

## Azule Energy and NGC partners inaugurate Gas Treatment Plant in Soyo

**Soyo, Zaire, 27 November 2025** – The National Agency for Petroleum, Gas and Biofuels ("ANPG"), and Azule Energy, operator of the New Gas Consortium ("NGC"), announced the official inauguration of the Gas Treatment Plant in Soyo, province of Zaire.

The NGC project is Angola's first non-associated gas development, with a processing capacity of approximately 400 million standard cubic feet of gas per day (MMscfd) and 20,000 barrels of condensate per day. Gas is sourced from the offshore Quiluma and Maboqueiro field platforms and supplied to the Angola LNG plant for export.

Today's milestone marks a decisive step in positioning Angola as a strategic player in the global natural gas market and highlights the successful collaboration between Azule Energy – a 50:50 joint venture between bp and ENI – NGC partners and the Angolan government.

The gas plant entered the commissioning phase with gas-in in November 2025, marking the beginning of operations for the NGC project - achieved just 24 months after the groundbreaking ceremony in October 2023 and six months ahead of the sanctioned schedule.

"Non-associated gas deposits guarantee aditional production than relying solely on the gas that is associated with oil. The benefits are significant, as gas is in great demand in the international market, is less polluting than diesel and offers a competitive price. We believe that other developments like this will come along, which is promising for the Angolan people and the national economy.

For the local population, one of the benefits is the increase in the offer of employment. For the construction of these facilities, a considerable number of Angolan citizens were hired. But there are many more jobs coming, if we take into account that the construction of a fertilizer production unit is planned, which will use precisely the gas from this plant. Whoever secures a job here will be improving living conditions not only of a person, but for a family", stated the President of the Republic, João Lourenço.



For the Minister of Mineral Resources, Oil and Gas, Diamantino Azevedo, today's inauguration - marking the start of operations of the NCG, comprising 2 platforms, Quiluma and Maboqueiro, a 50 km transport system and an onshore gas treatment plant - represents a significant achievement for the sector and beyond.

"This is the first non-associated natural gas treatment production project in Angola. We reached this milestone 6 months ahead of schedule. In 2018, with the approval of Presidential Legislative Decree No. 7/18, the Gas Law, Angola established a modern, competitive and attractive legal and fiscal regime for the development of gas not associated with oil, definitively opening the door to structuring projects like this", the Minister clarified.

Adriano Mongini, CEO of Azule Energy said: "Today, Angola takes a decisive step toward establishing itself as a strategic force in the global natural gas market. Azule Energy is proud to be the company leading this path with the NGC development completion and dedicated gas exploration activity."

This initiative supports the country's energy diversification and represents responsible resource development enabling growth in other key sectors such as fertiliser production for agriculture.

The achievement is also underpinned by an outstanding HSE record of 20 million lost time injury-**free** manhours in Soyo, where more than 4500 Angolan workers were mobilized at the peak of activities, alongside the 1200 Angolan workers that fabricated the Quiluma jacket and deck in Ambriz Yard. With the start of production, the project will generate significant additional direct and indirect employment throughout the life cycle of the plant, contributing to sustained economic growth.

This achievement stands as a testament to the collaborative spirit and shared commitment of MIREMPET, ANPG, Azule Energy and the NGC JV partners.

## **About the New Gas Consortium**

The New Gas Consortium consists of the following entities: Azule Energy – as operator, with a 37.4% participation, Cabinda Gulf Oil Company (CABGOC) with 31%, Sonangol E&P with 19.8%, TotalEnergies with 11.8% and ANPG as the National Concessionaire.



The NGC also reaffirms its commitment to social sustainability, with a budget dedicated to community initiatives in the region, details of which will be announced soon.

## **About Azule Energy**

Azule Energy produces over 200,000 barrels of oil per day. The company supports Angola in developing its energy sector and transitioning to cleaner energy sources. The company prioritizes sustainability, innovation, and growth, believing that investment in oil and gas, combined with decarbonization technologies and renewable energy, can make Angola's energy system more resilient and reliable.

In Namibia, Azule Energy holds a 42.5% stake in Block 2914A (PEL85) and works closely with partners in exploring and developing resources in the promising Orange Basin.

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