



# Press Statement

## Dr. George Chabwera elected ERB Chairperson

**29<sup>th</sup> November 2012**

Dr. George Chabwera and Mr. Robinson Mwansa have been elected Board Chairperson and Board Vice Chairperson of the Energy Regulation Board (ERB), respectively.

This followed elections which were conducted at a board induction meeting held in Lusaka on 27<sup>th</sup> November 2012. Board Members of the Energy Regulation Board are empowered by the Energy Regulation Act to elect a Chairperson and Vice Chairperson from among themselves.

A renowned entrepreneur, Dr. Chabwera was at the helm of the Zambia Association of Chambers of Commerce and Industry (ZACCI) from 1994 to 2000. He has also served as President of Zambia Federation of Employers and chaired the Eastern Province Chamber of Commerce and Industry as well as the Zambia-Malawi-Mozambique Growth Triangle. Currently, he is Chairman and Managing Director of Associated Fire Services. Dr Chabwera holds a PhD in Management obtained from the United States of America.

Mr. Mwansa was Managing Director of ZESCO from 1991 to 2002 and was one of the founder members of the Southern African Power Pool (SAPP). Prior to his appointment to the power utility, he had worked for Eskom of South Africa as a senior engineer. He currently provides consultancy services to the energy sector as a power engineer. Mr. Mwansa holds a degree in electrical engineering from the University of Zambia.

Other Board Members are Ms. Mubanga Musakanya, Mrs. Judith Tembo, Mr. Johnstone Chikwanda, Mr. Mike Kabwe and Pastor Geoff Mwape.

Meanwhile, the Minister of Mines Energy and Water Development, (MMEWD) Hon Yamfwa Mukanga has called on the new ERB Board to diligently serve the nation in the execution of its duties. Officiating at the induction meeting of the Board Hon. Mukanga said Government was anxious to see enhanced growth in the energy sector. As such, he urged the ERB Board to look into challenges in the electricity sector which had resulted in pronounced load shedding.

With regard to fuel, Hon Mukanga highlighted security of supply and product quality as key issues for the ERB Board to address.

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