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EMERGENCY TOWER RESTORATION WORKS: ASHAIMAN SECTION OF 161 kV TEMA TO ACHIMOTA TRANSMISSION LINE.

The Ghana Grid Company Ltd. (GRIDCo) wishes to inform the general public, particularly residents and businesses in the Greater Accra Region, that emergency works will be undertaken to replace a damaged tower on the Tema–Achimota 161kV transmission line at Ashaiman.

The transmission tower was damaged when a fuel tanker exploded while welding work was being carried out on its tank within the transmission line Right-of-Way (RoW).

To facilitate the emergency replacement works and ensure the safety of personnel and the public, power supply to some locations in the Greater Accra Region will be interrupted on Sunday, 16th August 2026, from 3:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. GRIDCo engineers and technical teams will use this period to safely undertake the required works and restore the integrity of the transmission line.

GRIDCo sincerely apologises to all affected customers for the inconvenience the planned outage will cause and appreciates the public's patience and cooperation as these critical emergency works are undertaken.

GRIDCo wishes to strongly remind the public that encroachment on a lawfully acquired or assigned transmission line Right-of-Way is prohibited by law.



PRESS STATEMENT

The Transmission Line Protection Regulations, 1967 (L.I. 542), as amended by L.I. 1737 of 2004, prohibit specified human activities within transmission line corridors. Activities including unauthorised construction, excavation, drilling, commercial operations, lorry parks, shops, garages and other activities that interfere with the safe operation and maintenance of the transmission system are prohibited within the protected corridor.

As indicated by the Minister for Energy and Green Transition Hon. Dr. John Abdulai Jinapor during his inspection of ongoing work, all persons, businesses, land users and other entities currently encroaching on its transmission line Rights-of-Way across the country must cease all unauthorised activities and vacate the affected corridors within the one-month period.

This directive applies particularly to persons who have erected structures, established businesses, parked heavy vehicles, undertaking welding, excavation or other industrial activities, or otherwise occupied or obstructed the transmission line corridors.

GRIDCo will, after the expiration of the stated period, work with the relevant Metropolitan, Municipal and District Assemblies, other statutory institutions and the security agencies to enforce the law and remove unauthorised structures and activities from the transmission line Rights-of-Way. Persons who fail to comply should therefore expect enforcement action in accordance with the applicable laws.

GRIDCo reiterates that the Right-of-Way is not an area available for unrestricted occupation or commercial use. GRIDCo accordingly urges the public, traditional authorities, landowners, businesses and local authorities to cooperate fully in keeping all transmission line Rights-of-Way clear and free from encroachment.

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Note to Editors:

Ghana Grid Company LTD. (GRIDCo) was incorporated in December 2006 to carry out the economic dispatching and transmission of electricity from facilities of wholesale suppliers (Independent Power Producers [IPPs]) to bulk customers and distribution utilities in Ghana and West Africa. The Company became operational on August 1, 2008, following the transfer of the Transmission System Department and its core staff from VRA to GRIDCo. It operates the National Interconnected Transmission System (NITS). GRIDCo currently transmits electricity to thirty-three (33) Bulk Customers and Distribution Utilities from eleven (11) Wholesale Suppliers, including the Volta River Authority (VRA).