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Capitol Hill, Monrovia
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## REF: REQUEST FOR NO OBJECTION TO SINGLE SOURCE RICE HARVESTERS

Dear CEO Scott-Johnson:

I present my compliments and use this medium to bring to your attention the Ministry of Agriculture (MOA) recently launched program on Emergency Rice Projection Offensive targeting large scale rice farmers in Bong, Lofa and Nimba Counties accumulatively covering 10,000 hectares. This program is proceeding satisfactorily with encouraging rice yields.

Those farmers are presently challenged with post harvesting machineries without which there is a growing concern of huge post-harvest losses that would not only demotivate them, but severely damage the domestic rice output by over 50%.

The MOA had submitted a procurement plan to the Public Public and Concessions Commission (PPCC) under the African Development Bank-Liberia African Emergency Food Production Facility (AEFPF)-Support program for Liberia to secure post-harvesters which you approved on July 12, 2021. This approval calls for National Competitive Bidding which we need.

However, only one vendor has in stock the equipment while others would require more than three months to supply. By that time, farmers rice outputs would have destroyed.

In consideration of this pressing emergency at hand and relying on section 55 (3) of the PPCC Act, the MOA kindly requests the PPCC to grant a **NO Objection** authorizing the use of Sole Source process and reduction in lead time for the contract package as indicated below: **IFB No: MOA/LEEP/Proj/CB/NCB/001/2023** (Post – Harvest Equipment).

Enclosed herein are Budget, Procurement Plan and Detailed Note copies for your review and considerations.

Please accept my assurances of the highest esteem.

Sincerely you

Jeanine M. Cooper

**MINISTER** 

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September 14, 2023

Hon. Jeanine M. Cooper MINISTER
Ministry of Agriculture
Republic of Liberia

Dear Hon Cooper:

Subject: REQUEST FOR "NO OBJECTION" TO USE THE SINGLE SOURCE METHOD OF PROCUREMENT TO SINGLE SOURCE RICE HARVESTERS.

We present our compliments and wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter, which sought the approval of the Commission for the Ministry of Agriculture to Single Source Cape Automotive Solutions for the supply and delivery of harvesters' machines in the amount of US\$75,300.00 (seventy-five thousand three hundred United States dollars).

The Commission upon a careful review of MOA's documents submitted hereby clarifies the below:

• That the Ministry of Agriculture procurement plans submitted are in compliance for the use of the Single Source method.

The Commission noting the above and upon further scrutiny of all documents and clarifications from the MOA states the following:

- 1. That "No Objection" is rendered to MOA for the use the Single Source Method in favor of Cape Automotive Solutions for the supply and delivery of harvesters machines in the amount of US\$75,300.00;
- 2. That the MOA should ensure quality conformance given the nature of this Contract Fackage.

Additionally, the MOA is reminded that <u>all contracts which cumulative annual value exceeds the</u> threshold of US\$250,000 must be signed by the Minister responsible for Finance.

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 ultimate public confidence in our procurement and concession Procusses.

Bodger Scott Johnson (Hon.)

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