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## BEFORE THE GUAM PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF:	GPA DOCKET NO. 23-01	
The Application of the Guam Power Authority		
for Approving the Procurement of Phase IV	PETITION FOR CONTRACT REVIEW	
Renewable Acquisition for GPA.		

COMES NOW, the GUAM POWER AUTHORITY (GPA), by and through its counsel of record, D. GRAHAM BOTHA, ESQ., and hereby files GPA's Petition for the Public Utilities Commission of Guam to review and approve GPA's request for approval of the Procurement of Phase III Renewable Acquisition for GPA, as follows:

## **BACKGROUND**

The Guam Power Authority intends to contract for an additional 180MW to 300MW of renewable energy with energy storage requirements for the primary purpose of shifting solar PV energy. The Phase IV Renewable Acquisition will require bidders to acquire property to build solar PV projects with energy storage. The CCU in Resolution FY2022-30 has approved GPA's request for approval of the procurement of the Phase IV Renewable Acquisition.

## **DISCUSSION**

GPA hereby petitions the PUC, pursuant to the Contract Review Protocol for the Guam Power Authority, approved by the PUC, to review and approve the procurement of Phase III Renewable Acquisition for GPA. In support of this Petition, GPA hereby provides the PUC with Consolidated Commission on Utilities (CCU) Resolution No. FY2022-30, which authorizes the General Manager to proceed with the procurement of Phase IV Renewable Acquisition for GPA, subject to PUC review and approval. Said resolution and its exhibits are attached herein as

Exhibit A, and incorporated by reference herein as if fully set forth. The exhibits include a copy of the draft Invitation for Bid. **CONCLUSION** The PUC should approve GPA's request to proceed with the procurement of Phase IV Renewable Acquisition for GPA. The Phase IV Renewable Acquisition will enable GPA to meet its renewable energy goals, and is reasonable, prudent, and necessary. RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 11th day of October, 2022. D. GRAHAM BOTHA, ESQ. GPA General Counsel 



proposed leased lands; and

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#### RESOLUTION NO. FY2022-30

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# AUTHORIZING MANAGEMENT OF THE GUAM POWER AUTHORITY TO PETITION THE PUC FOR APPROVAL OF THE PHASE IV RENEWABLE ACQUISITION MULTISTEP BID DOCUMENTS UNDER THE PROCUREMENT PROTOCOL

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WHEREAS, Guam Public Law 35-46 established Guam's Renewable Portfolio Standard (RPS) with the ultimate RPS goal of 50% of GPA's net sales to come from renewable energy by 2035 and 100% by 2045; and

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WHEREAS, Guam Public Law 30-66 established that the Guam Power Authority may enter into Long Term Contracts to make way for Power Purchase Agreements for renewable energy generation; and

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WHEREAS, the previous Renewable Energy Resources Acquisitions were a result of GPA's 2008 Integrated Resource Plan and include the following projects:

14 15  Under Renewable Energy Resource Acquisition Phase I, GPA entered into two Power Purchase Agreements with now GPS Solar Dandan, LLC to purchase renewable energy generated from the Solar PV farm in Dandan with the aggregate capacity of 25.65 MW in 2015; and

Under Renewable Energy Resource Acquisition Phase II, GPA entered into Power Purchase

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Agreements with now KEPCO Mangilao Solar, LLC and HEC Guam, LLC to purchase renewable energy generated from the recently commissioned 60 MW Solar PV farm in Mangilao and a to-be-

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Under Renewable Energy Resource Acquisition Phase III, GPA intended to acquire up to 60 MW of renewable capacity with energy storage, installed on predetermined military sites the U.S. Department of Navy has leased to GPA which has recently been cancelled due to Navy's need to use

completed construction of 60 MW Solar PV farm in Malojloj, respectively; and

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WHEREAS, Guam Power Authority's Net Metering Program is currently comprised of 30+ MW of renewable generation; and

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WHEREAS, under federal grant funding from the U.S. Department of Interior, Office of Insular Affairs GPA constructed its first wind turbine which added 275 KW of renewable energy capacity to GPA's generating fleet in 2017; and

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1 WHEREAS, GPA intends to continue building its renewable capacity in order to meet the RPS goals set 2 forth by Guam Public Law 35-46 and address the following goals discussed in the 2022 IRP: 3 Meet or exceed the renewable energy resource portfolio standard adopted by the Guam Legislature; 4 and 5 Lower billing volatility by reducing fuel oil price impact on GPA's financial resources and working 6 capital; and 7 Diversify its fuel sources for generation and utilize renewables as a part of the implementation; and 8 Acquire renewable resources that will result in cost savings to the customers of GPA; and 9 WHEREAS, the 2022 IRP recommends to initiate procurement for renewable energy contracts for 10 additional annual 300,000 MWh by 2025 and another 300,000 MWh by 2029 to achieve 50% renewables by 11 2030; and 12 WHEREAS, GPA has drafted bid documents for Phase IV Renewable Acquisition Multi-Step Bid 13 procurement of renewable energy through a purchase power contract(s) which has been structured against the 14 following: Delivery of firm, non-intermittent power from one, or more, renewable generation resources 15 dispatchable with a combined minimum annual energy total of 300,000 MWh and up to 16 530,000MWH; and 17 18 Acceptable technologies include biomass, hydro, geothermal, solar, wind, ocean thermal, wave 19 action and tidal action; and 20 An energy storage system will be co-located with the renewable energy resource for energy shifting 21 primarily to deliver energy produced at another time of the day and also for rapid reserve to respond 22 to under-frequency events; and 23 Project(s) must be commissioned within 36 months after contract award; and 24 Minimum annual energy production guarantees are required with non-performance subject to a 25 penalty; and 26 Requires Bidder to be responsible for all costs related to the system integration study and 27 recommendations from the study for project interconnection; and 28 WHEREAS, GPA believes these documents form the best procurement option by: Ensuring resource capital investment is recoverable through a minimum contract period that 29 extends over a longer period of time; and 30 Introducing price competitiveness by allowing various renewable technologies to compete amongst 31 each other; and 32

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3	•	Eliminating requirement for GPA to make upfront capital investment interconnection of renewable			
4		resources which will impact base rate requirements; and			
5	•	<ul> <li>Evaluating the bid proposals against projected production costs used in the IRP to determine if the</li> </ul>			
6		bid proposals are economical; and			
7	•	Allowing GPA to make selections by resour	ce technology to meet fuel diversification goals; and		
8	WH	WHEREAS, GPA reserves the right to not select any bids that exceed projected production costs; and			
9	WHEREAS, under procurement protocol ordered by PUC, GPA is required to obtain PUC approval for				
10	procurement documents for contracts in excess of \$1.5 million; and				
11	WHEREAS, the anticipated annual minimum of 300,000 MWh and up to 530,000MWH over 25 years to				
12	be acquired under Phase IV of the Renewable Acquisition Project would exceed GPA's contracting authorization				
13	of \$1.5 million.				
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15	NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the CONSOLIDATED COMMISSION ON UTILITIES as follows:				
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17	1.	The General Manager is authorized to	petition the PUC for review for approval of the Phase IV		
18	Renewable Acquisition Multi-Step Bid Documents as prepared by GPA.				
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20	RES	SOLVED, that the Chairman of the Comm	nission certifies and the Secretary of the Commission		
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Secretary

Consolidated Commission on Utilities

Chairperson

**Consolidated Commission on Utilities** 

Placing construction risk on bidder which protects ratepayers against construction cost overruns;

I, Peter Roy Martinez, Secretary for the Consolidated Commission on Utilities do hereby certify as follow:

The foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of the resolution duly adopted at a regular meeting of the members of Guam's Consolidated Commission on Utilities, duly and legally held at a place properly noticed and advertised at which meeting a quorum was present and members who were present voted as follows:

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8	NAYS:	0
9	ABSENT:	-0
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