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responsive and responsible bidder whose bid conforms to the invitation for bids and would be most advantageous to GWA".

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3. IP&E Holdings, LLC ("IP&E") was privy to the actual figures used by GWA in determining the lowest possible bidder and was therefore in a better position than Mobil to fashion its bid and could therefore have not been prejudiced.

Furthermore, Mobil believes that the advantage of its fuel distribution network and the high-flow diesel dispensers present at Mobil's stations place Mobil as the most advantageous choice for GWA even if estimated quantities are used. Mobil has the largest network of service stations on Guam, with five locations in the North, five locations in the Central West, five locations in the Central East, and four locations in the South. Also advantageous to GWA is the fact that Mobil has four high flow diesel dispensers on Guam. There are two high-flow diesel dispensers in the South in Adelup and Agat, one in the North at Yigo McDonalds, and one in the Central West at Airport. flow diesel dispensers dispense fuel 3x faster (30gpm) than normal diesel dispenser flow rates of 10qpm. This efficiency means that GWA employees can spend less time waiting to fill their tanks and more time working.

Mobil proposes that that, based on the arguments summarized above and described more thoroughly in GWA's September 29, 2016 Agency Statement and its October 24, 2016 Rebuttal to IP&E's Response to GWA's Agency Report and Statement as well as the arguments raised by Mobil above, that IP&E's protest be denied so that GWA may proceed with awarding the contract to Mobil as the lowest responsive and responsible bidder.

DATED this 26th day of October, 2016.

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