The General Assembly

CONSIDERING the Decision A/DEC.5/12/99 of the twenty-second summit of the Authority of the Heads of States and Governments of ECOWAS held in Lomé on December 10, 1999 relating to the establishment of the West African Power Pool (WAPP);

CONSIDERING the Decision A/DEC. 18/01/06 of the twenty-ninth summit of the Authority of Heads of State and Government of ECOWAS held in Niamey on January 12, 2006, relating to the Articles of Agreement for the establishment and functioning of the WAPP;

CONSIDERING the Decision A/DEC. 20/01/06 of the twenty-ninth summit of the Authority of Heads of State and Government held in Niamey on January 12, 2006, relating to the establishment of the WAPP Secretariat as a specialized institution of ECOWAS;

RECALLING the Headquarters Agreement signed between the Republic of Benin and the West African Power Pool Secretariat;

CONSIDERING the Articles of Agreement relating to the organisation and functions of the West African Power Pool dated July 6th, 2006 in particular Articles 4, 5, 7, and 24;

CONSIDERING the Decision WAPP/03/DEC. 06/07/06 of the first session of the General Assembly held in Cotonou on July 6th, 2006, adopting the 2006-2009 Business Plan for the WAPP Organisation and corresponding Budget for the WAPP Secretariat;
DECIDE:

Article 1: The Amendments to the Articles of Agreement, "Amendment No.10, Amendment No.11, Amendment No.12, Amendment No.13, Amendment No.14, Amendment No.15, Amendment No.16", as indicated in the attached Memorandum and relating to the incorporation of the Planning Investment Programming and Environmental Safeguards (PIPES) Department of the WAPP Secretariat into the Articles of Agreement, is adopted.

Article 2: The present Decision comes into effect upon its signature.

Article 3: The Secretary General shall take all necessary measures to ensure the implementation of this Decision.

Done in Abuja, Nigeria, on this day of October 26th, 2007,

Chairperson

Engr. (Dr.) J.O. Makoju
Memorandum on Proposed Changes to the WAPP Articles of Agreement to Incorporate the Planning, Investment Programming and Environmental Safeguards Department of the WAPP Secretariat

Abuja, October 26th, 2007
Addition of the Department of PIPES to the Articles of Agreement

The WAPP Articles of Agreement make no reference to the Planning, Investment Programming and Environmental Safeguards (PIPES) Department and this insertion has been developed to provide information on the objectives of PIPES consistent with what has been developed for the Information and Coordination Centre. This will be a new article in the Articles of Agreement but requires a renumbering of Article 7 to accommodate it. Since both ICC and PIPES Departments are within the WAPP Secretariat, they need to come under Article 7 instead of Article 8 where ICC is presently.

The General Assembly is hereby invited to consider and adopt the amendments to the WAPP Articles of Agreement below:

☞ Amendment No. 10 : Restatement of Article 3

Revised ARTICLE 3, “STRUCTURE OF WAPP”

“The governance structure is:

- The General Assembly
- The Executive Board
- The Organizational Committees
- The WAPP General Secretariat

☞ Amendment No. 11 : New Article 7.4

“7.4 Planning, Investment Programming and Environmental Safeguards Department

The WAPP Planning, Investment Programming and Environmental Safeguards (PIPES) Department is an organ of the WAPP Secretariat and shall facilitate the timely anticipation, development and realization of projects to permit the unhindered development of WAPP.”

☞ Amendment No. 12 : New Article 7.4.1

“7.4.1 Duties

The responsibilities of the Planning, Investment Programming and Environmental Safeguards Department include:

a) Coordinate information gathering from Members, regulatory bodies, investors, financial institutions and legislative bodies on industry trends, forecasts and directions
b) Assess the industry environment in which the WAPP Organization is functioning
c) Assess the strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats (SWOT) of the WAPP organization in relation to the industry environment and neighboring entities.
d) Implement strategies recommended by the Strategic Planning and Environmental Committee to achieve the mission, goals, objectives and responsibilities of the WAPP Organization and periodically review the internal processes of WAPP to align them to the adopted strategies

e) Work with other Departments of WAPP in developing related action plans, schedules and budgets

f) Complete a self assessment annually to determine how effectively the Department is meeting its responsibilities

g) Perform any other duties assigned by the Secretary General”

The addition of the PIPES Department in the Articles of Agreement requires a renumbering of the Articles of Agreement.

**Amendment No. 13 : Revised Article 7.3 (former ARTICLE 8)**

“7.3 WAPP Information and Coordination Centre”

The text remains the same

**Amendment No.14 : Revised Article 7.3.1 (former Article 8.1)**

“7.3.1 Duties”

The text remains the same

**Amendment No. 15 : Revised Article 7.3.2 (former Article 8.2)**

“7.3.2 Publications and Data Bases”

The text remains the same

**Amendment No. 16 :**

With the renumbering due to the introduction of the amendments, Article 8 is completely deleted. To avoid this gap, the Articles of Agreement have to be renumbered. The old Article 9 with all sub-Articles becomes new Article 8, the old Article 10 becomes new Article 9, the old Article 11 becomes new Article 10, and so on.