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WEST AFRICAN POWER POOL
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General Secretariat / Secrétariat Général

**REPORT OF THE ACTIVITIES OF FINANCE
COMMITTEE OF WAPP**



The West African Power Pool General Secretariat organized two meetings of the Finance Committee (FC) at its headquarters in Cotonou.

- ▶ **The first was from 30th to 31st March, 2017. This meeting was a joint meeting between the Human Resources and Finance Committees at Benin Royal hotel, Cotonou. The only item on the agenda was the memorandum on possible solutions to the recurrent issue of Recovery of contributions from members.**
- ▶ **The second was from 3rd to 6th October 2017. The purpose of the meeting was to consider and adopt the 2016 Financial Statements of WAPP and Management Letter and evaluate the WAPP 2018 Work Programme and Budget and recommend for approval of same to the Executive Board.**



At the two meetings, the Finance Committee made the following recommendations :

For the first meeting , "the memorandum on possible solutions to the recurrent issue of Recovery of contributions from members"

- ▶ ***WAPP should designate focal persons within the member utilities preferably the Finance Directors and WAPP organizational committee members to encourage regular payment.***
- ▶ ***From the debtors' list, those members who owe two years and above must be visited by the WAPP Secretariat and encouraged to pay. The reason for non-payment must be ascertained to determine the way forward.***
- ▶ ***Demand Notices sent to members must indicate the total outstanding amount and the details of the arrears of the utility concerned, and should specify payment deadlines.***



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- ▶ ***The Finance Committee of WAPP should invite the Finance Directors of the members once a year to discuss the financial situation of WAPP for the purpose of encouraging them to pay their contributions.***
- ▶ ***WAPP should visit members who have never made any payment since they registered to determine the reasons for their non-payment. WAPP should also ascertain from GTS Engineering Service and GTG Energy Ltd their membership status,***
- ▶ ***WAPP shall exercise an option of last resort when members fail to pay up their contributions inspite of all the remedial measures above. The following options of last resort shall be considered:***
- ▶ ***Requiring non-fully paid up Members to finance their cost of participation in WAPP meetings.***
- ▶ ***Suspension of non-paying Members from voting at the level of the Executive Board and General Assembly.***



For the second meeting , "Consider and adopt the 2016 Financial Statements of WAPP and Management Letter and evaluate the WAPP 2018 Work Programme and Budget and recommend for approval of same to the Executive Board."

- ▶ **Approval of the Management Letter and the Audit Report of the 2016 WAPP Financial Statements ;**
- ▶ **Approval of the Work Programme of WAPP for the year 2018;**
- ▶ **Approval of the Budget of WAPP for the year 2018 as follows :**

Operating Budget	UA	4,548,678
Capital Budget	UA	170,184
Investment Budget	UA	36,427,799
Total	UA	41,146,661



A Special Taskforce on the Securitization of payments within WAPP Regional Electricity Market has been constituted. They met in Cotonou from 20th-21st September 2017.

The work of the committee is not concluded. Once it is done, their report will be submitted to the Finance committee for consideration.