



Basile Atangana Kouna, Minister of Energy has asked the General Manager of AES-Sonel to “*without delay*”, send to his office “*a detailed account of planned investments in the grids and a detailed study of the balance between supply and demand for the next two years*”.

It was on August 19, 2013 during a meeting of the Monitoring Committee of low-water scheme, grouping key stakeholders in the electricity supply chain at the conference hall of the ministry, a statement signed by the Minister on the same date.

Meanwhile, the General Manager of AES-Sonel said that at the moment, “*Cameroon has no problem of capacity but rather flaws in the grid...*”

“*However, AES-Sonel is currently conducting an investment program intended to permanently*

*fix these problems ” he added.*

Basile Atangana Kouna in the statement reassured the public that the government is doing everything to ensure a sustainable balance between supply and demand of power, which will end the current power rationing.

During the meeting according to the statement, the participants were updated on the situation during the past low-water period, and the necessary steps to achieve a balance between supply and demand in the future were reviewed.

Three presentations were heard during the meeting, namely that from the General Manager Kribi Power Development Corporation (KPDC) on the operation of the gas plant at Kribi, the representative of the Electricity Development Corporation (EDC) on the state of emergency power plants and a presentation by the General Manager of AES-Sonel on the management of electricity supply during the low-water period and his company's plan on production and distribution of power for the coming months.

The General Manager of KPDC said the Kribi gas plant is operating normally and transfer of ownership to the State is planned in September upon approval, the statement indicated.

As for the representative of EDC, he said providing fuel for the Kribi gas plant remains a concern. Basile Atangana Kouna, according to the statement ordered a meeting between the stakeholders and officials of the Ministry of Finance to find appropriate solutions to the problem.