

January/2021



The Executive Director,  
National Environment Management Authority (NEMA),  
Kampala (U).

Dear Sir/Madam,

**R.E: REQUEST FOR CERTIFIED COPIES OF THE EACOP ESIA CERTIFICATE OF APPROVAL, PRESIDING OFFICER'S REPORT AND THE FINAL EACOP ESIA REPORT**

The above refers

Greetings from Africa Institute for Energy Governance (AFIEGO), a registered organisation whose main objective is to promote good environmental governance amidst oil threats and risks. First, we thank you and your staff for the continued efforts to promote environmental governance amidst oil risks and threats in Uganda.

To support NEMA's above-mentioned efforts, AFIEGO and the undersigned civil society actors are requesting you for a **certified copy of the Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) Certificate of Approval for the East African Crude Oil Pipeline (EACOP) project.**

We are also requesting for a **certified copy of the presiding officer's report from the EACOP ESIA public hearings** that took place in Kakumiro, Mubende and Rakai districts in October 2019.

We are further requesting for a **certified copy of the final EACOP ESIA report** on which NEMA based to make a decision approving the EACOP ESIA report.

The above documents will enable us to continue sensitising stakeholders, monitor the social and environmental threats of the EACOP project and ensure compliance with the EACOP ESIA certificate conditions in addition to the EACOP ESIA report commitments.

It is notable that operating under regulations 19, 20, 21 and 22 of the 1998 Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) regulations, AFIEGO and our undersigned partners submitted written comments to NEMA and participated in the public hearings on the EACOP ESIA report.

We are aware that NEMA issued an ESIA certificate of approval for the EACOP oil project to Total East Africa Midstream B.V on Thursday December 3, 2020.

AFIEGO and the undersigned civil society organisations (CSOs) are committed to supporting NEMA's efforts to ensure respect for environmental and social rights amidst oil threats.

We therefore look forward to your co-operation in this matter.

Thank you,



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Dickens Kamugisha,

Chief Executive Officer, AFIEGO

**SIGNATORIES:**

No.	Name of organisation	Logo
1.	Africa Institute for Energy Governance (AFIEGO)	
2.	Environmental Conservation Trust of Uganda (ECOTRUST)	
3.	Citizens Concern Africa (CICOA)	
4.	Action Coalition on Climate Change (ACCC)	
5.	South Western Institute for Policy and Advocacy (SOWIPA)	
6.	World Voices Uganda	
7.	Guild Presidents' Forum on Governance	
8.	Youth for Green Communities	
8.	Oil Refinery Residents Association (ORRA)	

CC:

- The Minister of Energy and Mineral Development
- The Minister of Water and Environment
- The Executive Director, Petroleum Authority of Uganda
- The Chairperson, Natural Resources Committee of Parliament
- The General Manager, Total E&P Uganda