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OIL TERMINAL DUES ACT, CAP 08, LFN, 2004

**CAWTHORNE CRUDE OIL EXPORT TERMINAL (ESTABLISHMENT)
ORDER, 2026**

[18th Day of March, 2026]

Commence-
ment.

WHEREAS, OML 18 Energy Resource Limited (OERL), through the Nigerian Upstream Petroleum Regulatory Commission (NUPRC) applied for approval to establish Cawthorne Crude Oil Export Terminal as an oil terminal to be located offshore of the southern part of Nigeria within the Exclusive Economic Zone of Nigeria; and

WHEREAS, all statutory requirements for the establishment of the terminal have been complied with;

NOW THEREFORE, in exercise of the powers conferred upon me by section 7, subsection (2) of the Oil Terminal Dues Act, Cap 08, LFN, 2004 and all other powers enabling me in that behalf, I, HEINEKEN LOKPOBIRI, Minister of State for Petroleum Resources (Oil) make the following Order—

1.—(1) There is established the Cawthorne Crude Oil Export Terminal ("the Cawthorne Oil Terminal").

Establishment
of the
Cawthorne
Crude Oil
Export
Terminal
[Schedule]

(2) The Cawthorne Oil Terminal lies wholly in the Floating Storage and Offloading ("the Cawthorne Oil FSO Terminal") safety exclusion zone, located offshore of the southern part of Nigeria, within the waters of the Exclusive Economic Zone of Nigeria and delineated as described in the Schedule to this Order.

(3) The Cawthorne Oil FSO Terminal consists of a 6-chain anchor Single Point Mooring Buoy used to moor the FSO vessel for storing crude oil and tandem offloading of the crude oil to tankers for transportation to the market.

(4) The Cawthorne Oil FSO Terminal shall conduct export offloading operations using tankers, moored in a tandem from the stern of the Cawthorne Oil FSO Terminal.

2. This Order may be cited as the Cawthorne Crude Oil Export Terminal (Establishment) Order, 2026.

Citation

DELINEATION OF CAWTHORNE CRUDE OIL EXPORT TERMINAL

1.—(1) A safety exclusion zone of 3000 meters' radius shall exist for the Cawthorne Oil FSO Terminal, comprising of a circular area, centered on the Cawthorne Oil FSO Terminal in the position designated below +25 meters.

(2) The Cawthorne Oil FSO Terminal shall be located in approximate position centered at—

Longitude: 6 degrees 54' 28.8" E

Latitude: 4 degrees 10' 4.8" N

(3) The Cawthorne Oil FSO Terminal shall be permanently moored to the buoy that is moored by a 6-chain anchor system, and so the FSO weathervanes.

2. The safety exclusion zone during offload operations shall be calculated to accommodate the FSO and the subsea flexible flowlines and umbilical that are approximately 3000 meters in length.

3. The distance for the safety exclusion zone shall be calculated to accommodate export tanker mooring arrangements, as follows—

(a) 80 meters Mooring Hawser;

(b) 350 meters Tanker;

(c) 150 meters Tug Line;

(d) 200 meters Tug Length; and

(e) 1900 meters Safety Zone.

MADE at Abuja this 18th day of March, 2026.

HEINEKEN LOKPOBIRI
*Honorable Minister of State,
Petroleum Resources (Oil)*