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Ref. **PPCC/RL/CEO/0961/25'**

September 15, 2025

Dr. Layli Maparyan
PRESIDENT
University of Liberia
Capitol Hill
Republic of Liberia

Dear Hon. Maparyan:

Subj: **QUERY ON REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF SPECIAL PROJECT PROCUREMENT PLAN AND USE OF SOLE SOURCE TO PROCURE SOLAR OASIS BATHROOMS COMPLEX AT THE UL FENDALL CAMPUS UTILIZING A LOCALLY OWNED FIRM XITY ENGINEERING SOLUTIONS (XES) FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2025**

We present our compliments and acknowledge receipt of your communication seeking the Commission's approval of the University of Liberia's request as indicated above.

Following a thorough review of the documentation submitted, the Commission wishes to highlight the following observations:

- ❖ The University of Liberia (UL) partially submitted a procurement package consisting of a transmittal letter, proposal, and project diagram. The UL also informed the Commission that it has secured **US\$300,000.00 (Three Hundred Thousand United States Dollars)** in its reserve for the project, with anticipated contributions from the Ministry of Finance and Development Planning (MFDP) and the Trustees of Donations of Education in Liberia (TDEL). However, the project's total cost is **US\$680,602.00 (Six Hundred Eighty Thousand Six Hundred Two United States Dollars)**, reflecting a funding variance of **US\$380,602.00 (Three Hundred Eighty Thousand Six Hundred Two United States Dollars)** not currently available. This reliance on expected partner contributions during FY2025 contravenes **Section 72 of the PPCA (2010)**.
- ❖ UL's request does not comply with **Section 55 (1)(d) of the PPCA (2010)**, given that its justification for emergency procurement, as provided in the transmittal letter, is inadequate.
- ❖ Furthermore, UL failed to plan for the **procurement plan activity**, a requirement under **Section 40 of the Restated PPCA (2010)**.

In view of the above, the Commission is unable to grant approval for the UL Special Project Procurement Plan and request to sole source at this time. Accordingly, the Entity is hereby requested to:

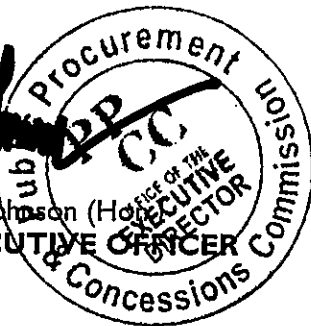
- ❖ Conduct a competitive process which will foster Government value for money;
- ❖ Ascertain the availability of funding for the project prior to initiating a procurement process;
- ❖ Plan for the procurement activity in accordance with **Section 40 of the PPCA of 2010**.

The Public Procurement and Concessions Commission reiterates the importance of full compliance with the PPCA, 2010, as we collectively strive to promote **transparency, accountability, fairness, and public confidence** in the national procurement and concessions processes.

We kindly anticipate your cooperation in addressing the above requirements at the earliest possible time.

Sincerely yours,

Bodger Scott Johnson (H)
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*Received:
Theophilus S. B. Kollie
Sep. 8, 2025
Time: 2:26pm*

Subject: EXTREME URGENCY Sole Source Request for UL Bathrooms New Solar Construction

Dear Hon. Johnson:

I present my compliments of the highest esteem, with sincere gratitude to your team for meeting with me last month for acquaintance and mutual exchange.

Under Section 55(1)(d) of the Public Procurement Act, I herewith request consideration for Sole Source procurement of the "Solar Oasis" bathrooms complex at UL Fendall Campus utilizing the locally owned firm, XITY Engineering Solutions (XES), headed by Dr. Sannah Phi Ziamo, who has designed a solar-powered 20-bathroom complex (including disability access) with 24/7 renewable electrical power and water-pumping that also includes a mini-student lounge with phone charging, 24/7 internet, and laptop docking, as well as fresh drinking water provision for the UL community.

In my meetings with the Ministry of Finance and Development Planning on Saturday, August 30th, the UL Board of Trustees on Monday, September 1st, and the Senate Education Committee on Thursday, September 4th, extreme urgency was placed on the matter of getting bathroom construction and renovation underway at UL in the fastest possible time, preferably commencing within the next one or two months. Even the UL Visitor, His Excellency President Joseph Nyuma Boakai, Sr., has expressed urgent concern about this matter. Therefore, UL is compelled to commence construction of suitable facilities as soon as possible.

While non-functioning bathrooms at UL have been problem for a long time, the health and sanitation consequences of intermittent- to-no bathroom and running water access for UL students, faculty, staff, and guests have been grave. Students in particular have resorted to relieving themselves in the grass, behind buildings, and the like. For women, whose bathroom needs are unique, the problem has been particularly embarrassing and unhygienic. The recent outcry of student leaders (ULSIL) and student protestors, as well as the UL Faculty Association (ULFA) and UL Staff Association (ULSA), has been to improve bathroom conditions "or else." Their demands are not unreasonable, because functioning

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