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The Acting MD of Ibom Power, Engr. Camillus Umoh (M), flanked by Savannah Energy's Oil and Gas Production Supervisor, Engr. Eberechi Nwafor (L) and Head of Operations, Olusola Oke (R), with Ibom Power Management and Staff during the visit to Accugas' gas processing and compression plant facility (CPF) in Esit Eket LGA, Akwa Ibom State.

IBOM POWER MANAGEMENT UNDERTAKES FACILITY VISIT TO ACCUGAS PROCESSING PLANT

The Acting Managing Director of Ibom Power Company Limited, Engr. Camillus Umoh, led the company's senior management team on a strategic visit to its sole gas supplier, Accugas (a subsidiary of Savannah Energy), to gain firsthand insight into the company's operations.

Accugas' gas processing and compression plant facility (CPF), located in Esit Eket Local Government Area of Akwa Ibom State, is a 200 million standard cubic feet per day (200 MMscfpd) plant. It supplies gas to Ibom Power, the Odukpani Independent Power Plant and Lafarge Africa cement factory through dedicated 18" and 24" diameter pipelines to Ikot Abasi and Oron, respectively.

This visit follows the Acting MD's call for a comprehensive and collaborative approach to resolving one of Ibom Power's challenges as well as the need for backward integration.

Addressing the issue of gas shortage, Savannah Energy said gas is available to customers on demand.

The company, which manages gas development and production from five wells in the Uquo oil fields and an oil well owned by Frontier Energy, disclosed that it has completed an additional modular unit to boost gas supply from its existing Uquo field gas asset and future wells.

Savannah said it supplies gas for about 17% of Nigeria's thermal power generation capacity and further disclosed that, in

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DID YOU KNOW

According to Savannah Energy, Nigeria holds about 210 trillion cubic feet (Tscf) of proven gas reserves, making it the 8th largest gas reserve holder globally, and the largest in Africa.



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The Power Sector Communications Team (PSCT) with the Managing Director/CEO of the Transmission Company of Nigeria (TCN), Engr. Sule Ahmed Abdulaziz (M) at its Bi-monthly meeting recently in Abuja. (Photo: Power Sector News on LinkedIn)

Editorial

WALKING THE TALK

Welcome to the latest Ibom Power Newsletter!

In this edition, we spotlight our MD who truly walked the talk by leading management on a facility visit to Accugas' gas processing plant in Esit Eket, Akwa Ibom State.

This visit reflects the MD's call for a comprehensive and collaborative approach to resolving one of Ibom Power's key challenges.

We also featured insights from the renowned Professor Barth Nnaji, who decried Nigeria's poor utilization of its abundant natural gas reserves for electricity generation despite ranking among countries with the largest proven natural gas reserves in the world.

Other countries with abundant gas reserves, like Russia, boast an installed capacity of about 270,000 megawatts (MW).

Saudi Arabia has 94,000MW, Venezuela 34,000MW, UAE 27,000MW, Algeria 24,000MW, USA 1,250,000MW, and China 3,402,000MW.

Meanwhile, Nigeria has just 13,625MW, which is slightly above Qatar's 11,000MW. Yet, while Qatar has reached peak generation of 10,220MW, Nigeria has only reached about 5,800MW.

Nigeria needs to walk the talk on gas-to-power.

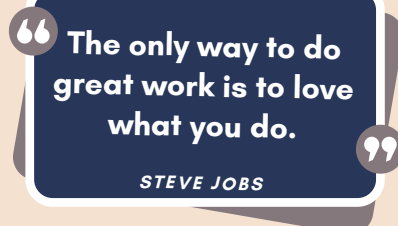
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About Ibom Power

Ibom Power is an Independent Power Plant (IPP) owned by the Akwa Ibom State Government and situated in the Ikot Abasi local government area of Akwa Ibom State. It is a pioneer in the Nigerian power industry. Please visit www.ibompower.com to learn more.



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“WE ARE GAS-RICH, YET WE STRUGGLE TO SUPPLY ENOUGH GAS TO OUR POWER PLANTS”

– PROF. BARTH NNAJI

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Prof. Barth Nnaji
Chief Executive Officer, Geometric Power

A former Minister of Power and internationally renowned engineer, Prof. Barth Nnaji, has raised fresh concerns over Nigeria's inability to fully harness its vast natural gas reserves for electricity generation despite boasting more than 200 trillion cubic feet (Tcf) of proven reserves.

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“It's quite perplexing. We are a gas-rich country, yet we struggle to supply enough gas to our power plants. It's a contradiction that many find hard to understand,” he said.

Speaking on the future of Nigeria's future energy mix, Prof. Nnaji emphasized that while

hydro and solar power will play an increasing role, gas-fired plants will remain the backbone of electricity generation for at least the next one to two decades.

He stressed that unlocking Nigeria's gas potential requires stronger private sector leadership, with government acting primarily as an enabler.

“Nigeria has all the capacity it needs. Government should remain an enabler, but the private sector must take the lead.

If we don't produce enough gas, even promising initiatives like CNG adoption will not take off,” he cautioned.

Prof. Nnaji further argued that a reliable gas supply could do more than just stabilize electricity, it could transform Nigeria's economy by expanding into industrial

processing and petrochemicals.

He noted that the country could build a diversified energy ecosystem capable of driving long-term growth if it harnesses its vast natural gas reserves.

Nnaji further emphasised that Nigeria is not investing adequately in gas production and pipeline transportation infrastructure, calling for greater private sector involvement.

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demonstration of its commitment to customer satisfaction, it devised an alternative supply route to serve customers when the 24 km gas pipeline to Oron was vandalized.

According to Savannah Energy, most of the gas produced is used for power generation, while the rest serves industrial customers such as cement producers.

Savannah Energy plc is a British independent energy firm.

The firm recently confirmed that its Uquo Field was converted to a 20-year petroleum mining lease in line with the Petroleum Industry Act 2021, effective from December 1, 2023 in demonstration as a going concern.

The Ibom Power delegation first received a detailed plant specific safety induction at the Accugas conference room before a tour of live operational areas, led by Savannah Energy's Oil and Gas Production Supervisor, Engr. Eberechi Nwafor and Head of Operations, Olusola Oke.



Ibom Power Staff with the Staff of Savannah Energy during the facility visit to the 200 million standard cubic feet per day (200MMscfpd) gas processing and compression plant facility (CPF), located in Esit Eket Local Government Area of Akwa Ibom State.

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