



PUBLIC NOTICE – NPA. N. 009B
BULK LPG DISTRIBUTING COMPANY LICENCE

- 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 TO OBTAIN A BULK LPG DISTRIBUTING COMPANY LICENCE**

- a. A detailed Business Plan.
- b. A corporate environmental policy culminating in the grant and issue of an environmental permit by the EPA.
- c. Infrastructure Requirement (minimum of 6,000 m³ of storage facilities) (Company must apply for and obtain a permit to construct a depot for the storage of petroleum products).
- d. The location of the depot must be within a 7 km radius from the Oil Jetty (if facility is beyond 7 km from the Jetty, then provision must be made for a booster to facilitate the discharge of all products from the vessel within 24 hours).
- e. Modern automated loading gantries/racks with options for both bottom and top loading.
- f. Installation of the front-end of the GCNet in the offices of the respective applicant and subsequent declaration of all petroleum imports and exports to customs through the Ghana Customs Management System/Ghana Customs Network (GCMS/GCNet) prior to the delivery of their cargoes.
- g. Applicant Company must provide the following:
 1. Proof of title to land.
 2. Permits from all relevant regulatory agencies.

3. Evidence of local partnership i.e. at least 50% shares to be held by Ghanaian citizens.