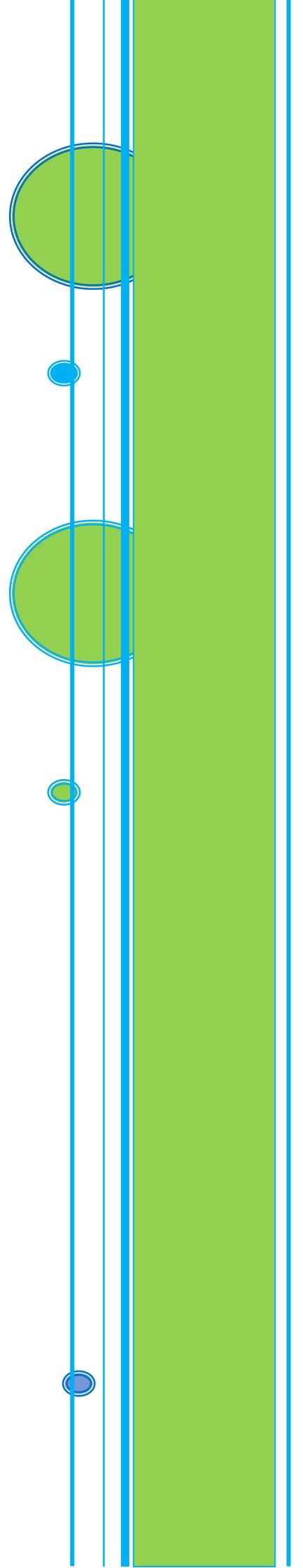




# **Ceremony for the Donation of Health Equipment to the Government of Cameroon**

**STATEMENT BY THE  
GENERAL MANAGER**

Yaounde, 22 September 2020



The Minister of Public Health,  
The General Manager of the Hospital,  
The British High Commissioner to Cameroon,  
Distinguished Guests,

I am particularly delighted to take the floor here today, on the occasion of this handing over ceremony of health equipment from Eneo Cameroon to the Government of the Republic of Cameroon, in support of its efforts to fight the COVID 19 pandemic and other diseases.

I would like to, first of all, to extend to the Government of Cameroon, through you, Mr. Minister, the hearty congratulations and gratitude from Eneo Cameroon.

Your robust response plan, under the leadership of the Prime Minister, and the impetus of His Excellency the President of the Republic of Cameroon, made it possible to curb the spread of the virus and protect the populations.

The measures that you put in place in specialized government centres made it easier to provide treatment to Eneo staff, and contributed to the proper functioning of our internal plan.

Despite the particularly difficult economic context coupled with the COVID pandemic, we have spared no effort to meet the expectations of the public.

As a producer and distributor of electricity, Eneo has fully played its role at the heart of the public health system, in support of the response plan put in place by the Government.

In order to effectively ensure the continuity of power supply, our health and operational measures contributed to ensure the overall control of the spread of the pandemic within the company, especially in core business operations.

We have strengthened our Contingency Management Plan for our Power Plants and Strategic Dams, as well as for all critical Electricity Distribution operations. This is intended to protect staff and ensure continuity service to the public.

Given the highly strategic nature of the main generation facilities, employees have been placed in prolonged confinement, either on sites or in requisitioned hotels, with no access to people outside the service. We have also obviously

implemented a close epidemiological surveillance which requires upon each entry by staff:

- Temperature control;
- Administration of an investigation questionnaire based on the directives of the Ministry of Health (MINSANTE) to identify "Suspected cases" and "Contact cases";
- Conducting rapid serological tests for COVID-19, in order to identify carriers (even asymptomatic), and to limit the spread of the virus among workers, whose availability is highly critical for the preservation of continuity of service nationwide.

This Contingency Plan was an integral part of our Service Continuity Prevention and Management Strategy during the pandemic. This strategy was developed and implemented since March 2020, and managed on a daily basis by a Crisis Management Committee.

Amongst the measures put in place for both staff and our customers in order to ensure continuity of service, I would like to cite:

- The preventive confinement of staff tagged "vulnerable" due to their health profile;

- The temporary confinement, as a precaution, of employees with suspected symptoms and employees who have had direct contact with an infected person;
- The organization and putting in place of teleworking as an exposure reduction measure;
- The reinforcement of hygiene and health measures at work places and in commercial agencies;
- Increase in access to potable water and necessary hand washing facilities;
- Making available hydro alcoholic gels to target staff and at work places;
- Constant supply of masks or scarf to all staff;
- Sensitization on the obligatory respect of barrier measures notably: obligatory wearing of masks by all staff and customers as well as the respect of physical distancing everywhere and at all times;
- Making available procedures that ease access to early treatment by the medical team and the national network of approved Eneo centres;
- Reinforcement of electronic solutions for customer transactions with the company (e.g. requests for connections and subscriptions,

alerts on technical and commercial issues, consultation and payment of bills online, request for information, etc.);

- Etc.

This action is fully in line with our efforts to support the Government and our corporate social responsibility in generally.

Our donation comprises the following health care and mass disinfection materials:

- **Pulse oximeters**
- **Reanimation and intensive care ventilators**
- **Multi-parametric monitors**
- **Pump motor sprayers**
- **Buckets with covers and tap for washing of hands,**
- **Surgical masks and hydro alcoholic gel bottles.**

This equipment would serve at the moment, during the pandemic, and at the same time to the treatment of other types of diseases primarily in our Referral Hospitals.

It should be recalled that the Douala General Hospital is the only centre specialized in treating serious burn victims in the Central African Sub-Region. Being amongst the beneficiaries of this donation will contribute, on the one hand, to reinforce the technical platform of this centre and, on the other hand, to reduce the mortality rate related to COVID-19 and other serious diseases.

Besides referral hospitals, health centres in the six district councils hosting sensitive electricity generation sites will also benefit from a part of this donation.

Mister Minister,

As part of its activities and in support of Government's efforts, Eneo will continue to work towards preserving the health of its personnel, its customers and communities so as to mitigate the impact of this pandemic.

On behalf of the entire personnel of Eneo and myself, I urge you to accept this donation that would contribute to efforts of the Government of Cameroon in the health sector.

Thank you for your kind attention.