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IN THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTABILITY PROCUREMENT APPEAL

|) DOCKET NO. OPA-PA-17-010 |
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|) PURCHASING AGENCY'S RESPONSE |
|) TO APPELLANT'S MOTION FOR |
| SANCTIONS AGAINST THE |
| DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS |
| FOR FAILURE TO FILE AND SERVE |
| TIMELY AND COMPLETE |
|) PROCUREMENT RECORD |
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Comes Now, Department of Public Works ("DPW"), and through its undersigned counsel, herein files the Purchasing Agency's Response to Appellant's Motion for Sanctions against the department for failure to file and serve timely and complete procurement record documents relating to the Route1/Route 8 Intersection Improvements and Agana Bridges Replacement (Design-Build) Project No. GU-DAR-T101(001) (the "Project"). Appellee DPW respectfully submits that Appellant's motion for sanctions be denied.

Appellee claims that purchasing agency failed to serve it with a portion of the Procurement Record filed with the Office of Public Accountability ("OPA") on October 30, 2017. This is not



correct. Attached is an October 31, 2017 email from counsel to his secretary, Ms. Linda Hernandez,

confirming that a copy of a Compact Disc ("CD") had already been served on CTI. Unfortunately,

DPW is not presently able to produce a receipted copy from Appellee. See, Exhibit "A". Appellee's

motion also claims that DPW supplemented the Procurement Record on November 3, 2017, and "again

failed to serve Appellant with a copy of the Supplemental filing." This is not factually correct.

Attached hereto as Exhibit "B" is a November 3, 2017, receipted copy by Ms. Arriola's office of Mr.

David Titzel's CD. Also attached as Exhibit "C" is a receipted copy, also dated November 3, 2017, of

Mr. Mike Hobbs Project documents. See also, Ms. Linda Hernandez's, WP Secretary I, Office of the

Attorney General of Guam, November 30, 2017 email to AAG Keeler attached hereto as Exhibit "D"

and incorporated herein by this reference.

At a November 8, 2013, pre-hearing conference in this matter the Hearing Officer ordered

DPW to produce the procurement record. Appellants records document that this was done on

November 13, 2017, when it filed its Agency Report with the OPA and supplemented the record by

filing three (3) hard copies of 1,491 pages. A CD was served on Appellee's counsel's office that same

date. Attached hereto as Exhibit "E" is a receipted copy confirming receipt. The label on the receipted

copy document that the Procurement Record was served on Appellee. In order to avoid any

misunderstandings a second copy of the Procurement Record is contained in the CD filed with this

response.

Separate and apart from documents filed with the OPA, on October 9, 2017, DPW responded

in a timely manner to Ms. Arriola's written FOIA Request seeking "seeking copies of documents

relating to the Route1/Route 8 Intersection Improvements and Agana Bridges Replacement (Design-

Build) Project No. GU-DAR-T101(001)." See, Exhibit "F". DPW's response was supplemented via

an October 11, 2017 letter in which it provided Project records by DPW's consultant WSP USA, Inc.

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In the Appeal of: Core Tech International

Purchasing Agency's Response to Appellant's Motion for Sanctions Against the DPW for Failure

f/n/a Parsons Brinckerhoff. See, Exhibit "G". Appellee references its responses to Appellee's filings

with the OPA and in response to Ms. Arriola's FOIA Request that Appellant has thousands of pages

of Project documents.

DPW's filings are timely. Appellant's claim that it is severely prejudiced by not having Project

documents is without merit. DPW's records document that Appellee was served copies of the filings

in question. In addition to Appellant's frivolous claim of prejudice, its appeal is a breach of contract

and not a procurement matter.

CONCLUSION

Appellee has served its filings on Appellant as required by law. Appellee is in possession of

thousands of pages of Project documents. Appellee DPW respectfully submits that Appellant's motion

for sanctions be denied.

Dated this 1st day of December, 2017.

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Elizabeth Barrett Anderson, Attorney General

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THOMAS KEELER

Assistant Attorney General

EXHIBIT A

Linda Hernandez

To:

Linda Hernandez (lhernandez@guamag.org)

Subject:

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----Original Message-----From: Tom Keeler

Sent: Tuesday, October 31, 2017 2:51 PM To: Linda Hernandez lhernandez@guamag.org>

Subject: RE: waiting on response re boxes you just delivered -2

Core Tech earlier provided copy. I have AG's copy. Tom

From: Linda Hernandez

Sent: Tuesday, October 31, 2017 2:49 PM

To: Tom Keeler

Subject: RE: waiting on response re boxes you just delivered

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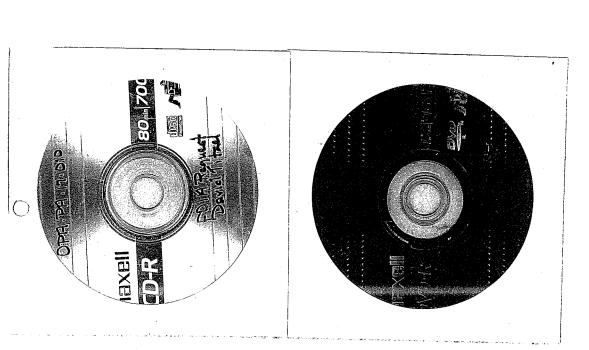
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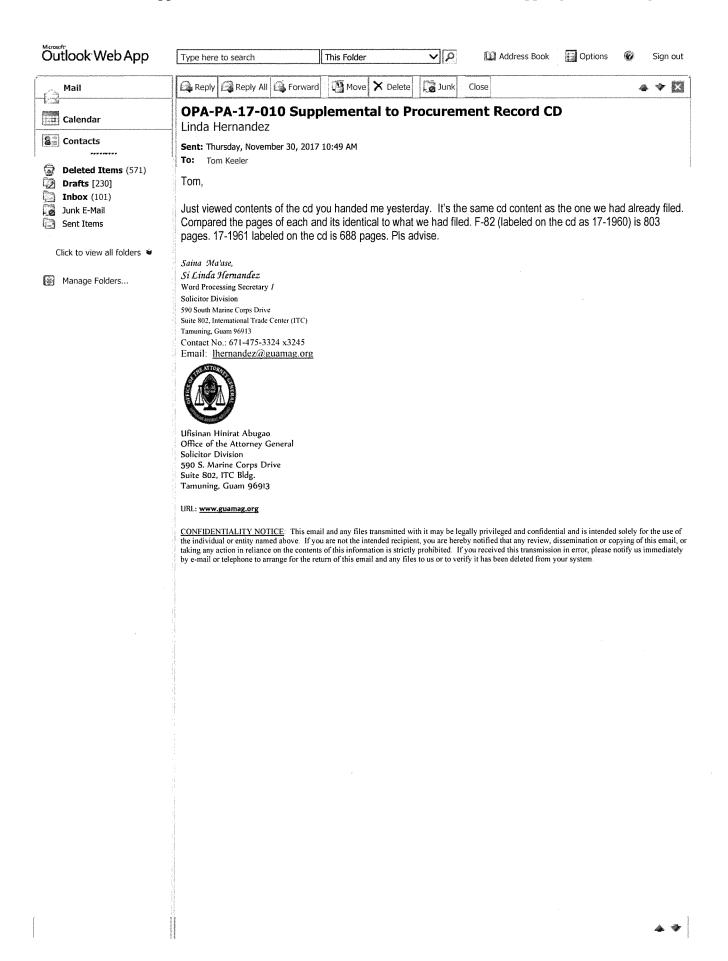
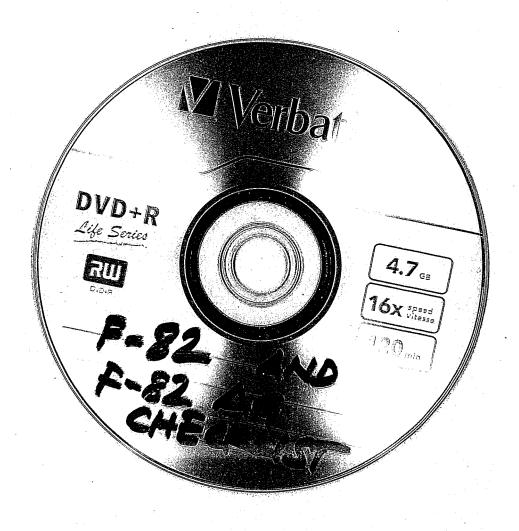


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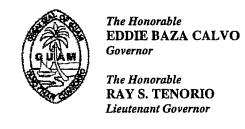
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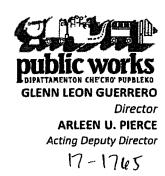
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October 9, 2017

Via Hand Delivery

Anita Arriola, Esq. Arriola Cowan & Arriola 259 Martyr Street, Suite 201 Hagatna, Guam 96910

Re: Freedom of Information Act 1999 (FOIA) Request dated September 25, 2017

Ms. Arriola:

This letter serves to respond to your September 25, 2017 letter concerning the above referenced Sunshine Reform Act of 1999 (FOIA) seeking copies of documents relating to the Route1/Route 8 Intersection Improvements and Agana Bridges Replacement (Design-Build) Project No. GU-DAR-T101(001). The requested documents are enclosed herein.

Should you require any further information, please contact Mr. Joaquin Blaz at the Division of Highways at 649-3121.

Sincerely,

ARLEEN U. PIERCE
Acting Deputy Director

Cc: Elizabeth Barrett-Anderson, Guam Attorney General (via email only)

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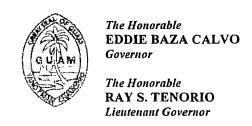
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October 11, 2017

Via Hand Delivery

Anita Arriola, Esq. Arriola Cowan & Arriola 259 Martyr Street, Suite 201 Hagatna, Guam 96910

Re: Freedom of Information Act 1999 (FOIA) Request dated September 25, 2017

Ms. Arriola:

This letter serves to supplement the Department of Public Works (DPW) earlier response to your September 25, 2017 letter concerning the above referenced Sunshine Reform Act of 1999 (FOIA) request. Enclosed are copies of additional documents provided by DPW consultant WSP USA, fna Parsons Brinckerhoff.

Please contact my office if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Acting Deputy Director

pCc: Elizabeth Barrett-Anderson, Guam Attorney General (via email only)

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