

REUBEN MTOLO-PHIRI PLEDGES TO WORK WITH EASTERN WATER TO IMPROVE THE WATER SUPPLY SITUATION IN CHIPATA

Eastern Water and Sanitation Company Limited has assured Chipata central Member of Parliament, Honorable Mtolo Phiri, that the company is committed to resolve the erratic water supply challenges being experienced in some parts of Chipata city.

EWSC Commercial Manager, Mr. Mukela Simbuwa, who was sitting in for the Managing Director, Eng. Aaron Mulinda, said the company was aware of the issue of erratic water supply in areas such as Chimwemwe, St. Anne's and parts of Old Jim which he said was as a result of the high demand and the dilapidated network system in the city.

He added that the mountainous terrain also contributed to the erratic water supply challenge as areas laying on higher locations experienced more challenges than those on lower locations.

Mr. Simbuwa however assured the MP that the company was doing everything possible to address the situation.

He said the company would continue to provide its services using the available infrastructure but that it had already identified long term solutions to the challenge which included a complete network overhaul and increasing the production capacity at the two water treatment plants.

He explained that government through the support of its cooperating partner, KfW, had so far secured 10 million Euros for Eastern Water to finance the rehabilitation of the water network system in Chipata.

Mr. Simbuwa appealed to the honorable MP to consider supporting the company in sourcing for more funds to address some of the water supply challenges being experienced in Chipata City.

The Chipata Central Member of Parliament has assured EWSC of his support in improving the water supply situation in Chipata Central Constituency.

Mr. Phiri said he had already started talking to some cooperating partners who had since shown willingness to provide solutions to some of the water supply challenges.

He said he would continue engaging Eastern Water until a lasting solution is found to the various water challenges being experienced in Chipata Central Constituency.

Mr. Phiri said this when he paid a courtesy call on EWSC Senior Management Team on a fact finding mission.

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