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NEWS RELEASE

Port Issues COVID-19 Update

Piti, Guam, August 27, 2020: Port Authority of Guam General Manager Rory J. Respicio today released the following statement:

"We have received an update from the Department of Public Health on the latest round of testing for potentially exposed close contacts and we are pleased to announce that all three employees tested negative for COVID-19," Respicio said. "As of today we have tested a total of 129 Port employees and have four Port employees in home isolation as they recover from COVID-19. The Port Strong Family sends our well wishes to our coworkers for a speedy recovery."

The Port Authority of Guam stood up a Contact Tracing Team to handle the contact tracing for Port employees to immediately identify employees who may have been exposed. The Team investigates the case, identifies close contacts with division heads, coordinates testing and then continues to monitor the employees. Members of the Port Contact Tracing Team have been certified nationally through COVID-19 Contact Tracing courses conducted by the Association of State and Territorial Health Officials.

The Port Contact Tracing Team work is being done in conjunction with DPHSS Acting Director Arthur U. San Agustin and Chief Public Health Officer Dr. Suzanne Kaneshiro.

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