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The Secretary to the State Government, Adamawa State, Yola

## RE- REPORT BY ALHAJI ABUBAKAR HASSAN PERMANENT SECRETARY ENERGY DEPARTMENT GOVERNMENT HOUSE YOLA. ON THE ACHIEVEMENT OF ENERGY DEPARTMENT

This Department was created on the 5<sup>th</sup> November, 2008. The first achievement of the department was securing of a Grant from the United States Trades and Development Agency (USTDA), to the tune of \$467,000.00 for a feasibility study on the conversion of the Kiri Dam to Hydro-Electric Generating Dam, in conjunction with it's original purpose as an irrigation Dam. After granting of the Aid, a Memorandum of Understanding between the United States Government, represented by Her Excellency Ms. Robin Sanders (American Ambassador to Nigeria) and Adamawa State Government represented by His Excellency, Governor Murtala H. Nyako was signed in November, 2008.

A part payment of \$200,000.00 was made to Princeton Energy Resource International for the feasibility Study in December, 2009.

After signing the agreement on the feasibility study between Adamawa State Government, Princeton Energy Resources International of United States of America started works on the feasibility study.

Another development was the invitation by the State Government to the Minister Federal Ministry of Energy, to Kiri – Dam for an on the spot assessment, and request for assistance in August, 2009. The Ministry commended efforts made so far by the State Government and promised assistance in the power generation plan of the Kiri-Dam, by the State Government.

A committee was inaugurated comprising of professionals from various relevant Federal, State Agencies and Departments to coordinate the evacuation of power from the Lagdo Dam. In February, 2009, the Committee visited the Republic of Cameroun for a familiarization and the appreciation of the potentials of Lagdo Dam for evacuation of electricity to Yola, Adamawa State.

In the same vein, in December 2009, a team of experts chaired by the Chairman Electromataanza (NIG) LTD paid a follow-up visit to the Republic of Cameroun and presented a report to the fact that the Cameroonian President had consented to the State's request to evacuate power through the Federal Ministry of External Affairs. This, however is yet to materialize.

An agreement was also made between this department and Power Holdings Company of Nigeria (PHCN) for the improvement of electric Power supply to Mubi and Madagali by increasing the required Mega watts to those areas.

In Mayo-Belwa Local Government, the Department also secured fifty (50) Hectares of land for a step-down sub-station for Power Holdings Company of Nigeria (PHCN) for improvement of power supply.

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