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Public Procurement & Concessions Commission
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July 9, 2021

Cllr. Elizabeth J. Nelson
COURT ADMINISTRATOR
Judiciary Branch/Temple of Justice
Republic of Liberia

Dear Cllr. Nelson:

Subject: **REQUEST FOR "NO OBJECTION" TO AWARD CONTRACT TO BITTAR CONSTRUCTION COMPANY FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE 14TH JUDICIARY CIRCUIT COURT IN CESTOR CITY, RIVERCESS COUNTY FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020/2021.**

We present our compliments and wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter providing clarification on the Commission's query (May 31, 2021) that was communicated to the Judiciary Branch regarding this request. The Commission, upon review of the Judiciary's submissions, states the following observations:

- That the Judiciary reevaluated the bidders' submissions, given the queries raised by the Commission;

The Commission, upon overall review of the Judiciary's request, grants "**No Objection**" for the Temple of Justice to award contract to Bittar Construction Company for the construction of the 14th Judiciary Circuit Court in Cestor City, Rivercess County, in the amount of one million United States Dollars (USD\$1,000,000.00) as stipulated on the Judiciary's approved Procurement Plan.

The Judiciary, given the historical performance regarding this contract package, as per the documents submitted, is advised to **instill strong quality and specifications conformance measures** during the construction of the works.

Please note that the final contract must be submitted to the Commission for validity and reporting as required by the PPCA and the Temple of Justice is reminded that all contracts which cumulates annual value **exceeds the threshold of US\$250,000 must be signed by the Minister responsible for Finance and attested to by the Minister responsible for Justice.**

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.

Yours sincerely,


Jargah Roseline Nabbe Kowo (Atty.)
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Regulating and Monitoring Compliance with the Public Procurement and Concession Act of Liberia

**JUDICIAL BRANCH
SUPREME COURT OF LIBERIA**



**OFFICE OF THE COURT ADMINISTRATOR
TEMPLE OF JUSTICE
MONROVIA, LIBERIA**

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June 23, 2021

*Received
Dennis Taylor
June 23, 2021
Time: 2:00pm*

Atty. Jargbe Roseline Nagbe Kowo
Chief Executive Officer
Public Procurement & Concessions Commission
Executive Mansion Grounds
Capitol Hill
Monrovia, Liberia

Dear Atty. Kowo:

We acknowledge receipt of your communication in response to our request seeking **No” Objection”** to award contract to Bittar Construction Company, the proposed winner for the construction of the 14th Judicial Circuit Court in Cestos City, Rivercess County.

We take note of the observations raised by the commission and hereby resolve to sign the contract on the approved amount of one million United States Dollars (US\$1,000,000.00) with the proposed winner pending the conclusion with ongoing negotiation with the Ministry of Finance and Development Planning (MFDP) for an increase in the initial amount to meet up with the total project cost of **one million four hundred thirty-nine thousand five hundred seventy-seven United States Dollars and sixty-eight cents (USD\$1,439,577.68).**

We also wish to inform the commission that we have conducted re-evaluation of the bidding process and indicated with supporting documents of the rejection of Twins Business Group, Inc., for the poor quality of performance in the construction of the Toe Town Magisterial Court in Grand Gedeh County and the renovation of the 2nd Judicial Circuit Court in upper Buchanan, Grand Bassa County as was observed by the General Auditing Commission audit report of July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2015.

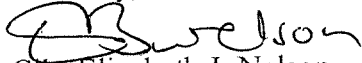
Therefore in view of the above mentioned, I herewith request the indulgence of your Commission (PPCC) to grant unto the Judiciary **letter of “No Objection”** to award said contract to Bittar Construction Company Limited with the contract value of **one million United States Dollars) (USD\$1,000,000.00)**

See attached evidence supporting the poor quality of performance of Twins Business Group, Inc. as recorded in the General Auditing Commission (GAC) audit report, section 1.2.7 (GAC photos 5-8).

We remain grateful for your kind understanding and support over the years.

Kind regards

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "E. Nelson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letter "E" being large and stylized.

Clt. Elizabeth J. Nelson

Court Administrator