

NEWS RELEASE

The Guam Office of Public Accountability and Federated States of Micronesia National Office of the National Public Auditor Performed Quality Control Review of the Yap State Office of the Public Auditor

November 12, 2014. The Guam Office of Public Accountability (OPA) and the Federated States of Micronesia (FSM) National Office of the National Public Auditor conducted a peer review of the Yap State Office of the Public Auditor. As required by *Government Auditing Standards* (GAS) issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, audit organizations performing audits must undergo an independent external quality control review every three years. To ensure compliance with GAS, the FSM National Office of the Public Auditor contracted with the Association of Pacific Islands Public Auditors (APIPA) to perform the external quality control review, commonly known as the peer review.

The Yap State Office of the Public Auditor's peer review team consisted of team leader Doris Flores Brooks, Guam Public Auditor; Erwihne David, FSM Office of the National Public Auditor Senior Auditor; Charles Hester, APIPA Peer Review Consultant; Joy Bulatao, Guam OPA Auditor II and observer; and Vanessa Tareg, FSM National OPA Auditor II and observer.



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