

## WEST AFRICAN POWER POOL SYSTEME D'ECHANGES D'ENERGIE ELECTRIQUE OUEST AFRICAIN

General Secretariat / Secrétariat Général

### TWELFTH SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE WEST AFRICAN POWER POOL ORGANISATION

# DECISION WAPP/75/DEC.03/11/17 RELATING TO THE ADOPTION OF THE 330 KV DAWA – JUALE – BOLGATANGA TRANSMISSION LINE PROJECT IN GHANA AS A WAPP PRIORITY PROJECT

### The General Assembly

**CONSIDERING** the Decision A/DEC.5/12/99 of the twenty-second summit of the Authority of the Heads of State and Government 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 adoption of 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 stipulations in the Articles of Agreement relating to the organisation and functions of the West African Power Pool dated July 6<sup>th</sup>, 2006 in particular Articles 1, 4, 5, 7 and 26;

**CONSIDERING** the Supplementary Act A/SA.3/01/08 of the thirty-third Ordinary Session of the Authority of Heads of State and Government held in Ouagadougou on January 18th, 2008, relating to the adoption of the WAPP Transmission Line Implementation Strategy;

**CONSIDERING** the Decision WAPP/40/DEC.28/10/11 of the sixth session of the General Assembly held in Lomé on October 28<sup>th</sup>, 2011, relating to the adoption of the updated ECOWAS Revised Master Plan for the Development of Generation and Transmission of Electrical Energy;

**RECALLING** that the Feasibility Studies on the 225 kV Ghana – Burkina Interconnection Project currently under construction as well as the 225 kV Ghana – Burkina – Mali Interconnection Project currently under preparation have highlighted the need for the transmission network in Ghana to be reinforced to ensure among others, optimal delivery of power to the land-locked countries of West Africa and beyond;

**RECALLING** that a Project Definition Study conducted in 2016 by Fichtner within the framework of the 225 kV Ghana – Burkina Interconnection Project, concluded, on the one hand, on the need for a 2<sup>nd</sup> 330 kV Transmission Line from the South of Ghana to the North; and on the other hand, it recommended a Transmission Line routed from Dawa to Bolgatanga through Juale as the most technically and economically viable option;

**MINDFUL** that the realization of the 330 kV Dawa – Juale – Bolgatanga Transmission Line Project shall not only improve stability on the WAPP interconnected system but shall also increase transmission capacity for unconstrained delivery of power;

**NOTING** the correspondence dated December 15, 2016 with reference 1012/001/5886 from the Ghana Grid Company (GRIDCo) requesting the inclusion into the Regional Master Plan for the Development of Generation and Transmission of Electrical Energy, of the 330 kV Dawa – Juale – Bolgatanga Transmission Line Project in Ghana;

**CONSIDERING** the Resolution WAPP/223/RES.29/04/17 of the thirty-fourth Meeting of the WAPP Executive Board held in Cotonou on April 29<sup>th</sup>, 2017, relating to the adoption of the 330 kV Dawa – Juale – Bolgatanga Transmission Line Project in Ghana as a WAPP Priority Project.

#### DECIDE:

- Article 1: The 330 kV Dawa Juale Bolgatanga Transmission Line Project in Ghana, is adopted as a WAPP Priority Project.
- Article 2: The ongoing updating of the ECOWAS Revised Master Plan for the Development of Generation and Transmission of Electrical Energy shall consider the 330 kV Dawa Juale Bolgatanga Transmission Line Project in Ghana as part of the list of WAPP Priority Projects.
- **Article 3:** The Secretary General shall take all necessary measures to ensure the implementation of this Decision.
- Article 4: The present Decision comes into effect upon its signature.

Done in Accra this day of November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2017,

Chairperson
Usman Gur MOHAMMED