



**BEFORE THE GUAM PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

IN RE: PETITION FOR APPROVAL )  
OF PROPOSED BID FOR )  
CHEMICALS REGARDING )  
NORTHERN DISTRICT )  
WASTEWATER TREATMENT )  
PLANT AND THE HAGATNA )  
WASTEWATER TREATMENT )  
PLANT. )  
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**GWA DOCKET 15-05**

**ORDER**

**INTRODUCTION**

This matter comes before the Guam Public Utilities Commission (the “PUC”) pursuant to the July 30, 2015 Petition for Approval of GWA’s Proposed Bid for Chemicals Regarding the Northern District Wastewater Treatment Plant and the Hagatna Wastewater Treatment Plant (the “Petition”), filed by the Guam Waterworks Authority (“GWA”).

**DETERMINATIONS**

On July 30, 2015, GWA filed its Petition for Approval of GWA’s Proposed Bid for Chemicals Regarding the Northern District Wastewater Treatment Plant and the Hagatna Wastewater Treatment Plant under the Contract Review Protocol. On August 24, 2015, the Administrative Law Judge of the PUC Joephet R. Alcantara (the “ALJ”) filed an ALJ Report regarding the Petition which included his findings and recommendations based on the administrative record before the PUC.

In his August 24, 2015 ALJ Report, the ALJ found that GWA’s use of a multi-year contract for the purchase of inorganic coagulant, flocculant aid/coagulant aid,

and sludge dewatering cationic polymer is reasonable and necessary given that these chemicals are indispensable and required for GWA's daily wastewater operations. The ALJ further found that GWA provided adequate documentation to support the procurement of these chemicals, which it requires to operate its Northern District Wastewater Treatment Plant (NDWWTP) and Hagåtña Wastewater Treatment Plant (HWWTP), and keep GWA in compliance with federal laws, permits and federal guidelines. Accordingly, the ALJ recommended that GWA should be authorized to proceed with the procurement related to the purchase of inorganic coagulant, flocculant aid/coagulant aid, and sludge dewatering cationic polymer as set forth in the proposed Invitation to Bid.

The Commission hereby adopts the findings made in the August 24, 2015 ALJ Report, and therefore, issues the following:

### **ORDERING PROVISIONS**

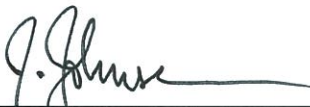
Upon careful consideration of the record herein, and for good cause shown, on motion duly made, seconded and carried by the affirmative vote of the undersigned Commissioners, the Commission hereby ORDERS the following:

1. That GWA is authorized to proceed with the procurement related to the purchase of inorganic coagulant, flocculant aid/coagulant aid, and sludge dewatering cationic polymer as set forth in the proposed Invitation to Bid.

2. GWA is ordered to pay the PUC's regulatory fees and expenses, including and without limitation, consulting and counsel fees, and the fees and expenses associated with this docket. Assessment of the PUC's regulatory fees and expenses is authorized pursuant to 12 G.C.A. §§ 12002(b) and 12024(b) (renumbered as 12 G.C.A. §§

12103(b) and 12125(b)), and Rule 40 of the Rules of Practice and Procedure before the PUC.

**SO ORDERED** this 27<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2015.

  
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**JEFFREY C. JOHNSON**  
Chairman


  
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**JOSEPH M. MCDONALD**  
Commissioner

  
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**PETER MONTINOLA**  
Commissioner

  
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**ANDREW L. NIVEN**  
Commissioner