

BEFORE THE GUAM PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN RE: PETITION FOR APPROVAL OF  
GWA'S THIRD FIVE-YEAR  
FINANCIAL PLAN (BASE RATE  
INCREASES)

GWA DOCKET 19-08

ORDER AFTER  
HEARING



Pursuant to the Third Amended Scheduling Order issued in this docket, an Evidentiary Hearing was held remotely, via Zoom video conferencing platform, from November 8 through November 9, 2021. Present during the proceedings were representatives and witnesses of the Guam Waterworks Authority ("GWA"), the Georgetown Consulting Group ("GCG"), and the U.S. Department of Defense, Navy (the "Navy"), along with their respective counsel. PowerPoint presentations, testimony, and exhibits were presented before the undersigned Administrative Law Judge (the "ALJ"), where examination of witnesses was allowed.

During its case-in-chief, GWA presented testimony and evidence on what was styled GWA's Revised Rate Application and Modified Financial Plan. During such presentation, GCG vehemently objected to the introduction of what were revisions to GWA's rate application; and on November 18, 2021, GCG memorialized its objections to GWA's testimony. Based on GCG's objections, as well as the ALJ's desire to clarify the record in these proceedings, the ALJ hereby ORDERS the following:

1. That GWA formally submit to the PUC its Revised Rate Application and Modified Financial Plan, to include appropriate testimony and narratives, any supporting data and documents, along with revisions to a fully executable Rate Application Model by **Monday, December 6, 2021.**



2. That GCG shall be permitted to issue one additional set of discovery to GWA limited to GWA's Revised Rate Application and Modified Financial Plan, no later than **Friday, December 17, 2021**. This additional set of discovery shall not exceed thirty (30) questions and shall include requests for the following: (1) testimony and/or documentation supporting GWA's estimated purchased water expenses; (2) testimony and/or documentation supporting GWA's estimated increases in salaries and benefits; and (3) testimony and/or documentation supporting GWA's estimated contractual expenses.

3. That GWA shall provide its responses to the limited discovery request by **Thursday, December 30, 2021**.

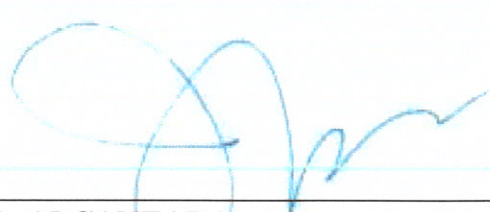
4. That GCG shall issue a supplemental report indicating any new findings and recommendations based on its review of GWA's Revised Rate Application and Modified Financial Plan by **Saturday, January 15, 2021**.

In addition to the impact of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 funding, such report shall include any new findings and recommendations concerning GWA's proposed Affordability Program, and GWA's proposed revisions to its water and wastewater customer class structure.

5. That the ALJ reserves the right to hold additional hearings based on GCG's review.

6. That the remaining deadlines indicated in the Third Amended Scheduling Order are hereby VACATED.

SO ORDERED this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of November, 2021.



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**JOEPHET R. ALCANTARA**  
**Administrative Law Judge**