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June 3, 2022

Hon. Dewitt B. vonBallmoos

DIRECTOR GENERAL

National Social Security and Welfare Corporation

Republic of Liberia

Dear Hon. vonBallmoos:

Subject: "NOTIFICATION OF INTENT TO AWARD PETROLEUM CONTRACTS TO PETRO TRADE (LOT 1 - GASOLINE AND LOT 2 - DIESEL FUEL) AND NEXIUM PETROLEUM (LOT 3 - DIESEL BULK) FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022

We present our compliments and wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter which sought the approval of the Commission for the **National Social Security and Welfare Corporation** intent to award petroleum contracts to **Petro Trade** (Lot 1 – Gasoline and Lot 2 – Diesel Fuel) in the respective amounts of **US\$524,650.00** and **US\$449,141.00**, and **Nexium Petroleum** (Lot 3 - Diesel Fuel) at a cost of **US\$434,361.90**.

The Commission, upon review of your submissions, highlights the following:

- That the NASSCORP submitted (Hard copies) including: <u>bid documents</u>, <u>bid evaluation</u> report, <u>procurement committee meeting minutes</u>, <u>bid opening minutes</u>, <u>draft contract</u>, etc.;
- That five (5) suppliers were invited to participate in a restricted bidding process and four (4) submitted bids (Aminata and Sons, Inc., Nexium Petroleum, Petro Trade, LIB-AFRICA and Associates);
- That NASSCORP's BEP Report shows that Petro Trade was deemed the most responsive bidder for the preliminary, technical and financial evaluations (Lots 1 and 2) and Nexium Petroleum (Lot 3).
- Thus, the Commission upon overall scrutiny of NASSCORP's submissions and accompanying documents, hereby states below:
- That a "No Objection" is rendered for the National Social Security and Welfare Corporation to award contracts to Petro Trade (Lots 1 and 2) and Nexium Petroleum (Lot 3) for the supply of the goods as indicated above and in the stipulated combined total amount of US\$973,791.00 (Lots 1 and 2) and US\$434,361.90 (Lot 3), and for a monthly amount not to exceed US\$81,149.25 and US\$36,196.86, respectively;
- That the NASSCORP is <u>advised</u> to ensure that "No Objection" requests are obtained from the PPCC <u>before</u> issuing notification of award to a bidder. This is key, for at times, the Commission review findings can reveal that a recommended responsive bidder <u>may not</u> be in conformance with pre-determined <u>requirements</u> and <u>qualifications</u> set by the procuring entity, and also not be in compliance with other procurement rules. This would then call for retendering or re-evaluation. Please note that this is in the best interest of the procuring entity for <u>safeguarding measures</u> and <u>ultimately to ensure compliance</u>. Furthermore, a request to PPCC <u>should not</u> be deemed as a <u>formality</u>.

Kindly be reminded that all contracts which cumulative annual value exceeds the threshold of U\$\$250,000.00 must be signed by the Minister responsible for Finance and attested to by the Minister responsible for Justice.

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





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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 Processes.

Your sin erely

Jargpe Roseline Nagbe Kowo (Atty) CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER (CEO)





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DIRECTOR GENERAL

National Social Security and Welfare Corr

National Social Security and Welfare Corporation Republic of Liberia

Dear Hon. vonBallmoos:

Subject: "NOTIFICATION OF INTENT TO AWARD SECURITY GUARD SERVICE TO SEGAL (LOTS 1 - 4) FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022

We present our compliments and wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter which sought the approval of the Commission for the **National Social Security and Welfare Corporation** intent to award security guard service contracts to **SEGAL** (Region One/Inspectorate Office (Lot 1), Top Management Residence (Lot 2), Regional Offices in Counties (Lot 3) and Headquarters Complex, 24th Street (Lot 4) in the combined monthly amount of thirty-one thousand two hundred fifty United States Dollars (**US\$31, 250.00**).

The Commission, upon review of your submissions, highlights the following:

- That the NASSCORP submitted (Hard copies) including: <u>bid documents</u>, <u>bid evaluation</u> report, procurement committee meeting minutes, bid opening minutes, draft contract, etc.;
- That the NASSCORP employed the National Competitive Bidding (NCB) process and four (4) companies submitted bids 'SEGAL, Wilscom Security Services, Empire Security Solution and Preferred Security Company);
- That as per the NASSCORP's BEP Report, **SEGAL** emerged as the successful bidder.

Thus, the Commission upon overall scrutiny of NASSCORP's submissions and accompanying documents, hereby states below:

- That a "No Objection" is rendered for the National Social Security and Welfare Corporation to award contract to the SEGAL for the provision of Security Guard Service (Lots 1-4/June December) in the stipulated combined monthly amount not to exceed thirty-one thousand two hundred fifty United States Dollars (US\$31,250.00);
- That the NASSCORP is <u>advised</u> to ensure that "No Objection" requests are obtained from the PPCC <u>before</u> issuing notification of award to a bidder. This is key, for at times, the Commission review findings can reveal that a recommended responsive bidder <u>may not</u> be in conformance with pre-determined <u>requirements and qualifications</u> set by the procuring entity, and also not be in compliance with other procurement rules. This would then call for retendering or re-evaluation. Please note that this is in the best interest of the procuring entity for <u>safeguarding measures</u> and <u>ultimately to ensure compliance</u>. Furthermore, a request to PPCC should not be deemed as a formality.

Please note that all contracts which cumulative annual value above the threshold of **U\$\$250,000.00** must be signed by the Minister responsible for Finance and attested to by the Minister responsible for Justice. **The Commission requires that you kindly forward copies of all stipulated contracts upon signing, so as to update our records**.

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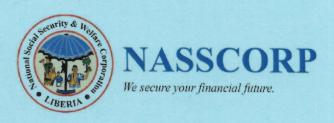


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Yours sincerely,

Jargbe Roseline/Nagbe Kows
CHIEF EXECUTIVE DEFICER/CEC



Office of the Director General

April 11, 2022

Atty. Jargbe Roseline Nagbe Kowo Chief Executive Officer Public Procurement & Concessions Commission Capitol Hill, Monrovia Liberia Received: Theophilus Kollie May 12, 2022 Time: 3:56 pm

Dear Atty. Kowo:

Subject: Intent to Award

The National Social Security & Welfare Corporation (NASSCORP) is requesting **No Objection** to Award three (3) Contracts to winners of bids (IFB.NO.NASSCORP/SBA/NCB/001/2022 – Security Guard Service) and (IFB.NO.NASSCORP/SBA/RB/003/2022 - Petroleum Products).

The bidders are as follows:

- IFB.NO.NASSCORP/SBA/NCB/001/2022 Security Guard Service Security Expert Guard Agency of Liberia (SEGAL) Lots 1, 2, 3, & 4
- IFB.NO.NASSCORP/SBA/RB/003/2022 Gasoline and Diesel (Coupons /Bulk)
 PETRO TRADE Lots 1 & 2 (Gasoline and Diesel Coupons)
 NEXIUM Lot 3 (Diesel Bulk)

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The Evaluation Committee recommends contract awards for Security Guard Service to SEGAL at a combined cost US\$218,750.00 (Two Hundred and Eighteen Thousand Seven Hundred and Fifty United States Dollars and Petroleum Products to PETRO TRADE and NEXIUM at a combine cost of 1,093,687.00 (One Million, Ninety Three Thousand, Six Hundred and Eighty Seven United States Dollars). This amount is calculated based on the bid price offered but with due cognizance of the fluctuation in the prices of products.

Attached is the Bid Evaluation Report and other pertinent documents for your perusal and record. If you should require additional information or clarity on this request, I shall be obliged to conform promptly.

We thank you for your kind consideration.

My best regards,

Dewitt B. vonBallmoos