## BEFORE THE GUAM PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN RE: PETITION FOR APPROVAL OF	)	GWA Docket 19-08
GWA'S THIRD FIVE-YEAR	)	
FINANCIAL PLAN.	)	SCHEDULING ORDER
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On July 23, 2019, the Administrative Law Judge ["ALJ"] issued an Order for a Preliminary Scheduling Conference. On July 26, 2019, the Preliminary Scheduling Conference was held telephonically at 9:00 a.m. Participating for GWA were General Manager Miguel Bordallo, Legal Counsel Kelly Clark, and Acting Chief Financial Officer Gilda Mafnas. Participating for Georgetown Consultant Group ["GCG"], the PUC Consultant, were Jim Madan, Larry Gawlik, and Dan Stathos.

Initially, GCG asked whether GWA could produce supporting EXCEL files for GWA's filing, and that the entire rate filing be provided to GCG in WORD format. GWA has since provided all of these requested documents.

An outstanding issue is whether the U.S. Navy will seek to intervene in this rate case. The issue is pending before Navy; GWA Legal Counsel indicates that GWA should have Navy's position on this matter by early this week.

Prior to this telephonic conference, GCG had prepared a proposed schedule for the hearing and resolution of the GWA rate case. This schedule was provided to GWA and the ALJ on July 23, 2019. During the telephone conference, GWA and GCG discussed the potential impact of the schedule upon GWA's proposed bond issuance and scheduled meeting with the Rating Agencies. There was also extended discussion concerning the role of the PUC in rate proceedings and how GWA's petition would be addressed.

After such discussions, the ALJ asked the GWA representatives if they had any comment upon the proposed schedule. GWA indicated, through its General Manager and Legal Counsel, that GWA would agree to the Initial Proposed Schedule of GCG. GWA desired to have the rate case proceed ahead.

In accordance with the agreement of the Parties, the ALJ hereby ORDERS as follows:

1. The INITIAL PROPOSED SCHEDULE for GWA Rate Case, Docket No. 19-08, attached hereto as Exhibit "1", is hereby approved.

- 2. Discovery shall be conducted in accordance with the Schedule attached hereto.
- 3. The Parties shall perform their duties and obligations regarding discovery and other matters in accordance with the activities set forth in the Schedule.
- 4. The parties shall proceed as expeditiously as possible with performance of their duties and obligations as set forth in the Schedule,
- 5. PUC General Order No. 09-01 is generally applicable to this proceeding; the ALJ shall address any disputes, if any, concerning discovery between the parties or issues concerning the scope or permissibility of such discovery.
- 6. The Parties are now authorized to commence discovery in accordance with the Initial Proposed Schedule.

**So Ordered** this 29th day of July, 2019.

Frederick J. Horecky

Chief Administrative Law Judge

## INITIAL PROPOSED SCHEDULE FOR GWA RATE CASE DOCKET NO 19 – 08 PETITION TO APPROVE GWA'S 5-YEAR FINANCIAL PLAN

As discussed during the conference call hosted by ALJ, Fred Horecky, GCG puts forward the following schedule for discussion on the next scheduled conference call proposed for Wednesday July 24, 2019 at 9 am Guam time.

CONTESTED PRO	PROCEEDING	NON-CONTESTE	NON-CONTESTED PROCEEDING
DAY NO.	ACTIVITY	DAY NO.	ACTIVITY
Day 0 – Wednesday July 17	Initial conference call – Parties discussed scheduling parameters. GWA to provide GCG additional executable Excel & Word files.	Day 0 – Wednesday July 17	Ditto
Day 7 – Wednesday July 24	Scheduling conference call – Clarify Navy intervenor status. Parties discuss scheduling.	Day 7 – Wednesday July 24	Ditto
Day 12 – Monday July 29	ALJ issues scheduling memo	Day 12 – Monday July 29	Ditto
Day 25 – Monday Aug 12	Deadline for initial RFIs. RE: GWA's 5-year rate plan. Requests may be made in tranches.	Day 25 – Monday Aug 12	Ditto
Day 40 – Monday Aug 26	Deadline for GWA to respond to initial RFIs. Each individual tranche to be responded to in 15 days.	Day 40 – Monday Aug 26	Ditto

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DAY NO.	ACTIVITY	DAY NO.	ACTIVITY
Day 50 – Thursday Sept 5	Deadline for GCG follow up requests for info and clarifications.	Day 50 – Thursday Sept 5	Ditto
Day 60 – Monday Sept 16	Deadline for GWA to provide satisfactory responses to all outstanding RFIs.	Day 60 – Monday Sept 16	Ditto
Day 80 – Monday Oct 7	Discovery conference between GWA & GCG at mutually acceptable location.	Day 80 – Monday Oct 7	Ditto
Day 100 – Friday Oct 25	GCG outline of issues to GWA.	Day 100 – Friday Oct 25	Ditto
Day 110- 111 Monday Nov 4	Conference with GWA & possibly ALJ to review and narrow issues. Develop final issues memo. 2 days.	Day 110- 111 Monday Nov 4	Ditto
Day 115 – Monday Nov 11	Status memo from GWA on amendments to the petition that are accepted.  Determination to proceed on contested or non-contested basis.	Day 115 – Monday Nov 11	Ditto
Day 145 – Monday Dec 16	GCG submits testimony	Day 120 – Thursday Nov 14	Develop proposed stipulation
Day 149 – Friday Dec 13	Publish notice of Village hearings	Day 125 – Tuesday Nov 19	Develop final stipulation to be submitted to the ALJ for review & approval
Day 155 – Tuesday Dec 24	GWA submits RFIs	Day 128 – Friday Nov 22	Publish notice of Village hearings

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ACTIVITY	DAY NO.	DAY NO.	ACTIVITY
Day 165 – Friday Jan 3	GCG responds to RFIs	Day 152 -156 – Monday Dec 16	ALJ scheduled hearings & Village hearings
Day 170-175 – Wednesday Jan 8	ALJ scheduled hearings & Village hearings	Day 166 – Monday Dec 30	ALJ recommendation
:	Simultaneous proposed orders from GWA & GCG	Day TBD –	PUC meeting & determination
Day 195 – Tuesday Feb 4	ALJ recommendation		
Day TBD -	PUC meeting & determination		