

NIGERIAN FIRM SUSPENDED AT HOME FOR PROFITEERING

QUESTION/ISSUE

Our attention was brought to an online publication by the Guardian newspaper in Tanzania alleging that Sahara had been suspended in Nigeria for “profiteering” and faced the possibility of sanctions by Tanzania’s Petroleum Importation Coordinator (PIC) for the supply of substandard gasoline under the bulk procurement system.

SAHARA’S POSITION

The misleading and false profiteering allegation was sourced from media reports in Nigeria. Please see explanation below (Sahara faults DPR suspension order).

On January 1, 2016, Sahara received a letter from the Petroleum Bulk Procurement Agency of Tanzania informing it of the non-conformity to the Tanzanian standard of the MOGAS with delivery laycan of 23 – 25 December 2015. It has been ascertained that the cargo in question had been confirmed by a reliable Third-Party supplier and inspection agents to be in compliance with the standards in Tanzania.

Sahara remains a leading Oil Marketing Company in Tanzania and has participated in subsequent tenders after the replacement of the cargo.

Please click on the [Tanzania MOGAS Supply](#) link to access the details