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NEWS RELEASE

GSA Renews Port's Full Delegation of Procurement Authority

Piti, Guam, September 14, 2021: Chief Procurement Officer Claudia S. Acfalle has renewed the full delegation of procurement authority granted to Port Authority of Guam General Manager Rory J. Respicio to serve as a purchasing agency pursuant to the Guam Administration Rules and Regulations and 5GCA of the Guam Procurement Law.

After 14 years of losing its right to procure goods and services on its own, the Port Authority of Guam in September of 2020 was granted full delegation of procurement authority as allowed by Guam laws. That delegation lasted from October 1, 2020 to September 30, 2021 and during that time the Port processed the following:

- 567 requisitions
- 471 purchase orders
- issued seven (7) and awarded four (4) Invitation for Bids (IFB) (small purchases)
- issued 6 and awarded four (4) IFBs for construction & materials & supplies
- issued 4 Requests for Proposals (RFP) for professional services, however, none was awarded

To date, the Procurement staff is currently processing 138 requisitions, consisting of 91 small purchases, 28 IFB small purchases, 11 IFB construction, and 8 RFPs.

A memorandum dated August 24, 2021 was sent to the Chief Procurement Officer requesting for a new full delegation of procurement authority for Fiscal Year 2022 beginning October 1, 2021 to September 30, 2022. Acfalle granted the request on September 10, 2021.

"The Port Authority of Guam and especially our Procurement Team, under the leadership of Annie Sablan, has put in a lot of hard work to gain the trust and confidence of Chief Procurement Officer Claudia S. Acfalle so that we may be able to perform this function independently," Respicio said. "We welcome this renewal of full delegation of procurement authority as we are in the midst of procuring critical goods and services in connection with the Port's Modernization Program."