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USAID/NIGERIA LAGOS URBAN WATER, SANITATION, AND HYGIENE (LUWASH) ACTIVITY

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI) FOR LUWASH GRANTS PROGRAM

USAID/Nigeria Lagos Urban Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (LUWASH) Activity, implemented by Chemonics International, is seeking expressions of interest from eligible organization for participation in the LUWASH Activity. The primary aim of the LUWASH Activity is to increase availability and sustainable management of safe and climate resilient water and sanitation services in Lagos State. The project's overarching objective is to expand and improve urban WASH service delivery and infrastructure through strengthened governance, increased accountability, and improved financial and technical capabilities of public water utilities and private sector providers.

The project comprises four core components.

- Governance and institutional arrangements strengthened to deliver improved WASH services.
- Improve Public and Non-State service provider performance.
- increase access to safe and sustainable water services, and
- increase household access to safe and sustainable sanitation and improve the quality of source water.

LUWASH grants program will be implemented through the capacity building, research, and advocacy fund (CAREVO fund). These grants will help improve the sustainability of CBOs operations, enhance their opportunities for growth, and enable them to reach more households with safely managed WASH services in Lagos. The grants will focus on

supporting eligible organizations that are providing WASH services improvement activities as Non-State Providers (NSPs), particularly in areas that are currently unreachable by the Lagos Water Corporation. The grant activities will be implemented within Lagos state and will offer an opportunity for collaboration with relevant state agencies and local small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) to foster innovative approaches to WASH service delivery. These approaches may include collaborating on water quality and service standards with relevant state agencies. Furthermore, proposals demonstrating collaboration between Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) and Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs) will receive favorable consideration. Similarly, existing Non-State Service Providers (NSPs) already providing WASH services will be favourably considered.

Eligible Applicants: The APS will be issued as a public notice to ensure that all interested and qualified organizations have a fair opportunity to submit applications for funding. Eligible organizations must be registered in Nigeria and compliant with all applicable civil and fiscal regulations. Eligible applicants may include Non- Governmental Organizations, Community-Based Organizations, Civil Society Organizations, Small and Medium-sized Enterprises (SMEs), University Researcher, Community Cooperatives, and the Private Sector.

The expression of interest must include the following information: – Organization's name, date established and address, registration number, and current registration status, a brief description of the organization and its activities should be provided. Additionally, it should include contact information, including the names, titles, addresses, telephone numbers, and email addresses of an individual who will represent the organization at the pre-application workshop.

Please submit all Expressions of Interest via email to NGA-LUWASH-Grants@Chemonics.com on or before **close of business Friday November 3, 2023**.

Expression of interest may not be longer than one page using Arial 12 font, single spacing (one space between sentences). The full APS will be forwarded to those who express their interest via the above email address. Please note that this APS.001 represents the first call for proposals within the LUWASH grants program, and there may be additional calls in the future as part of the program.