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LEGAL ADVISORY NOTICE REVOCATION OF LICENSES UNDER THE PETROLEUM INDUSTRY ACT

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Introduction

The Petroleum Industry Act ("PIA") establishes an elaborate licensing regime for downstream gas and petroleum liquid operations. Activities such as bulk storage, transportation as well as sale of petroleum liquids and natural gas can only be validly conducted within the terms of the specific licenses issued in respect of each of these operations. Such licenses are only issued to corporate entities. A failure to abide by the terms of the license or the provisions of the law under which such license was issued may result in its revocation by the Nigerian Midstream and Downstream Petroleum Regulatory Authority ("the Authority"). The revocation of a license portends significant adverse consequences for the affected licensee in that it deprives the licensee of the rights, benefits and value accruable to it by virtue of the license. For this reason, the PIA clearly prescribes the grounds upon which the Authority may exercise its power of revocation.

Grounds for Revocation

A license to engage in any downstream oil and gas operation will be revoked where a licensee fails either to commence activity within the timeframe prescribed in the license or to comply with the applicable laws and regulations governing the terms and conditions of its license. The same applies to a licensee who transfers any interest in its license without obtaining the prior consent of the Authority or who fails to comply with its environmental obligations as required by law or the terms of the license. Bankruptcy, insolvency and dissolution of a licensee also constitute viable grounds for the revocation of a license. In the absence of a force majeure event or any other acceptable justification, a licensee who interrupts its downstream petroleum operations for a period of more than 180 consecutive days is liable to have its license revoked. Where a licensee acquires a license by false representation or in violation of corrupt practices and money laundering laws; or fails to abide by any expert determination, arbitration award or judgment resulting from the dispute resolution provisions in its license or the PIA, its license may be revoked. Furthermore, the PIA proscribes abuse of power by public officials in relation to the issuance of licenses. In this regard, where a licensee is owned wholly or in part, directly or indirectly or is controlled by a former or serving public official or member of the Government, who obtained his interest in the applicable license other than as permitted by applicable law, the said license may be revoked; provided the license was acquired while the public official was in office or was a member of the Government.

Conclusion

It is important to note that none of the aforementioned grounds for revocation entitle the Authority to unilaterally annul licenses without further recourse to relevant provisions of the PIA. While the grounds establish a basis for revocation, they do not automatically result in a revocation. The PIA sets out an important mechanism which the Authority must strictly comply with in order to validly and finally terminate the license of an offending licensee. This mechanism will be discussed in next week's edition of this newsletter.

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MACROECONOMIC INDICES

INFLATION

	JAN 2021	FEB 2021	MAR 2021	APR 2021	MAY 2021	JUN 2021
Year on Year % Change	16.47%	17.33%	18.17%	18.12%	17.93%	17.75%
12 Month % Change	13.62%	14.05%	14.55%	15.04%	15.50%	15.93%
Month on Month % Change	1.49%	1.54%	1.55%	0.97%	0.01%	1.06%
	JUL 2021	AUG 2021	SEP 2021	OCT 2021	NOV 2021	DEC 2021
	JUL 2021	AUG 2021	3EP 2U21	001 2021	NUV 2021	DEC 2021
Year on Year % Change	17.38%	17.01%	16.63%	15.99%	15.40%	15.63%
12 Month % Change	16.30%	16.60%	16.81%	16.96%	16.98%	16.95%
Month on Month % Change	0.93%	0.93%	1.15%	0.98%	1.08%	1.82%

CRUDE OIL PRICES

	JAN 17	JAN 18	JAN 19	JAN 20	JAN 21
Brent Crude (USD/bbl)	86.48	87.51	88.44	88.38	87.89
WTI Crude (USD/bbl)	-	85.43	86.96	86.90	85.14

EQUITIES MARKET UPDATE

SECTOR	JAN 14	JAN 21	WEEKLY Change	WTD	MTD	QTD	YTD
NSE 30	1,735.17	1,772.92	37.75	2.18	2.94%	2.94%	2.94%
Consumer Goods	558.72	564.47	5.75	1.03	-4.21%	-4.21%	-4.21%
Oil & Gas	360.41	379.17	18.76	5.21	9.90%	9.90%	9.90%
Banking	412.30	419.14	6.84	1.66	3.22%	3.22%	3.22%
Industrial	2,086.99	2,178.09	91.10	4.37	8.45%	8.45%	8.45%
Insurance	193.23	192.71	-0.52	-0.27	-2.73%	-2.73%	-2.73%





FOREX RATES - INTERBANK I & E MARKET

=N=	JAN 17	JAN 18	JAN 19	JAN 20	JAN 21
USD	409.00-415.00	412.00-416.00	412.00-416.00	412.00-416.00	412.00-416.00
INTERBANK OFFICIAL CLOSING FX RATE (\$/=N=)	416.00	414.50	416.00	415.00	413.50

CLOSING USD / NGN FX RATES

INTERBANK (CLOSING IND)	BID	OFFER	MARKET CLOSING FX RATE (\$/NGN)
JAN 17	414.00	415.00	411.75
JAN 18	414.00	415.00	415.00
JAN 19	414.00	415.00	415.00
JAN 20	414.00	415.00	415.00
JAN 21	414.00	415.00	415.00

Source: CBN *Year - 2022

FOREX RATES - PARALLEL MARKET

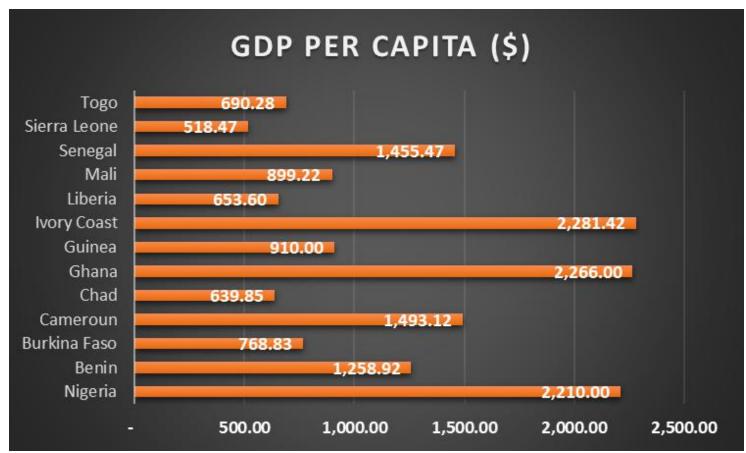
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USD	-	-	-	-	-
GBP	-	-	-	-	-
EURO	-	-	-	-	-

Source: ABOKIFX.COM *Year - 2022



Industry WATCH





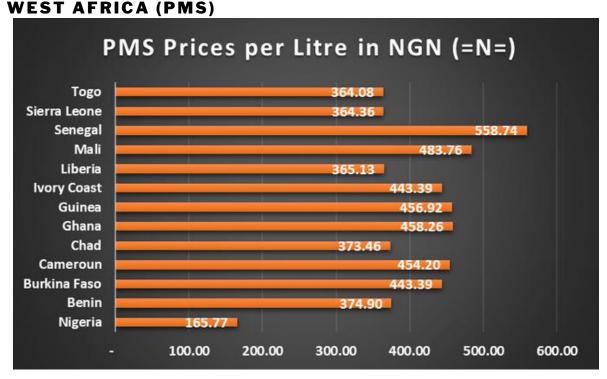
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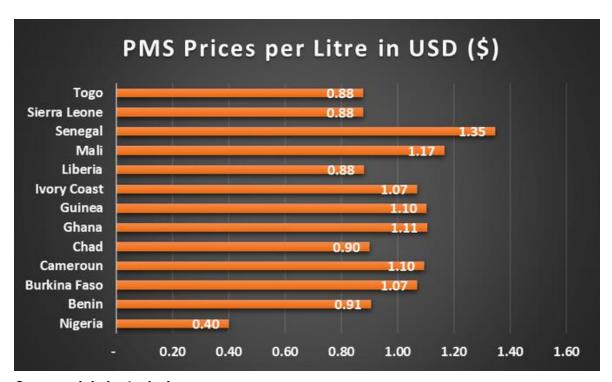




GASOLINE PRICES

*Average gasoline prices around the Africa: =N=510.80 or \$1.23 USD as at 17 JAN. 2022





Source: globalpetrolprices.com *Year - 2022 25 JANUARY 2022 INDUSTRY WATCH

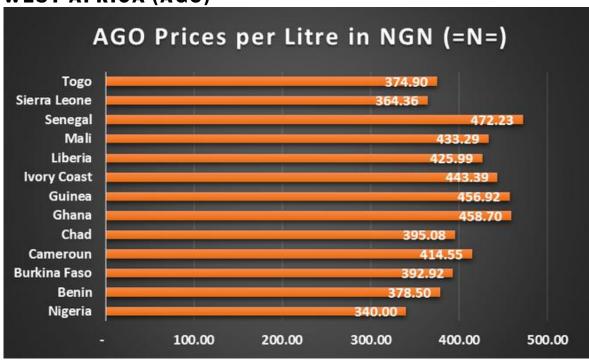


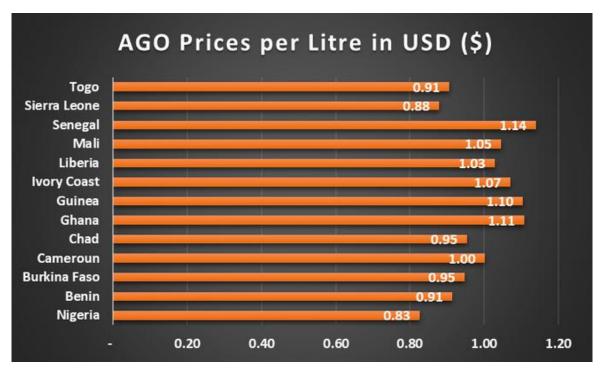




DIESEL PRICES

*Average diesel prices around the Africa: =N=469.36 or \$1.13 USD as at 17 JAN. 2022 WEST AFRICA (AGO)





Source: globalpetrolprices.com *Year - 2022







PMS

\$ (USD)	JAN 17	JAN 18	JAN 19	JAN 20	JAN 21	DEC. AVERAGE
FOB ROTTERDAM	819.750	822.500	832.250	837.750	825.750	708.155
FOB MED	804.250	810.750	824.000	831.000	821.500	704.536
CIFNWE	826.000	830.250	840.000	848.500	839.500	722.988

AGO

\$ (USD)	JAN 17	JAN 18	JAN 19	JAN 20	JAN 21	DEC. AVERAGE
CIFNWE	756.500	762.750	770.500	768.000	762.500	643.631

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\$ (USD)	JAN 17	JAN 18	JAN 19	JAN 20	JAN 21	DEC. AVERAGE
CIFNWE	834.500	833.250	839.250	831.250	827.500	682.679

\$/BBL	JAN 17	JAN 18	JAN 19	JAN 20	JAN 21
ICE GASOIL (USD/MT)	762.500	776.500	765.250	759.500	767.000

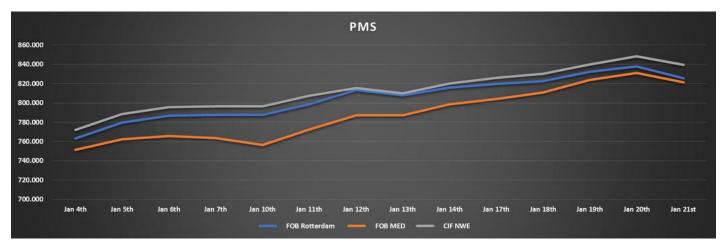
Source: S & P Global Platts

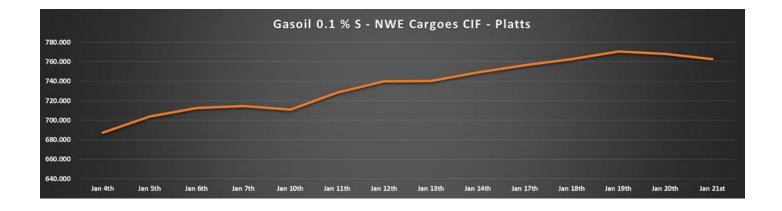
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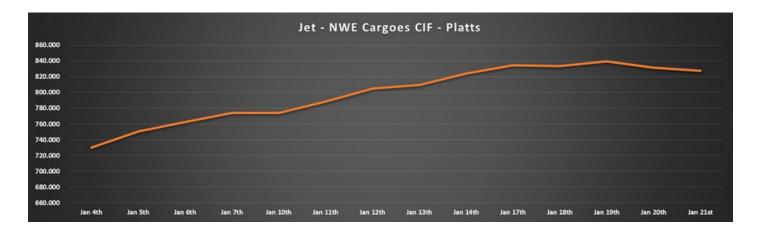


Industry WATCH

PLATTS







Source: S & P Global Platts



Industry WATCH

LAGOS, NIGERIA

=N=/Litre	JAN 21
PMS	151.50 - 154.00
AGO	337.00 - 345.00

*Year - 2022

PORT-HARCOURT, NIGERIA

=N=/Litre	JAN 21
PMS	154.00
AGO	331.00

*Year - 2022

FEX-DEPOT PRICES

DELTA, NIGERIA

=N=/Litre	JAN 21
PMS	154.00 - 155.00
AGO	348.00 - 350.00

*Year - 2022

CALABAR, NIGERIA

=N=/Litre	JAN 21
PMS	155.40
AGO	322.00 - 325.00





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S/N	- 0	STATE	Number of Cases
E TOTAL		Lagos	98,138
	_	FCT	28,119
1	_	Rivers	16,380
	_	Kaduna	11,155
		Plateau	10,225
		Oyo	10,185
_		Edo Ogun	7,655 5,794
	9	Delta	5,305
		Ondo	5,117
	-	Kano	4,913
i i	12	Akwa Ibom	4,625
	13	Kwara	4,541
	14	Osun	3,253
	15	Gombe	3,208
	16	Enugu	2,952
3	17	Anambra	2,743
	18	Nasarawa	2,697
	19	lmo	2,426
	20	Katsina	2,399
	21	Abia	2,152
	22	Benue	2,129
- 8	23	Ebonyi	2,064
3	24	Ekiti	1,978
	25	Bauchi	1,932
	26	Borno	1,612
9	27	Taraba	1,469
	28	Bayelsa	1,305
	29	Adamawa	1,203
	30	Niger	1,142
1	31	Sokoto	811
	32	Cross River	778
	33	Jigawa	661
3	34	Yobe	502
9	35	Kebbi	480
3	36	Zamfara	375
-		Kogi	5
£	- 3	TOTAL	252,42







Source: NCDC

Wet



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