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April 21, 2025

Hon, Mohammed M. Sherif

### **ACTING MANAGING DIRECTOR**

Liberia Electricity Corporation Waterside Republic of Liberia

Dear Hon. Sherif:

Subj: APPROVAL OF SPECIAL PROJECT PROCUREMENT PLAN AND REQUEST FOR NO OBJECTION TO CHANGE PROCUREMENT METHOD FROM RESTRICTED BIDDING (RB) TO SINGLE SOURCE (SS) TO AWARD CONTRACTS TO MERSS OMEGA SUPPLY CHAIN AND BESTEL VENTURES FOR THE SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF CONNECTION MATERIALS FOR MONTH-I, II, AND III OF THE NORMMET SPECIAL PROJECT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2025

We present our compliments and wish to acknowledge receipt of your communication for the Liberia Electricity Corporation (LEC) request as indicated above.

Based on the review, the Commission is pleased to highlight the following:

- The Liberia Electricity Corporation submitted its cover letter, special project procurement plan, explanatory notes, Normmet documentation, Cash and spending plan, and Quotation of Omega Supply Chain and Qualification documents.
- The budgeted amount of US\$ 5,052,996.00 (Five Million Fifty-Two Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety-Six United States Dollars) reflected in the LEC's Annual Procurement Plan for fiscal year 2025, with contract package "Network Performance Upgrade and Refurbishment Works" included a budget for Customer Normalization and Mass Metering Program (NORMMET) connection which is US\$ 1,500.00 (One Million Five Hundred Thousand United States Dollars). Meanwhile, the LEC intends to extract this portion of the funds and treat it as an emergency due to justification that/this project commences on May 1, 2025, and anticipates the potential to significantly reduce commercial losses, thereby generating the much needed revenue for the Corporation's financial sustainability. As such, the LEC's Annual Procurement Plan will be adjusted downward to reflect the subtraction of the NORMMET project budget.

From the above findings, the Commission hereby <u>approves</u> the LEC's request for "No objection" to change procurement method from Restricted bidding to single source for the supply and delivery of connection materials of the NORMMET Special Project.

Kindly be reminded that all contracts whose cumulative annual value exceeds the threshold of <u>US\$</u> 250,000.00 must also be signed by the Minister responsible for Finance and attested by the Minister responsible for Justice.

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

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April 17, 2025

Hon. Bodger Scott Johnson **Chief Executive Officer (CEO)** Public Procurement and Concessions Commission Capitol Hill, 1000 Monrovia 10 Liberia

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#### Dear Hon. Johnson:

Subject: REQUEST FOR NO OBJECTION TO CHANGE PROUCREMENT METHOD FROM RESTRICTED BIDDING (RB) TO SINGLE SOURCE (SS) TO AWARD CONTRACTS TO Merss OMEGA SUPPLY CHAIN AND BESTEL VENTURES FOR THE SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF CONNECTION MATERIALS FOR MONTH I, II & III OF THE NORMMET SPECIAL PROJECT

We extend our compliments and hereby request the Commission's No Objection to implement the LEC Special Project along with the specified procurement methods outlined in the submitted procurement plan. The LEC seeks approval to utilize the Single Source method of procurement to promptly procure connection materials for the LEC NORMMET Special Project, as stipulated in the Approved Fiscal Year 2025 Budget.

The rationale for changing the procurement method from Restricted Bidding (RB) to Single Source (SS) is to enable LEC to conduct a comprehensive connection exercise as detailed in the Customer Normalization and Mass Metering Program (NORMMET). The project is scheduled to commence on May 1, 2025, which is less than two weeks away. Furthermore, this project is anticipated to significantly reduce commercial losses, thereby generating much-needed revenue for the corporation's financial sustainability. A lengthy procurement process is not feasible, as it would undermine the objective of revenue generation during the rainy season when there is an abundance of energy, highlighting the urgency of the situation.

Comprehensive commercial and technical explanations, including revenue generation projections, are contained within the NORMMET document, which is attached to this memorandum. Adequate preparation and execution as per the internally approved plan were hindered due to changes in management and the necessity to initiate a connection drive aimed at enhancing revenue collection and ensuring reliable energy supply, which will also facilitate payments for energy supplied by CIE and the energy utility of Guinea.