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May 15, 2024

Hon. Rudolph J. Merab, Jr.

MANAGING DIRECTOR

Forestry Development Authority

Republic of Liberia

Dear Hon. Merab:

Subject: PPCC's RESPONSE: "NO OBJECTION" TO ALLOW THE ASSOCIATION OF LOGGING ENGINEERS INCORPORATED TO HARVEST THE POCKETS OF TREE SITUATED IN YEKEPA REFORESTATION PLANTATION IN NIMBA AND OTC FOREST PLANTATION IN RIVERCESS COUNTIES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024

We present our compliments and acknowledge receipt of your letter which sought the approval of the Commission for the **Forestry Development Authority** (FDA) to allow the Association of the Logging Engineers Incorporated to harvest pockets of tree situated in Yekepa Reforestation Plantation in Nimba and OTC Forest Plantation in Rivercess Counties, respectively.

The Commission, upon review of the FDA's submission, the Commission states that there is no documentation submitted to support the FDA's request. Hence, the Commission requests that the FDA submit the following:

- Evidence of legal qualification documents for the companies involved;
- Evidence of revenue sharing between the GL and the proposed companies;
- MOU of Community's involvement and the proposedly company's corporate social responsibilities to the affected communities;
- Past performance records for the FDA's proposed company;
- Justification by FDA for the award of this contract;
- Copy of permit grated t the proposed company, and
- Copy of draft contract.

The Forestry Development Authority <u>must</u> promptly <u>address</u> the above, to facilitate further review and scrutiny by the Commission.

The Public Procurement and Concessions Commission admonishes and deems it a priority that you remain **primarily** in compliance with the PPCA, 2010, as we jointly aspire to achieve transparency, accountability, fairness, equality and ultimately public confidence in our procurement and concessions processes.

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