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**3<sup>rd</sup> Call for Proposals**

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1.	What is the system of financing of approved actions? Is there an advance payment upon the signing of agreement, or applicants have to pre-finance all approved actions?	Please refer to Article 15 PAYMENT AND INTEREST ON LATE PAYMENT , 15.1. <u>Payment procedures</u> of Annex II of the Application Package - General Conditions applicable to European Union-financed grant contracts for external actions.
2.	Is the water supply and sewerage company eligible to participate as applicant?	In line with GfA, Section 2.2.4, to ensure equal treatment of applicants, the Contracting Authorities cannot give a prior opinion on the eligibility of applicants, affiliated entity(ies), an action or specific activities.  Relevant information related to the eligibility of applicants is provided in Section 2.1.1. "Eligibility of Applicants" (i.e. applicants and co-applicant(s)) of GfA. in order to be eligible for a grant, the applicant must: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• be a legal person and</li><li>• be non-profit-making and</li><li>• be a specific type of organisation such as: public authorities and/or institutions, public sector operators, local authorities, public companies in charge of communal infrastructure and</li></ul>

		<p>waste management and other public entities active in the field of environmental and nature protection and emergency planning and</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• be established in Serbia when applying for the allocation for Serbia and be established in Bosnia and Herzegovina when applying for the allocation for Bosnia and Herzegovina.</li> <li>• be directly responsible for the preparation and management of the action with the co-applicant(s) and affiliated entity(ies), not acting as an intermediary.</li> </ul> <p>Therefore, if a water supply and sewerage company' fits within these categories and requirements, eligibility would in principle be met.</p>
3.	Is Water supply and Sewerage Company eligible as beneficiary for receiving supplies, equipment and civil works?	Please refer to the Article 7 "Ownership/Use of Results and Assets", 7.5. of Annex 2 of the Application Package - General Conditions applicable to European Union-financed grant contracts for external actions.