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CONSULTATION ON PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO MINI-GRID REGULATION, 2016

1. The Nigerian Electricity Regulatory Commission ("NERC") in its effort to enhance private sector led expansion of electricity access issued the Regulation for Mini-Grids, 2016.

2. The Regulation seeks to accelerate electrification in areas without existing distribution network ("Unserved areas") and areas with an existing but non-functional distribution grid ("Underserved areas") by attracting participation of private sector investors, community-based organizations, non-governmental organizations in achieving nationwide electrification.

3. The Commission in exercise of the rulemaking powers conferred on it by Section 96 of the Electricity Power Sector Reform Act ("EPSRA") 2004 and in line with its business rules commenced the review of the Mini-Grids Regulation, 2016 in partnership with the Nigerian Energy Support Programme ("NESP"). A consultation paper was published on the NERC website for a statutory period of 21 days to allow for stakeholder comments and input on proposed amendment to the Regulation.

4. Upon the expiration of the timeline and in furtherance of the consultation process, the Commission has scheduled stakeholder meetings across the six (6) Geo-Political zones of the country to interact with industry stakeholders and the public to receive further

comments on the proposed amendment to the Regulation. The proposed stakeholder meetings are scheduled to hold as follows:

S/N	LOCATION	DATE
1	Providence Hotel, Ikeja, Lagos State	29 November 2022
2	Online, Port-Harcourt, Rivers State	5 December 2022
3	Online, Kano, Kano State	5 December 2022
4	NERC Headquarters, FCT, Abuja	8 December 2022

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