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April 23, 2025

Hon. Mohammed Ali

MANAGING DIRECTOR

Liberia Water and Sewer Corporation King Sao Boso, Front Street Republic of Liberia

Dear Hon, Ali:

Subj: REQUEST FOR ADVISEMENT ON USAID-WASH FIN 2 PROJECT AND REQUEST FOR NO OBJECTION TO PROCEED WITH SOLE SOURCING WUTEVE CONSULTANCY INCORPORATED FOR THE PROJECT

We present our compliments and wish to acknowledge receipt of your communication requesting the Commission's guidance on the **USAID WASH-FIN 2 Project**, which was launched in 2024 to support the Corporation in improving internal corporate governance, climate resilience, sustainability, and technical and financial performance. However, due to the change in U.S. foreign policy regarding the USAID program, your communication indicated that the project was formally closed on March 14, 2025.

It is important to state that an initial review of this request was done with a query communicated to the LWSC on Aril 3-2025, for which the Corporation responded through a sole source procurement method request and re-submitted to the Commission. Based on the review of additional documentation submitted, the Commission is pleased to highlight the following:

- The LWSC provided an evidence of the cancellation email from Tetra Tech to LWSC, but stated that there is currently no medium of communication with Tetra Tech or USAID for the final report. As a result, a status report on the subcontract was developed and issued by the subcontractor, Wuteve Consultancy Services Inc.
- The LWSC further pointed out that the value of the deliverables/milestone (phase-I) completed and paid for is US\$ 14,977.92 (Fourteen Thousand Nine Hundred Seventy-Seven United States Dollars Ninety-Two Cents) of the total contracted amount of US\$ 74,889.56 (Seventy-Four Thousand Eight Hundred Eighty-Nine United States Dollars Fifty-Six Cents), while evidence from Board Resolution shows that funding US\$ 59,911.00 (Fifty-Nine Thousand Nine Hundred Eleven United States Dollars) was sourced internally to implement phase-2 of the WASH-FIN 2 project despite the closure from USAID. To this end, the LWSC intends to take ownership of the project to ensure the successful deliverables completion.
- The LWSC also intends to utilize the terms and conditions enshrined in the original contract between Tetra tech and Wuteve Consultancy Inc. to achieve the phase 2 of the WASH FIN Project deliverables.

From the above findings mentioned and given that the Liberia Water and Sewer Corporation request for sole source is consistent with **Section 55** (1)(b) & (e) of the PPCA, 2010, the Commission herewith **grants** the Liberia Water and Sewer Corporation's request for "**No Objection**" to proceed with sole sourcing Wuteve Consultancy Services Inc. for the continuation and completion of consulting services not exceeding the total budgeted cost of US\$ **US\$ 59,911.00** (Fifty-Nine Thousand Nine Hundred Eleven United States Dollars).

Finally, the Commission advises the LWSC that payment made to Wuteve Consultancy Inc. strictly aligned with deliverables that were not completed or paid for under the initial contract, and further ensures that negotiation with the firm secures value-added outcomes.

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, fairness, equality, and ultimately public confidence in our procurement and concessions processes.

Sincerely your

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April 16, 2025

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Dear Hon. Johnson:

Kindly accept our heartfelt compliments and best wishes.

Reference the email of April 15, 2025 from your office, kindly find attached the below documents.

- ➡ Procurement plan and explanatory note
- u Cash plan

Please note that on January 20, 2025, an Executive Order was issued by the US government reevaluating and realigning the United States Foreign Aid thus issuing a freeze on all USAID 'funded projects for a 90-day review. This Executive Order brought an immediate halt to the entire project.

In consideration of the approval from the Board of Directors, the LWSC will inherit the consultancy contract for the development of its Strategic Plan.

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Please accept the assurances of our highest consideration.

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Sincerely

Managing DIRECTOR