquaterra Energy, an offshore engineering firm, has won a multi-million-dollar contract with Intrepid Energy Limited (IEL) to provide a customized subsea well intervention equipment package for a project in Nigeria.¹ This multi-year deal will see Aquaterra Energy supplying a complete system to enable IEL to enhance production from mature oil wells in the region.

PRESIDENT TINUBU APPOINTS FOUR NEW MEMBERS TO THE NCDMB GOVERNING COUNCIL

President Bola Tinubu has approved the appointment of four new members to the Governing Council of the Nigerian Content Development and Monitoring Board (NCDMB). This action addresses existing vacancies within the council and serves to bolster NCDMB's operational capacity.

ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING STATION IN FCT ABUJA

The Federal Government of Nigeria through the Ministry of Innovation, Science and Technology, in collaboration with the Electric Motor Vehicle Company has announced the launch of a sustainable energy Electric Vehicle Charging Station in Abuja. The initiative aligns with Nigeria's climate change goals and clean energy policies aimed at achieving net-zero greenhouse gas emissions, using solar energy.

ELECTRICITY SECTOR



NERC TRANSFERS ELECTRICITY REGULATORY OVERSIGHT OF PLATEAU STATE TO PSERC

The Nigerian Electricity Regulatory Commission (NERC) has transferred regulatory oversight of the Electricity market from the Commission to the Plateau State Electricity Regulatory Commission (PSERC). This transfer signifies a move towards empowering states to regulate their electricity markets, as contained in the Electricity Act 2023. The transfer order also mandates Jos Electricity Distribution Plc (JED) to establish a subsidiary referred to as JED SubCo. This new entity will be responsible for managing the intrastate supply and distribution of electricity in Plateau State from JED.

INCREASE IN NIGERIA'S POWER GENERATION TO 6003 MEGAWATTS

Nigeria's power sector has recorded a new record in its power generation to 6003MW. Nigeria achieved a record available power generation of 6,003 megawatts (MW), the highest in the nation's history, recording a peak generation evacuation of 5,801.84 MW and a daily maximum energy output of 128,370.75 megawatt-hours (MWh).

EXPANSION OF TRANSMISSION CAPACITY

The Federal Government has announced plans to boost the country's power transmission capacity from 8500 Megawatts (MW) which is the current transmission capacity to 10,000MW by the end of 2026. This initiative includes the construction of 16 transmission lines totaling 595 kilometers, aimed at strengthening inter-zonal connections and integrating additional renewable energy sources into the national grid.

NIGERIA TAKES A STEP TOWARDS ITS GREEN HYDROGEN ECONOMY WITH A 2,600MW SOLAR DEAL FROM LONGI

Nigeria signed a 2,600-megawatt (MW) solar module supply agreement with LONGi Solar France SARL. These solar modules will power Nigeria's Green Hydrogen Hub Project in the Liberty Oil & Gas Free Trade Zone in Akwa Ibom State.

FG ANNOUNCES SOLAR PANEL IMPORT BAN, PRIORITIZING LOCAL MANUFACTURING FOR ENERGY TRANSITION

The Federal Government of Nigeria has announced its plans to ban solar panel imports to boost local production and support the country's clean energy transition. The Federal Government believes Nigeria can meet its solar energy needs domestically, highlighting existing investments in

renewable infrastructure and the role of organizations like National Agency for Science and Engineering Infrastructure (NASENI) in local solar panel manufacturing.

MINING SECTOR



INVESTMENT IN LITHIUM PROCESSING

El-Tahtam Exploration Limited has secured a \$500 million (Five Hundred Million Dollars) investment from TSG Mining Group to establish lithium processing plants in Kebbi, Kwara and Kaduna states. Each plant is designed with a daily 3000 metric tonnes of lithium ore, aiming to produce 6% lithium concentrate. Additionally, a plan is in place to build a Lithium Carbonate plant in Lagos, with the goal of producing 80,000 metric tonnes of high-purity lithium carbonate annually. These initiatives are expected to position Nigeria as a significant player in the global lithium market.

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