



REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA LIBERIA ELECTRICITY CORPORATION (LEC)

LIBERIA ELECTRICITY SECTOR ENHANCEMENT PROJECT (LESEP)

PROJECT ID: P120660 CREDIT NUMBER: 50550-LR

REQUEST FOR EXRESSION OF INTEREST CONSULTANCY (FIRM)

UPDATING ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL MANAGEMENT FRAMEMENT (ESMF) AND RESETTLEMENT POLICY FRAMEWORK (RPF)

REFERENCE NO.:RREA/SREP/ESMF-01/15

1. INTRODUCTION

The Government of Liberia has received additional financing from the International Development Association (IDA), toward the cost of the Liberia Electricity Sector Enhancement Project (LESEP), and intends to apply part of the proceeds of this fund towards payments under contract for the services for **Updating the Environmental and Social Management Framework (ESMF) and Resettlement Policy Framework** for use by projects under the Scaling-Up Renewable Energy Program (SREP).

2. BACKGROUND

The Government of Liberia in 2010 expressed interest in being considered as a pilot country under SREP. The program, which is financed by the Climate Investment Funds (CIF) with Administrative Unit situated within the World Bank aims at supporting the development of low-carbon and sustainable energy pathways by creating new economic opportunities and increasing energy access through the use of renewable energy. Pilot countries work through multilateral development banks such as the World Bank, and African Development Bank (AfDB) to implement the program at their respective country levels.

3. OBJECTIVES

The LEC in collaboration with the RREA intend to contract the services of a consulting firm through LESEP, to update the Environmental and Social Management Framework and Resettlement Policy Framework as part of SREP project preparation, in accordance with Liberia's Renewable Energy Investment Plan.

4. SCOPE OF SERVICES

The scope of services will include but not be limited to the following:

- Review Liberia's SREP Investment Plan for Renewable Energy;
- Review proposed SREP project documents;
- Review and update existing energy sector Environmental and Social Management Framework (ESMF) for use under SREP projects.
- Review and update existing energy Resettlement Policy Framework for use under SREP Projects.
- 5. The LEC and RREA now invites eligible consulting firms ("Consultants") to indicate their interest in providing the Services. Interested Consultants should provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services. The shortlisting criteria are:
 - The Firm and all parties constituting the Firm, shall have the nationality of an eligible country.
 - Must have not less than 5 years' experience conducting ESIA for the energy sector
 - Should have a team of professional staff being full time employees with at least 5 years' experience in the relevant fields.
- 6. The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to paragraph 1.9 of the World Bank's *Guidelines: Selection and Employment of Consultants [under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits & Grants] by World Bank Borrowers* [January 2011] ("Consultant Guidelines"), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.
- 7. A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Consultant's Qualification Selection method set out in the Consultant Guidelines.
- 8. Interested Consultants may obtain further information from the LEC at the address below during office hours 9.00 to 17:00 hours.
- 9. Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, or by mail, or by fax, or by e-mail) on or before Friday, July 3, 2015 at 16:00 hours.

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