

BRIEF ON JOINT INVESTIGATION VISIT (JIV) AT MOSAN PIPELINE INCIDENT SITE, ALIMOSHO LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA OF LAGOS STATE ON THE 9TH OF APRIL, 2020

1. COMPANY ADDRESS/FACILITY DETAILS

- I. **COMPANY:** Nigerian Pipelines and Storage Company (NPSC)
- II. **HEAD OFFICE:** NNPC Towers, Central Business District, Garki, Abuja
- III. **AREA OFFICE:** NPSC Mosimi, Ogun State
- IV. **FACILITY:** Petroleum Product Pipeline
- V. **PURPOSE OF VISIT:** Joint Investigation Visit
- VI. **INCIDENT:** Pipeline tampering/Product fumes
- VII. **DATE OF INCIDENT:** 4th April, 2020
- VIII. **CAUSE OF INCIDENT:** Vandalism
- IX. **PRODUCT:** Premium Motor Spirit (PMS)
- X. **QUANTITY SPILLED:** Not yet quantified

2. LOCATION/SITE ADDRESS:

Mosan-Aboru, Mosan/Okunola LCDA, Alimosho Local Government Area, Lagos

3. GEOREFERENCE/COORDINATES:

N 06° 36' 55.4"	Incident Point
E 003° 16' 59.2"	

4. DATE AND TIME OF VISIT:

Date: Thursday 9th April, 2020

Time: 1050 hours – 1200 hours

5. NOSDRA TEAM:

Mr. Olisa Mbanefo	Team leader
Mr. Abegunde Olushola	Member
Mr. Edward Inyaka	Member
Mr. Anthony Osode	Member

6. SITE CONTACTS:

Oyemala Abiodun	Supt. HSE (NPSC)	08032255432
Shiitu K.	Fire Tech (NPSC)	08069297020
Adegboyega A.	Community contact	08052262213
Lawal Olatunji	Community contact	07018541756

7. PURPOSE OF VISIT:

Joint Investigation Visit (JIV) to ascertain the cause of incident, quantity of product spilled and extent of the impact on the environment.

8. OPENING CONFERENCE:

NOSDRA team led by the Zonal Head arrived at the site at about 1040 hours and met with other stakeholders, which included; representatives of Nigerian Pipelines and Storage Company (NPSC) and members of the affected community.

The Zonal Head stated the reason for the visit and asked for an overview of the cause of the incident. Mr. Oyemala replied that NPSC received a report from the community that there was product fumes in the environment and on getting to the site, it was discovered that vandals had installed a valve on the pipeline which was then used to siphon product. The valve was removed and taken away by the NPSC Pipeline team and the affected section of the pipeline was repaired.

Addressing the community stakeholders present, Mr. Olisa Mbanefo stated that Joint Investigation Visits are conducted to ascertain the cause and extent of the incidents and discuss ways to avert similar occurrences. He enquired about background information from the community representatives on previous incidents.

In response, one of the landlords in the community, Mr. Adegboyega explained that there had been several cases of vandalism within the area. He added that the vandals usually come at night and since the area around the pipeline is bushy and not well travelled, it is difficult for the residents to quickly get them. He also said that if government makes the road motorable, it will help secure the area, as more people will pass there often, which will deter vandals from tampering with the pipelines.

7. OBSERVATION:

- a) The affected pipeline is located across a canal separating Mosan and Aboru communities
- b) The pipeline has been repaired and covered
- c) The atmosphere around the incident area was no longer pungent with product fumes
- d) Product pumped through the pipeline is Premium Motor Spirit (PMS)
- e) No visible sign of security surveillance/patrol
- f) The area along the Right of way was cluttered with both refuse and vegetation
- g) Some pipeline right of way marker posts were visible while others have been removed

8. FINDINGS:

- a. "Repair work" is sometimes carried out on the pipeline by unidentified personnel (according to the residents).
- b. Product was not spilled according to NPSC as there was not breakage in the pipeline.
- c. The valve installed by the vandals had been removed by NPSC staff and product pumping has resumed.

9. DOCUMENT RECEIVED/ATTACHED:

- NOSDRA Attendance sheet
- NOSDRA Joint Investigation Visit form

10. PHOTOGRAPHS ATTACHED

See Appendix

11. CLOSING REMARKS

In his closing remarks, the Zonal Head commended the community for their prompt response in alerting NPSC to the activities of the vandals. He also advised all stakeholders to employ more professional means to secure the environment. He assured them of government's unrelenting

commitment towards protecting the environment and urged them to keep reporting all suspicious activities promptly.

12. TIME LOG

ACTIVITIES	TIME
Arrival of the Agency's team	1050 hours
Opening conference starts	1055 hours
Commencement of Site tour	1105 hours
Site tour ends	1130 hours
Departure from site	1200 hours

13. RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that NPSC should;

- a. Properly delineate and always clear the Pipeline right of way
- b. Provide effective security to monitor activities around the pipeline and the community.
- c. Be directed to collaborate with other stakeholders in sensitization of the community as well as all pipeline host communities on the dangers of pipeline vandalism.

APPENDIX



Pic 1: Section of repaired Pipeline



Pic 2: Zonal Head with NSPC officials



Pic 3: NOSDRA and NSPC group picture



Pic 4: Stackholders Closing brief

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