



## EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 78

### EXEMPTING THE LIBERIA WATER & SEWER CORPORATION FROM CUSTOMS DUTIES ON SELECTED ITEMS

**WHEREAS**, the Liberia Water and Sewer Corporation (LWSC) is a wholly-owned entity of the Government charged with ensuring the provision of safe drinking water and sewerage services for the population;

**WHEREAS**, Government recognizes that safe drinking water and basic sanitation are crucial to the preservation of human health and basic hygiene;

**WHEREAS**, the Government seeks to ensure that policies and institutions for water supply and sanitation service delivery, as well as for water resources development and management, respond effectively to needs and priorities of the population;

**WHEREAS**, the Liberia Water and Sewer Corporation (LWSC) must surmount enormous challenges to obtain resources for new projects as well as to rehabilitate old facilities for supply of water and delivery of sewerage services;

**WHEREAS**, in the exercise of the Executive Power vested in the President by the Constitution, the President issued Executive Orders exempting the LWSC from customs duties on certain products; and,

**WHEREAS**, the need still exists to exempt from customs duty fuel and related items for the operation of the LWSC's water treatment plants and for the delivery of water and sewer services;

**NOW THEREFORE**, the Government of the Republic of Liberia in the interest of national reconstruction and development hereby issues this Executive Order as follows:

1. That the below listed items imported by or purchased by LWSC for the exclusive use of the LWSC to facilitate the provision by LWSC of water and sewer services are exempted from the payment of customs duties:
  - a. Petroleum for water treatment plant(s)



- b. Water treatment chemicals
  - c. Pipes and fittings
  - d. Generators, pumps (electrical and diesel)
  - e. Spare parts for mechanical and Electrical Equipment
  - f. Other parts and equipment essential for the production of water and disposal of waste.
2. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL OF  
THE REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA THIS 15<sup>th</sup>  
DAY OF AUGUST 2016.

A handwritten signature in green ink, reading "Ellen Johnson Sirleaf", written over a horizontal line.

Ellen Johnson Sirleaf  
**PRESIDENT**  
**REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA**

