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BEFORE THE GUAM PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

)	GWA DOCKET 13-01
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PETITION OF)	ALJ STATUS REPORT
GUAM WATERWORKS AUTHORITY)	RE: GWA'S MULTI-YEAR
FOR RATE RELIEF)	RATE PETITION
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This matter comes before the Guam Public Utilities Commission (the "PUC") pursuant to the Petition for Approval of the Guam Waterworks Authority's 5 Year Financial Plan, filed by the Guam Waterworks Authority ("GWA") on June 5, 2013. The following is a status report regarding this multi-year rate petition.

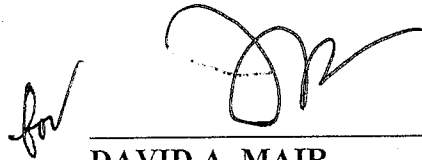
On June 5, 2013, GWA filed its multi-year rate petition. The petition is based on Resolution No. 18-FY2013, issued by the Consolidated Commission on Utilities, and proposes the following rate increases: 16% in FY2014; 14.5% in FY2015; 17.5% in FY2016; 10% in FY2017; and 9% in FY2018. GWA maintains that the rate increases proposed in the petition "are necessary to pay debt service on the issuance of approximately \$450M in bonds required for GWA to comply with the November 2010 Order of the United States District Court in Civil Case No. 02-00035 ("Order") by upgrading and refurbishing GWA's existing water and wastewater infrastructure as required under the Clean Water Act and the Safe Drinking Water Act."¹

¹ GWA's Petition for Approval of the Guam Waterworks Authority's 5 Year Financial Plan, filed by the Guam Waterworks Authority ("Petition"), GWA Docket 13-01, p. 1. (June 5, 2013); See also "Exhibit B," Testimony of Greg P. Cruz in Support of Request for an Approval of the Guam Waterworks Authority FY2014-FY2018 5 Year Financial Rate Plan, p. 2 (June 5, 2013).

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A copy of the June 5, 2013 multi-year rate petition has since been transmitted to the firm of Lummus Consultants International (“Lummus”), the PUC’s consultants for water and wastewater matters; and for the past two months, GWA and Lummus have been diligently working together to minimize the rate increases for the ratepayers. Currently, GWA and Lummus are working towards finalizing a Stipulation for the PUC’s consideration. Since the parties are rapidly progressing towards resolution, the ALJ intends on scheduling the public hearings related to GWA’s multi-year rate petition during October 17, and October 18, 2013, in compliance with the Ratepayers’ Bill of Rights. At that time, the public will be invited to provide testimony regarding the proposed rate increases.

Respectfully submitted this 20th day of September, 2013.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D. Mair', is written over a horizontal line.

DAVID A. MAIR
Administrative Law Judge

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