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BEFORE THE GUAM PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN RE: REQUEST BY THE GUAM
WATERWORKS AUTHORITY
FOR APPROVAL OF GWA'S FIRE
HYDRANT REPLACEMENT
PHASE I CONTRACT UNDER THE
CONTRACT REVIEW PROTOCOL

REPLACEMENT PROJECT PHASE I,
GWA PROJECT NO. W19-002-BND

Comes now, by and through Kelly O. Clark, Attorney for Petitioner Guam Waterworks Authority ("GWA"), does hereby file this Petition for Approval of the Contract with Mega United Corporation ("Mega United") for the Fire Hydrant Replacement Phase I under the Guam Public Utility Commission's ("PUC") Contract Review Protocol.

## I. INTRODUCTION

On March 20, 2019, GWA advertised the Invitation to Bid IFB-03-ENG-2019 for the Fire Hydrant Replacement Phase I, soliciting bid proposals from experienced and responsive bidders to replace 78 dry barrel type fire hydrants. Primarily the work of the bid consists of furnishing all labor, tools, equipment and materials, necessary to install new wet barrel fire hydrants to replace dry barrel fire hydrants in the villages of Barrigada, Mongmong-Toto-Maite, Yona, Tamuning, Dededo, and Chalan Pago, including coordination with GWA Water Distribution Operations, GWA Engineering, the Department of Public Works and, if necessary, the Guam Fire Department. The sources of funding for the project will come from bond and revenue funding.

Multiple prospective bidders obtained IFB packages and of those only three (3) submitted their bid package. See Resolution 38-FY2019 at Ex. A. GWA's Engineering team analyzed the bid proposals received and determined that the bid package submitted by Mega United Corporation ("Mega United") was the lowest responsive and responsible bid meeting all the bid requirements set forth by GWA.

 GWA accepted Mega United's bid proposal (See Resolution 38-FY2019 at Ex. B) of One Million Two Hundred Forty-Two Thousand Six Hundred Seventy Dollars (\$1,242,670.00), plus the ten percent (10%) contingency of One Hundred Twenty-Four Thousand Two Hundred Sixty-Seven Dollars (\$124,267.00), to bring the total authorized funding amount to One Million Three Hundred Sixty-Six Thousand Nine Hundred Thirty-Seven Dollars (\$1,366,937.00). The CCU in Resolution 38-FY2019 authorized GWA to petition the PUC for its approval of the contract with Mega United. Exhibit 1.

## II. JUSTIFICATION FOR GRANTING THE PETITION

GWA Water Distribution Operations has been able to replace approximately 300 wet barrel fire hydrants from the condition assessment list in several villages due to the simplicity of just changing out the hydrant body. However, due to the more complex work involved in the replacement of the dry barrel fire hydrants which includes additional construction activities such as trenching, pipe and valve replacement, pavement/concrete demolition and restoration, GWA has determined that although its crews are able to perform these types of work, it will restrict their ability to perform normal operations duties. For that reason, the procurement of a contractor to complete the work was determined to be more effective for advancing the hydrant replacement program.

## III. CONCLUSION

GWA has filed a detailed and appropriately supported Petition seeking the PUC's approval of Fire Hydrant (Dry Barrel) Replacement Project Phase I. Based upon the foregoing, GWA respectfully requests approval from the PUC to authorize the contract with Mega United Corporation.

Respectfully submitted this 29th day of July, 2019.

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