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THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EU) 2015/322 of 2 March 2015 on the implementation of the 11th European Development Fund¹, and in particular Article 9(1) and 9(4) thereof,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EU) 2018/1877 of 26 November 2018 on the financial regulation applicable to the 11th European Development Fund, and repealing Regulation (EU) 2015/323², and in particular Article 24 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) By its Decision C(2019)7733 of 24.10.2019 the Commission has adopted the Rural Electrification Programme prioritising the South-East of Liberia.
- (2) The action of the Decision is detailed in its Annex and was initially divided in two components.
- (3) For the implementation of the first component of the action, with a budget of EUR 15 000 000 , the Commission should have signed a contribution agreement with Nordic Environment Finance Corporation (NEFCO) for delegating/transferring the related funding to NEFCO to attract private operators going to build, operate and maintain the distribution networks in the rural area of Liberia.
- (4) NEFCO renounced to participate in the action and EU Delegation to Liberia tried to identify other pillar-assessed International Financial Institutions to replace NEFCO in supporting and administrating the first component of the action. After prospective discussions with EIB and Proparco in this respect, they showed no interest in the programme, considering it too risky and of a small-scale.
- (5) The EU Delegation to Liberia, in agreement with the Government of Liberia, found an alternative for the reallocation of the available budget of EUR 15 000 000 to add to the construction of the distribution networks in Buchanan and Greenville towns, towns already included in the programme, and to the “Technical Assistance (TA) for the Rural & Renewable Energy Agency (RREA)”.
- (6) The Action will now have only one component, “Construction of Assets”, extended by the construction of the two distribution networks in Buchanan and Greenville towns and Technical Assistance for RREA.
- (7) Therefore, the Annex to Commission Decision C(2019)7733 of 24.10.2019 should be replaced by the Annex to the present Decision.

¹ OJ L 58, 3.3.2015, p. 1.

² OJ L 307, 3.12.2018, p. 1.

(8) This amending Decision is in accordance with the opinion of the EDF Committee established under Article 8 of the Internal Agreement.

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Sole Article

The Annex to Commission Decision C(2019)7733 of 24.10.2019 is replaced by the Annex to this Decision.

Done at Brussels, 7.12.2022

For the Commission
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Member of the Commission