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March 22, 2017

Hon. Sumo G. Kupee Managing Director Liberia Petroleum & Refining Company (LPRC) LPRC Terminal, Burshrod Island Montserrado County Republic of Liberia



Dear Hon. Kupee:

## <u>Ref: Letter of Protest for the Award of Contract to C.P.</u> <u>Mineral & Mining, Inc.</u>

We refer to your letter of March 13, 2017, notifying North Star that the tender of C.P. Mineral & Mining, Inc., for the removal and disposal of obsolete scrap materials at the LPRC Product Storage Terminal was declared the most responsive and therefore accepted for the award of contract.

We hereby register our protest to the notification and award of contract to C.P. Mineral & Mining, Inc., (*hereinafter "C.P. Mining"*) for the following reasons:

- 1) That C.P. Mineral & Mining does not possess and did not provide the required "Scrap Dealership License/Certificate from the Ministry of Lands, Mines and Energy" as required by Section 4 "Qualification Requirements", subsection VI of the Invitation for Bids for the Safe Removal of Scrap Metals at the LPRC Product Storage Terminal (PST);
- 2) That C.P. Mineral does not have the demonstrated experience for the performance and execution of the required tasks.

That the declaration of C.P. Mineral as the most responsive bidder and the award of contract thereto, notwithstanding its (C.P. Mineral) failure to meet one of the mandatory requirements contained in the IFB is a flagrant violation of the Amended and Restated Public Procurement and Concession Act (PPCA), particularly its provisions on "Qualification of Bidders", Section 32(1, 2, 3, & 4), including the specific provision of the IFB quoted herein above.

We, therefore, request your kind intervention and investigation of the subject matter in consonance with the PPCA to ensure that the sanctity of the procurement process is guaranteed and upheld to the letter.

We can be contacted at the below address:

Mr. Eric Alkins North Star Industry, Inc. Battery Factory Community Somalia Drive Mobil: 0886-514-441 & 0886-785-223

Thanks for your usual kind cooperation and understanding as we remain patient to hearing from you at your earliest convenience.

Best regards.

Sincerely tyours INC

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CC: For the Attention: Executive Director

Public Procurement & Concession Commission

Capitol Hill, Executive Mansion Ground

Monrovia, Republic of Liberia

## Invitation for Bids (IFB)

## FOR THE SAFE REMOVAL AND OF SCRAPS METALS AT THE LPRC PRODUCT STORAGE TERMINAL (PST)

- 1. The Liberia Petroleum Refining Company intends to dispose of scrap metals that are generated from the ongoing Product Storage Terminal Expansion Project through Sale by public tender to the highest tender, subject to reserve price.
- 2. The Liberia Petroleum Refining Company now invites sealed tenders from eligible registered scrap companies to purchase and remove the scrap metals.
- 3. The tendering for the removal and disposal of the scrap will conduct through the National Competitive Bidding process as enshrined in the Public Procurement & Concession Act of 2010.
- 4. Qualification requirements include:

  I. Article of Incorporation

  II. Valid Recent Tax Clearance

  III. Valid Business Registration Certificate

  IV. PPCC Vendor Registration certificate

  V. Environmental Protection Agency(EPA) Certificate

  VI. Scrap Dealership License/Certificate from the Ministry of Lands Mines & Energy
  - VII. List of Equipment for removal of scrap
- 5. The selected company will be required to remove the scrap at its own expense without any cost to LPRC;
- 6. All bidders must clearly state the offer price per ton to purchase the scrap that will be extracted. The price per ton must be in United States Dollars;
- 7. All interested eligible scrap dealer companies may obtain copy of the tender document from the LPRC Procurement Unit for a non-refundable fee of US\$100.00 beginning Tuesday February 7, 2017 from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. daily Monday through Friday.
- 8. All tenders must be accompanied by a Bid Security of US\$20,000.00 (Twenty Thousand United States Dollars) in the form of a Bank Guarantee from a local reputable bank.

- 9. Sealed tenders must be delivered to the Procurement Unit not later than 1:00 p.m. March 7, 2017. Late tenders will be rejected and returned unopened. Tenders will be opened in the presence of bidders who choose to attend or their representatives on March 7, 2017 at 1:00 p.m. in the LPRC Board Room.
- 10. All tenders must be submitted in seven (7) sets. One (1) Original and six (6) copies.
- 11. All interested scrap dealer companies may conduct an inspection of the scrap metal prior to submitting their tender.
- 12. Tenders must be clearly marked "Tender for LPRC scrap removal and disposal" delivered to the below address.
- 13. The address referred to is:

Procurement Unit Liberia Petroleum Refining Company Product Storage Terminal Bushrod Island Monrovia, Liberia Cell#: 0886523397

Email: pkieh@lprclib.com