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## NEWS RELEASE

### Sixth Port Employee Positive for COVID-19

**Piti, Guam, September 8, 2020:** Port Authority of Guam General Manager Rory J. Respicio today released the following statement:

"Another Port employee has tested positive for COVID-19 and as such we immediately began contact tracing for employees who were potentially exposed. Our team identified 4 exposures and those employees were contacted and sent for testing today at the Department of Public Health and Social Services. As of this afternoon, two test results were returned and both of them were negative for COVID-19 and we are waiting the test results for the other two employees. In total, the Port has identified six employees who were positive and through our internal Port Contact Tracing Team we have identified 294 close contacts and coordinated testing for all who were exposed. Three of the six positive employees have already been released from isolation.

The Port continues to take every precaution necessary to combat COVID19 including daily deep cleaning and sanitizing of the facility, the installation of hand washing and sanitizing stations and the establishment of the Port Clinic. In addition, we have stood up our Port Contact Tracing Team and members are now certified contact tracers through the Association of State and Territorial Health Officials and they respond immediately when a positive case is confirmed. The team traces all potential exposures and coordinates all testing via DPHSS for Port employees. The Port continues to work closely with DPHSS Acting Director Arthur U. San Agustin and Chief Public Health Officer Dr. Suzanne Kaneshiro on all of our efforts."

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