

PUBLIC NOTICE – NPA. N. 030 REQUIREMENTS FOR A LICENCE TO CONDUCT SAFETY AUDIT ON LPG STORAGE VESSELS AND INSTALLATIONS.

A. The NATIONAL PETROLEUM AUTHORITY wishes to inform the general public, specifically those who intend to be, or are already service providers in the petroleum downstream sector, on provisions under the National Petroleum Authority Act 2005, (Act 691) and the requirements for obtaining a licence.

Section 11(1)

A person shall not engage in a business or commercial activity in the petroleum downstream industry unless that person has been granted a licence for that purpose by the Authority.

Section 12

A licence under this Act may only be granted to

- a. a citizen of Ghana; or
- b. a body corporate registered under the Companies Code, 1963 (Act 179); or
- c. a partnership registered under the Incorporated Private Partnerships Act, 1962 (Act 152); or
- d. a foreign individual or foreign company in a registered joint venture relationship with a citizen of Ghana or a Ghanaian company.

B. REQUIREMENTS FOR A LICENCE TO CONDUCT SAFETY AUDIT ON LPG STORAGE VESSELS AND INSTALLATIONS.

- a. Certificate of Incorporation.
- b. Certificate to Commence Business.
- c. Company's regulations code 8-82.
- d. Evidence that the Company has personnel with the relevant qualifications and experience equal to at least one of the following as stated in the API Code 510, June 2006 Edition:
 - i. A degree in Engineering plus one (1) year experience in the design, construction, repair, operation or inspection of boilers or pressure vessels.
 - ii. A two (2) year Certificate in Engineering or Technology from a Technical College plus two (2) years of experience in the design, construction, repair, operation or inspection of boilers or pressure vessels.
- iii. The equivalent of a high school education plus three (3) years of experience in the design, construction, repair, operation or inspection of boilers or pressure vessels.
- e. However, if the Company's personnel do not have any of the above-mentioned qualifications, then the Company should show evidence that the personnel have undergone training in ultrasonic thickness gauging and inspection of unfired pressure vessels offered by a Certified Level 3 Instructor in ultrasonic testing (UT) method and a minimum of hundred (100) hours on-the-job-training on LPG installations.