



SEVENTIETH ORDINARY SESSION OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS

Abidjan, 20 – 21 June 2013

REGULATION C/REG.8/06/13 RELATING TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A FUND FOR EMERGENCY MEASURES IN THE ENERGY SECTOR

THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS,

MINDFUL of Articles 10, 11 and 12 of the ECOWAS Treaty as amended, establishing the Council of Ministers and defining its composition and functions;

MINDFUL of Articles 28 and 55 of the said Treaty relating to the promotion, integration and development of energy projects and cooperation in the energy sectors of the Member States of the Community;

MINDFUL of Protocol A/P4/1/03 of 31 January 2003, hereafter referred to as the ECOWAS Energy Protocol establishing the legal framework intended to promote long term cooperation in the ECOWAS energy sector, and based on complementarities and mutual benefit aimed at achieving increased investment in the energy sector and increased energy trade in the West African region;

MINDFUL of Supplementary Act A/SA.4/01/08 of 18 January 2008 adopting the Emergency Power Supply Security Plan (EPSSP);

CONSIDERING the financial support the ECOWAS Commission provided to two Member States for the implementation of emergency measures to improve power supply, namely Guinea Bissau for US\$ 6 million and Guinea for US\$ 30 million;

CONSIDERING the requests made by some Member States to the ECOWAS Commission to provide them financial support for the implementation of an emergency power supply programme;

ON THE RECOMMENDATION of the *meeting of the Ministers in charge of Energy* held in Yamoussoukro, Republic of Côte d'Ivoire, on 24th May 2013:

ENACTS

Article 1

- a) A Fund for emergency power supply measures in Member States within the Energy Sector is hereby established;
- b) The fund shall be operated as a window within the ECOWAS Solidarity Fund framework.

Article 2

1. The ECOWAS Commission shall expeditiously conduct a study in order to determine eligibility criteria and conditions to be met by beneficiary Member States for assessing the funds.
2. The Commission shall also establish a performance monitoring system to monitor the execution of programmes that are beneficiaries of the Fund including related disbursements.

Article 3

This Regulation shall be published by the Commission in the official journal of the community within thirty (30) days of its signature by the President of the Council of Ministers. It shall equally be published by each member state in her official journal thirty (30) days after notification by the Commission.

DONE AT ABIDJAN THIS 21ST DAY OF JUNE 2013


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H.E. CHARLES KOFFI DIBY

**CHAIRMAN
FOR COUNCIL**