



UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA
MINISTRY OF ENERGY
ENERGY AND WATER UTILITIES
REGULATORY AUTHORITY
(EWURA)



IN THE MATTER OF ROUTINE INSPECTION AT RETAIL OUTLETS
AND
IN THE MATTER OF CHECKING ON COMPLIANCE WITH LICENCE TERMS AND
CONDITIONS BY GAPCO (T) LTD – UHURU PEAK SERVICE STATION LOCATED AT
PLOT NO. 32, BLOCK “Z”, KIBO ROAD, MOSHI MUNICIPALITY IN KILIMANJARO
REGION

(COMPLIANCE ORDER NO: 16-11-2024)
REFERENCE NO: BA.306/369/459/ Vol.I /48

(Made under Section 39 of the EWURA Act, Cap. 414)

PRELIMINARIES

EWURA has noted with concern that on 9th August 2024 at approximately 11:20 hours, an incident occurred at Gapco (T) Ltd – Uhuru Peak Service Station located at Plot No. 32, Block “Z”, Kibo Road, Moshi Municipality in Kilimanjaro Region with licence number PRL-2018-350. The incident involved a 21-year-old male named Shalom Albert Tarimo, who died in an automotive gas oil (AGO) storage tank.

FINDINGS

On 10th August 2024, EWURA conducted an investigation on the matter and noted that:

- (a) during routine calibration of the facility’s underground petroleum storage tanks, GAPCO (T) Ltd did not take enough precautionary measures to avoid accident including restriction of unauthorized personnel and thus the company was in total breach of the applicable codes and standards on safety, security, health, and environment applicable during calibration contrary to rule 25 (1) (a) (vi) and 27 (1) (a) of the Petroleum (Wholesale, Storage, Retail and Consumer Installation Operations) GN 150 of 2022.

(b) after the incident, Gapco (T) Ltd - Uhuru Peak Service Station did not notify the Authority on the incident contrary to rule 25 (c) of the Petroleum (Wholesale, Storage, Retail and Consumer Installation Operations) GN 150 of 2022.

ORDER

THEREFORE, and based on the foregoing EWURA has considered the matter in accordance with the applicable laws and has decided that **Gapco (T) Ltd - Uhuru Peak Service Station** located at **Plot No. 32, Block "Z", Kibo Road, Moshi Municipality in Kilimanjaro Region** be and **IS HEREBY ORDERED** to explain in writing within seven (7) days from the date of receipt of this Order why severe punishment should not be taken against the company for contravening the above provisions of law.

GIVEN under the seal of the Energy and Water Utilities Regulatory Authority this 19th day of November 2024.



Dr. James A. Mwainyekule
DIRECTOR GENERAL

Order served upon, and received by:

GAPCO UHURU PEAK SERVICE STATION this 11 day of 12 2024.
Name: GERAUD MOLLER
Signature: [Signature] (Official Stamp)
Designation: TERRITORY MANAGER - ARUSHA

This order is issued in duplicate. Sign both copies and retain your copy while the other copy is to be returned to the Authority to authenticate due service of the Order.

Copy to be served to:

Director General,
The National Environment Management Council (NEMC)
Regent Estate - Mikocheni Plot No. 29/30
P.O. Box 63154

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Annexure: Pictures of the area after the incident





Figure 1: Overview of the area after the incident



Figure 2: Overview of the area after the incident



Figure 3: Overview of the area after the incident