# <u>Awamu Biomass Energy Stove Study: August-September 2017</u>

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#### Individuals Interviewed:

o Total: 20

Female: 15 (75%)Male: 5 (25%)

## • People Represented:

o Total: 98

o Areas Represented: Families, Business, Bachelors, Cooks

## • Villages/Towns Represented:

o Butto
o Kabalanga
o Kagali (x3)
o Kalambi
o Kawala (x2)
o Kilaka
o Kyebado
o Lungujia Kitunzi
o Makulukuku

- o Maska
- o Mukono
- o Muyenga Bukasa
- o Nabbingo
- o Nakasozi
- o Nalya
- o Natete
- o Nkokonjeru "A"

#### Household Size:

- o Average Household Size: 4.9 People
  - Excluding Upper/Lower Extremes (10 people/ 1 person): 4.833 People
- o Median Household Size: 5 People
  - Households with 5 or more people: 7
  - Households with 5 people: 6
  - Households with less than 5 people: 7

## • Common Professions of Users and Those in Household (not always stated):

- o Student
- o Shopkeeper/Entrepreneur/Businessperson
- o Farmer
- o Cook (restaurant or roadside)
- o Casual Worker
  - o <u>Other Responses Include:</u> Chicken Vendor, Salon Worker, Social Worker, Civil Servant, Maid, and many others

## Past Cooking Method(s):

o Charcoal: 95%

- Felt Charcoal takes Longer/Awamu Stove is Faster: 68.421%
- o Firewood or Three-Stone: 30%
  - Felt Firewood takes Longer/Awamu Stove is Faster: 66.667%

## Stove Ownership:

- o Average Months of Ownership (counting >1 Mo as 1 Mo): 7 Months
  - Excluding Upper/Lower Extremes (36 Mo/1 Mo): 5.722 Months
- o Users Who have had Stove for Less Than 1 Month: 3
- o Longest Ownership of Users Interviewed: 36 Months

#### • Users Who Know Another Awamu User:

- o 50%
  - Out of the 50%, Average Number of Users Known: 2.5 People

#### How Users Were Introduced to Awamu Stove:

- o Robert: 9 (45%)
  - Exhibitions were commonly cited
- o Manager at Living Goods: 7 (35%)
- o Fred: 3 (15%)
- o Unknown Awamu Salesman: 1 (5%)
  - Originally introduced the stove to Living Goods

## • Common Reasons for Purchase (more than one response was accepted, if applicable):

- o Speed/quickness/efficiency of cooking (8)
- o Use of firewood and production of charcoal (4)
- o Cleaner cooking/less smoke (4)
- o Charcoal is expensive (4)
- o Interesting technology (3)
- o Aesthetics/design appeal (3)
- o Other Responses Include: attraction of customers, use in business/restaurant, portability

## • Average Satisfaction (on a 1-5 scale): 3.663 or 73.26%

- o Satisfaction 4.1-5.0: 9 (45%)
- o Satisfaction 3.1-4.0: 5 (25%)
- o Satisfaction 2.1-3.0: 1 (5%)
- o Satisfaction 1.1-2.0: 2 (10%)
- o *Satisfaction 1:* 3 (15%)
- o Common Reasons for Dissatisfaction:
  - Tedious to use (2)
  - Too much smoke (2)
  - Other Responses Include: did not get charcoal, did not light properly/would not work, too small for larger meals

- Usage:
  - o Average Daily Use (counting >1 Hr/Day as 0 Hr/Day): 2 Hours/Day
    - Individuals using stove >1 Hr/Day: 6 (30%)
      - <u>Reasons for Inconsistent/Rare Use:</u> use of produced charcoal for other cooking, too complicated to use, food was not fully cooked when used
  - o Usage Location:

Exclusively Outside: 9 (45%)

Exclusively Inside: 7 (35%)

Both Outside and Inside: 4 (20%)

- Primary Fuels (up to three responses were accepted):
  - o Wood (20)
  - o Carpentry Scraps (1)
  - o Maize Cobs (1)
    - Noted stove did not stay lit as long
  - o Briquettes (1)
    - Unable to find good quality, low price briquettes easily
- Positives Regarding Stove/Life Impact (more than one response was accepted, if applicable):
  - o Money saved because no longer buying charcoal/uses less wood (10)
  - o Energy saved because requires little supervision (7)
  - o Time is saved because of fast cooking (5)
  - o <u>Other Responses Include:</u> ability to use charcoal, good-looking and interesting thing to own, easy to control fire, portability, fire lasts longer than alternatives
  - o Users Who Did Not Provide a Response: 5
- Negatives Regarding Stove/Life Impact (more than one response was accepted, if applicable):
  - o Excessive smoke on initial ignition (8)
  - o Soot on saucepan (4)
  - o Initial ignition/firewood prep take time (4)
  - o Too expensive, especially for a stove (3)
  - o <u>Other Responses Include:</u> instability can make it unsafe, small burns from near handles, laughed at by neighbors
  - o Users Who Did Not Provide a Response: 7
- Changes that Users Would Make to Stove (more than one response was accepted, if applicable):
  - o Less smoke/better method of ignition (4)
  - o Larger option for use with larger meals/families (3)
  - o More stable/sturdy legs (2)
  - o Protection for top of wood handles from flames (2)
  - o Better air flow/air control (2)
  - o Less expensive option (2)

- o Ability to add wood while in use (2)
- o <u>Other Responses Include:</u> option to use charcoal, more durable metal, a way to stop soot from getting on saucepan, increasing the availability of briquettes
- o <u>Users Who Did Not Provide a Response:</u> 3

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