

Press Statement

Countrywide Fuel Supply

Friday, 5th April, 2024

The Energy Regulation Board (ERB) wishes to assure members of the public that it is aware of and regrets the intermittent supply of Diesel currently being experienced at some filling stations in some parts of the country.

The ERB undertakes routine fuel stocks monitoring countrywide, working in collaboration with Tazama, Indeni and Oil Marketing Companies to ensure a reliable and continuous fuel supply chain. Therefore, based on the latest daily fuel statistics, the country has sufficient fuel stocks.

As at 4th April, 2024, the country had **109,124,335.96** liters of diesel and liters **19,418,938.94** of petrol in various depots and retail sites countrywide, enough to cover the national requirements of petroleum products. In that regard, the purported localised shortage of fuel may be as a result of logistical challenges by some Oil Marketing Companies to supply retail sites that may not have the products.

However, the ERB will continue to engage with Oil Marketing Companies and carry out random surveillance inspections of filling stations in the country to ensure that no filling station is deliberately hoarding fuel which generally leads to an artificial shortage of the commodity.

The ERB remains committed to working diligently to prevent any fuel shortages or disruptions and will continue to closely monitor the fuel supply situation and maintain regular communication with fuel suppliers to address any potential challenges promptly.

Members of the public are encouraged to seek further clarification on the current supply situation from the ERB offices in Livingstone, Lusaka, Kitwe and Kasama or through the ERB Toll Free Line number **8484** and Chatbot Line **0977791087**.



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