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Ref. **PPCC/RL/CEO/1364/25'**

December 9, 2025

Hon. Roland L. Giddings

MINISTER

Ministry of Public Works

South Lynch Street, UN Drive

Republic of Liberia

Dear Hon. Giddings:

Subj: **REQUEST FOR NO OBJECTION TO UPDATE CONTRACT AWARD AMOUNT FOR THE REHABILITATION OF GREENVILLE-BOAHGEEKEEN ROAD (LOT-1 & 2) FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2025**

The Public Procurement and Concessions Commission (PPCC) presents its compliments and acknowledges receipt of your communication dated **November 25, 2025** (Ref: ASD-DMA/MPW-RL/161/2025), requesting an update to the contract award amount referenced in the Commission's "**No Objection**" issued on **September 17, 2025** (Ref: PPCC/RL/CEO/0973/25). As requested, the Commission conducted an additional review of the procurement process as recorded in the e-GP System. Please find below the Commission's position based on the findings.

1. Summary of Review Findings

- The original bid prices submitted by the recommended bidder, **ARDEMS**, were:
 - Lot 1 – **US\$3,245,671.86**
 - Lot 2 – **US\$2,276,071.46**
 - Total – **US\$5,521,743.32**

It is important to state that these values are consistent with the amounts reflected in the Commission's original "No Objection."

- Following MPW's request for clarification due to the bid being significantly below the Engineer's Estimate, ARDEMS submitted a **new and higher price** totaling **US\$7,329,731.25**, which the Ministry forwarded as a "corrected" amount. This submission constitutes a material alteration of the bid and is not permissible under the PPCA, 2010, and the Amended Regulations. Clarification **cannot** introduce new prices, modify bid substance, or revise a bidder's financial offer after bid opening.
- The approved cost estimate for the project is **US\$4,147,500**, while the original bid exceeds this by **US\$1,374,243.32**. However, the National Road Fund Office has formally committed to providing the additional funds required, as confirmed in its communication Ref: JNW/M/NRFO/RL/274/2025.

2. Commission's Determination

Based on the above findings, the Commission hereby advises as follows:

- The original evaluated bid amount of **US\$5,521,743.32** remains the **valid and acceptable** contract value, while the revised amount submitted by ARDEMS cannot be considered, as it represents an unauthorized modification of the bid.
- MPW is advised to conduct a detailed due diligence assessment of ARDEMS to ensure the viability of the original bid. This assessment should cover:
 - Financial capacity
 - Equipment and personnel resources
 - Work methodology and schedule

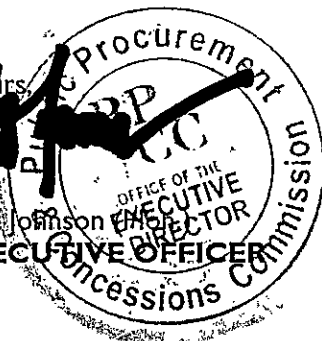
- Past performance on similar projects
 - Contract completion record and potential risks
- If MPW concludes that the bidder can deliver the works at the original price, the Ministry may proceed accordingly. However, **if the bid is determined to be abnormally low** and poses risks of cost overruns, delays, or contract failure, MPW should take appropriate action in line with **Section 36 of the PPCA, 2010**.
- Should MPW proceed with the initial bid amount, the Ministry must ensure:
- Submission of a valid performance security,
 - Enforcement of all contract clauses, including liquidated damages and defect liability provisions, and
 - Rigorous monitoring and supervision to mitigate performance risks.

The Commission remains available to provide any further technical assistance required during the contract award and implementation stages.

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

Sincerely yours,

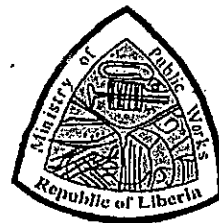

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ASD-DMA/MPW-RL/ 161/2025

November 25, 2025

Hon. Bodger Scott Johnson
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Public Procurement & Concessions Commission
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Monrovia, Liberia

Dear Hon. Johnson:

Re: Request for Issued "NO Objection" for 2025 Procurement Packages
Update

Kindly accept my compliments as I write to reference a communication from National Road Fund (NRF) submitted to the Public Procurement and Concessions Commission (PPCC), dated September 29, 2025, titled Notification of Commitment to Fund Deficit for FY 2025 New Projects.

In view of the above, the Ministry is pleased to reference the National Road Fund confirmation of budgetary allocation for New Projects and seeks your urgent update of No Objection for the attached Projects previously issued to the Ministry of Public Works for contracts award.

Additionally, I like to inform you that you inadvertently issued No Objection for the Rigid Pavement of New Georgia Estate Road (2.1 km) and W.G. K School Road (1.3 km) in favor of Quality Group of Construction Companies with a price of USD 2,036,812.01 contrary to the contractor's submitted and the Ministry's recommended price of USD 2,352,098.24.

Based on the above mentioned, I seek your prompt review of the matter and subsequent update of the No Objection to have the company's contract consummated.

Please find attached copy of the NRF letter and breakdown of the deficit funding per project, screenshot of the e-GP of the New Georgia Estate Road Project process and the contractor's Bill of Quantities (BOQs) for your consideration.

Thanks for your cooperation.

Best regards,

A. Samuka Dunnah

Deputy Minister/Administration & Co- Chairman, Procurement committee

