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SPEAKER TERLAJE: *HÅFA ADAI MANANA SI YU'OS* GOOD MORNING COLLEAGUES *I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* IS CALLED TO ORDER I JUST WANT TO THANK OUR TEAM FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND ALL OF HIS TEAM AND OUR CENTRAL STAFF AND OUR CLERK'S OFFICE AND ALL OF HIS TEAM FOR GETTING US READY TO COME IN TODAY DESPITE JUST GETTING OUR POWER ON YESTERDAY AND A VERY LIMITED WATER SUPPLY SO THANK YOU AND FOR ALL YOUR OFFICES FOR GETTING YOU HERE TODAY SO WE WILL BEGIN MAJORITY LEADER SENATOR SHELTON YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

SENATOR SHELTON: *SI YU'OS MA'ÅSE'* MADAM SPEAKER *HÅFA ADAI* TO OUR TEAM AND TO OUR COLLEAGUES NOTWITHSTANDING THE HOUSE RULES I MOVE TO ADOPT TODAY'S LEGISLATIVE SESSION AGENDA DATED MAY 30TH 2023.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: ON THAT MOTION TO ADOPT THE SESSION AGENDA IS THERE ANY OBJECTION THOSE HAVE BEEN PASSED OUT ON YOUR DESKS BY THE WAY NO SEEING NO OBJECTION MOTION CARRIES LET ME ALSO JUST SAY THAT THERE'S A THE SESSION DRIVE IS WORKING AND OUR INTERNET IS ALSO WORKING MAJORITY LEADER YOU'RE RECOGNIZED.

SENATOR SHELTON: *SI YU'OS MA'ÅSE'* MADAM SPEAKER NOTWITHSTANDING THE HOUSE RULES I MOVED TO WAIVE LEGISLATIVE SESSION AGENDA ITEMS THREE THROUGH SIX ON THE MOTION TO WAIVE AGENDA ITEMS THREE THROUGH SIX IS THERE ANY OBJECTION SEEING NO OBJECTION MOTION CARRIES WE'RE NOW ON AGENDA ITEM TWO WHICH IS A PRAYER AND VICE SPEAKER TINA MUÑA BARNES WOULD YOU KINDLY LEAD US IN PRAYER ALL RISE.

VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: *MANANA SI YU'OS* SPEAKER AND TO MY COLLEAGUES *GINA'AN I TATA, YAN I LAHI-ÑA, YAN I ESPIRITU SÅNTO AMEN* HEAVENLY FATHER WE GATHER HERE AS A POLICY-MAKING BODY TO ASK YOU TO BESTOW YOUR BLESSINGS UPON US AS WE CONTINUE TO DO YOUR WORK AS WE CONTINUE TO TO RECOVER FROM THIS DEVASTATING STORM THAT HAS HIT US HEAVENLY FATHER WE KNOW THAT A LOT OF FAMILIES HAVE LOST A LOT AND SOME HAVE EVEN LOST EVERYTHING BUT HEAVENLY FATHER YOU'RE STILL A GREAT GOD CONTINUE TO GUIDE US CONTINUE TO LEAD US CONTINUE TO PROTECT US AND KNOW THAT IN YOUR LOVING HANDS WE HERE ON OUR BEAUTIFUL ISLAND OF GUAM WILL COME TOGETHER AND RECOVER AND CONTINUE TO DO YOUR WILL SO HEAVENLY FATHER WE SAY YOUR GREATEST PRAYER OUR FATHER WHO ART IN HEAVEN HALLOWED BE THY NAME THY KINGDOM COME THY WILL BE DONE ON EARTH AS IT IS IN HEAVEN GIVE US THIS DAY OUR DAILY BREAD AND FORGIVE US OUR TRESPASSES AS WE FORGIVE THOSE WHO TRESPASS AGAINST US AND LEAD US NOT INTO TEMPTATION BUT DELIVER US FROM EVIL AMEN *GINA'AN I TATA, YAN I LAHI-ÑA, YAN I ESPIRITU SÅNTO AMEN.*

SPEAKER TERLAJE: PLEASE BE SEATED *SI YU'OS MA'ÅSE'* VICE SPEAKER CLERKS PLEASE TAKE THE ROLL CALL.

SUBSTITUTE CLERK OF THE LEGISLATURE: SENATOR BARNETT SENATOR BLAS SENATOR BROWN SENATOR DUEÑAS SENATOR FISHER SENATOR LUJAN VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES SENATOR PARKINSON SENATOR PEREZ SENATOR QUINATA SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN SENATOR SAN NICOLAS SENATOR SHELTON SENATOR TAITAGUE SPEAKER TERLAJE MADAM SPEAKER THERE IS A QUORUM.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: THANK YOU CLERKS MAJORITY LEADER SENATOR SHELTON YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

SENATOR SHELTON: *SI YU'OS MA'ÅSE'* MADAM SPEAKER NOTWITHSTANDING THE HOUSE RULES I MOVE TO WAIVE LEGISLATIVE SESSION AGENDA ITEMS 8 THROUGH 12.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: THERE'S A MOTION TO WAIVE AGENDA ITEMS REGARDING THE JOURNAL COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES AND

REPORTS OF SELECT COMMITTEES IS THERE ANY OBJECTION TO WAIVING THOSE ITEMS SEEING NO OBJECTION MOTION CARRIES MAJORITY LEADER YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

SENATOR SHELTON: *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* MADAM SPEAKER I MOVE THAT BILLS INTRODUCED BILL NUMBERS 98-37 COR THROUGH 102-37 COR 103-37 LS THROUGH 114-37 LS AND 115-37 COR THROUGH 128-37 COR AND RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED RESOLUTION NUMBERS 84-37 COR THROUGH 94-37 COR 95-37 COR 95-37 LS THROUGH 123-37 LS AND 124-37 COR THROUGH 140-37 COR BE DEEMED TO HAVE BEEN GIVEN THEIR FIRST READING.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: ON THAT MOTION REGARDING FIRST READING OF BILLS IS THERE ANY OBJECTION SEEING NO OBJECTION MOTION CARRIES MAJORITY LEADER YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

SENATOR SHELTON: *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* MADAM SPEAKER I MOVE TO EXCUSE SENATORS NOT PRESENT FOR TODAY'S LEGISLATIVE SESSION.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: ON THAT MOTION TO EXCUSE SENATORS NOT PRESENT IS THERE ANY OBJECTION SEEING NO OBJECTION MOTION CARRIES WE'RE NOW ON MOTIONS IS THERE A MOTION MAJORITY LEADER YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

SENATOR SHELTON: *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* MADAM SPEAKER I MOVE TO PLACE BILL NUMBER 127-37 COR AUTHORED BY SPEAKER THERESE TERLAJE AN ACT RELATIVE TO AUTHORIZING *I MAGA'HÁGAN GUÁHAN* TO UTILIZE NO MORE THAN 50 MILLION DOLLARS FROM FY 2023 GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS FOR EXPENSES RESULTING FROM CIVIL DEFENSE PUBLIC SAFETY OR HEALTHCARE EMERGENCIES RESULTING FROM TYPHOON MAWAR ON THE AGENDA.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: ON THAT MOTION TO PLACE ON THE AGENDA BILL NUMBER 127-37 COR IS THERE ANY OBJECTION SEEING NO OBJECTION MOTION CARRIES MAJORITY LEADER YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

SENATOR SHELTON: *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* MADAM SPEAKER I MOVE TO PLACE BILL NUMBER 128-37 COR AUTHORED BY SENATOR JOE S. SAN AUGUSTIN AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE *I MAGA'HÁGAN GUÁHAN* TO EXPEND THE SUM OF FOURTEEN MILLION FIVE HUNDRED FIFTY SIX THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED FORTY EIGHT DOLLARS AVAILABLE IN THE RAINY DAY FUND IDENTIFIED IN PUBLIC LAW 36-107 FOR EMERGENCY EXPENSES CAUSED BY TYPHOON MAWAR ONTO THE SESSION AGENDA.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: ON THAT MOTION TO PACE BILL NUMBER 128-37 COR ON THE AGENDA IS THERE ANY OBJECTION SEEING NO OBJECTION MOTION CARRIES ARE THERE ANY OTHER MOTIONS MAJORITY LEADER SENATOR SHELTON YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

SENATOR SHELTON: *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* MADAM SPEAKER NOTWITHSTANDING THE HOUSE RULES I MOVE TO WAIVE LEGISLATIVE SESSION AGENDA ITEMS 15 WHICH IS THE LEGISLATIVE CONCURRENCE AND 16 THE CONSENT CALENDAR.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: ARE THERE ANY OBJECTION TO IS THERE ANY OBJECTION TO WAIVING THOSE ITEMS SEEING NO OBJECTION MOTION CARRIES THANK YOU MAJORITY LEADER WE'RE NOW ON THE SECOND READING BOTH OF THESE BILLS ARE APPROPRIATION BILLS SO WE WILL RESOLVE INTO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE CHAIRED BY OUR APPROPRIATIONS CHAIR SENATOR JOE SAN AUGUSTIN.

NOTE RESOLVED INTO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

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NOTE SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN PRESIDES OVER THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: GOOD MORNING LADIES AND GENTLEMEN MY COLLEAGUES PLEASE HAVE A SEAT THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE IS CALLED TO ORDER MATERIALS FOR THE COMMITTEE ARE SHARED IN THE GOOGLE DRIVE IF YOU CAN ACCESS IT IT'S IN REFERENCE TO BILL 127-37 COR AND AND 128-37 PROPOSED AMENDMENTS MUST BE SUBMITTED IN WRITING TO THE CLERKS VIA EMAIL SESSIONDRIVE@GUAMLEGISLATURE.ORG IF NOT MY COLLEAGUES IF YOU HAVE AN AMENDMENT YOU WERE ADVISED TO PRINT IT BRING IT SO WE CAN SHARE IT OKAY BUT MAKE SURE YOU GET IN INTO THE DRIVE RULES OF ENGAGEMENT ON THE FIRST ROUND WE'RE GOING TO HAVE MAYOR ALIG SPEAK ONE ROUND FOR MAYOR ALIG IT'LL BE ONE AROUND AFTER HE'S DONE SPEAKING HE WILL LEAVE BECAUSE HE HAS HIS CONSTITUENTS AND WE HAVE CONSTITUENTS ALSO BUT HE HAS TO TAKE CARE OF SOME BUSINESS THEN WE WILL CONTINUE ON WITH EVERYBODY ELSE WITH THREE ROUNDS TWO ROUNDS OF QUESTIONS FOR THE PANEL WILL BE CENTERED ALLOTTED FIVE MINUTES FOR QUESTIONS AND INCLUDING RESPONSES TIME TO SPEAK MAY NOT BE YIELD YIELDED FROM MORE THAN ONE MEMBER TO ANOTHER A MEMBER WHO YIELDS THE MEMBERS TIME ON A QUESTION YIELDS ALL THE MEMBERS TIME ON THAT QUESTION AND MAY NOT LATER SPEAK EVEN IF ALL THE TIME YIELD WAS NOT USED AT THE COMPLETION OF TWO ROUNDS THE QUESTIONS PANELISTS WILL BE EXCUSED THIRD ROUND FOR AMENDMENTS OR COMMENTS TO SPEAK ON THE BILL AFTER COMPLETE DISCUSSION ON THE BILL OF THE BILL I WILL ALLOW THE SPONSOR TO CLOSE AND WILL ENTERTAIN A MOTION FOR RECOMMENDATION OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE FOLLOWED BY A MOTION TO RISE FROM THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE AT WHICH TIME I WILL REPORT OUT THE BILL AS RECOMMENDED BY THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE WITH THAT.

VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: MR. CHAIR.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: WE WILL JUST.

VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: MR. CHAIR.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: MADAM VICE.

VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: I HAVE A POINT OF INFORMATION BASED OFF THE BASED ON THE RULES OF ENGAGEMENT *MANANA SI YU'OS* CAN I INQUIRE PLEASE DID YOU SAY THAT WE'RE GOING ONE ROUND FOR MAYOR ALIG AS THE PRESIDENT OF THE MAYORS COUNCIL.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: AND THAT'S IT.

VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: AND THAT'S IT.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: THEN HE LEAVES.

VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: WHEN HE LEAVES THE WHOLE PANEL UP HERE WE'RE GOING TO GO ONE ROUND AND THEN THE SECOND ROUND WE'RE GOING TO DO A AMENDMENTS.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: NO.

VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: OR WE'RE GOING TO DO TWO ROUNDS AGAIN.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: WE'RE GONNA FOR ONLY THE MAYOR GETS ONE ROUND EVERYBODY ELSE WHEN WE START WITH EVERYBODY ELSE FOR TWO ROUNDS THREE ROUNDS TWO FOR QUESTIONS AND FOR THE PANEL AND THEN THIRD ROUND FOR AMENDMENTS I DON'T BELIEVE WE'RE GOING TO BE HERE THAT LONG I WOULD HOPE MY COLLEAGUES MINIMIZE YOUR QUESTIONS OKAY.

VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: THANK YOU MR. CHAIR.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: BUT WE WILL STICK TO FIVE FIVE MINUTES ONLY OKAY THANK YOU MADAM VICE YES MADAM SPEAKER YOU HAD A QUESTION.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: YES I WOULD JUST WE'RE ALSO EXPECTING THE REPRESENTATIVE FROM FEMA TO BE HERE THIS AFTERNOON AROUND 3:30 I UNDERSTAND HE'S ARRIVING AT THE NAVAL HOSPITAL.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: AT AT 3:30 WE WILL HAVE HIM.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: SO AT 3:30 I'D LIKE TO HEAR FROM HIM AS WELL BY HIMSELF OF COURSE.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: YES.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: AND BUT I'M ALSO SUGGESTING WE JUST SEPARATE THE FINANCE DISCUSSIONS SO THAT WE CAN HAVE A ROUND OF JUST THAT FOR WITH LESTER AND THE DIRECTOR OF HOMELAND SECURITY OR OR THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE AND ALL OF THOSE PEOPLE AND WE GET THESE FIRST RESPONDERS OUT AS FAST AS POSSIBLE.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: SO IF ANYTHING THEN I'LL I'LL ASK LESTER HE CAN BE EXCUSED THIS MORNING THEN AND LET'S FINISH JUST EVERYONE ELSE AND THEN WE'LL ASK HIM TO RETURN THIS AFTERNOON WHEN FEMA SHOWS UP ALL RIGHT LESTER.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: OR PRIOR WELL WE CAN TALK TO HIM PRIOR YES.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: OKAY WE CAN TALK TO HIM PRIOR.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: THAT WAY THANK YOU.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: BEFORE YOU LEAVE OKAY.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: NO I MEAN CAN WE JUST SAY ONE O'CLOCK.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: ONE O'CLOCK.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: ONE O' CLOCK WE'LL DO THE FINANCE PART.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: RIGHT OKAY.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: THE PROCUREMENT AND FINANCE.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: YES.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: THANK YOU.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: NOT YET HOLD ON SENATOR TELO.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: MR. CHAIR BECAUSE OF THAT SITUATION FEMA PLAYS A VERY CRITICAL ROLE IN SOME OF THE AMENDMENTS THAT WE WERE GOING TO MAKE SO I'M HOPING THAT YOU ALLOW US TO PROVIDE THOSE AMENDMENTS AFTER WE SPEAK TO FEMA AND NOT PRIOR TO.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: WELL I UNDERSTAND THEY PLAY A MAJOR ROLE I WOULD REALLY HOPE THAT YOUR STAFF IS ON IT TO PREPARE THOSE AMENDMENTS WHILE WE'RE IN DISCUSSION BECAUSE AFTER YOU ASK YOUR QUESTION WE SHOULD BE READY TO ROLL THANK YOU.

SENATOR BARNETT: MR. CHAIR.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: OKAY YES SENATOR BARNETT.

SENATOR BARNETT: SORRY MR CHAIR I JUST IF IF BEFORE YOU RELEASE ANYBODY I DID HAVE A VERY PRESSING ISSUE AND I'M I'M NOT SURE HOW GERMANE IT IS BUT THERE ARE MANY GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES WHO HAVEN'T RECEIVED THEIR PAYCHECK AND THEY HAVEN'T GOT ANY INFORMATION SO I DON'T KNOW IF MR. LESTER SENATOR RIDGELL CAN COMMENT OR PROVIDE ANY INFORMATION ON THAT BECAUSE I KNOW THERE ARE A LOT OF EMPLOYEES WATCHING AND I'VE HEARD DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE JUDICIARY ALSO

THE GUAM DEPARTMENT EDUCATION SO IF IS THERE ANY INFORMATION THAT WE CAN PROVIDE ON THE STATUS OF THE PAY.

LESTER CARLSON – DIRECTOR BUREAU OF BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT RESEARCH (BBMR): THANK YOU SENATOR BARNETT THE LATEST UPDATE THAT WE GOT FROM DOA WAS BANK OF GUAM HAS MADE SURE THAT THE EMPLOYEES THAT BANK WITH THEM RECEIVED THEIR CHECKS I PERSONALLY GOT MINE THE 26 A COUPLE DAYS LATE BUT I GOT IT ON THE 26TH WE'RE JUST HAVING ISSUES WITH PRETTY MUCH EVERYBODY ELSE I THINK COAST IS PROBABLY CLOSER NEXT.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: SENATOR LET ME HAVE A LET ME HAVE THE PANELS SWEAR IN FIRST.

SENATOR BARNETT: SURE.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: AND THEN YOU'LL GET TO QUESTION.

SENATOR BARNETT: THANK YOU SENATOR THANK YOU MR. CHAIR.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: JUST REAL QUICK SERGEANT-AT-ARMS I'D ASK THE PANEL TO PLEASE RISE PANEL PLEASE RISE SO WE CAN SWEAR YOU ALL IN

NOTE PANEL SWORN IN

SERGEANT-AT-ARMS: PLEASE RAISE YOUR RIGHT HAND UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY DO YOU ALL AFFIRM THAT ANY AND ALL INFORMATION YOU PROVIDE TODAY WHETHER IT BE VERBALLY ELECTRONICALLY AND IN WRITING BE THE TRUTH THE WHOLE TRUTH AND NOTHING BUT THE TRUTH SO HELP YOU GOD MR. CHAIR THEY'RE UNDER OATH YOU MAY PROCEED.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: THANK YOU VERY MUCH MR. CARLSON IF YOU CAN PLEASE GO AHEAD.

SENATOR BARNETT: THANK YOU THANK YOU MR. CHAIR SO AS I WAS ASKING THERE ARE MANY GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES RANGING FROM AGENCIES LIKE THE GUAM DEPARTMENT EDUCATION DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE JUDICIARY OF GUAM WHO ARE WE'RE GETTING JUST MIXED MESSAGES OF MR. CARLSON SOME HAVE THE MONEY REFLECTED IN THEIR ACCOUNT AND THEY'RE NOT ABLE TO ACCESS THE FUNDS SOME HAVE JUST NOT RECEIVED ANYTHING BUT MOSTLY EVERYONE HAS NOT RECEIVED ANY INFORMATION ABOUT THIS ISSUE SO IF IF THERE'S ANY LIGHT YOU CAN SHED ON THE STATUS OF THE THE PAYCHECKS OF THESE EMPLOYEES WERE SUPPOSED TO RECEIVE LAST WEEK PLEASE THANK YOU.

CARLSON – BBMR: AGAIN THANK YOU SENATOR BARNETT BANK OF GUAM FOLKS LIKE MYSELF I RECEIVED MY MY PAY ON THE 26TH THERE ARE STILL ISSUES WITH THE OTHER BANKING INSTITUTIONS I UNDERSTAND COAST IS CLOSER TO BEING ABLE TO RESOLVE THEIR ISSUES AND DOA IS WORKING DILIGENTLY WE ACTUALLY TRIED TO RUN PAYROLL EARLY MY STAFF WENT UP MONDAY LAST WEEK JUST TO ENSURE THAT PHYSICALLY THE TIMESHEETS WERE DELIVERED EVERYBODY ELSE WAS SIMILARLY PROMPT AND DOING IT TO TRY TO GET THE THE PAY BEFORE THE STORM UNFORTUNATELY THINGS HAPPEN AS WE ALL KNOW YOU KNOW IT'S IT'S BEEN A DIGITAL CATASTROPHE IT'LL BE SOON WE'RE TRYING REALLY HARD.

SENATOR BARNETT: CAN CAN YOU PROVIDE SENATOR.

CLYNTON RIDGELL – DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF (OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR OF GUAM): YES I CAN SPEAK TO THIS A LITTLE BIT I KNOW DOA PROCESSED PAYROLL PRIOR TO THE STORM THAT WAS A PRIORITY FOR US TO WORK ON GETTING PAYROLL OUT PRIOR TO THE STORM MY UNDERSTANDING IS DOA WAS INFORMED THEY MET THE DEADLINE FOR PROCESSING EVERYTHING WITH THE BANKS BUT I THINK IT WAS JUST RIGHT AT THAT LINE WHERE EVEN THOUGH THEY GOT EVERYTHING IN THE STORM HIT THE BANKS HAD PROBLEMS WITH COMMUNICATIONS AMONGST EACH OTHER AND LIKE MR. CARLSON WAS SAYING A DIGITAL NIGHTMARE SYSTEMS WENT DOWN SYSTEMS WEREN'T TALKING TO EACH OTHER SO IT STUCK SOMEWHERE IN THAT DIGITAL REALM SO TO SPEAK BETWEEN THE BANKING SYSTEMS AND I DON'T REALLY UNDERSTAND HOW ALL THESE BANKING SYSTEMS WORK BUT IT'S SOMEWHERE STUCK IN THAT AREA.

SENATOR BARNETT: CAN SENATOR IF YOU COULD PROVIDE IT IS THERE GOING TO BE ANY COMMITMENT TO A FOLLOW-UP ON THIS ISSUE BECAUSE AS WE SPEAK I'M JUST GETTING OVERWHELMED WITH MESSAGES FROM GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES WHO CAN'T ACCESS THEIR FUNDS.

RIDGELL – DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF (OOG): ABSOLUTELY AS AM I AM GETTING TEXTS FROM EVERYONE SAYING WHERE'S THE MONEY WHERE'S THEIR PAYCHECK SO WE ARE FOLLOWING UP DAILY TO SEE WHAT WE CAN DO TO ENSURE THAT PEOPLE GET THEIR PAYCHECKS.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: ALL RIGHT.

SENATOR BARNETT: ANY ANY ESTIMATES SORRY SORRY SO SORRY MR. CHAIR.

RIDGELL – DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF (OOG): NO ESTIMATES AT THIS TIME.

SENATOR BARNETT: THANK YOU THANK YOU MR. CHAIR.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: THANK YOU SENATOR BARNETT MY COLLEAGUES NOW ARE GENERALLY WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN IS.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: MR. MR.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: THE MAYOR IS GOING TO BE FIRST HE'S GOING TO MAKE HIS SPILL I CAN'T SEE WHY YOU NEED QUESTIONS FROM HIM BUT MADAM SPEAKER.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: INTRODUCE THE BILL I'M GONNA I'D LIKE TO INTRODUCE THE BILL.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: OKAY CAUSE NOW YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE TO ALL RIGHT MADAM SPEAKER.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: THANK.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: BILL NUMBER 127-37 YOU CAN GO AHEAD AND GIVE YOUR OPENING ON YOUR BILL.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: THANK YOU I'LL BE VERY BRIEF THE BILL'S SELF-EXPLANATORY HOPEFULLY BUT IT STEMS FROM DISCUSSIONS WITH THE GOVERNOR PRIOR TO THE STORM ASKING HER BECAUSE WE WERE CONCERNED OF THE SIZE OF THE STORM AND ITS TRACK EXACTLY WHAT DOES SHE NEED TO ENSURE THAT WE'RE GOING TO BE ABLE TO RECOVER AND THIS IS HER ONLY REQUEST TO US AS THE LEGISLATURE WAS TRANSFER AUTHORITY FROM EXISTING APPROPRIATIONS AND SO WE WE KNOW THAT IN OUR BUDGET ACT BASED ON OUR TOTAL APPROPRIATION SHE HAS APPROXIMATELY 50 MILLION IN TRANSFER AUTHORITY ALREADY THIS IS TO AUTHORIZE ANOTHER 50 MILLION IN TRANSFER AUTHORITY THE THEORY IS THAT WITH THIS TRANSFER AUTHORITY SHE WILL BE ABLE TO RESPOND QUICKER BY DEPOSITING THE MONEY IN THE ACCOUNT IN ORDER TO ISSUE CERTIFY THE FUNDS AND ISSUE THE PURCHASE ORDERS SO I HOPE THAT THAT THEORY IS YOU KNOW GOING TO PAN OUT THAT IT'S GOING TO BE MAKE THINGS QUICKER I THINK I AS WE KNOW BY LAW THE GOVERNOR'S ALREADY AUTHORIZED 250000 EMERGENCY EXPENDITURES RIGHT OFF THE BAT UPON DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY SO THAT SHOULD ALL HAVE BEEN AVAILABLE ALREADY AND BECAUSE OF HER EXISTING TRANSFER AUTHORITY THAT SHOULD ALSO HAVE BEEN AVAILABLE ALREADY SO THIS IS IN ADDITION TO THAT BUT I KNOW THAT I SPEAK ON BEHALF OF MY COLLEAGUES WHEN I SAY THAT WE ARE ALL TRYING TO DO WHATEVER WILL MAKE THINGS FASTER A RESPONSE FASTER SO WITH THAT MR. CHAIR YEAH I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO THE REPORTS FROM ALL OF THESE FIRST RESPONDING AGENCIES AS TO AS TO WHAT THEIR NEEDS ARE AND WHETHER IT'S MONEY THAT'S GOING TO REALLY SOLVE THOSE NEEDS THANK YOU MR. CHAIR.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER AND ON THAT SAME NOTE BILL 128-37 WILL BE WITHDRAWN.

SENATOR LUJAN: OH.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: AS COMMUNICATION I'VE BEEN MADE ALREADY WITH WITH THE ADMINISTRATION THANK YOU DID YOU HAVE A QUESTION.

SENATOR LUJAN: YES.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: BECAUSE I'M GOING TO START THE PANEL.

SENATOR LUJAN: YES I JUST WANT CLARIFICATION MR. CHAIRMAN MR. CHAIRMAN THIS THIS BILL IF I HEARD CORRECTLY AND YOU KNOW THE GENERATOR IS ON SO I MADE OUT OF HEARD BUT THE GOVERNOR HAS A TRANSFER AUTHORITY OF 50 MILLION AND THIS IS AN ADDITIONAL 50 MILLION SO WE'RE LOOKING AT 100 MILLION IS THAT WHAT IS THAT.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: NO.

SENATOR LUJAN: DID I HEAR THAT CORRECTLY.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: NO MADAM SPEAKER HE'S SENATOR LUJAN IS ASKING YOU DO YOU YIELD TO THE QUESTION DOES THIS BILL GIVE THE GOVERNOR ADDITIONAL 50 AND I DON'T SEE IT THAT AS SUCH MAYBE YOU CAN EXPLAIN YOUR BILL.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: YES THIS IS AUTHORIZING IN ADDITION TO WHAT WAS ALREADY AUTHORIZED IN STATUTE WAS THE 250000 THAT'S A 5 GCA 22402 IT SAYS IT RIGHT HERE AND IN ADDITION TO WHAT WAS AUTHORIZED IN PUBLIC LAW 36-107 WHICH IS OUR BUDGET LAW WHICH OFB APPROXIMATES TO BE 50 MILLION IN TRANSFER AUTHORITY THIS IS ANOTHER 50 MILLION IN TRANSFER AUTHORITY YES.

SENATOR LUJAN: OKAY SO THIS IS A HUNDRED MILLION THEN TOTAL.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: NO THIS BILL IS 50 MILLION.

SENATOR LUJAN: THIS BILL IS 50 MILLION.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: THAT'S CORRECT.

SENATOR LUJAN: IN ADDITION TO HER ALREADY 50 MILLION.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: THAT'S CORRECT.

SENATOR LUJAN: TRANSFER AUTHORITY.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: YES.

SENATOR LUJAN: THANK YOU MADAM THANK YOU MR. CHAIR.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: THANK YOU NOW WE WILL BEGIN COLLEAGUES WE WILL BEGIN WITH MAYOR ALIG SIR.

MAYOR JESSE ALIG –PRESIDENT MAYORS COUNCIL OF GUAM (MCOG): I JUST HAVE TO SAY THAT I DID NOT COME HERE FULLY PREPARED TO SPEAK TO YOU WITH A PREPARED SPEECH AND I'M GOING TO GET EMOTIONAL AGAIN BUT WHAT A SHAME WHAT A SHAME THAT WE HAVE MONEY AND THIS IS WHAT OUR PEOPLE ARE DOING ARE FEELING RIGHT NOW AND ARE SUFFERING WHAT A SHAME WHAT A SHAME THAT THEY DON'T HAVE WATER WHAT A SHAME THAT THEY DON'T HAVE AID WHAT A SHAME THAT FEMA IS ON GUAM AND ONLY TODAY WE'RE GOING TO GET WATER FOR THE PEOPLE YOU HAVE *MANÁMKO'* COME TO YOUR OFFICE AND ASK YOU FOR WATER *SA' MANMÁ'U* AND THEY DON'T EVEN LIVE IN *PITI* WHAT DO YOU DO I GIVE THEM THE CASE OF WATER THAT I BOUGHT OUT OF MY POCKET FOR MY STAFF AND EVERY OTHER MAYOR DOES THE SAME AND ON THE SIXTH DAY OF RECOVERY WE'RE GONNA GET WATER FROM FEMA THE LATE GREAT SPEAKER ANTONIO UPINGCO SAID WHAT SOMETHING LIKE PLENTY TALK PLENTY MISTAKE WELL GUESS WHAT TOO MUCH TALK TOO MUCH TALK HERE TOO MUCH TALK AT *ADELUP* TOO MUCH TALK THE POLICY MAKING BODY AND THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH TOO MUCH TALK NO EXECUTION WHO'S GOING TO EXECUTE US THE MAYORS AND THEN WHAT DO YOU DO KILL US YOU DON'T NEED EMPLOYEES YOU DON'T NEED MONEY DON'T GIVE ME MONEY SENATORS YOU'RE CALLING ME HOW MUCH MONEY DO YOU NEED I CANNOT USE YOUR MONEY I CANNOT USE YOUR MONEY BECAUSE I DON'T HAVE ENOUGH PROCUREMENT PEOPLE TO DO THE JOB CORRECTLY TO USE THE MONEY AND I'M TELLING YOU NOW WE NEED MONEY BUT DON'T GIVE IT TO THE MAYORS COUNCIL OF GUAM BECAUSE WE CAN'T HANDLE IT BUT IF THIS IS AN EMERGENCY THEN LET'S MAKE IT AN EMERGENCY AND PROCURE WHAT WE NEED TODAY NOT SIX DAYS LATER HEAVY EQUIPMENT SENATORS HEAVY EQUIPMENT THAT WE NEED TO CLEAR THE ROADS OR EVERYBODY'S WORKING EVERYBODY'S WORKING LONG HOURS BUT WHILE YOU GUYS WERE SLEEPING WE WERE WORRYING ABOUT OUR NEIGHBOR AND EVERYBODY ELSE WHO DOESN'T HAVE A ROOF AND EVERYBODY ELSE WHO DOESN'T HAVE WATER EVERYBODY ELSE WHO DOESN'T HAVE ICE FOR THEIR INSULIN DID WE THINK ABOUT THE INSULIN 20 YEARS AGO WE DIDN'T HAVE THAT MANY DIABETICS 20 YEARS AGO WE DIDN'T NEED ALL THE DIALYSIS CENTERS BUT *PURU HA'* PLANNING PLENTY TALK PLENTY TALK RIGHT NOW PLENTY MISTAKE BECAUSE WE THE PEOPLE OF GUAM ARE SUFFERING 50 MILLION DOLLARS SPEAKER THAT'S GREAT AND BUT IT'S SO SAD THAT WE HAVE MONEY AND WE'RE NOT USING IT IT'S SO SAD THAT WE'RE SO SMART UP HERE EVERYBODY HERE IS SO SMART BUT YET WE CANNOT EVEN GET GAS TO OPERATE OUR BUSH CUTTERS AND TO

AND TO TO OPERATE OUR TRUCKS I'LL TELL YOU RIGHT NOW BEFORE I CAME HERE YOU KNOW WHAT THE CHIEF OF POLICE TOLD ME THAT I HAVE TO WAIT IN LINE FOR GAS YET WHEN THE TREE GOES DOWN DON'T CALL DPW BECAUSE THEY'RE ONLY ROUTE ONE WHAT ABOUT THE TREE THAT MR. CRUZ CANNOT PASS BECAUSE IT'S ON ROUTE IT'S ON ASSUMPTION DRIVE OH DON'T CALL DPW BECAUSE THAT'S NOT ROUTE ONE THE SECOND THEY CALL THE MAYOR BUT YET YOU KIND OF GAS THE MAYOR BECAUSE THAT MAYOR'S NOT ESSENTIAL GPD YEAH EVERYBODY'S ESSENTIAL BUT THE PROBLEM IS THERE'S THE PLAN SENATORS WHERE'S THE PLAN HOW COME WE CANNOT EXECUTE THE PLAN AND THEN WHO HAS TO WHO HAS TO PICK UP THE SLACK THE MAYORS DID YOU GUYS ASK THE MAYORS FOR THEIR RECEIPTS HOW MUCH THEY'RE SPENDING ON THE FOOD TO FEED THE VOLUNTEERS THAT COME TO HELP THEM I'LL I'LL HAVE MY RECEIPTS FOR YOU AND YOU GUYS TALK ABOUT HOW MUCH WE'RE PAYING OH PLENTY SEVENTY FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS PLENTY MONEY BUT NOBODY EVER ASKED HOW MUCH DO YOU SPEND FOR YOUR PEOPLE NOBODY EVER ASKED ME HOW MUCH DO I SPEND FOR THE PERSON IN *INALÁHAN* THE FIRST PERSON IN IN *TALO'FO'FO* THAT HEARD ME ON THE RADIO AND SAID I'LL HELP YOU WE'RE ALL POLITICIANS WE ARE ALL POLITICIANS BUT WE ALL SERVE THE SAME PEOPLE AND IT IS A DISSERVICE TO OUR PEOPLE BECAUSE WE ARE NOT SERVING THEM YES WE'RE NOT HERE TO BICKER AND YES WE'RE NOT HERE TO BE FINDING OUT WHO'S THE GREATEST BUT THE PROBLEM IS IF THERE'S MONEY WHY IN HEAVEN'S NAME ARE WE NOT USING IT SIX DAYS AFTER THE STORM I'M GONNA TELL YOU NOW SENATORS EVERYBODY HERE THEY'RE GOING TO SELL PLENTY PURCHASE ORDERS I WILL TELL YOU RIGHT NOW I HAVE NOT SEEN ONE HEAVY EQUIPMENT PURCHASE ORDER ON MY DESK THAT IS ADDRESSED TO ME FOR HELP FOR EMERGENCY USE 41000 DOLLARS OUT OF OPERATION ARPA MONEY TO THE *PITI* MAYOR'S OFFICE HAS BEEN USED FROM MY ACCOUNT TO PAY FOR HEAVY EQUIPMENT TO CLEAR MY VILLAGE GUESS WHAT THAT'S YOUR JOB MAYOR DO IT BUT IT'S AN EMERGENCY 50 MILLION DOLLARS YOU WANT 50 MILLION DOLLARS AND YOU CANNOT GIVE ME FORTY ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS TO CLEAR YOU WANT 50 MILLION DOLLARS I DON'T EVEN HAVE ONE MILLION OR YOU KNOW WHAT THE 90 MAYORS *YIGO DEDEDO MANGILAO* AND *HÁGAT* THEY'RE GETTING THEIR THEIR HEAVY EQUIPMENT TODAY HOPEFULLY HOPEFULLY TODAY FROM EMERGENCY FUNDS THIRTY THOUSAND DOLLARS PER PO IMAGINE THAT THIRTY THOUSAND DOLLARS PER PO I HAD A BREAKDOWN TO SHARE WITH YOU GUYS BUT I CAN'T EVEN LOOK AT MY PHONE JUST ESTIMATE IT'S ABOUT 125 DOLLARS AN HOUR PER EQUIPMENT ESTIMATED DON'T LOOK AT THE DETAILS ESTIMATED I SAID AND YOU NEED SIX TRUCKS PER DAY OH AND WE DON'T WORK EIGHT TO FIVE I DIDN'T JUST GET READY TO COME HERE WE WORKED SUN UP TO SUN DOWN UNDER THE HEAVY EQUIPMENT THEY DON'T LEAVE UNTIL WE'RE READY TO GO SO YOU'RE WORRIED ABOUT HOW LONG YOU'RE YOU'RE STAYING WHAT ABOUT OUR STAFF YOU WANT 22% THEY DESERVE A HUNDRED PERCENT A RAISE BECAUSE YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT THEY DO OUT THERE BUT LET ME TELL YOU THE PEOPLE OF *PITI* I LOVE THEM BECAUSE THEY APPRECIATE OUR PEOPLE BECAUSE I'VE GIVEN OUT THE WATER THEY HAVE GIVEN ME WATER FOR OUR PEOPLE BECAUSE I'VE GIVEN ALL THE ICE FOR THE INSULIN DEPENDENT PATIENTS OUT THERE THEY HAVE GIVEN US ICE BUT DID ANYBODY THINK ABOUT THAT NO BECAUSE TOO SMART UP THERE EVERYWHERE IS TOO *MANMUDORU* MAYORS BUT YET WHO DO THEY GO TO IN THE END CHECK THE MAYOR DID YOU GUYS THINK ABOUT THE INSULIN DEPENDENT PEOPLE DID YOU THINK ABOUT THE THE DIALYSIS CENTERS OH WAIT COMMUNICATIONS SENATORS CELL PHONE WAS DOWN OH I WISH I COULD SAY BAD WORDS I GOT IN MY CAR AND I WENT TO ALL THE THE FAIR THE DIALYSIS CENTERS TO FIND OUT ARE YOU OPEN FOR PEOPLE THAT DON'T EVEN LIVE IN *PITI* SO THAT I CAN VERIFY SO THAT THE *MANÁMKO'* THAT HAS TO GO DRIVE FROM *MALESSO'* ALL THE WAY TO EAST *HAGÁTÑA* IT DOESN'T HAVE TO WASTE THE GAS BECAUSE GUESS WHAT THIS LOW GAS SHORTAGE BUT YOU HAVE TO WAIT SIX HOURS PLENTY TALK PLENTY MISTAKE OVERSIGHT THAT'S ALL YOU WANT I'M ASKING FOR HELP I'M HERE BECAUSE I KNOW THAT ALL OF YOU HERE WANT TO CALL ME AND ALL OF YOU WANT TO THROW THE MONEY TO US DON'T THROW THE MONEY TO THE MAYORS COUNCIL OF GUAM GIVE US THE SERVICE THAT WE NEED GIVE US THE EQUIPMENT THAT WE NEED BECAUSE WE CANNOT USE YOUR MONEY YOU'RE GOING TO LOOK AT OUR BUDGET AND YOU'RE GOING TO SAY *HÁFA* YOU GUYS ARE ASKING FOR MORE MONEY BUT YOU CANNOT SPEND YOUR MONEY YOU STILL HAVE FIVE MILLION EVERYONE HAS TO SAY OH YOU BIG BALANCE BIG BALANCE BUT I'VE KEEP ON ASKING LIFT THE CAP FOR RECYCLING REVOLVEMENT SO WE CAN PICK UP ALL THE TRASH *LÁO ÁHE'* FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS CAP 75000 WELL GUESS WHAT GUESS WHAT I'M TELLING YOU NOW FORTY ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS IN *PITI* JUST FOR GREEN WASTE AND WE'RE NOT EVEN ALMOST DONE NIMITZ HILL ESTATES YOU GO YOU DRIVE TO THE NIMITZ HILL ESTATES IT'S STILL LIKE TRASH MY PEOPLE WILL NOT LIVE LIKE PIGS BECAUSE OF THIS GOVERNMENT'S INEPTNESS AND NOBODY NO *CHAMORU* NO GUAMANIAN DESERVES TO LIVE LIKE THIS AND IF YOU WANT TO WORK FOR THE PEOPLE BY GOLLY DO YOUR JOB WORK AND WE DON'T WORK JUST EIGHT TO FIVE LIKE I TOLD YOU SO LET'S ALL GET TOGETHER AND DO SOMETHING THERE'S SO MUCH MORE TO TALK ABOUT BUT WE CAN GO ON AND ON THE PROBLEM IS I DON'T HAVE YOUR ANSWER BECAUSE LIKE YOU I'M WAITING FOR THE HEAVY

EQUIPMENT LIKE YOU I'M WAITING FOR THE CHAINSAW CHAINSAW BUT HERE HOLD ON *HÁFA* YOU'RE THE MAYOR'S OFFICE YOU DON'T HAVE CHAINSAW ARE YOU BAD WORD KIDDING ME HOW MANY TREES DO YOU SEE OUT THERE ONE I DON'T KNOW WHAT TO SAY I DIDN'T COME HERE TO CRY BUT HONESTLY I CALLED A FRIEND BECAUSE I HAD TO CRY THIS MORNING I HAD TO CRY BECAUSE I DON'T EVER WANT TO MAKE ENEMIES WITH ANYBODY BUT IF YOU'RE IF OUR PEOPLE ARE CRYING YOU SHOULDN'T WE SHOULDN'T BE HERE WE SHOULD BE OUT THERE HELPING THEM AND THAT'S WHY I ASKED TO GO FIRST SO I CAN GO BACK TO HELP MY PEOPLE THAT'S THE PROBLEM OH MEETING PLENTY MEETING ME ME ME OH BEFORE I'LL LET YOU KNOW SENATORS BEFORE THE PRE-STORM THERE WAS A HANDFUL OF US THAT MET WITH THE GOVERNOR GWA INCLUDED AND THE GOVERNOR SHE ASKED THE GOVERNOR ASKED GWA ARE YOU READY AND THE GOVERNOR HAD QUESTIONS FOR GWA SO I'M BACKING THE GOVERNOR ON THAT GWA SAID READY TO GO TYPHOON CONDITION ONE I WAS OUT OF SERVICE THANK GOD SO I DON'T HAVE TO HEAR ALL OF EVERYBODY'S CRAZINESS ON THE GOVERNMENT SIDE BECAUSE OBVIOUSLY WE KNOW WE'RE CRAZY CONDITION FOUR NO WATER NOW WHAT JESSE ALIG'S CRAZY YOU KNOW WHY BECAUSE JESSE ALIG'S REACHING OUT TO CCU MEMBERS AND GUESS WHAT EVERYBODY HAS AN ANSWER AND EVERYBODY'S ANSWER IS RIGHT EXCEPT FOR JESSE ALIG I DON'T CARE WHAT THE PROBLEM IS I CARE THAT WATER IS ESSENTIAL TO LIFE I CARE THAT WATER SHOULD HAVE BEEN THEIR PRIORITY I CARE THAT THEY LIED TO US THAT GWA LIED TO THE GOVERNOR THAT GWA LIED TO US THE PEOPLE OF GUAM BECAUSE THAT WATER WASN'T ON AND THEY'RE GOING TO TELL YOU SOMEONE HERE IS GOING TO TELL YOU OH NO NO NO NO WE HAD IT HERE'S THE PROBLEM NO NO THERE'S NO PROBLEM BECAUSE PRE-STORM CONDITION FOUR THEY WERE READY *PA KE-HU'* POWER AND EVERYTHING ELSE BUT WATER WATER THAT'S THE PROBLEM AND THEN THEY ISSUE THE BOAR THE VERY FAST THE JIC RELEASE YOU GUYS KNOW THE JIC RELEASES PLENTY JIC RELEASES RELEASE PLENTY TIME FOR JIC RELEASE DON'T BOIL THE WATER OR BOIL THE WATER BOIL THE WATER BUT YOU DON'T EVEN GIVE US WATER TO BOIL THE OTHER DAY DON'T BURN DON'T BURN WHERE THEY GO WHERE ARE THEY GONNA PUT THE TRASH YOU KNOW WHAT I TOLD MY PEOPLE BURN IT I STILL TELL THEM TO BURN IT YOU KNOW WHY BECAUSE WE'VE BURNED ALL OUR LIVES MY GRANDFATHER SHOOT AFTER HIGH SCHOOL I HAD TO BURN EVERY DAY I KNOW HOW TO BURN AND IF IT'S BURNING UP GUESS WHAT THE NEIGHBOR'S GONNA HELP PUT OUT THE FIRE AND ALL YOU SMART PEOPLE THAT WILL KNOW ABOUT THE EMBERS AND EVERYTHING OH MY GOSH GO TO BAD WORD ARE *CHAMORU* PEOPLE *TI MANMUDORU HAM HAMYU* NOT SPECIFICALLY YOU SOMEONE OTHER THAN ME AND SOMEONE OTHER THAN THEM IT'S JUST A LITTLE BIT CRAZY TO THINK THAT WE CAN'T HANDLE THIS I DON'T WANT TO LEAVE HERE BECAUSE I JUST WANT TO TELL YOU EVERYTHING BUT ME YELLING AT YOU RIGHT HERE IS NOT GOING TO SOLVE ANYTHING ALL I'M GOING TO TELL YOU THE STATE OF AFFAIRS IF I COULD STAND UP HERE AND GIVE YOU A STATE OF THE ISLAND NOBODY'S GOING TO CLAP FOR ME OUT THERE THEY'RE NOT GOING TO GIVE ME A LEI WE WON'T EVEN HAVE DINNER AFTERWARDS YOU KNOW WHY BECAUSE WE'RE IN HERE IN THE COLD COOL AIR WELL OUR PEOPLE HAVE NO WATER HAVE NO AIR CONDITIONING HAVE NO REFRIGERATOR TO PUT THEIR INSULIN AND HAVE TO FIGHT FOR AN APPOINTMENT FOR DIALYSIS BUT GUESS WHAT WE'RE READY GUAM THIS IS NOT THE PANDEMIC WE DIDN'T KNOW HOW TO TRAVERSE THE PANDEMIC THIS IS A TYPHOON WE ARE PROS AT TYPHOON WHETHER YOU'RE *CHAMORU* WHETHER YOU'RE GUAMANIAN AND YOU'RE A PRO TYPHOON SO EVERYTHING UP HERE THAT THEY'RE GOING TO TELL YOU I DON'T WANT TO HEAR IT I DON'T WANT TO HEAR IT SENATORS BECAUSE I DON'T WANT THEIR MONEY AND I DON'T WANT TO HEAR THEIR PLAN BECAUSE GUESS WHAT THEY'RE LATE SIX DAYS INTO AFTER THE STORM AND YOU DON'T HAVE A PLAN YOU'RE LATE DPW'S HARD AT WORK WE DON'T SAY NO DAY OH I TOOK A PICTURE OF THE DPW TRUCK THAT CAME BY *PITI* YESTERDAY SCROLLING BY GOODBYE JOE GOT TO GO THAT'S MY LINE DIDN'T EVEN STOP YOU DON'T HAVE TO KNOW THAT I'M THE MAYOR BUT AT LEAST WAVE NOTHING SURVEY SURVEY SURVEY SURVEY ASSESS WHY FEMA LADIES AND GENTLEMEN REGULATIONS I AM OKAY WITH REGULATIONS I AM OKAY WITH IT I WANT THE SITES TO BE REGULATED THAT'S ANOTHER THING EPA YOU SHOULD OVERSIGHT EPA PRE-STORM EPA OH VERY MAYORS WHERE'S YOUR GREENWAY SITE DON'T WANT TO YELL AT US BECAUSE WE'RE *MUDORU* AGAIN IF 19 VILLAGE SITES IMAGINE THAT WHEN DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THE STAGING SITE JUST YESTERDAY RIGHT FIVE DAYS AFTER THE STORM YOU'RE GOING TO TELL THE PEOPLE OF GUAM WHERE TO PUT THEIR GREEN WASTE OH MY GOSH GUESS WHAT THE PEOPLE HAVE GUAM ARE NOT STUPID THEY ALREADY KNOW WHERE TO PUT THE GREEN WASTE BUT GUESS WHAT IT'S NOT FEMA REIMBURSABLE BECAUSE IT'S NOT EPA APPROVED WELL WHAT THE HECK WERE YOU DOING SLEEPING AGAIN IT'S NOT ABOUT THE MONEY DO THE JOB IF YOU WERE PLANNING OR EXECUTE THE PLAN SO YES YES EPA WHY INSTEAD OF SLEEPING YOU SHOULD HAVE GONE TO THE SIX OTHER SITES AND SAY HEY MAYOR BEFORE THE STORM ENDS CAN YOU PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU GET THIS ABC DONE SO THAT YOU CAN GET APPROVED AND YOU GET FEMA REIMBURSED *LÁO ÁHE'* NO NOT A DARN THING YOU WAIT UNTIL SHH HITS THE FAN WELL GUESS WHAT HE DID THE FAN I I ALREADY SAID SEND ALL OF THE NOTICE OF VIOLATIONS

TO ME SEND IT TO ME AND I DID I TOLD THE DIRECTOR AND I PUT IN OUR EMERGENCY GROUPS I SEND ME THE NOTICE OF VIOLATION SEND IT TO ME TAKE THE TIME TO SEND ME THE NOTICE OF VIOLATION BECAUSE I'M GOING TO TAKE IT TO TWO PEOPLE ONE THE GOVERNOR OF GUAM AND MY ATTORNEY TO HECK WITH ALL OF THAT WHY ARE YOU GOING TO PENALIZE US AND THE PEOPLE OF GUAM FOR YOUR INEPTNESS YOU SHOULD HAVE BEEN THE REGULATORY AGENCY YOU SHOULD HAVE GONE OUT THERE YET IT'S OUR FAULT WE'RE THE DUMB ONES WE'RE THE OVERPAID PEOPLE SEVENTY FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS I DON'T KNOW WHO MAKES 75000 A YEAR THAT WORKS 11 HOUR DAYS THAT WORKS DOESN'T CLAIM TO WORK THAT WORKS STAGING SITES BUT GUESS WHAT SENATORS DID YOU KNOW THAT YOU ONLY HAVE GREEN WASTE STAGING SITES YOU DON'T HAVE A METAL SITE YOU DON'T HAVE A WOOD SITE HOW MANY PEOPLE LOST THEIR HOMES WERE THEY GOING TO PUT THEIR TRASH I'LL TELL YOU WHAT CONDITION ONE 2 P.M. I HAVE A MEETING WE STILL DON'T KNOW WHAT THE TRASH SITUATION IS WE'RE GOING TO WAIT UNTIL THE FOLLOWING DAY TO MEET IMAGINE THAT WE'RE GONNA WAIT TILL THE FOLLOWING DAY WELL IN THEIR WISDOM SOMEBODY DECIDES TO HAVE A 7 P.M. MEETING SO 7 P.M. WE'RE ALREADY CONDITION FOUR JUST CONDITION FOUR AT 5 P.M. THAT DAY TWO HOURS ALMOST TWO HOURS TO LISTEN TO HOW SMART EVERYBODY IS GUESS WHAT EVERYBODY'S SO SMART STILL NO PLAN SO THEY SAID OH MAYOR DON'T DUMP DON'T DUMP YOU'RE GONNA WAIT AND DON'T DUMP TO HECK WITH ALL OF THAT CRAP WE'RE GONNA DUMP BUT LET ME ASK YOU SENATORS WHERE'S THE METAL GONNA GO WHERE'S THE THE LUMBER THE DEBRIS GONNA GO WE DON'T KNOW BUT GUESS WHAT IF THERE WAS A PLAN WE DON'T KNOW THE PLAN SO IF YOU KNOW CAN YOU CALL ME SO I CAN TELL THE MAYORS BUT BETTER YET CAN YOU LET ME KNOW SO I CAN TELL OUR PEOPLE IT GOES BACK TO OUR PEOPLE THEY NEED TO KNOW WHAT THEY'RE GOING TO DO WITH THEIR DEBRIS I HAD A A RESIDENT COME YESTERDAY HIS ENTIRE TIN ROOF FLEW I TOLD HIM I SAID TIE IT TO YOUR TRUCK AND I'M GOING TO HELP YOU DRAG IT TO A MARINE CORPS DRIVE AND IF WE CAN WE'LL TAKE IT TO SAN VITORES BECAUSE FOR SURE THEY'RE GOING TO GET RID OF IT AND IF YOU SAW THE NOTE THAT I PUT THAT I SIGNED WITH MY FULL NAME JESSE L.G. ALIG I DID THAT BECAUSE IT'S A NOTICE TO THE PEOPLE TO DUMP WHERE AM I GOING TO PUT MY TRASH BECAUSE WE DIDN'T KNOW FIVE DAYS AFTER THE STORM WHERE AM I GONNA PUT MY TIN THAT FLEW WHERE AM I GOING TO PUT THE THE LUMBER THAT BROKE WHERE AM I GOING TO PUT MY RECYCLABLES OH DON'T TELL ME THAT THE MAYORS HAVE HAVE RECYCLING REVOLVING FUND MONEY THAT IS BESIDE THE POINT THIS IS AN EMERGENCY WHERE AM I GOING TO PUT IN MY TRASH I DON'T KNOW I HAVE ABSOLUTELY NO ANSWER FOR IT FOR THEM AND SO MY MY ANSWER I DON'T HAVE A DOCTORATE BY THE WAY MY ANSWER IS TO PUT IT ON ROUTE 1 BECAUSE DPW WILL PICK IT UP AND PICK IT UP IN SAN VITORES ROAD BECAUSE TOURISM IS OUR INDUSTRY AND THEY'RE GOING TO PICK IT UP AND BY THE WAY MAYBE SOMEBODY SHOULD CLEAN UP TO TUMON BECAUSE IF WE WANT PEOPLE TO COME BACK I SURE AS HECK DON'T WANT TO COME TO A GO TO A PIG PEN BECAUSE I DON'T LIVE IN THE PIG PEN I'M GONNA MISS SOMETHING SO HOLD ON PLEASE FOOD FOOD FEMA FOOD HAVE YOU BEEN TO A STORE LATELY BECAUSE THEY'RE CLOSED WE DON'T KNOW WHY THEY'RE CLOSED AND WHY ARE WE GOING TO PENALIZE THE GOVERNMENT I MEAN THE PRIVATE BUSINESS I'M A BUSINESS OWNER TOO DON'T TELL ME WHAT TO DO IF I DON'T WANT TO OPEN I'M NOT GOING TO OPEN BUT WE'RE THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM WE'RE HERE FOR OUR PEOPLE WE HAVE FEMA ON GUAM ARE WE GOING TO GIVE OUR PEOPLE FOOD GUESS WHAT I ASKED FOR FOOD FROM FROM TFAP BEFORE THE STORM BECAUSE YOU KNOW I DON'T HAVE A DOCTORATE SO I HAVE A SUPPLY OF FOOD THAT I GAVE TO THE PEOPLE WHOSE HOMES BLEW AWAY AND I I WAS ABLE TO BUY BUTANE WE ALL KNOW WHAT THOSE BUTANE STOVES LOOK LIKE BUT WHAT ABOUT MAYOR SAVARES AND MAYOR SANCHEZ AND MAYOR UNGACTA AND MAYOR LOUISE AND MAYOR SUSUICO WHO HAVE HUNDREDS OF DISPLACED FAMILIES THEY CANNOT AFFORD TO BUY EVERYONE A BUTANE STOVE AND BUTANE AFFORD TO BUY EVERYONE A A CASE OF WATER SO YES I CAN SAY THAT WE'RE GOING TO BE OKAY WE'RE GONNA SURVIVE BUT SHAME ON US FOR MAKING OUR PEOPLE SUFFER WE CREATED OUR OWN STORM WE CREATED A WORSE STORM THAN *HAYI ESTE* MARWAR MARWAR WAS NOTHING COMPARED TO WHAT WE'RE GOING THROUGH RIGHT NOW SHAME ON US AND WHO GETS THE BRUNT OF ALL THIS WE DO ALL THE ONES ALL OF US THE MAYORS WHO ARE NOT PRIORITY IN THIS GOVERNMENT OF GUAM NO PROBLEM THE MAYORS WHO ARE GET CHASTISED FOR EVERY LITTLE THING NO PROBLEM BUT I'M TELLING YOU NOW AS YOU CONSIDER THE MAYORS COUNCIL OF GUAM AND AS I'M STILL THE PRESIDENT YOU CAN YOU HELP ME CONSIDER BECAUSE WE CANNOT RUN THE MAYORS COUNCIL OF GUAM THE WAY IT SHOULD PROPERLY BE RUN I WANT TO BE ACCOUNTABLE I WANT TO TO TAKE ALL THE MONEY THAT IS AVAILABLE FOR ALL THE VILLAGES AND I WANT TO BE ABLE TO REPORT THAT AND I HAVE TRIED MY DARNDDEST SINCE THE LAST TWO AND A HALF YEARS THAT I'VE BEEN PRESIDENT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE ARE ACCOUNTABLE IF YOU TAKE A LOOK AT OUR WEBSITE AND YOU SEE WHO'S REPORTING THEIR FINANCIALS WE ARE DOING IT MORE AND MORE IN THE LAST TWO AND A HALF YEARS AND I'M TELLING YOU THIS BECAUSE I'M ASKING FOR YOUR SUPPORT FOR THE MAYORS AND IT DOES NOT HAVE TO BE FINANCIAL IF

IT'S SERVICE OR IF IT'S PRODUCT WISE EQUIPMENT WISE PLEASE GIVE IT TO US BUT PLEASE COMMUNICATE WITH US AS WELL BECAUSE YOU GUYS SEE THE NUMBERS ON YOUR ON THE BLACK AND WHITE ON THE PAPER ON THE PAGES THAT YOU READ LADIES AND GENTLEMEN WE SEE THE FACES AND THE HEARTS AND I WANT TO BE ABLE TO CONNECT YOU TO THOSE FACES AND TO THOSE HEARTS BECAUSE RIGHT NOW BIG DISCONNECT HUGE I'M SORRY BUT OUR PEOPLE ARE SUFFERING AND THERE'S 50 MILLION DOLLARS WHO CARES ABOUT 50 MILLION DOLLARS IT'S DAY SIX OF RECOVERY DAY SIX OF RECOVERY AND WE'RE STILL GOING TO BOIL OUR WATER BUT YET WE STILL HAVEN'T GIVEN OUR PEOPLE WATER TO DRINK NO FOOD TO EAT SHAME ON YOU IF MY GRANDMOTHER WAS ALIVE I WOULD GET SPANKED FOR NOT FEEDING MY NEIGHBOR BUT HOW AM I GOING TO FEED MY NEIGHBOR WHEN I DON'T EVEN HAVE FOOD TO SHARE THANK GOD FOR BUSINESSES LIKE FISHEYE WHO ARE FEEDING MY GUYS AND VOLUNTEERS AND VILLAGE VOLUNTEERS BECAUSE ALL THE GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES ARE SITTING PRETTY AT HOME EARNING A PAYCHECK BECAUSE THEY'RE NOT ESSENTIAL BUT I GET COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERS TO HELP ME CLEAN THE VILLAGE SO THANK YOU TO BUSINESSES LIKE FISHEYE WHO PROVIDE LUNCHES TO OUR STAFF AND VOLUNTEERS EVERY DAY THAT'S THE *CHAMORU* SPIRIT EVERYBODY LIKES TO TALK ABOUT *INAFAMAOLEK* I THINK WE NEED TO STOP USING THE WORD UNTIL WE REALLY UNDERSTAND THE MEANING OF *INAFAMAOLEK* I I JUST IT'S LONG ENOUGH I THINK I THINK YOU GET MY GIST I'M I'M JUST ASKING FOR HELP AGAIN YOU'LL KNOW THAT THE FOUR VILLAGES WILL HAVE HEAVY EQUIPMENT TODAY EVERYBODY ELSE EITHER USE THEIR OWN MONEY WHETHER IT'S ARPA OR OPERATIONS AND OF COURSE WE'RE BEING WARNED THAT YOU CAN'T REIMBURSE ARPA ARE YOU KIDDING ME WHO CARES WHO CARES THAT WE CAN'T REIMBURSE ARPA MY PEOPLE DESERVE BETTER THAN AN EXCUSE THAT WE CAN REIMBURSE ARPA BUT THE PROBLEM LADIES AND GENTLEMEN IS WE HAD TO USE VILLAGE FUNDS FOR VILLAGE IMPROVEMENT BECAUSE WE ARE SLOW EMERGENCY OPERATIONS PRACTICALLY NONE EMERGING OH DID YOU GUYS KNOW THAT IT WENT DOWN EOC WENT DOWN CHECK THAT OUT WE COULDN'T CALL OUR RESPONSE ACTIVITY COORDINATORS BECAUSE NO GENERATOR WHAT NO GENERATOR YOU GUYS ARE PRAYING *TATAN MAMI* EARLIER *MÁOLEKÑA* PARA YOU NEED TO GO NEXT DOOR AND SAY THE WHOLE MASS THANK YOU I THANK YOU FOR LISTENING TO ME I I THANK THE PEOPLE THAT CAN LISTEN TO ME I JUST.

VINCENT ARRIOLA DIRECTOR DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS (DPW): WELL SAID.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: WE'LL SEE IF ANYBODY HAS ANY QUESTIONS.

MAYOR ALIG – MCOG PREISDENT: YEAH.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: MADAM SPEAKER DO YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS WE'RE GOING TO DO ONE ROUND SO I'M GONNA.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: I HAVE NO QUESTIONS BUT I WANT TO THANK THE MAYOR OF COURSE FOR AGREEING TO COME IN THIS MORNING DESPITE BEING VERY VERY BUSY AND I I REALLY JUST WANTED TO BEGIN WITH HIM AND SO I'M VERY GLAD THAT HE WAS WILLING TO DO THAT TO SHARE ON BEHALF OF ALL THE MAYORS AND THE PEOPLE OF GUAM THE FRUSTRATION AND THE VERY JUSTIFIED ANGER BECAUSE I TOTALLY AGREE WITH YOU MAYOR THEY DON'T DESERVE TO LIVE LIKE THAT AND WE KNOW MUCH BETTER THAN THAT SO *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* AND I UNDERSTAND MONEY CANNOT BE THE PROBLEM AT THIS POINT I TOTALLY UNDERSTAND THAT BUT WE'RE GOING TO DO WHATEVER THE GOVERNOR SAYS SHE NEEDS FROM US IN ORDER TO MAKE A QUICKER RESPONSE I'M GOING TO DO THAT BUT I AGREE AND THAT'S WHY WE'VE INVITED THE REST OF THIS PANEL HERE BECAUSE WE WANT TO FIND OUT WHY EVERYTHING IS SO SLOWS MY APOLOGIES TO YOU AND THE PEOPLE OF *PITI* AND THE PEOPLE ALL OVER GUAM AND TO ALL THE MAYORS *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'*.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: THANK YOU SENATOR BARNETT.

SENATOR BARNETT: I JUST WANT TO THANK YOU AGAIN MAYOR AND ALL THE VILLAGE MAYORS FOR THE THE HARD WORK YOU GUYS HAVE BEEN AND I THINK AFTER THAT FEMA MEETING YESTERDAY THERE WAS A COUPLE QUOTES FROM THE GOVERNOR AND LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR AND I BELIEVE THEY BOTH SAID THAT THE MAYORS WERE GOING TO BE LEADING UH THE RECOVERY EFFORT SO I UNDERSTAND THE ENORMOUS PRESSURE THAT ALL THE MAYORS ARE UNDER I DON'T KNOW IF YOU KNEW YOU WERE GOING TO BE LEADING THE RECOVERY EFFORT.

MAYOR ALIG – PRESIDENT MCOG: LEADING THE RECOVERY EFFORT.

SENATOR BARNETT: THAT WAS IN THE RELEASE FROM *ADELUP* THAT YEAH THEY WANT TO GIVE YOU THE SUPPORT TO LEAD.

MAYOR ALIG – PRESIDENT MCOG: WHERE'S THE EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER.

SENATOR BARNETT: RIGHT YEAH NO AND I FEEL YOU I DON'T HAVE ANY QUESTIONS I JUST I GOT TO GIVE YOU THE SUPPORT AND TO THANK YOU ON BEHALF OF THE PEOPLE AT GUAM.

MAYOR ALIG – PRESIDENT MCOG: THAT'S WHY I WASN'T THERE SENATOR.

SENATOR BARNETT: YEAH NO AND I TOTALLY UNDERSTAND I MEAN YOU HAVE REALLY BURST THE BUBBLE YOU KNOW WE HAVEN'T HAD MUCH COMMUNICATIONS IN THE LAST SIX DAYS AND AND YOUR INTERVIEW THAT YOU DID WITH THE MEDIA YESTERDAY TO ME REALLY SHOWED PEOPLE WHAT IS REALLY GOING ON WE'VE JUST HAD A LACK OF COMMUNICATION LACK OF INFORMATION A LOT OF MISINFORMATION THAT'S COMING FROM SADLY THE GOVERNMENT PEOPLE ARE RELYING ON OUR GOVERNMENT TO LEAD THEM THROUGH THIS RECOVERY AND THEY CAN'T EVEN GET THE RIGHT INFORMATION THEY'RE ON A WILD GAS CHASE THEY SAY GO TO THIS GAS STATION AND WAIT THAT GAS STATION'S NOT EVEN OPEN AND THESE ARE RELEASES THAT ARE COMING FROM THE JOINT INFORMATION CENTER THE VERY PEOPLE WHO ARE SUPPOSED TO PROVIDE OUR PEOPLE WITH THE INFORMATION THAT THEY NEED AND WHEN YOU WHEN YOU COME IN HERE AND YOU YOU WON'T GO ON THIS TIRADE I KNOW IT'S JUSTIFIED BECAUSE YOU HAVE SEEN OTHER TYPHOON RECOVERIES YOU HAVE BEEN INVOLVED AND WORKED HARD IN OTHER TYPHOON RECOVERIES AND YOU'RE RIGHT THIS IS NOT A PANDEMIC BUT IN THE PANDEMIC THE PEOPLE AT GUAM DID WHAT THEY HAD TO DO TO GET THROUGH IT THIS IS A DIFFERENT ANIMAL THIS IS A DIFFERENT BEAST YOU'RE RIGHT IT'S NOT A STRANGE BEAST IT'S A BEAST THAT WE'RE FAMILIAR WITH THAT WE WE KNOW HOW TO NAVIGATE OR WE SHOULD KNOW HOW TO NAVIGATE THERE'S MORE URGENCY NOW THAN THERE EVER WAS IN THE PANDEMIC YOU'RE RIGHT OUR PEOPLE ARE GOING WITHOUT YOU KNOW WE'RE VERY LUCKY TO HAVE RUNNING WATER I'M AT THE HOUSE BUT PEOPLE DON'T EVEN HAVE THAT THERE WAS MISCOMMUNICATION WITH WHERE TO GET WATER SOME PEOPLE STILL DON'T KNOW WHERE TO GET WATER YOU'RE RIGHT THEY DON'T KNOW WHERE TO GET ICE FOR THEIR INSULIN BUT WHEN WE TALK ABOUT EXECUTION OF RECOVERY THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH HAS FAILED TO EXECUTE THIS RECOVERY IN AN EFFECTIVE AND TIMELY MANNER THAT BENEFITS THE HEALTH AND SAFETY OF THE PEOPLE OF GUAM AND YOU'RE RIGHT WE HAVE CREATED ANOTHER STORM AFTER THE REAL STORM A STORM THAT'S UNNECESSARY THAT WE DON'T NEED TO BE PUTTING OUR PEOPLE THROUGH ALL THESE THINGS THEIR MENTAL HEALTH IS ALREADY SO THIN THEY'RE ALREADY WEAK THEY'RE GOING THROUGH SO MANY THEY HAVEN'T BEEN THROUGH A STORM LIKE THIS AND WHEN OUR GOVERNMENT FAILS TO ACT ACCORDINGLY TO ACT IN A WAY THAT WE'RE FAMILIAR WITH IT JUST MAKES PEOPLE CRAZY IT MAKES PEOPLE CRAZY AND WE'RE TRYING TO DO OUR PART YOU'RE RIGHT MONEY HAS NEVER BEEN AN ISSUE NOT JUST TODAY BUT OVER THE LAST FEW YEARS MONEY HAS NEVER BEEN AN ISSUE BECAUSE WE'VE BEEN THE LUCKY AND BLESSED RECIPIENTS OF ALL THIS FEDERAL FUNDS YET WHEN YOU TAKE A LOOK AROUND EVEN BEFORE THIS STORM HIT IT'S LIKE WE'RE ALREADY RAVISHED BY A STORM OF DRUGS AND CRIME AND EDUCATION ISSUES BUT *MACHUCHUDA I* FUNDS THE FUNDS ARE SPILLING OUT ALL OVER AND WE'RE TRYING TO DO OUR PART TO SAY HERE TAKE 50 MILLION DOLLARS TAKE IT DO WHAT YOU'RE GOING TO DO FOR THE PEOPLE BUT WHEN WE FIND OUT FROM YOU THAT 50 MILLION 50 BILLION 50 TRILLION IS NOT THE ISSUE IT'S AN EXECUTION PROBLEM AND WHO EXECUTES IN THIS GOVERNMENT THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH AND SO IT'S GOTTEN SO BAD THAT WE'RE NOW HERE YOU'RE RIGHT SIX DAYS LATER BECAUSE WE HEAR THE PEOPLE CRYING AND WE HAVE TO DO SOMETHING SO THAT'S WHAT WE'RE HERE TO DO BUT HAD THIS RECOVERY GONE AS SMOOTH AS WE'VE SEEN OTHER RECOVERIES GO MAYBE WE WOULDN'T HAVE TO BE HERE MAYBE WE COULD BE HOME MACHETING THE TREE OR DELIVERING WATER BUT SADLY WE'RE HERE AND WE'RE GOING TO WORK THROUGH IT MAYOR AND IF YOU SAY MONEY IS NOT THE ISSUE AN EXECUTION IS THE ISSUE THEN WE'RE GOING TO FIND A WAY TO HELP THEM EXECUTE BETTER BECAUSE I DON'T LIKE SEEING YOU GET MORE GRAY HAIRS THANK YOU AGAIN MAYOR FOR YOUR SERVICE.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: THANK YOU SENATOR BURNETT SENATOR CHRIS.

SENATOR DUEÑAS: *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* MR. CHAIRMAN AND I HAVE NO QUESTIONS I DON'T WANT TO WASTE THE MAYOR'S TIME BUT I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR BEING HERE AND SHARING WITH US I KNOW THAT YOU KNOW I'VE DEDICATED MY CHIEF OF STAFF AND OTHERS TO ASSIST THE MAYORS WE'VE BEEN DOING EVERYTHING THAT WE CAN WE HAVE NOTHING TO DO IN OUR OFFICE RIGHT NOW SO WE GOT TO HELP THE PEOPLE DIRECTLY AND AND WE'RE DOING EVERYTHING WE CAN TO ASSIST YOU MAYOR IT'S ABSURD TO EVEN CONSIDER THE FACT THAT MAYORS COUNCIL OF GUAM WILL LEAD THIS RECOVERY EFFORT YOU YOU MADE IT CLEAR THOSE LINES ARE DRAWN AND I WANT TO JOIN YOU IN SAYING THAT THAT STATEMENT JUST IS MISPLACED IN CLOSING MAYOR I JUST WANT TO SAY THAT YOU'VE OBVIOUSLY PUT IT ON THE RECORD HERE AND MADE IT CLEAR AND

I I HAVE A COUPLE OTHER MAYORS ON DIFFERENT VILLAGE CHATS AS WELL THIS HAS BEEN THE RESOUNDING THEME IT IS NOT AN ISSUE OF THE CURRENT MONEY SITUATION IT'S AN ISSUE OF GETTING THE MONEY GETTING THE PURCHASE ORDERS GETTING THE EQUIPMENT TO BE ABLE TO DO IT BECAUSE ALL THE VILLAGES ARE SUFFERING THE SAME SITUATION WITH TREES IN DRIVEWAYS NOT ABLE TO GET OUT EMERGENCY WHERE DO EMERGENCY VEHICLES ALL THE THINGS THAT ARE GOING ON SO YOU'RE RIGHT WE JUST NEED TO GET OUT THERE AND GET THE JOB DONE AND GET THE MONEY FLOWING TO YOU THAT'S ALREADY THERE AVAILABLE GET THOSE PURCHASE ORDERS AND GET EVERYTHING MOVING SO MAYOR THANK YOU FOR BRINGING THIS TO LIGHT IT'S VERY IMPORTANT AND YOU'VE BEEN YOU KNOW A GREAT VOICE ON THIS AND SO WE'LL SEE HOW WE TAKE THE REST OF THIS BUT GOD BLESS YOU AND WE'LL CONTINUE TO DIRECT EVERY RESOURCE THAT WE HAVE IN OUR OFFICE TOWARDS YOUR WAY THANK YOU MR. CHAIRMAN.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: THANK YOU SENATOR SENATOR DUEÑAS SENATOR FLOR SENATOR BLAS.

SENATOR BLAS: THANK YOU MR. CHAIR MAYOR ALIG THANK YOU VERY MUCH OKAY I I KNOW THAT WE COULD HAVE GIVEN YOU YOU KNOW ANOTHER TWO DAYS YOU'D STILL BE TALKING ON THIS THING BUT FOR GOOD CAUSE ALL RIGHT FOR GOOD CAUSE SHAME ON US YOU'RE RIGHT OKAY SIX DAYS INTO THIS AND JUST ON THE FIFTH DAY YOU'RE GOING TO TELL THE THIS ADMINISTRATION IS GOING TO TELL THE MAYORS COUNCIL THAT THEY'RE LEADING THE RECOVERY EFFORTS ARE YOU FREAKING SERIOUS HOW MANY TYPHOONS HAVE WE GONE THROUGH ALREADY ON THIS ISLAND HOW MANY TIMES HAVE WE HAD TO PRACTICE THIS RESPONSE AND ALL OF A SUDDEN AFTER ALL OF THIS WE'RE GOING TO TELL THEM ON THE FIFTH DAY THAT THEY'RE THAT THEY'RE GOING TO BE LEADING THE RESPONSE I'M SITTING HERE LIVID BECAUSE I KNOW THERE'S A PLAN BECAUSE WHEN I TOOK OVER GEES 20 YEARS AGO WAS IT 20 YEARS AGO I CREATED I AMENDED THE PLAN AND IT WAS AND IT WAS AMENDED AGAIN AND AGAIN AND NOW TO SAY THAT THERE WASN'T A PLAN YOU'RE RIGHT MR. MAYOR THIS IS NOT ABOUT THE MONEY THE MONEY EXISTS IT'S ABOUT THE PLAN IT'S RIDICULOUS THANK YOU MR. CHAIR.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: THANK YOU SENATOR LUAN DO YOU HAVE ANY COMMENTS.

SENATOR LUJAN: YES I DO THANK YOU MR. CHAIR THANK YOU THANK YOU MR. MAYOR YOUR COMMENTS WERE DEFINITELY ON POINT I'M IN QUITE A FEW CHATS WE ALSO ON MY CHAT I HAVE THE THE *TAMUNING* MAYOR SO I KNOW THE CHALLENGES OF OUR VILLAGE AS AS WELL BUT THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR BRINGING TO LIGHT A LOT OF THE REALITY THE REALITIES OF WHAT WERE THE PEOPLE OF GUAM ARE FACING BUT LET ME ASK YOU BECAUSE WE WE DO HAVE A A FEMA WAREHOUSE HERE AND MY UNDERSTANDING MR. MAYOR IS THAT WE HAVE HERE ON GUAM CURRENTLY 1.1 MILLION UNITS OF WATER IN A FEMA WAREHOUSE HERE ALSO ALONGSIDE THAT 909000 MRES IN A FEMA WAREHOUSE HERE ON GUAM AND THAT ALL IT TAKES IS FOR GUAM HOMELAND SECURITY TO REQUEST THAT FROM FEMA FOR IT TO BE RELEASED HAS IT BEEN RELEASED HAVE YOU GUYS BEEN CONTACTED FOR SUCH A SITUATION FOR THOSE WATERS AND AND FOOD TO BE RELEASED TO THE PEOPLE OF GUAM.

MAYOR ALIG – PRESIDENT MCOG: SO THE WATER IS BEING RELEASED TODAY.

SENATOR LUJAN: TODAY SIX DAYS AFTER.

MAYOR ALIG – PRESIDENT MCOG: BEFORE I CAME HERE I RECEIVED A PHONE CALL FROM THE OUR FEMA REPRESENTATIVE FOR *PITI* SAYING THAT IT OUR WATER WILL BE DELIVERED TODAY.

SENATOR LUJAN: FOR THE FEMA WATER.

MAYOR ALIG – PRESIDENT MCOG: CORRECT.

SENATOR LUJAN: HOW ABOUT THE MRES MR. MAYOR.

MAYOR ALIG – PRESIDENT MCOG: NONE.

SENATOR LUJAN: THERE ARE 909000 MRES IN THAT SAME WAREHOUSE.

MAYOR ALIG – PRESIDENT MCOG: SO I DO SENATOR I DO KNOW THAT THEY SOMEBODY IS WORKING ON FOOD BUT WE HAVE NO WORD YET ON WHEN WHERE WE'RE RECEIVING.

SENATOR LUJAN: SO YOU HAVE THEM IN CONTACT THE VILLAGE MAYORS HAVEN'T BEEN CONTACTED ON THE EMERGENCY FOOD THE MRES THAT ARE READY MEALS READY TO EAT FOR THE PEOPLE OF GUAM WHO ARE STARVING AND LINING UP FOR FOOD AND AND AND WATER AND GASOLINE.

MAYOR ALIG – PRESIDENT MCOG: SENATOR IF I MAY.

SENATOR LUJAN: YES.

MAYOR ALIG – PRESIDENT MCOG: AND FOR ALL THE SENATORS IF THIS WATER AND THE AND THE FOOD COME OUT TO THE MAYORS WE ALSO HAVE TO THINK FURTHER AND WE'VE BEEN SAYING THIS IF YOU WANT US TO TAKE THIS WATER AND FOOD TO DELIVER TO THE THE PEOPLE TELL US WHAT YOU WANT TO DO FIRST DELIVER THE WATER AND THE FOOD OR CLEAN UP BECAUSE WE ONLY HAVE FIVE AND SOME OF YOU WANT TO TAKE AWAY THREE AND IF I UNDERSTAND THAT LEAVES US TWO AND SO OH I'M TALKING I'M SAYING THAT THROUGHOUT BUDGET TALKS WE WERE TALKING ABOUT MAYOR'S OFFICES HAVE FIVE MAINTENANCE WE WANT TO TAKE THREE SO YOU WANT TO LEAVE US WITH TWO MAINTENANCE AND SO IF OUR TWO MAINTENANCE IMAGINE WE STILL HAVE TO DISTRIBUTE THE WATER AND THE FOOD SO WHAT I'M SAYING IS YES WE'LL TAKE IT AND WE CAN USE OUR OFFICES AS DISTRIBUTION SITES BUT YOU HAVE TO REMEMBER THEY'RE NOT GOING TO LEAVE THEIR HOUSE SA TÅYA GAS SO OH AND MAYBE I FAILED TO TELL YOU THAT IN ALL THOSE MEETINGS PRE-STORM AND AFTER THE STORM MILITARY OH LET'S GO BACK I'M SORRY THE MILITARY HAS ALWAYS BEEN AT THAT TABLE AND THE MILITARY HAS SAID THIS TELL US WHAT YOU NEED WE WILL GET IT TO YOU I WAS SHOCKED I HAD NEVER SEEN THAT EVER TELL US WHAT YOU NEED EQUIPMENT WISE MANPOWER WISE AND THEY WILL BE DEPLOYED PEOPLE ON THIS PANEL WERE IN THAT MEETING HOW MUCH HAVE WE REQUESTED FROM THE MILITARY THERE'S NO GENERATOR IN OUR OFFICES TO OPERATE A SMALL REFRIGERATOR FOR THE INSULIN AGAIN I'M JUST BRINGING THAT UP BECAUSE IT'S A PROBLEM LOOK AT THE WATER MAYBE THOSE SERVICEMEN COULD HAVE PICKED UP THE WATER AND DISTRIBUTED THE WATER WHAT ABOUT THE HEAVY EQUIPMENT DID WE HAVE TO SPEND *PITI* MONEY FOR HEAVY EQUIPMENT COULDN'T THE HEAVY EQUIPMENT COME FROM HAWAII ISN'T THERE A SHIP COMING COULDN'T THE HEAVY EQUIPMENT COME FROM THE SHIP THE PROBLEM IS IT'S THERE THE RESOURCES ARE THERE DID WE ASK AND IF WE ASK WHERE ARE THEY BECAUSE WE DON'T SEE ANYTHING SO SENATOR LUJAN IT'S THERE WE KNOW IT'S THERE AND THE WATER IS GOING OUT TO THE VILLAGES BUT LET ME TELL YOU WE ARE ALL SPREAD THIN AND IF WE HAVE TO WAIT IN LINE WITH EVERYBODY ELSE TO GET GAS *MÅKPO I NUBENA* OR *MÅKPO I GERA* MORE ALIKE BECAUSE THE WAR WILL CERTAINLY BE OVER BEFORE WE GET GAS I'M NOT SAYING THAT WE ARE PRIVILEGED BUT AS PART OF YOUR EMERGENCY OPERATIONS PLAN IF YOU'RE GOING TO RELY ON THE MAYORS YOU BETTER ENSURE THAT THE MAYORS ARE SUPPORTED MEANING IF THEY NEED FUEL GET THEM THE FUEL IF YOU NEED A RECEIPT GET THE RECEIPT IT'S I'M NOT A DOCTOR AND YOU DON'T NEED TO THANK YOU SENATOR.

SENATOR LUJAN: THANK YOU THANK YOU MR. MAYOR YOU DON'T KNOW YOU KNOW I JUST I JUST WANT TO ADD TO WHAT THE MAYOR IS SAYING BECAUSE THIS IS THE THE URGENCY OF THIS SITUATION AND YOU KNOW THE OTHER YESTERDAY THE DAY BEFORE YESTERDAY I GOT A CALL ALREADY WHY THE HECK ARE YOU CALLING ME THE AIRPORT FOLKS THERE THE I THINK IT'S I I FLY DENMARK PLANE THAT RUN IN THE FEMA 100 FEMA WORKERS WELL THEIR THEIR CREW HAD NO HAD NO ROOMS THEY COULDN'T GET A HOLD OF ANYBODY IN *ADELUP* TO BE ABLE TO TO HOUSE THEM THEY HAD CALLED ME I CALLED FORMER GOVERNOR CARL GUTIERREZ LOOK HEY WHAT'S GOING ON YOU KNOW WE HAVE FOLKS THAT HAVE FLOWN OUT HERE AND THEY DON'T HAVE A ROOM THEY THEY THEY CAN'T BE HOUSED ANYWHERE WITHIN 15 MINUTES THEY GOT 15 ROOMS FOR THE CREW THE THE PILOT AND THE AND THE AND THE FLIGHT ATTENDANTS THE FRUIT THAT FLEW THE CREW IN HERE 10 MINUTES AFTER THAT I GOT ANOTHER CALL THAT THAT AN EMERGENCY THE U.S. COAST GUARD PLANE HAD THAT HAD FLOWN OUT HERE ITS ENGINE HAD BROKEN DOWN THEIR CREW NEEDED ROOMS AS WELL I GOT ANOTHER CALL FIVE MINUTES LATER AGAIN SEVEN ROOMS WERE WERE WERE FOUND THROUGH GOVERNOR GUTIERREZ THROUGH FOR THIS THESE FOLKS 15 MINUTES AFTER THAT THAT SAME HUNDRED FEMA WORKERS THAT CAME OUT HERE WERE WITHOUT ROOMS THEY COULD NOT GET A HOLD OF ANYBODY IN THE ADMINISTRATION FOR THE HOUSING OF THOSE PEOPLE YOU CALL GOVERNOR GUTIERREZ BECAUSE THE CONVERSATION THE THE NIGHT BEFORE THAT CONVERSATION AND I HE AND I WERE HAVING FOR OVER THREE HOURS REGARDING THIS SITUATION THAT IS HOW CRUEL AND HOW HOW BADLY COORDINATED THIS WHOLE RECOVERY EFFORT HAS BEEN WHO THE HELL AM I YOU'RE CALLING ME TO TRY TO GET YOUR ROOMS AND MY QUESTION IS WHY AREN'T YOU TAPPING ON RESOURCES YOU HAVE RIGHT NOW WHO HAVE BEEN THROUGH THESE STORMS WHO HAVE BEEN THROUGH THESE SITUATIONS AND CREWS ARE BEING DONE CREWS ARE OUT THERE GETTING WORK DONE GETTING THINGS DONE SERVICING THE PEOPLE OF GUAM THAT BEING SAID THANK

YOU MR. MR. CHAIRMAN THANK YOU MR. MAYOR VERY MUCH FOR THE WORK YOU DO AND ALL THE MAYORS ON GUAM THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: THANK YOU SENATOR BROWN DO YOU HAVE ANY COMMENTS I DON'T KNOW IF ANYONE HAS ANY QUESTIONS BUT COMMENTS PLEASE.

SENATOR BROWN: THANK YOU VERY MUCH MR. CHAIR I'M SMILING BECAUSE YOU KNOW TO HAVE THE HAPPIEST MAYOR ON GUAM COME DOWN HERE THIS MORNING AND RELAY HIS FRUSTRATIONS TO US IS VERY PAINFUL MAYOR WE KNOW WHAT IT TAKES TO RUN TYPHOONS AND I HAVE RUN THREE KEY AGENCIES IN THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM THAT HAVE HAD TO RESPOND TO TYPHOONS EPA SHOULD HAVE ALREADY HAD DESIGNATED SITES THOSE PLANS SHOULD ALREADY BE IN PLACE AND PRE-APPROVED THIS IS NOT ROCKET SCIENCE AND YOU'RE RIGHT THIS IS NOT THE PANDEMIC WE KNEW HOW TO DO TYPHOONS I HAVEN'T EVEN HAD A CHANCE TO EXCHANGE NOTES WITH SENATOR FRANK BECAUSE WE'RE SITTING HERE GOING YOU KNOW THIS IS A WHAT A WTF MOMENT AND EVERYBODY WHO'S IN A KEY POSITION OF OPERATION THAT FEELS THE LASHING THIS MORNING SHOULD FEEL IT IF I WAS IN A POSITION TO DO IT MAYOR WE WOULD HAVE ALREADY BEEN OUT THERE I AGREE WITH YOU THE RESPONSE HAS BEEN INCREDIBLY SLOW IT IS SIX DAYS LATER YOU'RE MENTIONING YET YESTERDAY IN YOUR COMMENT AND I THOUGHT YOU DIDN'T HAVE ANYTHING MORE TO ADD THAN WHAT WE SAW IN YOUR MESSAGE YESTERDAY WAS IT FOUR OR FIVE DAYS YOU DIDN'T EVEN REMEMBER IT IS SIX DAYS THOSE THINGS SHOULD HAVE BEEN IN PLACE THE RESPONSE SHOULD HAVE BEEN THERE AS SOON AS THE TYPHOON LEFT US THURSDAY THEY SHOULD HAVE BEEN OUT THERE AND I I DID RELAY TO GOVERNOR GUTIERREZ YESTERDAY EVENING THEY SHOULD HAVE HAVE YOU YOU KNOW USE YOUR EXPERTISE I CAN'T BELIEVE I'M SAYING THIS BECAUSE POLITICALLY WE'VE ALWAYS BEEN IN OPPOSITE ENDS OF THE WORLD BUT USE THE RESOURCES OF PEOPLE THAT HAVE AT LEAST YOU KNOW HE KNOWS HOW TO OPERATE A BACKHOE HE DOES BUT THIS ISN'T EXCUSABLE I MEAN THE ADMINISTRATION THE LASHING YOU'RE HEARING THIS MORNING YOU SHOULD YOU SHOULD TAKE IT BUT THIS IS YOU KNOW THESE ARE THE AGENTS OF CHANGE THE HIGHEST PAID ADMINISTRATION OF DIRECTORS IN THE HISTORY OF THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM THIS IS PERFORMANCE WHEN IT MATTERS AND IT'S NOT HAPPENING I'VE BEEN THERE WITH YOU MAYOR I MEAN IF I HAD BEEN ON YOUR SIDE OF THE AISLE WE'D BE OUT THERE RIGHT NOW BUT WE'RE NOT THE ONES IN CHARGE WE'RE NOT THE ONES WITH THE AUTHORITY TO RESPOND AND TRUST ME I'M IN THE AIR CONDITIONING NOW I'M GOING TO GO HOME TO THE HOUSE THAT DOESN'T HAVE THE AIRCON THAT DOESN'T HAVE THE POWER TO HELP MY ELDERLY MOTHER THAT HAS A WHOLE TYPHOON OF TREES AROUND HER HOUSE THAT SHE NEEDS HELP WITH I THINK WE ALL RECOGNIZE THAT WE'RE NOT REMOVED FROM THE REALITIES I HAVE TO TELL YOU I'M EVEN DISAPPOINTED THE GOVERNOR DIDN'T CALL YOU AND OFFER YOU TO PRIORITY GO GET YOUR GET YOUR GAS AT THE DESIGNATED SHELL STATION WAS IT SHELL STATION THE OTHER DAY WE GOT A MESSAGE FROM THE SPEAKER THAT THE GOVERNOR NOTIFIED US THAT IF WE NEEDED TO GO GET OUR GAS CARS GAS WE COULD GO THERE OF COURSE I'M NOT GOING TO ACCEPT THAT BECAUSE I'VE SEEN THE MILE LINES LONG OF OUR PEOPLE AND I'M NOT GOING TO GET IN A LINE AHEAD OF THEM BECAUSE SOMEHOW I'M MORE IMPORTANT BECAUSE I HAVE A TITLE I'M SURE NO SENATOR HERE THAT HAD ANY SENSE WOULD EVEN CONSIDER THAT OR SHOW THEIR FACE TO DO THAT AND I'M SURPRISED THAT THAT OFFER WAS NOT MADE TO YOU BECAUSE SPEAKER INFORMED US THAT THE OFFER CAME FROM THE GOVERNOR WHO HERE'S GOING TO DENY MY STATEMENT IS IT NOT FRACTURLY TRUE IT'S HERE RIGHT HERE I CAN PULL IT BACK UP SO I'M SURPRISED THAT OFFER WAS NOT MADE TO YOU AND YOUR WORKERS TO GET WHAT YOU NEED SO THAT YOU CAN GET THE FUEL TO OPERATE BECAUSE THE OFFER WAS MADE TO US I HAVE TO SCROLL BACK MANY MESSAGES HERE BUT IT'S IN THE SENATOR CHAT.

MAYOR ALIG – PRESIDENT MCOG: MAY I RESPOND.

SENATOR BROWN: OH YOUR MAYOR YOU CAN SAY ANYTHING YOU WANT.

MAYOR ALIG – PRESIDENT MCOG: WE ARE MAYORS ARE FIRST RESPONDERS BUT YOU HAVE TO LINE UP.

SENATOR BROWN: AND YOU SHOULDN'T HAVE TO.

MAYOR ALIG – PRESIDENT MCOG: SO WE HAVE TO LINE UP AT THE SHELL ACROSS JFK BEHIND EVERY OTHER FIRST RESPONDER BEHIND EVERY OTHER NON-GOVERNMENT PLATE OH I SHOULD TELL YOU THAT THE RENTAL CARS THOSE ARE FEMA SUPPOSEDLY FEMA FEMA SHOULD COME HERE WITH THE GAS FEMA SHOULDN'T BE GETTING IS TO GETTING IN THE SAME LINE AS ESSENTIAL PERSONNEL AND I DID GO TO THE FRONT OF THE LINE YESTERDAY AND I WAS TOLD TO GO TO THE BACK OF THE LINE MAYOR PACO WENT TO THE FRONT OF THE LINE THIS MORNING AND WAS TOLD TO GET TO THE BACK OF THE LINE.

SENATOR BROWN: I THINK IT'S VERY TELLING MR. MAYOR WE KNOW WHAT TO DO AND WE KNOW WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE MAYBE YOU JUST DON'T HAVE THE RIGHT PEOPLE THERE TO DO IT RIGHT NOW BUT WE HAVE RESPONDED TO MANY I WAS AT GUAM EPA WHEN WE HAD TWO MAJOR TYPHOONS WITHIN THREE MONTHS AND TROPICAL STORMS IN BETWEEN THERE WERE SIX ALTOGETHER AND WE OPERATED ON A SINGLE GAS GENERATOR AND WE WE DON'T KNOW ANYTHING BUT *BAHAKI* CLOTHES AND NOT SHOWERING BUT WE DID IT ALL THE WAY DOWN TO DEALING WITH GRAVES DOWN IN *TOGCHA* THAT WERE WASHED OUT TO THE OCEAN AND REMAINS TO DEAL WITH SO WE'VE BEEN THROUGH THIS BEFORE WE'VE GOT THIS DOWN I CAN'T ANSWER AND MAYBE THOSE ARE QUESTIONS THE ADMINISTRATION NEEDS TO ANSWER WHY THEY'VE NOT BEEN AS RESPONSES THAT THEY BECAUSE YOU'RE VERY RIGHT THE INSULIN ISSUE GETTING PEOPLE THE MEDICAL CARE GETTING FOOD GETTING THE MOST BASIC NEED OF WATER SHOULD HAVE BEEN A PRIORITY AND I CAN'T ANSWER FOR THAT IF I WAS ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THE TABLE BY ALL MEANS I BETTER HAVE AN ANSWER BUT I I APPRECIATE MAYOR YOU COMING DOWN AND RELAYING THE COLLECTIVE FRUSTRATIONS OF OUR PEOPLE BECAUSE LIKE I SAID YOU ARE THE HAPPIEST NICEST GRACIOUS PERSON THAT I KNOW IN PUBLIC OFFICE AND FOR YOU TO COME AND EXPRESS YOUR FRUSTRATION WE RECOGNIZE IT IT'S IT'S DEEP AND WE UNDERSTAND THAT AND I HOPE THAT IF THERE'S ANOTHER GO AROUND THAT PUBLIC OFFICIALS OF YOU KNOW WHO HAVE ASSUMED THESE POSITIONS LOVE THE TITLE AND LOVE THE MONEY LOVE THE SENSE OF IMPORTANCE BUT WHEN THE TIME COMES DOWN I SOMETHING MORE THAN THESE FLASHY PRESS RELEASES BECAUSE THAT'S NOT THE REALITY YOU KNOW SENATOR CHRIS MENTIONED EARLIER THAT YOU KNOW WE'RE NOT GETTING THE INFORMATION WE'RE NOT GETTING ANY MORE INFORMATION THAN YOU ARE I'M ACTUALLY EVEN RELYING ON OUR MAYOR WHAT MAYOR GOGUE'S SENDING TO US NOW HE'S EVEN TELLING US WHERE WE CAN GO TO GET BOTTLED WATER SO WE'RE WITH YOU I YOU'RE NOT GOING TO FIND ANY ARGUMENT ON OUR SIDE OF THE AISLE MAYOR WITH THE CONCERNS THAT YOU'RE RAISING AND YOU KNOW GPA GWA THOSE GUYS NEED TO ANSWER THE ADMINISTRATION NEEDS TO ANSWER THEY'RE THE ARMS AND LEGS RIGHT NOW THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM TO EXECUTE EMERGENCY RESPONSE WE KNOW WHAT WE NEED TO DO THIS IS NOT THIS IS NOT ANYTHING WE HAVEN'T BEEN THROUGH BEFORE AND FOR YOU TO NOT KNOW UNTIL FIVE DAYS LATER WHERE WE'RE GOING TO PUT OUR GREEN WASTE THOSE THINGS SHOULD HAVE ALL BEEN PRE-APPROVED AND DESIGNATED AND WHY GUAM EPA HAS FALLEN BEHIND ON THAT THEN I I DON'T KNOW IF THEY'RE EVEN HERE TO ANSWER BUT IT'S CERTAINLY QUESTIONS THAT WE WILL ASK BUT WE APPRECIATE IT MAYOR APPRECIATE ALL THAT YOU DO FOR NOT JUST *PITI* BUT WE KNOW YOU'VE GONE OUT OF YOUR WAY TO HELP PEOPLE IN OTHER VILLAGES AS WELL SO THANK YOU FOR BEING HERE THANK YOU THANK YOU MR. CHAIRMAN.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: THANK YOU SENATOR BROWN MADAM VICE DO YOU HAVE ANY COMMENTS QUESTIONS.

VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: YES I YES I DO MR. CHAIRMAN *MANANA SI YU'OS* TO YOU MR. PRESIDENT THANK YOU MAYOR ALIG FOR BEING HERE AND SHARING YOUR THOUGHTS AND CONCERNS YOUR HEARTFELT THOUGHTS AND CONCERNS BECAUSE WE TRULY UNDERSTAND WHAT YOU'RE GOING AT LEAST FOR ME PERSONALLY AND IF I DIDN'T THINK THE FLOODING IN MY HOUSE WAS BAD ENOUGH BECAUSE I'VE GOT OVER 12 INCHES OF WATER IN MY HOUSE ALL I HAVE TO DO IS LOOK AT MY SISTER MARS WHOSE HOUSE PART OF HER HOUSE ROOF BLOWN AWAY AND AND LITERALLY JUST TRYING TO SURVIVE BECAUSE THE RAIN EVEN AS OF THIS MORNING THE RAIN AND THE THUNDER WAS AND THEN THE LIGHTNING WERE STILL AT IT AND YES THIS IS A BAD BAD TYPHOON AND YES IF THERE WAS ONE THING DIFFERENT MR. MAYOR AND TO EVERY EVERYBODY UP THERE IN THAT PANEL THAT'S HERE THIS MORNING IF THEY'RE ONE THING THAT'S DIFFERENT THAT WASN'T DIFFERENT IN THE PAST WAS ACCESSING PHONE SERVICE TO EVERYBODY AT THE SAME TIME BECAUSE THERE'S NO SERVICE I DON'T HAVE SERVICE IN *PAGO* MY GIRLFRIEND DOESN'T HAVE SERVICE IN *DEDEDO* BECAUSE HER LINES ARE DOWN HER ROOF IS OFF WE WERE CLEANING FIELDING CALLS THE DIALYSIS CENTERS THAT THAT THAT WE WERE TRYING TO FACILITATE I GUESS FROM DIFFERENT ANGLES BUT DOING IT TOGETHER AND TRYING TO GET FOUR DIALYSIS CENTERS UP FIELDING CRYING VETERANS WHO'S SAYING WE CAN'T EVEN ACCESS THE BASE TO GET GAS AND I'M HEARING YOU SAID THAT THE MILITARY IS SAYING TELL US WHAT TO DO LET OUR VETERANS IN SO THAT THEY CAN GET ACCESS TO THIS TO THE SERVICES THAT THAT THEY HAVE ALREADY AVAILABLE BECAUSE THIS YESTERDAY AND THE DAY BEFORE HOW MANY *MANKAMOS'* CALLING ME PLEADING BECAUSE THEY'RE VETERANS AND THEY SHOULD AND THEN THEY SHOULDN'T BE TREATED LIKE *GAGAS* SO YES WE'RE LISTENING AND WE'RE TRYING AND I DID SAY IF I HAVE THOUGHT I HAD PROBLEMS WITH THE FLOODING SENATOR JOE SAN AGUSTIN AND I ARE FIELDING SENATOR AMANDA FIELDING BUCKETS OUT JUST TO TRY AND AND AND AND SEE WHAT WE CAN SALVAGE BUT WE'RE STILL WORKING AND HELPING I'M MOVING TIN FROM WRAPPED TELEPHONE POLES AND COCONUT TREES I DON'T WANT TO BLAME ANYBODY EVERYBODY THAT

SHOULD BE HERE *ADELUP'S* HERE I KNOW THEY'RE TRYING DO WE NEED TO RECESS AND SEE HOW WE CAN GET ACCESS AND COMMUNICATION TO EACH OTHER BECAUSE THAT IS THAT IS A PROBLEM RIGHT NOW THE ACCESS IS NOT THERE BECAUSE I KNOW SOME OF THE MAYORS GOT THEIR EQUIPMENT *YIGO* AND *BARRIGADA* AND I KNOW *CHALAN PAGOLIKE* SENATOR BROWN SAID HAS BEEN SENDING US THE MAYOR OF *CHALAN PAGO* IS SENDING US INFORMATION BECAUSE HE'S GOT SERVICE BUT I'VE RECEIVED IT THIS MORNING BECAUSE I'M HERE THIS PLACE IN *AGAÑA* HAS SERVICE FOR THE PHONES I KNOW HOW YOU FEEL AND I WANT TO SAY THANK YOU TO YOU AND TO ALL THE MAYORS TO ALL THE SHELTER WORKERS WHO COULDN'T GET GAS AND I'M ASKING HOW CAN THEY GET GAS I REALLY HOPE SENATOR RIDGELL I REALLY HOPE THAT WE DID THAT BECAUSE THE THE QUESTIONS WENT UP TO *ADELUP* ABOUT THE SHELTER WORKERS WHO ARE DOING 12-HOUR SHIFTS BECAUSE I WAS AT *ASTUMBO* THE OTHER DAY 12 HOUR SHIFTS AND ALL THEY'RE ASKING IS THIS IN ORDER FOR US TO COME BACK TO WORK WE NEED TO GAS OUR CAR BECAUSE THEY'RE IN THE *YIGO* AREA BUT BECAUSE THEY WORK AT A DIFFERENT SCHOOL THEY HAVE TO DRIVE LONG SO I KNOW NOTHING'S FAR HERE IN GUAM BUT HONESTLY ACCESS TO GAS WAS BAD AND I KNOW THAT EVERYBODY'S TRYING SO IF WE NEED TO TO RECESS MR. CHAIR AND SEE WHAT ACCESS COULD BE GIVEN AGAIN AND MAYBE EVEN LOOK AT THE ROOT OF THE PROBLEM I'M GOING TO TELL YOU RIGHT NOW FOR ALL THE VETERANS OUT THERE AND THE RETIREES WHO NEED THE SERVICE AND IF THE MILITARY IS SAYING THAT THEY'RE GOING TO GIVE THEN LET THEM GIVE IT NOW BECAUSE THEY DON'T HAVE IT 12 MIDNIGHT SOMEONE'S CRYING SAYING I HAVEN'T HAD DIALYSIS ALL WEEK AND THEY TOLD ME THEY TURNED ME AWAY BECAUSE THERE'S NO WATER AND NO GAS I GUESS TO RUN THE FACILITY BUT I DID GET A RESPONSE FROM THE GOVERNOR AND SHE DID SAY THAT THEY'RE THEY'RE CONTINUING TO TRY SO IF WE NEED TO REGROUP WITH DPW WE NEED TO REGROUP WITH *ADELUP* IF WE NEED TO REGROUP WITH PUBLIC HEALTH EPA AND ALL THAT THEN LET'S REGROUP NOW AND SAYING TOP THIS OFF AS A COMMUNICATION GAP MR. CHAIR WE'RE ALL TRYING AND IF I THINK I HAVE PROBLEMS I DON'T HAVE PROBLEMS WHEN I KNOW THAT MY SISTER NEXT DOOR'S ROOF IS OFF MY SISTER IN *TALO'FO'FO* SAID THERE WAS *TALO'FO'FO* FALLS IN HER HOUSE HER WHOLE OFFICE IS THE CEILING CAVED ON HER DESK AND SHE SAID TO ME T WE'RE STILL ALIVE AND I'M NOT GOING TO BOTHER YOU BECAUSE I KNOW YOU'RE FIELDING CALLS I SAID AND I'M TRYING TO RESPOND SO I'M STANDING GOING TO PLACES JUST TO SEE HOW I CAN GET SERVICE TO DO THE RESPONDING SO MR. CHAIR PLEASE NO I DON'T KNOW MAYBE WE SHOULD TAKE THIS FIVE MINUTE BREAK RECESS JUST TO SEE WHAT'S HAPPENING RIGHT NOW OR MAYBE LET SENATOR CYINT IF YOU'RE SOMEONE'S SAYING NO BUT MAYBE THEY NEED TO TALK TO EACH OTHER.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: THANK YOU MADAM VICE YOUR TIME'S UP SENATOR AMANDA DO YOU HAVE ANY COMMENTS.

SENATOR SHELTON: THANK YOU VERY MUCH MR. CHAIR THANK YOU MR. MAYOR FOR COMING DOWN PRESIDENT OF THE MAYORS COUNCIL I APPRECIATE SINCERELY APPRECIATE ALL THAT YOU SHARED WITH US TODAY AND MOST ESPECIALLY THE WORK THAT YOU'RE DOING ALONG WITH ALL OF THE MAYORS WHO ARE STANDING ALONGSIDE YOU AND PROVIDING FOR EACH OF YOUR CONSTITUENTS AND BEYOND YOUR CONSTITUENTS OF YOUR VILLAGES SO I CAN IMAGINE IF THE SENATORS ARE GETTING PHONE CALLS WHEN WE CAN RECEIVE PHONE CALLS AND HELPING IN ANY WAY WE CAN YOU ARE FEELING THAT 100 TIMES 100 TIMES EXPONENTIALLY MORE THAN US SO WE ARE ETERNALLY GRATEFUL AND I KNOW OUR GRATITUDE IS NOT GOING TO GET YOU THE HELP THAT YOU NEED WE WERE TALKING YOU WERE TALKING A FEW MINUTES AGO THAT YOU KNOW WE CAN'T THROW MORE MONEY AT THE MAYORS COUNCIL OF GUAM BECAUSE YOU DON'T HAVE THE SUPPORT THAT YOU NEED TO SPEND THE MONEY SO IN THIS STATE OF EMERGENCY THERE IS EMERGENCY PROCUREMENT ALLOWED BY THE EXECUTIVE ORDER ALLOWED IN OUR GUAM CODE FOR MAYORS TO SPEND SO WHAT IS THE SUPPORT THAT WE CAN GIVE YOU IN THIS MOMENT TO TO SPEND IN THE EMERGENCY THE MONEY THAT YOU DO HAVE AVAILABLE TO YOU.

MAYOR ALIG – PRESIDENT MCOG: SO THE MONEY THAT WE DO HAVE WOULD OBVIOUSLY BE THE ARPA RIGHT THAT'S A LARGE AMOUNT AND IT WOULD BE FOR HEAVY EQUIPMENT AND FOR MACHINERY CHAINSAWS AND THE LIKE BUT I THINK THE ISSUE SENATOR AND FOR EVERYONE IS THAT THERE'S WE CANNOT FIND A CHAINSAW ON ISLAND WE CANNOT FIND A GENERATOR ON ISLAND BUT SENATOR THIS IS WHERE I GO BACK TO DAY ONE OF PLANNING THE MILITARY SAID TELL US WHAT YOU NEED AND IF I HAD IF I IF I FROM THE MAYORS COUNCIL OF GUAM COULD HAVE MADE THAT LIST ON BEHALF OF THE GOVERNOR OF GUAM I WOULD HAVE BEEN ABLE TO GIVE THEM A LIST AND I DON'T THINK I DON'T THINK THEY HAVE A SHORTAGE OF CHAINSAWS OR GENERATORS OR BUCKET TRUCKS OR OR DUMP TRUCKS SO SPENDING THE MONEY THAT'S THAT'S ONE ASPECT BUT THE RESOURCES THE AVAILABLE RESOURCES ON ISLAND IS A SITE IS ANOTHER ASPECT I DO APPRECIATE

THAT AND I UNDERSTANDABLY WE CAN DO EMERGENCY PROCUREMENT BUT THAT'S THAT I THINK WOULD BE THE THE END RESULT INCLUDING SERVICES SO WE ARE ALSO WILLING TO CONTRACT SERVICES BUT LANDSCAPE SERVICES RIGHT FOR FOR DEBRIS CLEANUP BUT THERE AGAIN WE ALL UTILIZE THE SAME COMPANIES AND YOU'LL GO TO DPW AND THEY DO THE SAME THING AND EVERYONE WOULD YELL AT VINCE BECAUSE HÅFA WHERE'S THIS AND WHERE'S THAT BUT WE'RE ALL PULLING FROM THE SAME POOL THE ONE THING THAT I HAVE FOUND IN THIS ROUND IS THAT BECAUSE WE'RE TALKING MORE MORE AND MORE PEOPLE ARE COMING TO ME SAYING HEY MAYOR I HAVE A SMALL BUSINESS I HAVE A DUMP TRUCK AND I'LL TAKE IT DOWN I'LL TAKE THEIR CARD AND WE'LL PUT THEM ON A LIST YES IT'S NOT THE MOST IDEAL BUT AT LEAST WE KNOW THEY HAVE A DUMP TRUCK AND THAT WE COULD GO TO THEM FOR A ONE DUMP TRUCK OR SOMETHING SIMILAR AND THEN YOU HAVE THESE THESE OTHER BUSINESSES THAT HAVE TO PROVIDE DIFFERENT TYPES OF SERVICES THEY'RE COMING OUT TO US AND LETTING US FACEBOOK IS CRAZY TELLING US ABOUT OH WE CAN DO THIS AND WE CAN DO THAT BUT OF COURSE THERE'S SO MANY DIFFERENT THINGS WE HAVE TO DO AND OUR ONE OF THE THINGS IS ARE THEY LICENSED RIGHT AND THEN WE HAVE TO GO THROUGH DOA BECAUSE THEY HAVE TO BE A VENDOR A PROPER VENDOR OF THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM SO ALL OF THAT HAS TO HAPPEN IF THEY'RE NOT THEN WE NEED TO TO MAKE THAT HAPPEN SO THERE ARE DIFFERENT THINGS THAT THAT CAN HAPPEN BUT I DO APPRECIATE THAT YOU HAVE REMINDED ME ABOUT THAT IT I THINK THE END RESULT IS THE RESOURCES AVAILABLE.

SENATOR SHELTON: OKAY UNDER AND TOTALLY UNDERSTANDABLE I THINK THAT'S WHAT I WAS TRYING TO GET AT IS IT THAT WE WE ARE ABLE MAYBE NOW IN THIS STATE OF EMERGENCY SPEND TO SPEND THE MONEY BUT THE RESOURCES ARE NOT THERE FOR US ESPECIALLY BECAUSE WE'RE CUT OFF RIGHT NOW FROM SO MANY DIFFERENT RESOURCES THAT WE ARE USED TO OR COMFORTABLE WITH THAT MAKE OUR LIVES EASIER HERE AND SO AS WE DEAL WITH THAT I KNOW THERE'S A LOT OF PATIENCE AND UNDERSTANDING THAT WE'RE ASKING FOR BUT YOU'RE RIGHT THE FRUSTRATION IS TOTALLY WARRANTED ESPECIALLY FOR THE PEOPLE WHO HAVE LOST EVERYTHING AND ARE NOT GETTING ANY ANSWERS OR INFORMATION AND I APPRECIATE THAT BECAUSE WHAT I'M HEARING FROM YOU AND I THINK EVERYONE AROUND US IS THAT WE WE KNOW THESE LESSONS ALREADY EVEN I CAN REMEMBER 20 YEARS AGO AS A VERY YOUNG GIRL THAT THINGS WERE HAPPENING THAT WE HAD A RECOVERY OFFICE RESPONDING AND WE JUST STOOD UP A FEW MONTHS AGO A RECOVERY OFFICE FOR THE COVID PANDEMIC AND SO NOW IS THE TIME TO REVAMP TO ADAPT TO CHANGE LANES HERE AND GET THAT RECOVERY OFFICE IN PLACE FOR THIS EMERGENCY RESPONSE AND I'M REFERENCING THE EXECUTIVE ORDER CALLING FOR THIS STATE OF EMERGENCY THAT SAYS WE HAVE A GUAM HOMELAND SECURITY FEMA 2018 GUAM CATASTROPHIC TYPHOON PLAN WE HAVE A 2016 GUAM COMPREHENSIVE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PLAN THAT WE ARE TO FOLLOW AND WE WE DON'T HEAR ANY OF THIS HAPPENING ESPECIALLY FROM YOU ON THE GROUND AND SO I WILL SAVE THOSE QUESTIONS FOR WHEN OUR FEMA REPRESENTATIVES COME SO THAT YOU CAN GET BACK TO SERVING SERVING THE PEOPLE AND WHEN WE START TALKING TO THE REST OF THE PANEL BUT YOU KNOW THESE THESE THINGS DO EXIST AND I HOPE THAT WE CAN BETTER COMMUNICATE WITHIN THE GOVERNMENT AND WITH THE PEOPLE OF GUAM BECAUSE THAT IS WHAT EVERYONE IS LONGING FOR IN THIS MOMENT WE WE CAN'T IGNORE THE FACT THAT RADIO WAS CUT OFF TELEVISION INTERNET WE KIND OF WERE HELPLESS IN THAT WAY BUT THERE IS MORE INFORMATION TO GIVE AND A WAY FOR US TO DO IT AND WE NEED TO WORK TOGETHER TO DO IT SO MAYOR THANK YOU FOR REMINDING US HERE IN THE LEGISLATURE THAT WE NEED TO WORK HARDER AND TOGETHER NOT TO FORGET ALL OF THE PEOPLE WHO ARE SERVING US AND THE PEOPLE WHO WE ARE SERVING THE PEOPLE OF GUAM *SI YU'OS MA'ÅSE'* MAYOR.

MAYOR ALIG – PRESIDENT MCOG: THANK YOU SENATOR MAY COMMENT MR. CHAIR SO ON THAT ON THE THE PLAN FOR THE PLANS THAT YOU REFERENCE AND IF THAT PLAN DID NOT HAVE A COMMUNICATIONS PLAN OR A FAILED COMMUNICATIONS PLAN I'M ALWAYS GOING BACK TO 20 YEARS AGO WHERE WE DID WE HAD CELL PHONES BUT NOT AS SOPHISTICATED AS THIS AND WE STILL SURVIVED IF I NEEDED SOMETHING I GOT IN THE CAR AND I WENT SO TO SAY THAT YOU CAN'T GET A HOLD OF US IS UNACCEPTABLE.

SENATOR SHELTON: YES ABSOLUTELY MAYOR I'VE HAD A FEW PEOPLE OVER THE LAST FEW DAYS MAKING COMMENTS TO ME SAYING WE DIDN'T HAVE SMARTPHONES WE DIDN'T HAVE INTERNET SO WIDELY AVAILABLE IN *PONGSONA* BUT SOMEHOW WE KNEW MORE INFORMATION THEN AND SO YOU KNOW WE'RE GOING TO WORK WORK TO DO THAT EVEN THOUGH WE'RE HERE TALKING ABOUT A SPENDING BILL FOR THESE FUNDS WE KNOW THAT'S ON OUR TO-DO LIST NOW SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: THANK YOU SENATOR SHELTON YEAH THERE'S NO ICONNECT NO MORE I THINK THAT COMPANY SHUT DOWN IT WAS WALKIE-TALKIE SENATOR PEREZ DO YOU HAVE ANY COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS.

SENATOR PEREZ: YEAH THANK YOU MR. CHAIR I JUST WANT TO THANK YOU MAYOR ALIG FOR BEING HERE AND BRINGING YOU KNOW WHAT WE HAVE TO DO AND I KNOW WE YOU KNOW APPARENTLY WE'VE DROPPED THE BALL AS A GOVERNMENT AND I JUST FEEL THAT YOU KNOW WHEN SPEAKING OF GWA WHEN I WHEN I FIRST YOU KNOW FIRST BECAME SENATOR THEY ASSURED ME THAT THE GENERATORS ARE GOING TO BE PRESENT SO THAT SHOULD THE POWER FAIL THERE'S GOING TO BE RUNNING WATER SO IT'S GOING TO BE MY TASK TO FIGURE OUT WHAT HAPPENED WHAT HAPPENED TO THAT I WAS NOT EXPECTING WATER TO BE OUT FOR THIS LONG I WAS EXPECTING IT TO BE COMING COMING BACK ONLINE SO THAT'S THAT'S A HUGE PROBLEM ESPECIALLY YOU KNOW WE DON'T WANT YOU KNOW THE THE SECONDARY ILLNESSES TO COME UP YOU KNOW AFTER A TYPHOON AND WE NEED PEOPLE TO HAVE WATER THIS IS REALLY A CRITICAL PART OF OF RECOVERY I WAS THERE IN TYPHOON PAMELA RIGHT AND I REMEMBER BEING WITHOUT WATER FOR THREE MONTHS RIGHT THEY COME THEY COME AROUND WITH THE TRUCKS OF THE WATER AND YOU FILL IT UP THEN I THINK THAT MAYBE WE NEED TO GO BACK TO THE OLD DAYS WHERE THEY BRING THE WATER TO YOU SO YOU DON'T HAVE TO USE THE GAS TO GO TO GET THE WATER I THINK YOU KNOW THAT'S PROBABLY ONE THING WE NEED TO INCLUDE IN THIS EMERGENCY PLAN YOU KNOW MORE DECENTRALIZED ACCESS OR BRINGING THE THE WATER AND THE FOOD TO THE PEOPLE RATHER THAN THE PEOPLE HAVING TO GO AND SEARCH FOR THEM YOU KNOW I DON'T KNOW CB RADIOS MAYBE WE NEED TO GO BACK TO THOSE OLD DAYS WHERE YOU KNOW THE THE ACCESS TO INFORMATION IS IS READILY AVAILABLE SO WE DON'T RELY ON YOU KNOW THE CELL PHONE TOWERS YOU KNOW WE HAVE TO HAVE THESE REDUNDANCIES IN PLACE LIKE YOU SAID YOU KNOW WE WE COME FROM A HISTORY OF TYPHOONS WE KNOW HOW TO OVERCOME THEM AND WHAT HAPPENED RIGHT WHAT HAPPENED THAT YOU KNOW I MEAN I I DID YOU KNOW WE SHOULD HAVE BEEN MORE PREPARED AND SO WE NEED TO YOU KNOW THIS IS NOT GOING TO ANSWER YOUR NEEDS RIGHT NOW BUT IT IS THE INTENT OF OUR BODY TO GET DOWN TO THE THE ROOT OF THE PROBLEM AND TO ADDRESS THE NEEDS AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE SO YOU KNOW THANK YOU FOR BEING HERE AND IT'S YOU KNOW I'M COMMITTED TO TO MAKING THINGS RIGHT WE'RE ALL COMMITTED TO MAKING THINGS RIGHT FOR FOR THE PEOPLE AND WE SEE THE SUFFERING THAT IS HAPPENING YOU KNOW IN *YIGO* IT'S IT'S A DEV IT'S IT'S A IT'S DEVASTATED UP THERE *DEDEDO* AND ALL EVERYWHERE AND YOU KNOW WE'RE ABOUT TO EXPERIENCE YOU KNOW MORE PERHAPS MORE DAMAGE DUE TO TORRENTIAL RAIN SO WE NEED TO HURRY UP AND GET THINGS RIGHT AND I WANT TO GET YOU OUT HERE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE BUT YEAH YOU KNOW PLEASE YOU KNOW THANK YOU THANK YOU FOR YOUR YOUR VOICE AND WE'RE HERE TO TO MAKE THINGS RIGHT SO *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'*.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: THANK YOU SENATOR SENATOR DWAYNE SAN NICOLAS DO YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS IF NONE WE'LL MOVE ON.

SENATOR SAN NICOLAS: YES SIR YOUR HONOR MR. CHAIR THANK YOU SIR THANK YOU MAYOR FOR YOUR YOUR COLORFUL EXPLANATION OF WHAT WE'RE GOING THROUGH AS A SCHOOL COUNSELOR MY NATURAL INCLINATION IS TO BELIEVE AND TO WORK TOGETHER AND TO TRY TO SOLVE THIS AS AMICABLE AND AS CARING AS POSSIBLE AND WE ARE ALL WE ARE ALL EXPERIENCING THIS THIS DISASTER OF A STORM IN THE AFTERMATH AND I YOU KNOW I THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR HARD WORK I KNOW FIRSHTHAND HOW HARD YOU MAYORS WORK AND ALSO THE DIRECTORS AND EVERYBODY INVOLVED UP THERE I DON'T WANT TO STALL US ANY FURTHER SO I'M GOING TO ASK IF WE CAN MOVE GET OUT OF THIS COMMITTEE ON THE HALL AND VOTE ON THIS BILL AND GET SOME ACTION GOING WHAT DO YOU SAY.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: IS.

SENATOR SAN NICOLAS: THAT'S A MOTION OR A SUGGESTION WHAT DO YOU THINK

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: WELL.

SENATOR SAN NICOLAS: LET'S GET OUT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE HALL LET'S DO WHAT WE NEED TO DO AND GET EVERYBODY BACK TO WORK.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: LET ME JUST PAUSE AT THIS POINT LET ME GET LEGAL TO MAKE SURE EXACTLY I GET I MAKE THE RIGHT STATEMENTS THANK YOU 10 SECOND RECESS.

SENATOR SAN NICOLAS: THANK YOU MR. YOUR HONOR MR. CHAIR.

RECESS

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE IS CALLED BACK TO ORDER THERE IS A MOTION MY COLLEAGUES WE WILL MOVE TO ARE THERE ANY OBJECTION TO THAT MOTION PLEASE RAISE YOUR HAND IF YOU HAVE AN OBJECTION SO I KNOW YOU HAVE AN THERE IS AN OBJECTION OKAY LET'S MOVE TO THE VOTE ALL IN FAVOR OF OF THE MOTION OF GETTING OUT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE PLEASE RAISE YOUR HAND ONE TWO THREE FOUR FIVE MOTION FAILS DO YOU HAVE ANYTHING ELSE YOU WANTED TO COMMENT.

SENATOR SAN NICOLAS: CAN I AMEND MY MOTION TO FINISH THE ROUND.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: NO NEED WE WOULD YOU WILL CONTINUE NOW.

SENATOR SAN NICOLAS: OKAY.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: YOU GOT YOU GOT FOUR MINUTES LEFT SENATOR SAN NICOLAS.

SENATOR SAN NICOLAS: AT LEAST I TRIED I I JUST WANT TO GET EVERYBODY BACK TO WORK AND GET THE PEOPLE OF GUAM THE HELP THEY NEED AS FAST AS POSSIBLE NO MORE NO MORE QUESTIONS NO MORE NO NO NO NO NO MORE PLAYING THIS GAME THANK YOU.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: THANK YOU SENATOR SAN NICOLAS SENATOR ROY QUINATA OH.

SENATOR QUINATA: *HÅFA ADAI* MAYOR THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU TO ALL THE MAYORS THANK YOU TO GTA THANK YOU TO DOCOMO ALL THE NETWORK OPERATORS IT&E THANK YOU TO ALL THE PEOPLE ALL THE FIRST RESPONDERS RESPONDING WHETHER YOU HAVE A PRIVATE LICENSE PLATE OR A YELLOW LICENSE PLATE AT THIS TIME I HAVE A SPRAINED ANKLE I DON'T WORK FOR DPW BUT YOU TAKE OWNERSHIP YOU TAKE LEADERSHIP YOU TAKE INITIATIVE THERE'S A LOT OF RESOURCES THAT WE DON'T HAVE AT THIS TIME WE HEAR IT WE KNOW IT BUT WE HAVE TO YOU KNOW WORK TOGETHER COLLABORATIVELY YES I'M A POLITICIAN BUT I'M NOT OUT THERE TRYING TO GET RECOGNITION FOR CLEARING MY ROAD OR MY NEIGHBOR'S ROAD OR THE ROAD ON THE ON THE SIDE OF THE OR THE TREE ON THE SIDE OF THE STREET BUT I'M I'M REALLY NOT TOO SURE WHAT WHAT WE REALLY HAVE A MISCOMMUNICATION ON OTHER THAN THE NETWORKS BEING DOWN AND AGAIN THE SITUATION IS BEYOND US BECAUSE THERE'S SO MUCH TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE THAT'S NEEDED TO RUN THE NETWORKS YOU CAN HAVE PEOPLE VOLUNTEERS OUT THERE BUT IF THEY CANNOT FIX THE NETWORK WE REALLY KIND OF GET THE NETWORK UP ANYWAY BUT I'M ASKING THE PEOPLE TO ALSO HELP CLEAR YOUR AREA YOU KNOW AS MUCH AS WE WANT TO HAVE A BEAUTIFUL HOME AND OUR YARDS PRETTY AND LANDSCAPED AND EVERYTHING RIGHT NOW THE PRIORITY IS TO GET THE RESOURCES OUT AND AND GET LIFE BACK IN MOTION MY HOUSE IS STILL IN SHAMBLES I STILL GOT TREES OVER MY ROOF MY HOUSE STILL SMELLS WET BUT I KNOW THAT THE PRIORITY IS THE PEOPLE IF WE GET THEM ACCESS TO THESE THE ASSISTANCE THEN THEY CAN GO BACK TO THEIR LIVES I MEAN THERE'S PEOPLE THAT HAVE WORSE SITUATIONS THAN ME WERE SITUATIONS THAN A LOT OF US IN HERE SO YES I DID LINE UP BY THE JFK GAS STATION BUT IT WAS FOR GAS FOR MY VEHICLE TO ALSO GO HELP FOR PEOPLE THAT DON'T HAVE WATER I EVEN GASSED GAS TANKS FOR THE CHAINSAW ON MY OWN PERSONAL DOLLAR BUT IT'S UP TO YOU HOW MUCH YOU WANT TO GO OUT THERE AND DO DO THESE THINGS DO I GET WORKMAN'S COMP FOR SPRAINING MY ANKLE NO BUT YOU KNOW I REALLY HEAR MY COLLEAGUES I'M CONCERNED AND I APPRECIATE THE OBJECTION FROM SENATOR TELO BUT YOU KNOW I I THINK WE KEEP GOING OR IF WE GO AROUND IN CIRCLES MORE THAN I THINK WE NEED WE'RE JUST DELAYING THE PROCESS OF RESPONSE AND I THINK THE BEST WAY TO GET RESPONSE OUT THERE IS TO MINIMIZE THE THE THE CONVERSATIONS IN HERE AND GET BACK TO WORK GET BACK TO HELPING THE PEOPLE GWA I I DON'T KNOW HOW HOW BETTER TO GET WATER LINES MORE VISIBLE GPA IS DOING ALL THEY CAN GPA POWER LINES ARE ABOVE THE ABOVE THE LAND SO YOU CAN SEE IT WATER LINES ARE UNDERGROUND SO OBVIOUSLY IF YOU DON'T HAVE X-RAY VISION YOU CANNOT SEE IT UNTIL YOU START SEEING THE WATER LEAKING RIGHT SO IT'S A DIFFERENT SITUATION AND WE JUST HAVE TO PUSH FORWARD AS MUCH AS WE CAN AND AGAIN IT'S GOING TO BE A LONG ROAD TO RECOVERY I MEAN GPA HAS BEEN DOING SUBSTANTIAL IMPROVEMENTS I THINK WE'VE GOT POWER BACK ON ONLINE A LITTLE BIT BUT AGAIN THESE THINGS ARE NOT GOING TO HAPPEN OVERNIGHT SIX DAYS LATER BUT YOU KNOW I I THINK WE ALL WANT TO DO OUR VERY BEST TO GET THESE THINGS BACK ON GET BACK TO NORMAL AND I THINK WE JUST NEED TO WORK TOGETHER WHATEVER WE NEED TO DO TO MOVE FORWARD AND PUSH FORWARD OUR AGENDAS COLLABORATIVELY TO GET PEOPLE BACK TO WORK AND GET PEOPLE BACK INTO LIFE WITH THAT BEING SAID THANK YOU.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: THANK YOU.

SENATOR QUINATA: I DON'T HAVE ANY FURTHER COMMENTS I JUST WANT US TO GET BACK TO LIFE.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: THANK YOU SENATOR PARKINSON DO YOU HAVE ANY COMMENTS REAL QUICK I DIDN'T REALIZE WE MISSED YOU HERE.

SENATOR PARKINSON: THANK YOU MR. CHAIR AS A FORMER EMERGENCY SERVICE WORKER MYSELF THE WAY I'M REALLY LOOKING AT THIS IS KIND OF A DRY RUN FOR FUTURE STORMS AND IT'S CLEAR FROM THE TESTIMONY HERE THAT WE HAVE BEEN LACKING IN SOME REGARD AND REALLY I JUST WANT TO KNOW WHERE WHERE IS THE GAR AT IN ALL OF THIS BECAUSE FROM WHAT I UNDERSTAND THERE ARE MASTER PLANS IN PLACE THERE ARE EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLANS AND YOU KNOW.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: SENATOR PARKINSON JUST MINDFUL WE'RE ONLY ASKING QUESTIONS OF THE MAYOR NOT IN GENERAL OF THE GOVERNMENT.

SENATOR PARKINSON: YEAH.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: NOT UNLESS THE MAYOR NOT UNLESS THE MAYOR CAN RESPOND.

SENATOR PARKINSON: OH THAT'S WHY THAT'S WHAT I WAS GONNA SAY.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: OKAY.

SENATOR PARKINSON: WHERE WHERE IS THE GAR AND ALL THIS HAVE YOU SPOKEN WITH THE GAR AT ALL.

MAYOR ALIG – PRESIDENT MCOG: OH SENATOR I I HAVE TO SAY THAT I TOTALLY DISAGREE WITH YOUR STATEMENT THAT THIS IS NOT A DRY RUN THIS IS THIS THAT IS THE PROBLEM SENATOR WITH ALL DUE RESPECT THAT IS THE PROBLEM THIS IS NOT A DRY RUN WE ARE PROS IF IT IS DRY RUN FOR YOU SIR SO BE IT BUT FOR THE MAJORITY OF THIS LEGISLATURE AND THE MAJORITY OF THIS ISLAND THE *CHAMORU* PEOPLE THIS STORM IS NOT A DRY RUN THE PROBLEM IS THE OPERATIONS OF THE RECOVERY OR THE LACK OF OPERATIONS FOR THE RECOVERY THE PROBLEM THAT I HAVE AND THE REASON WHY I AM HERE IS BECAUSE THE RECOVERY EFFORTS HAVE FAILED THE PEOPLE OF GUAM IF THERE IS A PLAN THE PLAN WAS NOT EXECUTED IF THE PLAN WAS EXECUTED IT'S A FAILED PLAN.

SENATOR PARKINSON: YEAH AND I I I I I I I APOLOGIZE MAYOR I MISSPOKE THAT I DIDN'T MEAN TO SAY THAT THIS WAS A DRY RUN THIS IS ABSOLUTELY A SERIOUS SITUATION BUT WHAT I'M LOOKING AT IS I DON'T WANT A REPEAT OF THIS IF WE HAVE ANOTHER TYPHOON AND SO I WANT TO KNOW LIKE WHAT WAS YOUR CONVER DID YOU HAVE A CONVERSATION WITH THE GAR.

MAYOR ALIG – PRESIDENT MCOG: SIR PRE-STORM THE GOVERNOR CALLS HER NECESSARY PEOPLE A HANDFUL OF US MYSELF BECAUSE I'M THE PRESIDENT OF THE MAYORS COUNCIL OF GUAM INTO A PRE-STORM MEETING MAKING SURE THAT EVERYONE IN THE ROOM INCLUDING EMERGENCY OPERATIONS IS PREPARED INCLUDING GPA GWA DPW EVERYONE AT THE TABLE TELLS THE GOVERNOR THEY ARE PREPARED WE ARE PREPARED I TELL THE GOVERNOR THAT I HAVE ASKED OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO ENSURE THAT EVERY MAYOR'S OFFICE HAS HEAVY EQUIPMENT PURCHASE ORDERS NOT BECAUSE IT'S OUR DUTY BUT BECAUSE I HAVE A BRAIN I HAVE COMMON SENSE TO KNOW THAT SOMEONE'S GOING TO FAIL US AND SO EVERYONE IN THAT ROOM SHOULD HAVE BEEN PREPARED YOU CAN GET AN ATTENDANCE LISTING FROM THE GOVERNOR IN THE COR ONE THE GOVERNOR CALLS ANOTHER MEETING ANOTHER HANDFUL OF PEOPLE IMPORTANT PEOPLE EVERYONE IN THIS IN THIS PANEL WAS REPRESENTED AT THAT MEETING AND EVERYBODY SAYS THEY'RE READY TO GO COR FOUR WE HAVE ANOTHER MEETING SAME DAY A COUPLE OF HOURS LATER ANOTHER GROUP OF PEOPLE TALKING ABOUT WASTE MANAGEMENT BUT ALL WE'VE BEEN DOING IS TALKING THE EXECUTION NEVER OCCURRED AND IF IT OCCURRED I'M NOT SURE WHAT TO WHAT PLAN THEY WERE THEY WERE EXECUTING PEOPLE WERE IN A CONVERSATION AND I THINK THE RIGHT PEOPLE WERE THERE THAT PERHAPS MAY HAVE BEEN SOME THAT WERE MISSING LIKE TRASH LIKE GSWA I THINK GSWA WAS LOOPED IN AT THE VERY END BUT EVEN AT THAT GSWA HAS NO EXCUSE FOR NOT HAVING A TRASH PLAN SENATORS THEY ABSOLUTELY HAVE NO EXCUSE FOR US TO FOR THE PEOPLE OF GUAM TO KNOW YESTERDAY ABOUT ABOUT THE TRASH PLAN THAT IS UNACCEPTABLE BECAUSE THEN WHERE ARE THE PEOPLE GOING TO PUT THE TRASH AND FOR US I HAVE COMMUNICATIONS WITH THEM BEGGING FOR AN ANSWER CAN THE RESIDENT JUST PUT THE TRASH OUTSIDE AND WILL YOU PICK IT UP BUT OF COURSE EVERYBODY HAS TO CHECK SOMEBODY AND MAKE SURE THAT IT'S CORRECT YOU DON'T HAVE A PLAN YOU KNOW THAT THE STORM WAS GOING TO COME OF COURSE TRASH IS

GOING TO COME AND AGAIN WITH ALL DUE RESPECT SENATOR THIS IS NOT A DRY RUN WE KNOW THAT WHEN THE WIND BLOWS THERE'S GOING TO BE TRASH SO WHERE ARE WE GOING TO PUT THE TRASH BUT THE PROBLEM IS IF AGAIN IF THERE WAS A PLAN IT WASN'T EXECUTED AND IF WE STILL DON'T KNOW WHAT WE'RE GOING TO DO WE OH JUST SO THAT YOU KNOW WE STILL DON'T KNOW WHAT TO DO WITH THE TRASH MAYBE HOUSEHOLD TRASH BUT WE DON'T KNOW WHAT TO DO WITH METAL THE TIN ROOF AND THE WOOD THE LUMBER WE IT IS DAY SIX HAVE YOU SEEN A A JIC REPORT THAT SAYS WHAT WE'RE GOING TO DO WITH IT I HAVEN'T SO YES THE GOVERNOR ENGAGED PEOPLE THE GOVERNOR SPOKE THE GOVERNOR DID REQUEST FOR UPDATES AND I DON'T KNOW IF THEY DIDN'T TELL THE TRUTH MAYBE THEY NEEDED TO BE SWORN IN JUST LIKE HERE BUT THOSE ARE THE PEOPLE THAT SHOULD ANSWER TO YOU AND TO THE PEOPLE OF GUAM BECAUSE THEY'RE THE ONES THAT FAILED US TO US GOING DOWN TO TRASH JUST TRASH IMAGINE THAT YOU CANNOT FIGURE OUT TRASH AND YET WHOSE PROBLEM IS GONNA IT'S GONNA BE US I'M HERE SIR BECAUSE IT'S OUR PROBLEM YET IT REALLY ISN'T OURS.

SENATOR PARKINSON: I I APPRECIATE YOUR FRUSTRATION SIR BECAUSE I I SHARE THE SAME LACK OF UNDERSTANDING ON WHAT THE PROCEDURES ARE WHAT THE PLAN IS GOING TO BE WHERE BECAUSE I GOT I GOT PART OF A NEIGHBOR'S ROOF IN MY OWN YARD I DON'T KNOW WHAT TO DO WITH IT AND SO I I GUESS I I DON'T KNOW WHO WE NEED TO HAVE EMPANELED AND SWORN IN HERE BUT I I DO WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT WHATEVER FAILURES WE EXPERIENCE IN THIS STORM WE DON'T EXPERIENCE THEM IN FUTURE STORMS BECAUSE THIS IS THE START OF TYPHOON SEASON THERE'S A VERY REAL POSSIBILITY THIS WILL NOT BE THE LAST ONE AND WE NEED TO GET ON POINT GET ON OUR GAME AND I I DON'T KNOW WHERE THE BREAKDOWN IS BUT I CERTAINLY INTEND TO DO MY PART TO FIND OUT SIR SO THAT WE DON'T GO THROUGH THIS POOR RESPONSE AGAIN IN THE FUTURE.

MAYOR ALIG – PRESIDENT MCOG: MAY I ANSWER MAY I RESPOND.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: YES GO AHEAD GO AHEAD AND RESPOND.

MAYOR ALIG – PRESIDENT MCOG: SIR I JUST HAVE TO SAY YOU HAVE OVERSIGHT OVER THESE AGENCIES AND SOME OF YOU HAVE BEEN CHASTISED FOR THE OVERSIGHT THAT YOU YOU PROVIDE OR THE OVERSIGHT THAT YOU WANT BUT THIS IS THE TIME THAT'S THAT'S YOUR ROLE SO IF I MAY USE THAT OR OVERSIGHT POWER AND GET THE ANSWER.

SENATOR PARKINSON: YES SIR I HAVE DIRECT OVERSIGHT OVER GPA AND FROM FROM MY ACCOUNTS IT SEEMS LIKE JOHN BENAVENTE AND THE CREWS HAVE BEEN WORKING AROUND THE CLOCK AND BEEN DOING A FANTASTIC JOB I JUST WANTED TO GET YOUR FEELINGS ON HOW THOSE OPERATIONS WERE GOING IS THERE WAIT BECAUSE THAT THAT'S MY DIRECT OVERSIGHT SO IS THERE ANY WAYS WE COULD BETTER SERVE THE MAYORS COUNCIL AND ALL THE MAYORS WITH THE POWER UTILITIES.

MAYOR ALIG – PRESIDENT MCOG: WELL THE UTILITIES THEY THEY REPLIED AT THE MEETINGS WITH THE GOVERNOR THAT THEY WERE PREPARED I DO KNOW THAT JOHN B HAS GIVEN US COMFORTING INFORMATION THAT IT THERE'S A PROCESS THAT THEY FOLLOW WHETHER OR NOT THAT IS ACTUALLY DISSEMINATED TO THE PEOPLE I DON'T KNOW IF YOU'RE NOT GETTING IT IN SIMPLIFIED FORM WHATEVER YOU SEE I SEE AS WELL SO IF IT'S NOT AS SIMPLIFIED AS YOU NEED IT THEN PERHAPS THAT'S THE THAT'S WHAT NEEDS TO GET CLARIFIED BUT I DO KNOW THAT BETWEEN THE TWO POWER HAS BEEN THE MOST RESPONSIVE TO US POWER HAS BEEN THE MOST CLEARER CLEAR WITH THEIR PLAN TO US WHETHER THE PEOPLE UNDERSTAND IT OR WHETHER THEY LIKE IT IS ANOTHER OPTION IS ANOTHER ISSUE.

SENATOR PARKINSON: OKAY THAT WAS MY SIMILAR READ AS WELL WITH GPA I'VE THOUGHT THEY'VE YOU KNOW HAD A PRETTY GOOD RESPONSIVENESS TOWARDS QUESTIONS IN THE COMMUNITY AND I JUST WANTED TO MAKE SURE THAT I WAS YOU'RE SEEING THE SAME THING I WAS SEEING THERE.

MAYOR ALIG – PRESIDENT MCOG: AND THEN I DO HAVE TO BACK GPA UP AND EVERYBODY WAS EVERYONE WAS TAPPING ON THEM FOR THEIR FOR THEIR ELECTRICAL EXPERTISE AND YOU KNOW JOHN B HE HAS A REASONABLE MIND AND SO HE WILL LET YOU KNOW IF HE'S GOING TO DO IT OR NOT BUT HE HE WAS ALSO TRYING TO HELP THE REST OF THE AGENCIES FIGURE OUT THEIR ISSUES.

SENATOR PARKINSON: YEAH.

MAYOR ALIG – PRESIDENT MCOG: AND THEIR EVERYONE IS CRITICAL RIGHT DURING AN EMERGENCY AND I SAY IT THAT WAY BECAUSE I KNOW THAT HE WAS TRYING NOT TO SPREAD HIS STAFF TOO THIN.

SENATOR PARKINSON: YEAH.

MAYOR ALIG – PRESIDENT MCOG: BUT AGAIN THAT JUST KIND OF WILL TRICKLE DOWN IN AN OVERSIGHT PERHAPS.

SENATOR PARKINSON: YEAH.

MAYOR ALIG – PRESIDENT MCOG: BUT WE HEARD LESS FROM GWA WE HAD LESS CONCRETE INFORMATION FROM GWA BUT THAT'S NOT YOUR OVERSIGHT I APOLOGIZE.

SENATOR PARKINSON: YEAH WELL YOU KNOW WHAT HERE WE ARE 2023 A PARKINSON'S SAYING GPA IS DOING A GREAT JOB SO YOU KNOW MIRACLES CAN HAPPEN AND I'M HOPEFUL THAT YOU KNOW MAYBE WE CAN GET GET THINGS RIGHT AND DO BETTER IN THIS DISASTER RESPONSE BECAUSE I LIVED THROUGH PONGSONA I LIVED THROUGH PAKA I LIVED THROUGH OMAR I CONSIDER MYSELF AN OLD HAND AND SO MAYBE I'M A LITTLE BIT YOU KNOW I REMEMBER WHAT IT WAS LIKE TO NOT HAVE GAS FOR THREE MONTHS AND POWER FOR MONTHS ON END AND I DON'T WANT TO GO BACK TO THOSE DAYS BUT YOU KNOW THE THE BAR WAS SET SO LOW FOR ME THAT YOU KNOW SOMETIMES I GOTTA CHECK MYSELF LIKE ARE WE DOING A GOOD JOB BECAUSE I'M SEEING AGANA AND TAMUNING THEY GOT LIGHTS ON I'M SEEING LOTS OF AREAS IN THE ISLAND HAVING SOME LIGHTS ON WHEN I'M DRIVING THROUGH IN THE EVENINGS THAT I FEEL PRETTY HOPEFUL UM AT LEAST IN TERMS OF THE UTILITY SITUATION AND I'M SORRY SO THINGS ARE SO DOWN FOR YOU MAYOR I I JUST FEEL SO HELPLESS BUT I WISH THERE WAS SOMETHING I CAN DO TO HELP BECAUSE I WANT TO HELP THE MAYORS I I DO LIKE I THINK WE'RE ALL ON THE SAME SIDE ON THIS IT'S JUST TELL ME WHERE TO JUMP AND AND I'LL ASK HOW HIGH SO WITH THAT I YIELD THE REST OF MY TIME AND GOD BLESS GUAM.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: THANK YOU SENATOR PARKINSON SENATOR FISHER DO YOU HAVE ANY COMMENTS QUESTIONS.

SENATOR FISHER: YEAH THANK YOU CHAIR MAYOR THANK YOU FOR YOUR WORK AND I'D LIKE TO THANK ALL THE MAYORS OF THE ISLAND I KNOW THAT YOU'VE GOT OTHER THINGS TO DO THAN LISTEN TO ME SPEECHIFY SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: THANK YOU SENATOR FISHER SENATOR TAITAGUE.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: THANK YOU MR. CHAIR MAYOR ALIG THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR PASSION WE NEEDED SOMEBODY TO COME UP ON THIS COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE ONE AND GIVE A SPEECH THAT YOU DID I WANT TO THANK YOU PERSONALLY FOR TAKING MY CALL A COUPLE DAYS AGO TO ASSIST ME WITH SOMETHING PERSONAL THAT I EXPERIENCED DURING THIS STORM AND I WANT YOU TO KNOW THAT YOU KNOW WE WERE DOING EVERYTHING WE CAN POSSIBLE TO HELP THOSE INDIVIDUALS THAT NEEDED TO KEEP THEIR INSULIN COLD IN FACT I'M USING MY OFFICE RIGHT NOW THE REFRIGERATOR THAT WE HAVE AND MAKING ICE FOR THOSE INDIVIDUALS SO IF ANYONE IS LISTENING PLEASE REACH OUT TO ME I KNOW COMMUNICATIONS IS VERY DIFFICULT MAYOR ALIG I'M JUST VERY TAKEN BACK BY ANYONE TELLING US THAT THE MAYORS ARE NOT FIRST RESPONDERS DO WE HAVE TO CHANGE THAT BY LAW TO ENSURE THAT ANYTIME ANYTHING LIKE THIS HAPPENS AGAIN THAT YOU ARE A FIRST RESPONDER.

MAYOR ALIG – PRESIDENT MCOG: SENATOR.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: OR IS IT JUST THAT ONE PERSON WHO DIDN'T KNOW BETTER WHO DIDN'T GET THE MEMO THAT MAYORS ARE FIRST RESPONDERS.

MAYOR ALIG – PRESIDENT MCOG: WELL I DON'T KNOW ABOUT THE LAW BUT I MEAN PERHAPS IT WAS THAT JUST THAT ONE OFFICER I I THINK THOUGH THAT WHEN WHEN THOSE INSTRUCTIONS ARE BEING OR WHEN THEY'RE BEING PASSED OUT PERHAPS IT COULD JUST BE LISTED AS THAT AS SUCH HOWEVER I'LL BE CLEAR THOUGH ABOUT THE SHELL GAS STATION THEY DID ACCEPT US AS FIRST RESPONDERS BUT WE HAD TO WE HAD TO LINE UP IN THE LONG LINE.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: YEAH THAT NEEDS TO CHANGE I THINK THERE NEEDS TO BE SOME PRIORITY IT'S OBVIOUS THAT THE GOVERNOR I I HEARD EARLIER ABOUT THE GOVERNOR SAYING THAT THEY WANT YOU TO RUN THE SOME KIND OF.

MAYOR ALIG – PRESIDENT MCOG: SO SENATOR IF I MAY IF THIS WAS THE EMERGENCY PERHAPS THE PLAN SHOULD HAVE INCLUDED THAT CERTAIN FIRST RESPONDERS HAD CERTAIN LOCATIONS OR GAS STATIONS THAT THEY COULD AVAIL OF.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: RIGHT.

MAYOR ALIG – PRESIDENT MCOG: AND IF THE MAYORS HAD GAS STATION X AND GPD HAD GAS STATION C SO ON AND SO FORTH THERE WOULDN'T BE SUCH.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: CHAOS.

MAYOR ALIG – PRESIDENT MCOG: A PROBLEM.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: YEAH.

MAYOR ALIG – PRESIDENT MCOG: AND WHO WAS GOING TO BUT THAT'S ALL ABOUT MANAGEMENT SENATOR AND IT'S ALL ABOUT A PLAN AND THAT'S NOT THE MAYORS PLAN THAT SHOULD HAVE BEEN THE EMERGENCY OPERATIONS PLAN.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: EXACTLY.

MAYOR ALIG – PRESIDENT MCOG: AND THAT AGAIN DOES NOT FALL ON THE MAYORS COUNCIL OF GUAM SO THANK YOU FOR BRINGING IT UP BECAUSE I GO BACK TO THE REASON WHY I'M HERE BECAUSE AGAIN THE PLAN SHOULD HAVE BEEN EXECUTED AND THE PLAN SHOULD HAVE BEEN SHARED WITH YOU AND WITH US.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: EXACTLY.

MAYOR ALIG – PRESIDENT MCOG: SO THAT WE CAN EXECUTE FOR THE PEOPLE OF GUAM.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: AND I'D LIKE TO REALLY THANK YOU FOR MAKING THE INITIATIVE ON YOUR OWN TO THINK AHEAD AND PREPARE YOURSELF BECAUSE YOU KNOW I I HAVE TO SAY THIS IT WASN'T JUST THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM THAT WAS NOT PREPARED FOR THIS I THINK THE PEOPLE OF GUAM TOO UNDERESTIMATED THIS STORM I WAS VERY LUCKY TO ARRIVE ON GUAM ON MONDAY TO GET HERE IN TIME ON MONDAY AND I DIDN'T SEE THAT MANY CARS LINING UP FOR GAS I DIDN'T SEE PEOPLE PREPARING THEMSELVES EITHER SO I THINK THE WHOLE ISLAND UNDERESTIMATED THINKING THAT OH THIS IS GOING TO GO TO SAIPAN LIKE IT'S BEEN DOING FOR THE LAST 20 YEARS BUT I WANT TO THANK YOU MAYOR FOR REMINDING US REMINDING US OUR COLLECTIVE DUTY AS A GOVERNMENT TO DO BETTER TO WORK HARDER AND NOT TO UNDERESTIMATE ANYTHING THAT COMES OUR WAY WE'RE GOING INTO EL NIÑO AND IF THE PEOPLE OF GUAM ARE LISTENING TODAY BE PREPARED BECAUSE IT'S ANTICIPATED THAT WE ARE GOING TO GET MORE STORMS AND THEY'RE GOING TO BE WORSE I AM SO LOOKING FORWARD TO THE MAYORS COUNCIL COMING TOGETHER AND GIVING US A POST REPORT AFTER THIS SITUATION HOPEFULLY WE CAN GET BACK ON OUR FEET BUT WE ALL MUST WORK TOGETHER WE ARE ALL EXPERIENCING THIS TOGETHER THIS BODY APPROPRIATES THAT'S WHAT WE'RE GOING TO DO TODAY AND WE'RE GOING TO DO IT RESPONSIBLY WE'RE NOT LIKE YOU SAID MAYOR NOT GOING TO THROW THE MONEY THROW IT YOUR WAY WE'RE GOING TO DO WHAT WE CAN TO MAKE SURE THAT PROCUREMENT IS DONE COLLECTIVELY AND QUICKLY BECAUSE THAT'S WHAT YOU NEED YOU NEED THESE EQUIPMENTS TO YOU RIGHT NOW AND WE HAVE TO BYPASS SOME OF THESE EMERGENCY PROCUREMENTS THAT ARE EVEN NOT THAT EMERGENCY IT'S SO SLOW YOU SHOULD BE ABLE TO BUY IT TOMORROW OR TODAY SO WE NEED TO HELP YOU THERE AND THEN AFTER WE DO OUR JOB HERE IT'S THE ADMINISTRATION'S RESPONSIBILITY TO EXECUTE TO EXECUTE I APPRECIATE HOW YOU GO BEYOND YOUR RESPONSIBILITY AS A MAYOR BECAUSE THIS IS A TIME IN YOUR CAREER MAYOR THAT YOUR PEOPLE ARE LOOKING TO YOU AND ALL THE OTHER MAYORS TO HELP THEM THIS IS YOUR GREATEST MOMENT TO HELP AND WE WILL DO EVERYTHING WE CAN TO HELP YOU AS WELL SO I WISH YOU THE VERY BEST AND REMIND EVERYONE THAT THIS IS NOT OVER WE ARE EXPERIENCING FLASH FLOODING FLOODING IN SOME AREAS SO EVERYBODY PLEASE BE CAUTIOUS AND WE WILL DO EVERYTHING WE CAN POSSIBLE TO ENSURE THE SAFETY AND WELL-BEING ESPECIALLY THOSE WHO ARE IN MEDICAL CONDITIONS RIGHT NOW WHO ARE WAITING TO HAVE BEEN POSTPONED WITH THEIR OPERATIONS OR ANYTHING THAT'S HAPPENING NOW SO I'M LOOKING

FORWARD TO FEMA I AM SO LOOKING FORWARD TO HEARING FROM FEMA SO THANK YOU MR. CHAIR AND GOD BLESS YOU JESSE AND ALL THE MAYORS THAT ARE OUT THERE PLEASE GIVE THEM MY SINCEREST SINCEREST *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE' UN DÁNGKOLO NA SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'*.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: THANK YOU SENATOR TAITAGUE MR. MAYOR JESSE THANK YOU FOR COMING BY YOU'RE NOW RELEASED WE'RE GOING TO TAKE A FIVE MINUTE RECESS.

RECESS

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE IS CALLED BACK TO ORDER WE HAVE DPW HERE PUBLIC HEALTH GPA BBMR I'M GOING TO ASK THE PANEL TO BRIEF US ALL ON WHAT'S GOING ON OR WHAT WHAT THEY'RE DOING AND THEN WE MOVE ON FROM THERE WE'LL BEGIN WITH DPW MR. ARI ARRIOLA JUST IDENTIFY WHO YOU ARE.

ARRIOLA – DPW: THANK YOU VERY MUCH MR. CHAIRMAN MY NAME IS GOOD MORNING SENATORS MY NAME IS VINCE ARIOLA I'M THE DIRECTOR AT THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS I DON'T EVEN KNOW WHERE TO BEGIN THERE'S THERE'S SO MUCH BEEN THAT THAT'S BEEN DISCUSSED I KNOW I'VE WORKED WITH A NUMBER OF YOU FOR QUITE A WHILE AND I'M PROBABLY ONE OF THE OLDEST HERE IN THE IN THIS IN THIS UH IN THIS HALL BUT IF I CAN JUST PREFACE MY MY STATEMENT WITH WITH A WITH A FEW THINGS I'VE I'VE HAD THE THE PLEASURE IF YOU WILL OR THE THE FORTUNE OF OF RUNNING THROUGH GOING THROUGH EVERY TYPHOON ON GUAM SINCE TYPHOON KAREN WHEN I WAS SIX YEARS OLD I'VE I'VE HAD THE THE PLEASURE OF OF GOING THROUGH EIGHT TYPHOONS IN ONE ROW IN ONE YEAR WHEN I WAS WITH GOVERNOR GUTIERREZ I WAS RUNNING GTA AT THE TIME AND YOU KNOW WE WE'VE ALWAYS LEARNED OUR OUR LESSON I THINK I THINK THE HUGE FRUSTRATION FROM EVERYBODY IN THIS ROOM AND ESPECIALLY WITH WITH MAYOR AND MYSELF AND THE PEOPLE OF GUAM IS EVERY TIME THERE'S A TYPHOON THE FIRST THING THEY REALLY WANT IS WATER EVERYBODY WANTS AND NEEDS WATER BECAUSE IT'S A IT'S A HEALTH ISSUE FOR THEM IT'S A COMFORT ISSUE FOR THEM AND IT'S A SAFETY ISSUE FOR THEM AND IF WE CAN JUST GET WATER BEFORE DURING AND AFTER TYPHOONS I THINK THAT'S 50% OF THE ISSUE OF COURSE THEY YOU KNOW EVERYBODY WANTS ELECTRICITY ELECTRICITY AND POWER GIVES YOU EVEN MORE COMFORT YOU GET TO WATCH TV TURN ON YOUR AIR CONDITIONER YOU GET TO COOK THE FAMILIES ARE HAPPY PEOPLE ARE HAPPY AND YOU GET TO TURN ON YOUR VACUUMS AND AND CLEAN THE HOUSE SO THAT THAT GOT FLOODED SO YOU KNOW THAT THAT ADDS TO THE EQUATION AS WELL AND THEN OF COURSE YOU HAVE IN TODAY'S WORLD YOU KNOW CELL PHONE COVERAGE RIGHT AND INTERNET COVERAGE YOU THROW THAT INTO THE EQUATION GETTING GETTING TO AND FROM WORK OR GETTING TO AND FROM WHEREVER YOU NEED TO GO THAT'S THAT'S WHEN THE ROADS GET THROWN INTO THE EQUATION THEN LASTLY IS IS THE GAS AND IF THERE WAS EVER A PERFECT STORM NO PUN INTENDED THERE WAS EVER A PERFECT STORM WITH I DON'T EVEN KNOW HOW TO PRONOUNCE THIS TYPHOON'S MAWAR OR WHATEVER IT HAPPENED RIGHT IT HAPPENED WERE WE PREPARED FOR IT PROBABLY NOT AS SENATOR TELO WAS WAS SAYING I THINK A LOT WE GOT WE GOT CAUGHT WITH OUR PANTS DOWN A LOT OF PEOPLE DID BUT YOU KNOW BACK BACK IN THE DAY THE GOVERNOR BACK THEN HAD FULL CONTROL OF EVERYTHING ON THIS ISLAND EVERYTHING TODAY THE GOVERNOR AND I'M NOT THIS IS NOT TO COVER THE GOVERNOR THERE'S NOT TO COVER OUR EXECUTIVE BRANCH I'M JUST SPEAKING WHAT'S WHAT'S WITH US TODAY AND I THINK I CAN BECAUSE I'VE I'VE HAD ENOUGH IN PUBLIC SERVICE TO TO TO SAY IT AND AND I'VE HAD ENOUGH EXPERIENCE TO TELL YOU THE DIFFERENCE THE DIFFERENCE BACK THEN IS YOU HAD A GOVERNOR THAT HAD CONTROL OF EVERY SINGLE AGENCY ON GUAM EVERY EVERY AGENCY TODAY THE GOVERNOR HAS NO CONTROL OVER GPA WATERWORKS GUAM SOLID WASTE THE AG THE OPA AND DOE THAT'S A CLEAR MAJORITY OF THE GOVERNMENT WHEN YOU DON'T HAVE THAT KIND OF CONTROL WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO AND MY CASE IN POINT LOOK WHO'S HERE FROM GPA AND GWA WHO'S HERE YOU'VE I'VE I'M UNDER THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH I GET CALLED TO THIS BECAUSE YOU OVERSEE MY BUDGET I HAVE YOU HAVE OVERSIGHT OVER OVER DPW THAT'S WHY I'M HERE GPA IS NOT GOING TO COME HERE THEY DIDN'T THEY MADE SOME OF OUR MEETINGS GWA IS NOT HERE I MEAN THEY GOT REPRESENTATIVES THAT'S FINE THAT'S NOT THE REAL THING IF YOU WANT REAL HARD ANSWERS LIKE THE MAYOR SAID YOU NEED ACCOUNTABILITY AND THEY'RE NOT HERE BECAUSE THEY FALL UNDER CCU AND THAT WAS CREATED SEPARATELY HERE SO WHEN YOU HAVE THESE SEPARATE AUTONOMOUS AGENCIES THAT DON'T FALL UNDER THE GENERAL FUND OR WHATEVER THIS THIS IS PART OF WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN YOU KNOW BACK THEN WHEN WE HAD THE TYPHOONS THE GOVERNOR JUST CAUSED ALL THE UTILITY AID IT WAS BACK THEN IT WAS GTA PUAG AND GPA WE WERE THE TOP THREE TO RESTORE THIS ISLAND AND HE JUST POINTS AND POINTS AND POINTS AND IT GETS DONE NOW GPA HAS A CERTAIN PROTOCOL THAT THEY HAVE TO FOLLOW I DON'T KNOW HOW LONG IT TAKES YOU KNOW KUDOS TO THEM THOUGH.

SENATOR BROWN: EXCUSE ME MR. ARRIOLA MR. CHAIRMAN I APPRECIATE THE ALL THE POINTS THAT MR. ARRIOLA WANTS TO MAKE BUT WHAT I DO WANT TO HEAR IS THE STATUS OF WHERE WE ARE WITH DPW SO THAT WE CAN MOVE ON WITH OUR AGENDA WE WE UNDERSTAND THE STRUCTURE OF THE GOVERNMENT WE PROBABLY PUT IT WHERE IT'S AT WITH REGARDS TO AUTONOMOUS AGENCIES FOR MANY OTHER REASONS BUT I DON'T WANT TO DISCUSS THAT TODAY CAN WE FOCUS ON WHERE WE'RE AT WITH RECOVERY WITH DPW IF YOU DON'T MIND MR. ARRIOLA.

ARRIOLA – DPW: ALRIGHT.

SENATOR BROWN: THAT WOULD BE VERY HELPFUL FOR US.

ARRIOLA – DPW: ALRIGHT.

SENATOR BROWN: AND OUR PEOPLE OUT THERE THANK YOU.

ARRIOLA – DPW: ALL RIGHT FAIR ENOUGH PRE-TYPHOON WE SAT DOWN AND LIKE THE MAYOR SAID WE HAD PRE TYPHOON CONDITION MEETINGS AND OUR OUR PLAN PRE-TYPHOON WAS TO MAKE SURE THAT ALL OUR EQUIPMENT HEAVY EQUIPMENT AND ALL OUR STAFF WAS STAGED IN VARIOUS AREAS THROUGHOUT THE ISLAND THESE ARE KNOWN AREAS THAT WERE KNOWN TO EITHER FLOOD OR TO TO TO HAVE MAJOR DAMAGES TO THE ROADS OR BLOCKAGES TO THE ROADS SO THAT YOU COULDN'T PASS RIGHT AND SO WE HAD EQUIPMENT STAGE DOWN AT THE USUAL MARTINEZ AREA IN MALESSO' THAT ALWAYS FLOODS AT THE POLARIS POINT AREA WE HAD EQUIPMENT THERE AND ALL THROUGHOUT MARINE DRIVE AND THE REASON WHY I SAY ALL THROUGHOUT MARINE DRIVE IS BECAUSE OUR PLAN WAS AS SOON AS THIS TYPHOON ENDED THE FIRST THING THAT WE WERE GOING TO DO THE FIRST ISSUES THAT WE WERE GOING TO DO THE FIRST ROADS THAT WE WERE GOING TO CLEAR WAS WE WERE GOING TO WORK AT ALL THREE HOSPITALS THE NAVAL HOSPITAL GUAM MEMORIAL HOSPITAL AND GRMC AND WE'RE GOING TO WORK FROM THOSE THREE HOSPITALS AND WORK OUR WAY OUT AND THE REASON FOR THAT IS SO THAT IF THERE ARE INJURIES IF PEOPLE NEED HELP AMBULANCES HEALTH CARE WORKERS NEED TO GET TO THE HOSPITAL THEY'RE ACCESSIBLE SO THAT'S EXACTLY WHAT WE DID WE WORK FROM GMH OUT THROUGHOUT ROUTE 30 GMH OUT TO ROUTE 14 GRMC WE DID ROUTE 30 I MEAN ROUTE 3 WE DID MARINE DRIVE NAVAL HOSPITAL WE PRE-CLEARED NAVAL HOSPITAL SNAKE ROAD THE DAY BEFORE IF NOT TWO DAYS BEFORE SO THAT WAS ALREADY CLEARED BEFORE THE TYPHOON CAME WE CLEARED ROUTE 7 GOING UP GOVERNMENT HILL ROUTE 4 AS WELL THAT WOULD LEAD TO NAVAL HOSPITAL SO THAT'S THAT WAS OUR PRIORITY IF THE MAYOR SAID THEY DIDN'T SEE US THAT'S FINE I'M OKAY WITH THAT YOU KNOW THEY DIDN'T SEE US WE WERE THERE BUT WE DIDN'T WE CLEANED MARINE DRIVE WE CLEANED WE CLEARED ROUTE 8 ROUTE 10 ROUTE 16 ALL THE MAJOR ROUTES AND I'LL I'LL ADMIT WE WE DID IT WITH THE HELP OF SOME OF THE MAYORS WE SAW THE MAYORS OUT THEY WERE ASSISTING US CUTTING THE TREES AND EVERYTHING SO WE DID THAT WITHIN 24 HOURS WE STARTED THURSDAY I THINK WHEN WE WERE CLOSE TO GETTING COR FOUR WHICH WAS THURSDAY AROUND FIVE O'CLOCK BY FRIDAY EVENING THOSE ROUTES WERE CLEAR AND I KNOW THAT BECAUSE I DROVE IT MYSELF I KNOW THAT BECAUSE I WAS ON MARINE DRIVE CLEARING STORM DRAINS I KNOW THAT BECAUSE I HAD VOLUNTEERS WHO WERE HELPING US CLEAR MARINE DRIVE THAT PLAN WE PUT THAT PLAN INTO PLACE AND THANK GOD IT WORKED THE ONLY AND THE OTHER THING THAT I'M THANKFUL FOR IS THAT WE DIDN'T HAVE ANY DOWN POWER POLES I THINK IF WE HAD DOWN POWER POLES IT'D BE A LITTLE BIT OF A DIFFERENT STORY BUT II YOU KNOW 24 HOURS WE HAD THE MAJOR ROUTES CLEARED WE ALSO TOPPED OFF ALL THE FUEL FOR GP ALL OF GPD WE ASSISTED GMH WITH TOPPING OFF THE FUEL WE ASSISTED OCD OCD OFFICE OF CIVIL DEFENSE YES OCD HONESTLY OFFICE OF CIVIL DEFENSE WE WE TOPPED OFF THEIR GENERATORS LET'S SEE WHO ELSE AND THEN THEN WE ALSO CON WE HAD OUR CONTRACTS READY TO GO WITH PRIVATE HEAVY EQUIPMENT RENTAL SO WE WERE WE WERE SET THERE THE ONLY THING WE REALLY COULDN'T DO WAS WITH REGARD TO TRAFFIC SIGNALS IF WE COULD WAVE A MAGIC WAND AND TAKE THEM DOWN QUICKLY WE WE WOULD HAVE BUT WE WE JUST COULDN'T THEY HAD TO THEY HAD TO STAY UP AND AS A RESULT WE LOST PRETTY MUCH ALL OUR TRAFFIC SIGNALS THAT'S PRETTY MUCH ALL I HAVE ON ON THE ROADS ON OUR TRAFFIC SIGNALS IN TERMS OF RESTORATION WE'RE CONCENTRATING ON I BELIEVE SEVEN ALONG MARINE DRIVE THE ROUTE 1 AND ROUTE 4 ROUTE 1 AND ROUTE 8 ITC INTERSECTION ROUTE 1 AND 30 ROUTE 1 AND 10A AND ROUTE 1 AND 16 THOSE ARE GOOD ARE THE ONES WE'RE CONCENTRATING ON THE THE UNIT THE TRAFFIC SIGNAL AT KMART WAS JUST TURNED ON YESTERDAY ROUTE 1 SHOULD BE TURNED ON ROUTE 1 AND ROUTE 4 SHOULD BE TURNED ON TODAY THE ISSUE WITH OUR TRAFFIC SIGNALS THE ONE AT ITC IS READY TO GO BUT WE'RE HAVING ISSUES WITH POWER THERE BECAUSE THAT'S BEEN TURNED ON THAT'S THAT'S ONE OF THOSE ADOPTED TRAFFIC LIGHTS WITH WITH TAKECARE AND THEY'RE HAVING GENERATOR

ISSUES WE HAVE PUT IN A A A REQUEST FOR GENERATORS TO FEMA TO EMPOWER THESE TRAFFIC SIGNALS AND THE GOOD PART IS THEY'RE SMALL GENERATORS THAT WE'RE REQUESTING THE BAD PART IS AS THE MAYOR SAID THERE'S NO MORE GENERATORS ON ISLAND WE UNDERSTAND THAT A NUMBER OF GENERATORS AND CHAINSAWS ARE COMING IN FROM SAIPAN THEY MIGHT BE HERE I DON'T KNOW BUT WE GET AS OF YESTERDAY AFTERNOON LIKE AROUND TWO O'CLOCK THEY WERE ON THEIR WAY SO THEY SHOULD BE ON GUAM SHORTLY IF NOT ALREADY HERE SO I PUT IN THAT THAT REQUEST FOR GENERATORS FOR TRAFFIC SIGNALS DIRECTLY TO THE GOVERNOR LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR AND THE FEMA REP YESTERDAY AFTERNOON IF THOSE COME WE CAN WE CAN GET THOSE TRAFFIC SIGNALS UP AND RUNNING AT LEAST THE MAJORITY OF TRAFFIC SIGNALS ALONG MARINE DRIVE AND THE TRI INTERSECTION AND AND WE CAN USE THE THE NATIONAL GUARD AND THE THE PUBLIC SAFETY FOLKS ELSEWHERE AT THE ONSET RIGHT AFTER OUR POST TYPHOON OUR INITIAL POST TYPHOON MEETINGS WITH THE GOVERNOR AND WITH THE MILITARY AND SOME FEMA INDIVIDUALS THEY ASKED WHAT DO WE NEED IMMEDIATELY I PUT IN WE PUT IN OUR REQUEST FOR 20 DUMP TRUCKS AND 20 BACKHOES JUST AFTER TAKING A DRIVE AROUND THE CENTRAL AND NORTHERN PART OF THE ISLAND AND GOING BACK TO MY EXPERIENCE WITH ALL THE TYPHOONS I'VE NEVER SEEN SO MUCH GREEN WASTE IN MY LIFE AND I THINK THAT HAPPENED BECAUSE WE HAVEN'T HAD A MAJOR TYPHOON IN THE LAST 20 YEARS SO WE'VE GOT SO MUCH GREEN OUT THERE SO MANY TREES THAT ARE DOWN I THINK THE GREEN THE GREEN WASTE REMOVAL IS GOING TO BE AN INCREDIBLE TASK FOR US FOR US TO TAKE CARE TAKE CARE OF SO THAT'S THAT'S IN THE HOPPER DPW DOES NOT HAVE ADDED ADEQUATE EQUIPMENT NEITHER ARE THE PRIVATE SECTOR HEAVY EQUIPMENT COMPANIES THERE'S SOME REAL SMALL ONES A GUY MAYBE HAS TWO DUMP TRUCKS WHERE THEY'RE THEY'RE ON OUR LIST I JUST GOT A I JUST GOT A TEXT THIS GUY HAS TWO EXCAVATORS WE'RE GRABBING THEM PUTTING THEM ON OUR LIST AND AND TRYING TO GET THE POS OUT UH BUT I CAN I CAN SAFELY SAY DOES GUAM HAVE ENOUGH HEAVY EQUIPMENT AT LEAST FOR TYPHOON DEBRIS ABSOLUTELY NOT A BIG PORTION OF THEM A HUGE PORTION OF THEM AND YOU'VE HEARD ME SAY THIS AT OVERSIGHT HEARINGS AT OUR BUDGET HEARINGS A HUGE PORTION OF THE EQUIPMENT AND RESOURCES ARE BEING USED FOR FOR THE THE MILITARY BUILDUP INSIDE THE INSIDE ANDERSEN INSIDE NAVAL STATION INSIDE CAMP BLAZ OKAY SO I ALREADY TALKED ABOUT THE BACKHOES THE DUMP TRUCKS GENERATORS TRAFFIC SIGNALS THERE'S BEEN TALK THAT AS THE AS THE MAYOR SAID AND HE'S CORRECT THE MILLER MILITARY CAME TO US AND THEY SAID WHAT DO YOU NEED WHAT DO YOU NEED JUST BECAUSE THEY ASK US DOES NOT MEAN THAT THEY HAVE IT BECAUSE WE'VE ASKED THEM I'VE ASKED THEM I SAID DO YOU HAVE 20 DUMP TRUCKS 20 BACKHOES 20 OPERATORS NO THEY DO NOT HAVE IT I I FORGOT TO I FORGOT TO FORGOT TO MENTION IN LINE WITH THAT REQUEST TO TO FEMA THE THE GUARD WAS WAS GRACIOUS ENOUGH AND GENEROUS ENOUGH TO OFFER THAT THEY HAVE OPERATORS FOR THAT SO THAT'S THE GOOD PART YOU KNOW WE'VE WE'VE GOT OPERATORS STANDING BY AT THE GUARD WHAT AND DO WHEN WE DO RECEIVE THESE THESE THESE HEAVY EQUIPMENT RIGHT NOW WE HAVE 10 CREWS WE'VE SPLIT ALL THE DPW CREWS WE SPLIT THEM UP WE'VE GOT 10 CREWS THROUGHOUT THE ISLAND STILL DOING STORM CLEANUP DEBRIS CLEANUP STORM DRAINAGE CLEARING ATTENDING TO SOME OF THE ISSUES FROM THE MAYORS AND AND THINGS OF THAT NATURE WE CLEARED THE THE ROAD TO LAYON ABOUT TWO DAYS AGO BECAUSE YOU KNOW IN WORKING WITH THE GENERAL MANAGER THERE THEY WERE UNABLE TO DUMP TRASH UNLESS THEIR ROADWAY WAS WAS CLEAR JUST A REAL SIMPLE STORY NOT TO THROW THEM UNDER THE BUS YOU KNOW WE TOOK A BACKHOE UP THERE WE TOOK THE DUMP TRUCKS WE CLEARED THE ROAD AND BY THE TIME WE REACHED LAYON WE CLEARED ALL THE TREES FROM THAT ONE MILE STRETCH GUESS WHAT HAPPENED WHEN WE REACHED LAYON EXCAVATOR WAS THERE A SKID SKID STEER WAS THERE A BACKHOE WAS THERE AND A COUPLE DUMP TRUCKS WAS THERE YOU KNOW I LOOKED THERE EVER SAID COME ON THEY COULD HAVE THEY COULD HAVE CLEARED THE ROAD THEY REALLY COULD HAVE WE COULD HAVE USED THAT BACKHOE ELSEWHERE SO YOU KNOW WE'RE WE'RE TRYING OUR BEST IF YOU KNOW IF AND AND THE REASON WHY THEY SAID IT VINCE THE ROADS ARE YOURS OKAY I GET IT I GET IT BUT AS THE MAYOR SAID IT'S ALL HANDS ON DECK AND I'LL TELL YOU YOU KNOW WE'RE GETTING A LOT OF SUPPORT FROM NOT JUST THE MAYORS BUT A LOT OF SUPPORT FROM THE THE INDIVIDUALS OUT THERE THEY'RE OUT THERE THEY'RE GRABBING THEIR CHAINSAWS THEY'RE PULLING IT THEY'RE HELPING US CLEAN AND WE TOTALLY APPRECIATE THAT YOU KNOW AS THAT'S THE SPIRIT THAT THAT WE WANT BUT MAN IF WE'RE REALLY GOING TO BE BLACK AND WHITE ABOUT THIS THIS IS YOUR JOB AND THIS IS YOUR JOB YOU KNOW WE'RE NOT GOING TO GET ANYWHERE SO I I JUST WANTED TO THROW THAT OUT SO YOU KNOW MOVING FORWARD WE OUR EQUIPMENT IS IS IS IS OUT THERE WE'RE DOING 12 HOUR SHIFTS ON THE REFUELING WE'RE DOING PROBABLY 17 IF NOT 18 HOUR SHIFTS TO REFUEL THE GPA PRECINCTS WE ASSIST AT THE HOSPITAL A LITTLE BIT NOW THAT THEY'RE BACK ON ON GPA POWER THEY WON'T NEED US WE'RE ASSISTING CIVIL DEFENSE WE'RE REFUELING GENERATORS AT DOC AT DYA ALL THE ALL THE THE THE THE THE THE THE GOVERNMENT FACILITIES PLUS PLUS WE

DID THE AIRPORT LAST NIGHT AS WELL BECAUSE THEIR THEIR PRIVATE CONTRACTOR WASN'T WASN'T ABLE TO ASSIST THEM THE SO YOU KNOW AGAIN THAT THIS THIS GAS SITUATION REALLY THREW A MONKEY WRENCH INTO INTO EVERYBODY'S RECOVERY EFFORTS IF YOU IF YOU WILL I THINK IF WE IF WE DIDN'T HAVE THESE AND I I DON'T NEED TO GO GO INTO IT BUT I'M SURE YOU KNOW WHAT HAPPENED AT THE AT THE RACK DOWN THERE WITH WITH THEIR GENERATOR EVEN THAT WE HAD TO ASSIST SO IF IF YOU WANT TO KNOW WHAT WHAT WHAT DPW NEEDS THE HEAVY EQUIPMENT WOULD BE THE BEST WITH OPERATORS WE KNOW WE HAVE A HUGE TASK UP UP UH UP AGAINST US WITH THIS GREEN THE GREEN WASTE SITES 19 HAVE BEEN ESTABLISHED WE'VE WORKED WITH EPA RIGHT AND WITH THE AGRICULTURE TO MAKE SURE THAT THESE SITES HAVE BEEN APPROVED I THINK PART OF THE ISSUES TO IS IS I TWO IF NOT THREE OF THE MAYORS DIDN'T WANT TO USE CERTAIN SITES SO THEY CHANGED THE SITES WITHIN THEIR VILLAGES EPA HAD TO GO OUT THERE AND MAKE SURE IT'S UH ONE OF THOSE APPROVED THINGS SO AS OF YESTERDAY AFTERNOON WE HAD A FINAL SET OF SITES THE GUARD IS GOING TO MAN IT 24/7 WE'RE GOING TO ASSIST AS MUCH AS WE AS MUCH AS WE CAN TO PUSH THE DEBRIS AND MAKE SURE IT'S IT'S CENTER BUT THE THE PLAN THERE WITH THE THE THE DEBRIS IS IT'LL BE STATES AT THESE 19 SITES AIR CURTAIN BURNERS WILL BE USED TO TO HELP DISPOSE OF OF THE GREEN WASTE IN ADDITION TO CHIP THESE THESE COMMERCIAL CHIPPER SHREDDERS THAT WILL MULCH THE GREEN WASTE INTO COMPOST AND AS THE FOLKS FROM EPA SAID THE COMPOST WILL BE USED AS A COMMODITY FOR ALL OUR OUR FARMERS OUR GARDENERS AND SO ON AND SO FORTH SO WE WILL THE THE END RESULT IS WE'LL TAKE THE GREEN WASTE AND TURN IT INTO EITHER COMPOST OR ASH WE STARTED WITH THE GREEN WASTE BECAUSE CLEARLY WE WE SOMEONE THREW A NUMBER OUT WE TRIED TO GET A NUMBER OF HOW MUCH GREEN OF ALL THE WASTE 100 WASTE HOW MUCH IS GREEN WASTE AND AND AND THE NUMBERS CAME OUT EASY 75 PERCENT IF NOT 80 PERCENT SO THAT'S WHAT WE'RE DEALING WITH WE STILL HAVE TO DEAL WITH METAL WASTE WHITE GOODS PLASTICS TIRES ABANDONED VEHICLES WE ARE WE ARE WE ARE FORMULATING A PLAN TO GET THOSE WE'RE LOOKING FOR SEPARATE SITES FOR THOSE AND WE'RE ALSO LOOKING FOR CONTRACT USERS TO TAKE THEM DIRECTLY IF IF WE CAN GET THOSE THE THE HEAVY EQUIPMENT AGAIN WE'LL WE'LL HELP MOVE THOSE SO THAT THEY DON'T STAND AROUND AND STAY IN THE NEIGHBORS IN THE NEIGHBORHOODS I I I I KNOW EXACTLY WHAT THESE NAME MAYORS ARE ARE GOING THROUGH BECAUSE I'M IN EVERY VILLAGE AS WELL AND THEY SEE PUBLIC WORKS THEY'RE THEY'RE HAMMERING FOR US TO COME AND TAKE TAKE THEIR TRASH TAKE THEIR WHITE GOODS TAKE EVERYTHING YOU KNOW I THINK THE THE OTHER THING THAT THAT THAT I NEED TO SAY IS WHEN WE DO THINGS THERE'S A LOT OF REGULATIONS AND WE HAVE WE IF IF I HAD MY WAY AND I'LL SAY IT STRAIGHT UP IF I HAD MY WAY I'D HAVE EPA AND AGRICULTURE AND ALL THESE REGULATORY GUYS GO TO VACATION FOR A YEAR SO WE CAN DO OUR JOB BUT WE CAN'T RIGHT WE JUST CAN'T THERE'S LOCAL LAWS THERE'S FEDERAL LAWS THAT WE HAVE TO DEAL WITH AND FEMA FEMA HAS A LOT OF REQUIREMENTS IF WE'RE GOING TO GET REIMBURSED AND THOSE REQUIREMENTS ARE DOCUMENTATION DOCUMENTATION DOCUMENTATION FOR ALL OUR OUR EXPENDITURES AND IT'S NOT THAT ALL OUR EXPENDITURES ARE GOING TO GET REIMBURSED I'M STILL TRYING TO FIGURE OUT SOMETHING WITH FEMA BECAUSE I JUST GOT INFORMED YESTERDAY THAT I HOPE IT'S NOT CORRECT IS THAT ONLY THE GREEN WASTE THAT IS ON OUR EASEMENTS WILL BE SUBJECT TO REIMBURSEMENT I'M TRYING TO GET CLARITY ON THAT DON'T DON'T THAT'S NOT IN STONE BUT THAT WAS THAT WAS TOLD TO ME I WAS INFORMED OF THAT YESTERDAY HOW AM I GONNA HOW AM I GOING TO QUANTIFY GREEN WASTE THAT'S ONLY ON THAT WAS ONLY ON OUR OUR ROADS I MEAN THAT'S I WOULDN'T EVEN KNOW WHERE TO BEGIN WITH THAT BECAUSE RIGHT NOW ALL THE GREEN WASTE THAT WAS ON OUR ROADS ARE OFF THE ROADS BUT YOU KNOW THAT'S MIXED UP WITH RESIDENTS WITH COMMERCIAL WITH WITH WHO KNOWS WHAT SO THAT'S AN ISSUE I HAVE TO TACKLE THAT'S THAT'S ALL I HAVE SENATORS OPEN UP FOR QUESTIONS.

NOTE SENATOR SHELTON PRESIDES OVER THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

SENATOR SHELTON: THANK YOU VERY MUCH DIRECTOR ARRIOLA DIRECTOR SAN AGUSTIN FROM DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES.

ARTHUR SAN AGUSTIN – DIRECTOR DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES (DPHSS): THANK YOU VERY MUCH MEMBERS OF THE 37 GUAM LEGISLATURE LET ME FIRST AND FOREMOST JUST SAY THAT WHEN YOU LOOK AT PUBLIC HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES WE'RE NOT LIKE THE GUAM MEMORIAL HOSPITAL PRIMARILY HAS A MAIN FACILITY AND THE SKILLED NURSING JUST TO GIVE YOU THE GAMUT OF HOW LARGE WE ARE OR IN TERMS OF LOCATIONS WE HAVE 13 DIFFERENT PHYSICAL SITES AND OFF THE 13 12 ARE ACTUALLY OPERATIONAL IN TERMS OF STAFF ACTUALLY WORKING FROM THOSE SITES AND ONE SITE WHICH IS OUR FORMER CENTRAL PUBLIC HEALTH FACILITY HAS BEEN USED TEMPORARILY AS A STORAGE SITE BUT JUST

TO KIND OF GIVE YOU WHAT WE'RE LOOKING AT IN TERMS OF OUR OPERATIONS WITH THE 13 NOW 12 OCCUPIED SITES THAT'S A TOTAL OF 31 OFFICES OF MY 31 OFFICES 16 SITES HAVE WATER ONE IS WITH LOW WATER PRESSURE 15 HAVE NO RUNNING WATER THROUGH THEIR PIPES IN TERMS OF POWER 11 HAVE NO GENERATOR ON-SITE OR POWER SOURCE AND 19 ARE ON GENERATOR AND I HAVE ONE ON ISLAND POWER SO WE'RE VERY MUCH CHALLENGED WITH REGARDS TO OUR OPERATIONS SO IN TERMS OF WHAT WE'RE DOING OUR NORTH AND SOUTHERN HEALTH CENTER IS NOT THE BEST OF NEWS TO SHARE WITH YOU AND THE COMMUNITY LISTENING THEY ARE BOTH CLOSED AT THIS TIME WE'RE NEEDING TO TOP OFF THE FUEL AT THAT LOCATION WE ARE WORKING WITH FEMA THEY HAVE RAISED THESE TWO HEALTH CENTERS AS A PRIORITY WHILE THAT HAS BEEN ELEVATED WE STILL REMAIN WITHOUT FUEL WE DO HAVE CONTRACTS EVEN BEFORE THE STORM FOR THESE GENERATORS TO BE TOPPED OFF AND THEY WERE TOPPED OFF BECAUSE WE WERE OPERATING THROUGHOUT THE STORM ON COR ONE NORTH AND SOUTH WERE OPERATIONAL 24/7 SO WE DID PROVIDE SERVICES DURING THE TYPHOON BUT POST TYPHOON WE NOW NEED THEM TO BE REFUELED IN ORDER FOR US TO OPEN UP THAT ALSO AFFECTS THE OTHER PROGRAMS THAT ARE WITHIN AND AND OPERATE FROM THESE TWO HEALTH CENTERS FOR EXAMPLE THE DIVISION OF PUBLIC WELFARE THEY RUN OUR SNAP PROGRAM WHICH IS BASICALLY THE FORMER FOOD STAMP PROGRAM AND OTHER PUBLIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS SO WHAT WE'VE DONE IS WE'VE MOVED OUR STAFF OVER TO OUR RANCARE OFFICE IN TAMUNING BECAUSE BOTH HEALTH CENTERS ARE CLOSED AND THAT IS WHERE THE STAFF ARE OPERATING FROM TODAY I'VE ASKED CARLOS TO SEND A TEAM OUT TO OUR SHELTERS AND WE'RE WORKING WITH OUR RAC TO GET THE LIST OVER TO CARLOS WHO OVERSEES THE DIVISION OF PUBLIC WELFARE AND SEE WHO AT THE SHELTER MAY NEED ASSISTANCE IN TERMS OF ENROLLING AND PUBLIC ASSISTANCE BE IT HEALTH INSURANCE LIKE MEDICAID OR MIP OR BOTH AND ALSO PERHAPS FOR SNAP IN ANY OTHER PUBLIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAM SO THEY'RE OUT THERE DOING THAT I KNOW THERE WAS SOME CONVERSATION ABOUT THE NEED TO REFRIGERATE MEDICATION I HAVE MY CHIEF PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICER WORKING WITH OUR CHIEF PHARMACIST JUST WHAT CAN WE DO AND WHAT'S THE VOLUME SO THEY'RE TRYING TO GET A PULSE ON THAT OR WORKING WITH OUR RAC AND THEY'RE ALSO LOOKING AT THE LEGALITY OF US MANAGING MEDICATION THAT ONE WAS NOT PRESCRIBED BY THE HEALTH CENTER PHYSICIANS AND THE MEDICATION MAY BE CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES SO WHERE WE'RE ASKING OUR CHIEF PHARMACIST TO HELP US SET UP THE PROTOCOL ADDRESS LIABILITY IF ANY BUT WE DEFINITELY WANT TO HELP WE'LL SEE WE'RE TRYING TO FIGURE OUT HOW TO DO THAT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE WE'RE ALSO WORKING THROUGH OUR CHIEF PHARMACISTS AND OUR CHIEF PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICER TO WORK WITH THE GUAM PHARMACY ASSOCIATION TO ASSESS THE AMOUNT OF LOSS OF MEDS ON GUAM AND WE'RE ALSO LOOKING AT OUR EMERGENCY PHARMACY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM AS A POSSIBLE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR THOSE WHO WITH NO INSURANCE WHO MAY HAVE LOST THEIR MEDICATION WE'RE ALSO WORKING WITH OUR PUBLIC WELFARE TEAM UNDER THE SNAP PROGRAM WE HAVE SUBMITTED A REQUEST TO TO PROCEED AND APPLY FOR THE FOOD LOSS WHAT THIS WILL DO IS FOR THE TWENTY THREE THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED HOUSEHOLDS UNDER SNAP FOR THE MONTH OF MAY THAT'S THE NUMBER OF PARTICULAR HOUSEHOLDS IT AVERAGES ABOUT 63000 INDIVIDUALS WHEN WE GET APPROVED FOR THE FOOD LOSS IT WOULD ALLOW OUR SNAP PARTICIPANTS TO COMPLETE AN AFFIDAVIT OF THE PERCENTAGE OF LOSS THEY EXPERIENCE FOOD LOSS FROM THAT AFFIDAVIT WHICH CAN BE TRANSMITTED WHATSAPP EMAIL OR AT A DROPBOX THEY DO NOT HAVE TO COME IN PERSON THERE IS NO INTERVIEW IT IS AN AFFIDAVIT THEY SIGN WE WILL THEN LOAD THE PERCENTAGE THAT THEY CLAIM AS LOSS SO SOMEONE RECEIVES A HUNDRED DOLLARS FOR THE MONEY IF THEY SAY I'VE LOST 30 PERCENT OF THAT THIRTY DOLLARS THE SYSTEM WILL ONCE PROCESSED LOAD UP THIRTY DOLLARS TO REPLENISH THEIR LOSS RIGHT NOW SHOULD WE HAVE A SIGNIFICANT NUMBER AND THAT'S FIFTY PERCENT OR HIGHER OF OUR PARTICIPANTS FILE FOOD LOSS CLAIM THAT WILL TRIGGER THE AUTOMATIC MASS REPLENISHMENT WHAT THAT MEANS IS EVERYONE HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD WHO WAS IN THE FOOD STAMP OR SNAP PROGRAM THEIR BENEFITS WILL BE UPLOADED 100 PERCENT BENEFIT FOR THE MONTH OF MAY WE'RE ALSO PURSUING DISASTER SNAP WHICH IS ANOTHER PUBLIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAM BUT THAT WOULD REQUIRE THE PRESIDENTIAL DECLARATION WHICH WE RECEIVED FOR INDIV MAJOR DISASTER AND INDIVIDUAL ASSISTANCE WHICH WE HAVE RECEIVED SO WE ARE ALSO NOW WORKING WITH OUR FOOD FNS TEAM A U.S FNS FOOD STAMP PROGRAM COUNTERPARTS AND PARTNERS SO THAT WE CAN ACCESS THE DISASTER SNAP AND THAT'S A LARGER UH PROCESS BECAUSE WE'RE LOOKING AT THE LARGER COMMUNITY IN TERMS OF THE GUAM COMMUNITY THOSE WHO ARE NOT ON SNAP BUT WE'RE ALSO INQUIRING AND THIS IS WHERE WE'RE STILL WE'RE STILL IN THE CONVERSATION POINT WHERE WE'RE ALSO ASKING WELL IF IT'S FOR THE NON-SNAP PARTICIPANTS WILL THE SNAP PARTICIPANTS STILL BE ABLE TO QUALIFY FOR THE EMERGENCY DISASTER SNAP AND THAT'S A CONVERSATION WE'RE CONTINUALLY HAVING WITH THE SNAP STAFF OUR FEDERAL PARTNERS AND THAT HASN'T BEEN ANSWERED YET BUT WE ARE IN CONVERSATION WITH THEM BUT THE FIRST IS THE FOOD LOSS

THAT'S ALREADY IN MOTION WE ARE ALREADY SUBMITTED OUR LETTER WE'RE JUST NOW WAITING FOR THEIR APPROVAL AND THEN THEY WILL GUIDE US ON WHAT THE OTHER STEPS ARE SO THAT WE CAN MAKE THIS COME SOONER THAN LATER TO THE COMMUNITY OF THOSE UNDER THE SNAP PROGRAM WELL OKAY OKAY LET ME SEE NOW MANY OF YOU KNOW ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH IS IS PROCESSING CENTER IS AT THE HESSLER THAT PART OF OUR STRUCTURE DID SUFFER WATER DAMAGE AND SOME OF THE CEILING TILES DID FALL ONTO THE FLOOR AND ONTO THE DESK AND IN A LOT OF AREAS THERE ON HALF THE BUILDING AND INCLUDING OUR FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT SECTION SO RIGHT NOW ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH IS OPERATING OUT OF THE DEDEDO SITE NOW WE'VE SUSPENDED THE PROCESSING OF APPLICATIONS FOR HEALTH CERTIFICATES AND OTHER PROPERTY PROCESSES LIKE SANITARY PERMITS AND WE'RE RESCHEDULING WE SENT A PRESS RELEASE OUT ON THAT FOR SO THOSE TRAINING THE SCHEDULE THAT HAS BEEN IMPACTED BY THE TYPHOON BUT I'M ALSO WORKING WITH THEIR ADMINISTRATOR TO SEE WHAT WE CAN DO IN TERMS OF OPERATING SOME OR PROVIDING SOME OF THESE SERVICES AT THE MOSQUITO LAB AND SO HE'S THERE RIGHT NOW NOW AGAIN THE MOSQUITO LAB LIKE THE HEALTH CENTERS ARE OPERATING ON A GENERATOR UNTIL WE GET ON ISLAND POWER SO IT'S ALSO DEPENDENT ON MAKING SURE THAT WE GET FUEL TO THESE SITES I ALSO WANT TO SHARE THAT WITH REGARDS TO AGING SERVICES WE HAVE RESUMED THE CONTIN SERVICE OF HOME DELIVERED MEALS SO OUR SENIORS WHO ARE HOMEBOUND AS LONG AS THE HOME IS ACCESSIBLE THAT THERE'S NO THERE'S NO FLOODING OR ANY KIND OF SITUATION A BARRIER THEY ARE PROVIDING THE MEALS TO THE SENIORS THE ONLY SERVICES THAT ARE NOT BEING PROVIDED RIGHT NOW IS OUR ADULT DAY CARE IN SENIOR CENTER OPERATIONS AND THAT'S SIMPLY BECAUSE THE STRUCTURES NEED TO BE ASSESSED WE NEED POWER AND WATER TO MAKE SURE IT'S SAFE FOR OUR SENIORS TO RETURN LEGAL SERVICES ALSO IS HAVING INTERMITTENT POWER STABILITY IS HAVING A POWER STABILITY IS AN ISSUE FOR THEM THEY'RE FLUCTUATING SO THEY'RE NOT ABLE TO PROVIDE SERVICES RIGHT NOW WELL FOR THAT DIVISION OF SENIOR CITIZENS JUST RECEIVED AN APPROVAL TODAY THEY INFORMED ME THAT THEY GOT APPROVAL FOR A GRAB-AND-GO CONCEPT NOW THE GRAB-AND-GO CONCEPT IS FOR OUR SENIORS WHO GO TO THE CONGREGATE SITES WE HAVE HOME DELIVERED WHO ARE SENIORS OR HOMEBOUND AND THEN WE HAD A CONGREGATE SITES SO THEY'RE PUTTING A PLAN TOGETHER BUT I'M SHARING THAT WITH YOU ALL THEY'RE PUTTING A PLAN TOGETHER HOW WE CAN DEPLOY A GRAB-AND-GO CONCEPT IT MIGHT BE SIMILAR TO COVID WHERE IT'S LIKE A DRIVE-THROUGH PROCESS FOOD IS BAGGED SENIORS OR THEIR CAREGIVERS OR THEIR FAMILY REPRESENTATIVE SHOWS UP AND PICKS UP THE FOOD SERVICE FOR THEM LET'S SEE AND I THINK THAT'S ABOUT IT OF COURSE SUBJECT TO YOUR YOUR QUESTIONS SENATORS THE FOOD LOSS I JUST WANT TO GO BACK TO THE THE FOOD LOSS ONE FOR UNDER SNAP THE PERIOD OF FOOD LOSS APPROVED RIGHT NOW THAT WE SUBMITTED IS SUBJECT TO FINAL APPROVAL THE PROPOSED FOOD LOSS PERIOD SUBJECT TO APPROVAL IS MAY 22ND TO JUNE 21ST AND SO ANY FOOD LOSS EXPERIENCED IN THAT PERIOD AND SO OPEN TO YOUR QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

NOTE SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN PRESIDES OVER THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: THANK YOU MR. SAN AGUSTIN GPA YOUR BRIEF PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME THANK YOU.

KENNETH GUTIERREZ – SAFETY AND PHYSICAL SECURITY MANAGER TAK FORCE LEAD EMERGENCY SUPPORT FUNCTION 12 (GPA): GOOD AFTERNOON CHAIRMAN AND SENATORS THANK YOU FOR HAVING US TODAY I'M KENNETH GUTIERREZ I'M THE SAFETY AND PHYSICAL SECURITY MANAGER I ALSO SERVE AS THE TASK FORCE LEAD FOR EMERGENCY SPA SUPPORT FUNCTION 12 WHICH IS ENERGY UP AT THE HOMELAND SECURITY OFFICE WE ARE HERE TODAY AS WELL AS MR. JOHN KIM OUR CFO ON BEHALF OF THE GENERAL MANAGER HE IS UNDER THE WEATHER BUT HE IS LEADING OUR RESTORATION EFFORTS AS WE MOVE FORWARD SO JUST TO PAINT A LITTLE BIT A LITTLE PICTURE IN REGARDS TO OUR PREPAREDNESS AND READINESS GPA IS A SEPARATE IN TERMS OF OUR READINESS AND TYPHOON RESPONSE PLAN WE'VE HAD THE OPPORTUNITY EARLY ON IN LEARNING OF US SHIFTING WEATHER INTO AN EL NINO SIZ SEASON HAVING THE OPPORTUNITY TO RECOGNIZE THAT WE LOST SOME KEY PLAYERS WITH MANAGEMENT HAVING NEW ENGINEERS ON STAFF WE HAD A TABLETOP EXERCISE WITH THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE EARLY THIS MONTH SO WE DO HAVE A VERY RESOURCEFUL AND AND IN-DEPTH PLAN FOR OUR RECOVERY EFFORTS THE BEST IN TERMS OF NUMBERS THAT I MAY HAVE FOR YOU TO PROVIDE WOULD HAVE BEEN FROM THE MEDIA RELEASE AS OF YESTERDAY AT 1 P.M. WHERE OUR SYSTEM LOAD WHICH IS NOW UH WHICH IS THE CUSTOMER DEMAND ON THE RESTORED SIDE IS THAT 21 PERCENT OUR GPA SUBSTATIONS WHICH ARE ENERGIZED IS AT 76.9 PERCENT AND OUR FEEDERS AND CIRCUITS IS AT 47.6 PERCENT SO THAT WAS AS OF 1 P.M. YESTERDAY FOR OUR OUR STANDING BRIEFING WITH WITH THE GOVERNOR AND TO THE MEDIA RELEASE BUT OUR CREWS HAVE AND CONTINUE WORK 24/7 AROUND

THE CLOCK AS SOON AS A A LITTLE BLURP IF YOU WILL COMES UP ON ON THE WEATHER OUR CREWS SPIN UP AND WE ARE OUT THERE TRIMMING KEEPING THE LINES ENERGIZED ALL THE WAY UNTIL COR ONE WHEN IT'S ACTUALLY OUR DETERMINATION TO STAND THEM DOWN FOR SAFETY REASONS SO WE ARE ONE OF THE LAST ON THE ROAD DURING CONDITION OF READINESS ONE ALONG WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT AND AND THE EMERGENCY RESPONSE AND WE'RE THE FIRST OUT ON THE ROAD AS SOON AS THE WIND SUBSIDE AND CONTINUE TO BE IN COR ONE SO WE DO HAVE A DEDICATED TEAM OF PERSONNEL WE'VE HAVE COMPLETED OUR ASSESSMENTS ON OUR MAIN TRANSMISSION LINES AND WE CONTINUE TO ASSESS OUR DISTRIBUTION LINE SO I'M SURE I THE GENERAL MANAGER HAS HAS PUT OUT ELOQUENTLY THE THE TYPE OF OF HOW WE GET POWER TO TO OUR DOWN TO THE THE MAYORS VILLAGES AND WHAT HAVE YOU SO OBVIOUSLY WE HAVE TO GO FROM OUR GENERATION PLANS AND WE HAVE TO TACKLE OUR MAIN TRANSMISSION LINES UP AND GET IT TO OUR SUBSTATIONS AND FROM THE SUBSTATION IT TEARS THE IT BRINGS THE THE ENERGY DOWN IN TO GET INTO THE DISTRIBUTION OUT TO THE TO THE MAYORS I'M SORRY TO THE TO THE VILLAGES IF YOU WILL SO WE WE ARE IN THE PROCESS OF OF CONTINUING WITH WITH OUR PLAN AND WITH WITH THE EXCEPTION OF ASSISTANCE PENDING FROM FEMA WE HAVE INVOKED OUR MUTUAL AID AGREEMENTS WE HAVE A NUMBER OF AID AGREEMENTS WITH NOT ONLY CNMI WHERE WE WE'VE REQUESTED ALREADY FOR FOR LINE PERSONNEL UH CREW ONLY BUT WE ALSO HAVE MUTUAL AID AGREEMENTS WITH THE AMERICAN PUBLIC POWER ASSOCIATION WE HAVE A LONG-STANDING RELATIONSHIP WITH THEM AND THERE WE'VE REQUESTED FOR ADDITIONAL SPECIALIZED BUCKET TRUCKS CREW MATERIALS AND THAT WAS TO ASSIST US WITH OUR ISSUES WITH OUR TRANSMISSION LINES SO WE WE HAVE LIMITED SUPPLY IN THAT REGARD TO TO TACKLE THAT TASK AND IF IF THERE'S ANYTHING ELSE THAT JOHN YOU LIKE TO ADD THAT'S PRETTY MUCH OUR BRIEF FOR THIS THIS MORNING OR THIS AFTERNOON APOLOGIZE THANK YOU.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: THANK YOU GPA SENATOR TELO.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: THANK YOU MR. CHAIR MR. CHAIR I'D GREATLY APPRECIATE THE PANEL GIVING US AN UPDATED VERSION AND THOSE WHO ARE LISTENING BUT AS WE MOVE FORWARD ON THIS BILL THE BILL WILL REQUIRE MORE YOU KNOW INFORMATION ESPECIALLY FROM FEMA AND OF COURSE THE ADMINISTRATION OF BBMR SO AT THIS TIME I'D LIKE US TO RECESS AND COME BACK AT 3 I THINK IT'S 3:30 SIR THAT'S NOT IF I'M NOT MISTAKEN TO HEAR FROM FEMA AND BBMR.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: I.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: ALL RIGHT.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: I OBJECT MR. CHAIR.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: YOU OBJECT IF THERE'S.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: I'D LIKE TO THERE'S FINISH WITH THIS PANEL WITH THE QUESTIONING OF THIS PANEL AND SO THEY CAN BE DISMISSED FOR THE DAY BECAUSE TO CONTINUE THEIR RESPONSE MR. CHAIR IS GWA NOT HERE.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: GWA IS NOT HERE WE'VE BEEN MAKING EFFORT TO CALL AS A MATTER OF FACT WE CALLED THEIR OFFICE AND THEIR RESPONSE IS SO I CAN MAKE IT VERY CLEAR THEIR RESPONSE THEY GAVE WAS THE GW THE GM WAS BUSY IN MEETINGS AND WILL BE OUT WITH STAFF TO GET WATER RESTORED I DON'T KNOW HOW HE'S GOING TO RESTORE IT WHEN HE HAS PEOPLE THAT DOES THAT AND THEY DO A GREAT JOB THEY GOT A CALLBACK FROM THE GM OFFICE HE CANNOT MAKE IT NOR CAN HE SEND A REP I'M GOING TO LEAVE THAT TO THE OVERSIGHT CHAIR TO FIGURE THAT OUT WITH THE GM NOT ME AND THAT HE HAS A BOARD MEETING TO GO TO THAT BEING SAID THERE IS A MOTION BY MY VICE AND IT WAS BROUGHT UP EARLIER BUT NOW IT'S IT'S BEING BROUGHT UP AGAIN BECAUSE THE BRIEFING HAS BEEN GIVEN BY THE THREE WE GO TO THE MOTION.

SENATOR BARNETT: I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO OBJECT.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: OKAY.

SENATOR BARNETT: I THINK THAT WE STILL HAVE QUESTIONS FOR THE PANEL.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: WELL WE HAVE A MOTION RIGHT NOW ALL IN FAVOR TO RECESS TILL 3:30 THIS AFTERNOON WITH FEMA AND BBMR ONE TWO THREE FOUR FIVE SIX SEVEN EIGHT MOTION PASSES WE ARE IN

RECESS TILL 3:30 THIS AFTERNOON FOR BBMR AND FEMA AND I'D ASK SENATOR CLYNT FORMER SENATOR RIDGELL TO RETURN ALSO PLEASE SO YOU CAN BRIEF US THANK YOU.

RECESS

NOTE SENATOR TAITAGUE PRESIDES OVER THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

SENATOR TAITAGUE: THE COMMITTEE HALL IS BACK FROM RECESS WE'RE JUST GOING TO TAKE ANOTHER SHORT ONE MINUTE RECESS SO WE CAN GET ALL THE SENATORS IN WE'RE GOING TO START OFF THE FIRST ROUND WITH MR. MIGUEL BORDALLO FROM GUAM WATERWORKS WAS GOING TO GIVE US A PRESENTATION AND THEN WE'LL WE'RE GOING TO HEAR FROM THE ADMINISTRATION WITH FORMER SENATOR CLYNT RIDGELL SO IF WE CAN GET ALL THE SENATORS IN WE'LL TAKE A SHORT RECESS.

RECESS

SENATOR TAITAGUE: THE COMMITTEE ON HALL IS BACK FROM A SHORT RECESS WE'RE GOING TO START OFF THE START OFF FIRST WITH MIGUEL BORDALLO FROM GWA AND THEN AFTER HE'S DONE I'M GOING TO ALLOW THE ONE ROUND OF QUESTIONS FOR HIM SO PLEASE MIGUEL STATE YOUR NAME FOR THE RECORD AND YOU CAN BEGIN WITH YOUR UPDATE.

MIGUEL BORDALLO – GENERAL MANAGER GUAM WATERWORKS AUTHORITY (GWA): MIGUEL BORDALLO GENERAL MANAGER OF GUAM WATERWORKS AUTHORITY SO JUST TO GIVE YOU AN UPDATE ON THE WATER SYSTEM GWA'S NORTHERN WATER SYSTEM IS OPERATING BUT AT REDUCED CAPACITY WE HAVE ABOUT THE NUMBER BOUNCES BUT BETWEEN 48 AND 50 PERCENT OF ALL OF OUR WELLS OPERABLE EITHER ON GENERATOR POWER ON ISLAND POWER CREWS ARE WORKING TO RESTORE REMAINING 30 PERCENT OF OUR WELLS WHICH NEED REPAIRS OR POWER RESTORATION AND 14 PERCENT OF OUR WELLS REQUIRE MOTOR REPLACEMENTS 48 PERCENT OF OUR WELLS ARE OPERATING EITHER GENERATOR POWER OR ONLINE ABOUT 30 PERCENT NEED EITHER GENERATOR REPAIRS OR OTHER MINOR REPAIRS AND 14 PERCENT OF OUR WELLS REQUIRE MOTOR REPLACEMENT SO THAT THESE ARE WHERE WE PULL THE ENTIRE PUMP COLUMN OUT OF THE WELL AND THEN REPLACE THE PUMPING MOTOR AND SEND IT BACK DOWN.

SENATOR BARNETT: I'M SORRY MR. BORDALLO CAN YOU CLARIFY WHEN YOU SAY 48 PERCENT OF YOUR WELLS ARE.

BORDALLO – GWA: OPERATING.

SENATOR BARNETT: OKAY DOES THAT MEAN THAT THEY'RE BRINGING WATER OUT.

BORDALLO – GWA: YES.

SENATOR BARNETT: TO THE PEOPLE.

BORDALLO – GWA: YES.

SENATOR BARNETT: OKAY JUST CHECKING THANK YOU.

BORDALLO – GWA: SO WE DO IF THE SENATORS MAY BE AWARE THAT THE MAJORITY OF OUR WATER PRODUCTION COMES FROM THE NORTHERN WATER WELLS AND FLOWS THROUGH A SERIES OF PIPES AND RESERVOIRS AND STATIONS DOWN TOWARDS THE CENTRAL AND SOUTH WE ARE CURRENTLY ONLY PRODUCING OPERATING HALF OF OUR WELL SO OBVIOUSLY OUR PRODUCTION IS LIMITED THERE IS WATER IN THE SYSTEM BUT IT IS NOT SUFFICIENT TO MEET DEMAND AND FILL THE RESERVOIRS SO WE DON'T HAVE SUFFICIENT PRESSURE IN MANY AREAS EVEN THOUGH THERE ARE WATER IN THE WATER IN THE PIPES IT CAN'T GET OUT OF THE PIPES TO THE CUSTOMERS BECAUSE OF THIS PRESSURE ISSUE SO THAT'S THE NORTHERN SYSTEM AND THE CENTRAL SYSTEM OUR OUR OWN SOURCES ARE AUGMENTED BY THE NAVY AND WE DO HAVE WATER COMING FROM THE *FENA* WATER TREATMENT PLANT IN A COUPLE DIFFERENT LOCATIONS THEY RESTORED OUR CONNECTION IN *SANTA RITA* SO WE WERE ABLE TO RESTORE MOST OF *SANTA RITA* EXCEPT FOR THE HIGHER ELEVATIONS AND WE'RE RESTORING *AGAT* THAT WORK IS STILL ONGOING *NIMITZ HILL* AREA ALSO RECEIVES WATER FROM THE NAVY WE HAVE RESTORED MOST OF THAT BUT THE HIGHER ELEVATIONS THAT REQUIRE SMALL BOOSTER PUMP STATIONS THAT CURRENTLY DO NOT HAVE GENERATORS ARE STILL WITHOUT WATER ON OUR SOUTHERN WATER SYSTEM WE SUPPLY WITH THE *UGUM* SURFACE WATER TREATMENT PLANT WHICH

IS OPERATING AT REDUCED CAPACITY DUE TO DAMAGE TO CONTROL EQUIPMENT SUSTAINED IN THE STORM SO WE HAVE IN SINCE YESTERDAY RESTORED MOST OF THE SOUTH INCLUDING *MERIZO* BUT WE ARE NOW WORKING TOWARDS RESTORING *UMATAC* WHICH STILL HAS SOME WATER IN THEIR RESERVOIRS FROM BEFORE THE STORM THE CURRENT WEATHER HAS CAUSED SOME FLASH FLOODS IN THE *UGUM* WATERSHED SO WE DID HAVE TO SHUT DOWN THE PLANT EARLIER TODAY IT WILL OPERATE INTERMITTENTLY BUT ONLY COME BACK ON AFTER THE TURBIDITY IN THE RIVER HAS SUBSIDED WE HAVE DEPLOYED ABOUT NINE FLEX TANKERS AND WE HAVE TWO OF OUR OWN TANKERS THAT ARE SERVICING THE HOSPITAL AND CLINICS AND OTHER CRITICAL CARE FACILITIES AND REFILLING THEM FEMA PROVIDED TO ADDITIONAL TANKERS YESTERDAY WHICH WE ARE GETTING INTO SHAPES THAT WE CAN USE AND DEPLOY THEM I THINK ONE OF THEM IS ALREADY OUT UP IN *YIGO* AS THE TANKERS IN THE VILLAGES ARE DEPLETED WE WILL REFILL THEM ASSESS IF THEY'RE STILL NEEDED IN THOSE AREAS OR IF WATER HAS BEEN RESTORED WE WILL DEPLOY THEM TO OTHER AREAS THAT STILL HAVE NO WATER THAT ESSENTIALLY IS A SUMMARY OF OUR WATER SYSTEM ON ON THE WASTEWATER SIDE WE HAVE SEVERAL PLANTS THAT ARE OPERATIONAL NORTHERN DISTRICT WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT *UMATAC* *MERIZO* *HAGÁTÑA* AND *INARAJAN* PLANTS ARE ALL FUNCTIONING NORMALLY ALTHOUGH SOME WITH REDUCED CAPACITY THE *AGAT SANTA RITA* PLANT IS PROCESSING FLOW BUT IT IS STILL WITHOUT POWER SO WE ARE LIMITED IN THE TREATMENT THAT IS BEING PROVIDED AT THE *AGAT SANTA RITA* PLANT PUMP STATIONS THAT BRING THE WASTEWATER TO THESE PLANTS IN SOME AREAS STILL DO NOT HAVE POWER AND THOUGH IN THOSE AREAS WE DO HAVE SOME SEWER OVERFLOWS THAT ARE OCCURRING WE HAVE CAUTION THE PUBLIC TO AVOID CONTACT WITH ANY OVERFLOWING SEWAGE AND WE ARE DOING OUR BEST TO TRY AND GET THOSE STATIONS BACK ONLINE WE ARE PRIORITIZING WITH GPA GETTING ISLAND POWER BACK TO SEVERAL OF OUR HIGH PRODUCING WELLS IN *YIGO* ALSO ALONG THE *FINEGAYAN* AREA IN ROUTE 3 THE F SERIES WELLS AND D SERIES WELLS THERE ARE SEVERAL WHICH REMAIN DOWN AND WE'RE HOPEFUL THAT ONCE THOSE CIRCUITS ARE RE-ESTABLISHED AND THE WELLS ARE BACK ON ISLAND POWER WE'LL BE ABLE TO INCREASE OUR PRODUCTION AND GET MORE WATER IN THE RESERVOIRS SO THAT'S ABOUT IT FOR THE SUMMARY OF OUR WATER AND WASTEWATER SYSTEMS.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: THANK YOU MR. BORDALLO WE'RE GOING TO GO AHEAD AND START WITH THE OVERSIGHT CHAIR OF WATER TO START OFF WITH THE QUESTIONING I THINK THAT'S SENATOR PEREZ WE'RE GOING TO START OFF WITH YOU.

SENATOR PEREZ: ALL RIGHT.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: DO YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS WE'RE GOING TO JUST DO ONE ROUND EVERYONE.

SENATOR PEREZ: ALL RIGHT THANK YOU MADAM CHAIR SO THANK YOU GENERAL MANAGER FOR BEING DOWN HERE I KNOW YOU'RE YOU HAVE A BUSY SCHEDULE I KNOW IN OUR ONE OF OUR EARLIER INTERACTIONS YOU KNOW YOU DID A TOUR WITH ME REGARDS TO THE DIFFERENT YOU KNOW FACILITIES AND ONE OF THE THINGS I RECALL THAT YOU MENTIONED WAS THAT THEY'RE GOING TO BE GENERATORS FOR THE WATER WELLS AND I GUESS WE HAD MAYOR ALIG HERE THIS MORNING BASICALLY STATING THAT YOU KNOW THEY WERE IN A MEETING WITH THE GOVERNOR AND YOU KNOW IT SEEMED LIKE THERE WAS GWA WAS READY FOR THE STORM AND THEN ONLY TO FIND OUT THAT THERE WAS YOU KNOW CAN YOU KNOW BASICALLY A SHORTAGE OF OF I GUESS GENERATORS THAT WERE OPERA IN OPERATION OF MAYBE YOU CAN CLARIFY WHEN YOU MADE THAT STATEMENT THAT YOU WERE READY DID YOU WERE WERE ALL THE CHECKS DONE AT THE DIFFERENT WATER WELLS AND AT WHAT POINT DID YOU REALIZE THAT THESE GENERATORS WERE NOT FUNCTIONING OR IF THERE WERE PRESENT TO BEGIN WITH.

BORDALLO – GWA: SO FOR ALL OF THE WELLS THAT WE DO HAVE GENERATORS FOR WE WERE READY AND THE DECISION TO START THOSE GENERATORS PRIOR TO THE STORM AS BEFORE THE STORM APPROACHED THAT'S A CALL THAT'S MADE BY GUAM POWER AUTHORITY THEY THEY OPERATE AND MAINTAIN THE GENERATORS AND SO WHEN MR. BENAVENTE DECIDES TO TAKE US OFF OF THE GRID AND PUT US ON GENERATOR POWER THAT DECISION IS MADE BY HIM BUT IN CONSULTATION WITH OUR CONTROL CENTER AND OUR PEOPLE ARE ADVISED SO PRIOR TO THE STORM ALL THE GENERATORS THAT ALL THE SITES THAT DID HAVE GENERATORS WERE OPERATING SORRY LET ME REPHRASE ALL THE SITES THAT DID HAVE OPERATING GENERATORS WERE STARTED AND THOSE REMAINED ONLINE DURING THE STORM AFTER THE STORM OR DURING THE STORM SOME OF THOSE GENERATORS MAY HAVE GONE DOWN FOR WHATEVER REASON OVERHEATING WE HAD SEVERAL UNITS THAT HAD WATER FROM THE WIND DRIVEN RAIN HAD PUSHED WATER INTO THE CONTROL PANELS AND SHORTED THEM OUT AND SO THEY WENT OFFLINE DURING THE STORM AND IT WASN'T UNTIL AFTER DURING THE

ASSESSMENT PROCESS THAT WE IDENTIFIED THOSE AND HAVE BEEN WORKING WITH GPA TO GET THOSE BACK ONLINE.

SENATOR PEREZ: SO MY UNDERSTANDING IS THAT THEY'RE NOT ALL WELLS HAD GENERATORS TO THEM IS THAT CORRECT.

BORDALLO – GWA: THAT'S CORRECT NOT ALL THE WELLS HAVE GENERATORS.

SENATOR PEREZ: OKAY SO WHY WAS THAT DECISION YOU KNOW AT WHAT POINT WAS THAT DECISION MADE THAT NOT ALL WELLS WOULD HAVE GENERATORS.

BORDALLO – GWA: SO I DON'T KNOW IF THERE WAS A DECISION THAT WAS MADE FOR THE WELLS NOT TO HAVE GENERATORS THERE WAS A DECISION MADE TO AS WE PROGRESS IN RENOVATING THE WELLS AND DOING CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS IF THEY DON'T HAVE GENERATORS TO INSTALL THEM AND GPA HAS A SIMILAR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM WHERE THEY WERE WITH RESPECT TO THEIR PROGRESS ON THAT CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM I CANNOT SAY BUT WITH OUR CIPS WHEN WE REHABILITATE A WELL SITE THAT IS INCLUDED IN THE CONSTRUCTION PLANS AND AS WE REHABILITATE WE WE DO INCLUDE EITHER REPLACING AN EXISTING GENERATOR OR ADDING A GENERATOR IF THERE IS NOT ONE.

SENATOR PEREZ: OKAY SO IT WAS BASICALLY BASED ON THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT PLANS YOU HAD IN PLACE AND NOT AN OVERALL ASSURANCE THAT THE WELLS WOULD HAVE GENERATORS IS THAT CORRECT.

BORDALLO – GWA: WELL I THINK IT'S THE BOARD'S POLICY THAT THEY ALL HAVE GENERATORS BUT THE EXECUTION OF THAT TAKES THE FORM OF OUR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM AND GPA'S CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM.

SENATOR PEREZ: SO I UNDERSTAND THAT YOU HAVE A CCU YOU MEETING TODAY.

BORDALLO – GWA: WE DO.

SENATOR PEREZ: WITH RESOLUTIONS CAN YOU EXPLAIN ARE THOSE RESOLUTIONS GOING TO ADDRESS OR EXPEDITE THE RESTORATION OF WATER TO THE ISLAND.

BORDALLO – GWA: THESE RESOLUTIONS WERE PLANNED PRIOR TO THE STORM THEY ARE FOR THE REGULAR BUSINESS OF THE BOARD AND INVOLVE MOSTLY REGULATORY COMPLIANCE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS AND OTHER ISSUES.

SENATOR PEREZ: OKAY ARE THERE ANYTHING THAT'S IN PLAN FOR THE MEETING REGARDS TO RESTORATION OR AT LEAST PRIORITIZING THE RESTORATION OF OF THE WELLS BECAUSE ACCORDING TO WHAT YOU JUST SAID EARLIER 30 PERCENT NEED SOME SORT OF REPAIR.

BORDALLO – GWA: NONE OF THOSE REPAIRS REQUIRE ACTION BY THE BOARD THOSE ARE THINGS THAT WE ARE WORKING ON AT THE OPERATIONAL LEVEL.

SENATOR PEREZ: OKAY AND WHAT DO YOU NEED TO GET THIS EXPEDITED TO GET THE WELLS UP AND RUNNING HAVE YOU BEEN IN COMMUNICATION WITH FEMA IN REGARDS TO YOUR NEEDS TO GET THIS WATER RESTORED TO THE THE PUBLIC.

BORDALLO – GWA: WE HAVE SUBMITTED A REQUEST TO FEMA FOR GENERATORS FOR OUR CRITICAL HIGH PRODUCING WELLS THEY HAVE RESPONDED WE HAVE TWO BEING DELIVERED AT THIS TIME AS SOON AS THEY ARE DELIVERED AND HOOKED UP WE WILL START PRODUCING WATER FROM FROM THOSE WELLS ONE OF THEM IS ONE OF OUR HIGHER PRODUCERS UP IN *YIGO* AND THE OTHER ONE IS IN THE *AGANA SPRINGS* AREA THEY'VE ALSO ARE CONTINUING.

CARLSON – BBMR: TELO.

BORDALLO – GWA: TO CONDUCT ASSESSMENTS.

CARLSON – BBMR: TELO.

BORDALLO – GWA: FOR AN ADDITIONAL FOR AN ADDITIONAL EIGHT SITES I BELIEVE THERE WAS A TOTAL OF TEN SO THOSE THOSE ARE WATER BOOSTER PUMP STATIONS FOR SOME OF THESE HIGHER ELEVATIONS THAT CURRENTLY CAN HAVE WATER BUT DON'T HAVE POWER TO THE BOOSTER PUMP STATIONS.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: SENATOR PEREZ CAN I JUST HAVE LESTER WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A COMMENT GO AHEAD LESTER.

CARLSON – BBMR: THANK YOU MADAM CHAIR MR. FENTON IS HERE I THINK MR. FENTON CAN CONFIRM THE STATEMENTS BY MR. BORDALLO THAT AFTER THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF CONDITION FOUR AND THEN AN ASSESSMENT OF THE CAPABILITIES OF THE OPERATIONAL ABILITIES OF THE GENERATORS THERE WERE PREPOSITION GENERATORS ON ISLAND THAT WERE IMMEDIATELY REQUESTED FOR USE FOR WATER RESTORATION AND IF I COULD ASK MR. FENTON TO ELABORATE.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: THANK YOU LESTER SENATOR PEREZ I'M GOING TO HAVE YOU GO AHEAD AND CONTINUE YOUR LINE OF QUESTIONING BUT I WILL ALLOW YOU TO ASK THE FINA REPRESENTATIVE MR. FENTON OR BOB TO ASK ANY QUESTIONS AS WELL EVEN THOUGH YOU'RE TALKING TO MIGUEL SO I'M GOING TO ALLOW THE THE SENATORS TO ASK QUESTIONS ON BOTH SIDES AT THIS TIME SO FEEL FREE TO.

SENATOR PEREZ: OKAY.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: ASK MR FENTON.

SENATOR PEREZ: YEAH.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: ANYTHING.

SENATOR PEREZ: I WOULD LIKE TO CONTINUE THE QUESTION.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: THEN PLEASE GO AHEAD AND YOU HAVE THE FLOOR.

SENATOR PEREZ: OKAY ALL RIGHT SO CAN YOU CONFIRM SO HOW MANY WELLS WERE ACTUALLY OPERATING BEFORE TYPHOON HIT GM.

BORDALLO – GWA: THE NUMBER FLUCTUATES BASED ON OPERATING CONDITIONS BUT IT'S TYPICALLY AROUND 90 OR SO WELLS.

SENATOR PEREZ: 90 WELLS SO THAT WOULD BE WHAT PERCENTAGE OUT OF 115.

BORDALLO – GWA: ABOUT 75 PERCENT.

SENATOR PEREZ: 75 OKAY AND AFTER THE TYPHOON IT DROPPED DOWN TO.

BORDALLO – GWA: WE'RE OPERATING AT RIGHT NOW 47.

SENATOR PEREZ: 47 PERCENT.

BORDALLO – GWA: 48 PERCENT.

SENATOR PEREZ: OKAY AND SO WHAT KIND OF SUPPLIES DO YOU NEED TO BRING IT BACK UP TO THE BASELINE I MEAN RIGHT NOW YOU SAID YOU'RE ONLY GOING TO GET TWO GENERATORS THAT'S PROBABLY NOT ENOUGH BECAUSE THAT'S ONLY TWO MORE WELLS.

BORDALLO – GWA: SOME OF THESE DON'T NEED TO BE REPLACED SO I DON'T NEED A NEW GENERATOR BUT SOME OF THEM DO NEED EITHER REPAIR THE WHAT I'VE SEEN BASED ON THE ASSESSMENT REPORTS INCLUDE LEAKING RADIATORS LOW OIL PRESSURE WHICH WE NEED SOME DIAGNOSTICS BEFORE WE CAN FIGURE OUT WHAT NEEDS TO BE REPLACED SO I CAN'T I CAN'T GIVE YOU AN ANSWER TO THAT QUESTION BECAUSE IT SUPPLIES AND PARTS ARE NOT NECESSARILY KNOWN AT THIS TIME.

SENATOR PEREZ: OKAY BECAUSE THAT'S REALLY CRITICAL WE WANT TO GET THE RESTORATION EXPEDITED THERE HAS TO BE AN ASSESSMENT OF EXACTLY WHAT THE NEEDS ARE.

BORDALLO – GWA: IT'S ON.

SENATOR PEREZ: SO HOW HOW SOON CAN THE ASSESSMENT BE DONE.

BORDALLO – GWA: IT'S ONGOING.

SENATOR PEREZ: OKAY OKAY YEAH YEAH EVERY EVERY YOU KNOW THE AS SOON AS WE CAN GET THAT WE CAN GET THE WATER BACK HOPEFULLY AS SOON AS POSSIBLE SO DO YOU HAVE A LIST OF YOUR NEEDS I MEAN OF COURSE THAT'S GOING TO COME FROM ASSESSMENT BUT FEMA'S HERE SO THEY CAN YOU KNOW HOPEFULLY YOU KNOW EXPEDITE THE PROVISION OF OF SUPPLIES TO TO GET THESE WELLS UP TO 90 PERCENT 90 90 WELL SORRY 90 WELLS WERE OPERATING BEFORE THE TYPHOON AND IF WE WANT TO GET THE ISLAND BACK WATER BACK YOU KNOW THERE'S A WAY YOU CAN EXPEDITE THAT ASSESSMENT SO THE MATERIALS CAN BE REPLENISHED.

BORDALLO – GWA: UNDERSTOOD WE'RE WORKING ON IT AND AS THE NEEDS AS OUR NEEDS ARE IDENTIFIED WE'RE IMMEDIATELY REACHING OUT THROUGH THE PROCESS THAT'S ESTABLISHED UP AT EOC THROUGH ALL THE AGE PARTNER AGENCIES FOR WHATEVER ASSISTANCE WE MIGHT NEED OR WHAT THEY MIGHT BE ABLE TO OFFER SO WE ARE DOING THAT.

SENATOR PEREZ: OKAY AND THEN AS FAR AS THE SEWAGE SYSTEM SO THAT'S REALLY CRITICAL BECAUSE NOW WE'RE GETTING BACKFLOWS SO WHAT WAS THE BASELINE AS FAR AS BOOSTER PUMPS OF COURSE THE *SANTA RITA* SEWAGE PLANT IS IS A BIG YOU KNOW IS A BIG PART OF YOU KNOW CLEAN WATER RIGHT MAKING SURE THE WATER THAT IS BEING RETURNED.

BORDALLO – GWA: YEAH.

SENATOR PEREZ: IS CLEAN.

BORDALLO – GWA: WE'RE NOT BYPASSING ANY TREATMENT PLANTS SO EVERY ALL THE FLOWS THAT ARE GETTING TO THE TREATMENT PLANTS ARE FLOWING THROUGH THE PLANTS SO WE'RE NOT BYPASSING ANY PLANTS IN SOME CASES AS IN *AGAT SANTA RITA* WE'RE GETTING REDUCED TREATMENT BUT WE STILL HAVE A CLEAR EFFLUENT AND THAT IS COMING OUT OF THE PLANT SO WE ARE PROVIDING TREATMENT.

SENATOR PEREZ: IT'S HAS AN ASSESSMENT BEEN DONE AS FAR AS WHAT'S NEEDED TO ENSURE THAT IT'S BACK 100 PERCENT OPERATIONAL OR AT LEAST OPERATIONAL TO BASELINE.

BORDALLO – GWA: SO THE ONLY STATION THAT IS NOT OPERATIONAL TO BASELINE WOULD BE *AGAT SANTA RITA* AND ONCE POWER IS RESTORED THEN WE WILL BE THERE.

SENATOR PEREZ: ARE THERE ANY INCIDENTAL OR YOU KNOW RESULTS YOU KNOW CONSEQUENCES OF IT NOT BEING PUT BACK ONLINE RIGHT AWAY.

BORDALLO – GWA: I'M NOT SURE THAT I UNDERSTAND THE QUESTION BUT IN TERMS OF THE IMPACTS.

SENATOR PEREZ: YES.

BORDALLO – GWA: WELL WE ARE DISCHARGING THE EFFLUENT WHICH NORMALLY WOULD RUN WOULD BE PUMPED OUT TO THE SHARED OCEAN OUTFALL WITH THE NAVY THAT IS BEING AT THIS TIME PUMPED INTO WITH SMALLER PUMPS PUMPED INTO OUR ON-SITE PONDING BASIN.

SENATOR PEREZ: OKAY SO AGAIN YOU KNOW THE ASSESSMENT NEEDS TO BE DONE AT ARE YOU CONFIDENT YOU CAN GET THAT DONE.

BORDALLO – GWA: WELL WE KNOW WHAT WE NEED.

SENATOR PEREZ: QUICKLY.

BORDALLO – GWA: WE KNOW WHAT WE NEED AT *AGAT SANTA RITA* WE'RE TRYING TO PROCURE IT RIGHT NOW.

SENATOR PEREZ: OKAY IS THAT THROUGH THE.

BORDALLO – GWA: THERE'S.

SENATOR PEREZ: THROUGH FEMA.

BORDALLO – GWA: WELL WE'RE WE'RE USING OUR OWN MEANS THERE'S NOTHING AVAILABLE ON ISLAND FOR THE PART SO WE'RE LOOKING AT TRYING TO SOURCE IT FROM HAWAII AND HAVE IT FLOWN OVER.

SENATOR PEREZ: OKAY THE *UGUM* WATERSHED SO I I SAW SOME SOMETHING IN SOCIAL MEDIA THAT YOU WERE DOING PREPARATORY WORK TO MAKE SURE THAT I GUESS THERE'S NO EROSION I THINK THAT THE ISSUE THERE IS THE SILTATION RIGHT SO WHAT IS BEING DONE CURRENTLY TO BRING THAT BACK UP.

BORDALLO – GWA: SO WHENEVER THERE IS A STORM I WANT TO MAKE SURE WE'RE CLEAR WHENEVER THERE'S A STORM IN TURBIDITY IN THE RIVER INCREASES THERE ARE THERE'S A SET POINT AT WHICH ABOVE WHICH WE CANNOT PUMP THE WATER THROUGH THE MEMBRANE PLANT AND THAT THE TURBIDITY LEVELS IN THE RIVER ARE ENTIRELY DEPENDENT ON THE RAINFALL ON THE FLASH FLOODS DURING YOU KNOW LIGHT RAINFALL THE WATER IS CLEAR ENOUGH FOR US TO USE IT BUT DURING HEAVY RAINFALL WHEN IT GETS VERY CHOCOLATEY BROWN WE TERMINATE OPERATIONS AT THE PLANT BUT WE DO HAVE THE RESERVOIR OF FINISHED WATER WHICH IS WHAT WE USE TO SUSTAIN SUPPLY WHILE THE PLANT IS INTERMITTENTLY OFFLINE THE ONLY WAY TO RESOLVE THE ISSUE OF THE TURBIDITY IN THE RIVER IS TO HAVE A SEPARATE SOURCE OF RAW WATER THAT IS NOT THAT IS PUMPED OUT OF THE RIVER AND AND IN A RESERVOIR AND THEN WHEN THE RIVER GETS TOO MURKY TO USE THEN WE CAN DRAW FROM THE RESERVOIR THAT IS A PROJECT THAT'S CURRENTLY UNDERGOING STUDY WE RECENTLY GOT A GRANT FROM THE BUREAU OF RECLAMATION TO CONDUCT A WATERSHED STUDY TO DETERMINE WHAT TYPE OF IMPROVEMENTS WOULD BE NEEDED IN ORDER TO PROVIDE US THAT RESILIENCY AND LAST MONTH THE TEAM FROM BUREAU OF RECLAMATION WAS OUT HERE BUT THAT'S STILL IN THE EARLY PLANNING STAGES THE ONLY THING WE CAN DO AT THIS POINT IS AS PART OF OUR NORMAL OPERATIONS IS TO CLEAR THE INTAKE REMOVE WHATEVER SILK WE CAN FROM THE WET WELL AND THAT IS JUST PART OF OUR NORMAL OPERATION SO THERE IS THERE WE'RE DOING EVERYTHING THAT WE POSSIBLY CAN AT THIS POINT THE ONLY THING THAT COULD ALLOW THAT SITUATION TO BE BETTER IS A LARGE-SCALE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT THAT PROVIDES A DAM AND A RAW WATER RESERVOIR WHICH WE ARE WORKING TOWARDS WITH THIS STUDY WITH BUREAU OF RECLAMATION.

SENATOR PEREZ: OKAY A QUESTION REGARDS TO COMMUNITIES THAT RELY ON MILITARY WATER ARE THERE ANY AREAS AROUND GUAM THAT RELY HEAVILY ON *FENA*.

BORDALLO – GWA: THE *AGAT SANTA RITA* AREA DOES RELY ON A CONNECTION FROM THE *FENA* WATER TREATMENT PLANT.

SENATOR PEREZ: HOW ABOUT *MONGMONG-TOTO-MAITE* DO THEY STILL GET WATER FROM THERE.

BORDALLO – GWA: I BELIEVE THERE'S A CONNECTION IN PLACE BUT WE TYPICALLY ARE SERVING THAT FROM OUR OWN SOURCES AT THIS TIME.

SENATOR PEREZ: AND WHAT ARE THE ISSUES TO HELP RELIEVE ACCESS TO WATER FOR THOSE AREAS OR AS HAS WATER BEEN RESTORED.

BORDALLO – GWA: WATER HAS BEEN RESTORED IN FACT THE MILITARY HAS INCREASED THE FLOWS THAT ABOVE WHAT THEY NORMALLY PROVIDE TO ASSIST US WITH RECOVERY.

SENATOR PEREZ: OKAY SO QUESTIONS.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: MADAM SENATOR YEAH.

SENATOR PEREZ: THIS JUST THIS IS JUST FOR GWA NOT FOR.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: YEAH JUST FOR GWA RIGHT NOW.

SENATOR PEREZ: OKAY ALRIGHT.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: IF YOU DON'T MIND AND I'D LIKE TO ASK YOUR VICE CHAIR UNDER GUAM WATERWORKS WHICH IS SENATOR FISHER IF HE HAS ANY QUESTIONS

SENATOR FISHER: HOW ABOUT NOW OKAY GOOD TO GO GOOD AFTERNOON SIR YOU KNOW LATER ON TODAY WE ARE GOING TO BE ASKED WHETHER OR NOT WE WANT TO GIVE THE GOVERNOR 50 MILLION DOLLARS IN

INITIAL TRANSFER AUTHORITY HAVE YOU HAD ANY DISCUSSIONS ABOUT FINANCES AND WHAT SHE NEEDS MONEY-WISE TO HELP YOUR AGENCY.

BORDALLO – GWA: NO.

SENATOR FISHER: BECAUSE YEAH BECAUSE WE'RE I MAYBE SOMEBODY ELSE KNOWS BUT I DON'T KNOW WHY SHE SAYS 50 MILLION AND NOT 49 OR 320 SHE I JUST DON'T KNOW WHAT SHE'S USING THE MONEY FOR OR WHAT SHE PLANS ON USING THE MONEY FOR AND THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR CANDOR BY THE WAY DOES GWA STILL RECOM RECOMMEND THAT WHERE WATER IS FREE-FLOWING TO THE COMMUNITY THAT WE STILL BOIL THE WATER.

BORDALLO – GWA: WE HAVE A PRECAUTIONARY BOIL WATER WE ISSUED A PRECAUTIONARY BOIL WATER NOTICE.

SENATOR FISHER: OKAY.

BORDALLO – GWA: WE HAVE CONDUCTED TWO ROUNDS OF SAMPLING OF WATER IN THE DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM FROM ALL THE PLACES THAT WE NORMALLY TAKE OUR REGULAR WEEKLY SAMPLES AND THOSE RESULTS HAVE COME BACK NEGATIVE FOR BACTERIA AND COLIFORM SO THE WATER IS AS SAFE AS IT CAN BE SO THERE IS NO DATA TO SUPPORT A MANDATORY BOIL WATER NOTICE BUT WE STILL PUT OUT THE PRECAUTIONARY BOIL WATER NOTICE.

SENATOR FISHER: OKAY IS THAT TRUE FOR THE ENTIRE ISLAND.

BORDALLO – GWA: YES.

SENATOR FISHER: OKAY.

BORDALLO – GWA: OH SORRY LET ME TAKE THAT BACK THAT'S TRUE FOR ALL OF GWA'S SYSTEMS.

SENATOR FISHER: OH.

BORDALLO – GWA: I CAN ONLY SPEAK FOR OUR SYSTEMS.

SENATOR FISHER: OKAY BECAUSE A FOLLOW-UP QUESTION IS THIS RICK CRUZ FROM THE PACIFIC DAILY NEWS HE PUBLISHED SOME NEWS PHOTOGRAPHS THIS MORNING OF THE GIL BAZA DOLLAR HOUSING SUBDIVISION AND IT LOOKS LIKE THEY UNDERWENT A ABSOLUTE CATASTROPHE UP THERE EVEN MORE SO THAN THE REST OF THE ISLAND DO YOU HAVE ANY IDEA WHAT THE STATUS OF WATER DELIVERY IS TO THESE MARGINALIZED COMMUNITIES SUCH AS DOLLAR HOUSING AND GIL BAZA.

BORDALLO – GWA: SO SPECIFICALLY FOR THE GIL BAZA SUBDIVISION THAT YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT WE DO HAVE A CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT THAT IS BEING FUNDED BY U.S. EPA TO REPLACE OR PROVIDE WATER AND SEWER INFRASTRUCTURE FOR THAT SUBDIVISION.

SENATOR FISHER: IS THAT GOING FORWARD.

BORDALLO – GWA: IT'S IN THE DESIGN STAGES.

SENATOR FISHER: OKAY IT'S IN THE DESIGN STAGE WHAT ABOUT WHAT ABOUT TODAY WHAT ABOUT TODAY THE PEOPLE AT GIL BAZA THE PEOPLE AT DOLLAR HOUSING OTHER AREAS THAT ARE NOT HISTORICALLY WELL SERVED DO THEY HAVE FRESH WATER.

BORDALLO – GWA: FOR THOSE SPECIFIC AREAS I I CAN'T SORRY I CAN'T SAY RIGHT NOW I DON'T HAVE A STATUS BROKEN DOWN BY BY HOUSING SUBDIVISION.

SENATOR FISHER: HANG ON JUST A MINUTE OKAY THANK YOU OKAY SO WELL.

BORDALLO – GWA: BUT IN IN GENERAL TERMS THE ONLY SUBDIVISION OF THAT TYPE THAT I AS I UNDERSTAND YOUR QUESTION.

SENATOR FISHER: YEAH.

BORDALLO – GWA: THAT DOES NOT HAVE A WATER PIPE TO EACH ACCOUNT OR EACH LOT IS GIL BAZA THE OTHER ZERO DOWN AND GIL BREEZE ALL HAVE THEY DO HAVE WATER DISTRIBUTION AND THEY ALSO HAVE I BELIEVE ZERO DOWN I KNOW FOR SURE HAS WASTEWATER.

SENATOR FISHER: DO YOU KNOW DO YOU KNOW WHAT THE POPULATION IS OF GIL BAZA.

BORDALLO – GWA: I'M SORRY SIR I DON'T.

SENATOR FISHER: SO THE IS THE ANSWER TO WHETHER OR NOT GIL BAZA AND I KNOW YOU YOU KNOW YOU HAVEN'T DONE A NEIGHBORHOOD BREAKDOWN IS IT SAFE TO ASSUME THOSE PEOPLE DON'T HAVE FRESH WATER.

BORDALLO – GWA: I I DON'T WANT TO MAKE AN ASSUMPTION SIR ABOUT WHETHER THEY DO OR WHETHER THEY DON'T IN GENERAL FROM WHERE I I UNDERSTAND OUR SERVICE TO BE ACTIVE WE ARE LIKE I SAID WE ARE STILL NOT PRODUCING SUFFICIENT WATER TO MEET THE DEMAND IN ALL AREAS AND ALL THOSE AREAS IN UP NORTH ARE ONLY ESPECIALLY THE ONES THAT ARE DEPENDENT ON THE PRESSURE OF AN OPERATING WELL TO PROVIDE THEM WATER.

SENATOR FISHER: OKAY.

BORDALLO – GWA: IF THE RESERVOIRS ARE EMPTY IT IS LIKELY THAT THEY DO NOT HAVE WATER SERVICE THERE'S NOT SUFFICIENT PRESSURE.

SENATOR FISHER: IS IS THE ISSUE OF INSUFFICIENT PRESSURE DID THAT EXIST EVEN BEFORE THE TYPHOON.

BORDALLO – GWA: ABSOLUTELY.

SENATOR FISHER: WHAT.

BORDALLO – GWA: RIGHT.

SENATOR FISHER: WHAT'S THE PROBLEM THEY'RE RATEPAYERS TOO.

BORDALLO – GWA: NO NO IT'S NOT AN ONGOING PROBLEM WHEN EVERYTHING'S OPERATING IT DOESN'T THERE IS NO THERE IS NO ISSUE WITH PRESSURE MY POINT IS THAT IN SOME AREAS BECAUSE OF THE WAY GUAM'S WATER SYSTEM WAS ORIGINALLY CONSTRUCTED WE DON'T OPERATE BY TURN BY PUMPING WATER OUT OF A WELL TRANSMITTING IT THROUGH A DEDICATED TRANSMISSION LINE TO THE RESERVOIR AND THEN HAVING IT GRAVITY FLOW FEED BACK INTO THE SYSTEM IN THOSE INSTANCES COMMUNITIES ARE RELIANT ON THE PRESSURE FROM THE RESERVOIR AND NOT FROM THE WELL THE SITUATION I WAS DESCRIBING IS IF YOU'RE IN A NEIGHBORHOOD THAT RELIES ON A CONNECTION THAT'S RIGHT NEXT TO THE WELL AND THE WELL PROVIDES THE PRESSURE YOU ONLY GET PRESSURE WHEN THE WELL OPERATES.

SENATOR FISHER: UNDER WELL THAT'S UNDERSTOOD BUT I GUESS MY EARLIER QUESTION WAS PRIOR TO THIS TYPHOON COMING THROUGH THAT AREA HAD.

BORDALLO – GWA: YES.

SENATOR FISHER: ONGOING WATER.

BORDALLO – GWA: YES.

SENATOR FISHER: PROBLEMS.

BORDALLO – GWA: NO NO NO NO NO ONGOING WATER PROBLEMS THEY HAD ON GO THEY HAD WATER SERVICE WHICH WAS SUFFICIENT.

SENATOR FISHER: OKAY ALL RIGHT SIR I GUESS THE OTHER THING FRUSTRATION ON ISLAND IS GROWING AND WHEN WHEN THAT EVENT HAPPENS UNFORTUNATE THINGS COME ABOUT ARE YOUR PUMP STATIONS IN PARTICULAR THE GENERATORS ARE THEY SECURE IN OTHER WORDS THEY'RE NOT GOING TO WALK AWAY ARE THEY.

BORDALLO – GWA: NO MOST OF OUR PUMP STATIONS THAT HAVE PERMANENT INSTALLATIONS INCLUDING PERMANENT FUEL STORAGE TANK AND ALL OF THAT THOSE ARE NOT GOING TO WALK AWAY WITH THE FEMA ONES THAT WE MAY BE SUPPLIED WE THAT HAS BECOME A CONCERN FOR US TODAY THERE ARE SEVERAL AS I MENTIONED THERE WAS 10 ON THE LIST SEVERAL OF THOSE ARE FOR SMALLER PUMP STATIONS THAT ARE LOCATED IN AN EASEMENT THERE'S NO GENERATOR STRUCTURE THERE RIGHT NOW SO NO PERMANENT HOUSING FOR IT.

SENATOR FISHER: OKAY.

BORDALLO – GWA: WE'RE WORRIED YOU KNOW THOSE ARE PLACED NEXT TO THE SITE THEY'RE WIRED UP THEY WILL OPERATE BUT WE'RE WORRIED THAT THOSE SMALLER ONES MIGHT WALK AWAY AND SO WE'RE LOOKING AT TEMPORARY GUARD SERVICES IF NEEDED TO MAKE SURE THAT THOSE DON'T WALK AWAY.

SENATOR FISHER: OKAY AND THEN JUST A FINAL QUESTION THIS IS A FOLLOW-UP TO WHAT WAS ALSO IN THE NEWSPAPER TODAY PEOPLE DON'T KNOW YET BUT THERE MIGHT BE AN ESTIMATE THAT MAYBE THERE MIGHT BE A THOUSAND PEOPLE WHO ARE OR MORE WHO ARE NOW HOMELESS ON GUAM DOES YOUR AGENCY HAVE A SENSE I MEAN YOU GUYS HAVE BEEN OUT ALL OVER THE ISLAND AGAIN I'M JUST ASKING TO SPECULATE DO YOU HAVE A SENSE OF HOW BAD IT'S GOING TO BE AS THIS WEATHER CLEARS UP AND WE TRY TO GET THE SYSTEM GOING.

BORDALLO – GWA: I WOULD SAY THAT WE HAVE A GENERAL SENSE FROM A MANAGEMENT LEVEL I DON'T THINK THAT WE YET HAVE A SENSE OR A MECHANISM ESTABLISHED FROM A CUSTOMER SERVICE LEVEL TO TRY AND ASSIST WITH THAT BUT THAT DOESN'T MEAN WE WON'T IT JUST MEANS WE WE HAVEN'T YET.

SENATOR FISHER: OKAY THANK YOU VERY MUCH THANK YOU MA'AM.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: THANK YOU SENATOR FISHER SENATOR LUJAN.

SENATOR LUJAN: THANK YOU THANK YOU MADAM CHAIR THANK YOU MR. GENERAL MANAGER FOR BEING HERE THIS AFTERNOON EARLIER YOUR COLLEAGUE HAD ASKED WHETHER OR NOT YOU'VE BEEN IN CONSULTATION WITH THE ADMINISTRATION IN REGARDS TO THE FUNDING THAT THAT YOU WOULD NEED FOR REPAIRS AND OR I GUESS RESTORATION THAT NOT HAPPENING AT THIS POINT WHAT IS YOUR FINANCIAL NEED AT THIS POINT FOR FOR YOUR RESTORATION.

BORDALLO – GWA: I DON'T BELIEVE THAT WE'VE ESTABLISHED THE FINANCIAL NEED FOR THE RESTORATION GWA DOES NOT TYPICALLY RECEIVE ANY FUNDS FROM THE GENERAL GOVERNMENT WE OPERATE PURELY ON OUR RATES I CAN SAY THAT FOR THE LAST FOUR YEARS OF OUR FIVE-YEAR RATE PLAN THE RATE RELIEF THAT WE HAVE REQUESTED FROM THE PUC HAS NOT BEEN GRANTED AND AS A RESULT OF THAT AND ALSO AS OF THE ECONOMIC DOWNTURN FROM THE PANDEMIC GWA SINCE 2020 HAS BEEN IN SEVERE AUSTRERE AUSTRERITY MEASURES AND SO WE HAVE A LOT WE'VE GOING INTO THIS TYPHOON WE HAD A LOT OF DEFERRED MAINTENANCE AND SO WE ARE STILL UNDER THOSE CONDITIONS BUT WE ARE UTILIZING OUR OWN RESOURCES IN TERMS OF THE RESPONSE SO I DON'T HAVE US I'M NOT SUBMITTED OR MADE ANY STATEMENT.

SENATOR LUJAN: SURE.

BORDALLO – GWA: OF FINANCIAL NEED.

SENATOR LUJAN: OKAY.

BORDALLO – GWA: FOR RESPONSE FOR RECOVERY.

SENATOR LUJAN: OKAY THAT THAT THAT BEING SAID THAT BEING SAID MAYBE I CAN REFER BACK TO THE FEMA GENTLEMAN HERE IN REGARDS TO MONIES THAT WILL MAY COME TO YOU FOR WHATEVER REHAB OR RESTORATION EFFORTS AND BECAUSE SOME OF THESE AS YOU SAID AS A RESULT FROM DEFERRED MAINTENANCE SO IF MONIES WERE GIVEN TO TO GWA FOR AGAIN TO FIX WHATEVER NEEDS TO BE FIXED AND THEY WERE FOUND TO BEEN AS A MAYBE PREVIOUS PROBLEM FROM DEFERRED MAINTENANCE WOULD THOSE MONIES BE REIMBURSABLE.

ROBERT FENTON – FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (FEMA) REGION IX ADMINISTRATOR: YEAH SO FIRST BOB FENTON HERE FROM FEMA I'M THE REGIONAL ADMINISTRATOR FOR FEMA REGION NINE I

HAVE THE WESTERN UNITED STATES ALL THE WAY OUT TO GUAM STAFF RACK FUNDING IS COST HERE AT 75 25 SO 25 IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENT IT'S A LITTLE COMPLEX WHEN YOU ASK ABOUT DEFERRED MAINTENANCE IT WOULD DEPEND WHAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT IF IT WAS STILL AN OPERATION I DON'T THINK WE AND WE COULD SEE A MAINTENANCE PLAN AGAINST IT IT WON'T BE AN ISSUE SO I'D HAVE TO UNDERSTAND EXACTLY WHEN YOU TALK ABOUT DEFERRED MAINTENANCE WHAT'S THE DEFERRED MAINTENANCE THE CONGRESS RECENTLY IN THE EVENT AND MARIA IN IN PUERTO RICO WENT AHEAD.

SENATOR LUJAN: CAN.

FENTON – FEMA: AND WAIVED.

SENATOR LUJAN: CAN YOU BRING THAT.

FENTON – FEMA: DEFERRED.

SENATOR LUJAN: MIC A LITTLE CLOSER THANK YOU THANK YOU.

FENTON – FEMA: RECENTLY IN THE EVENT AND HURRICANE MARIA CONGRESS WAIVED THE REQUIREMENT THE ISSUE OF DEFERRED MAINTENANCE FOR THEIR REIMBURSEMENT WE DO UNDERSTAND THAT HISTORICALLY ON ISLANDS SOMETIMES BECAUSE OF THE CROSS OF NATURE OF SALT AND OTHER THINGS THERE'S THERE'S LIMITATIONS TO WHAT CAN BE DONE BUT I'D HAVE TO UNDERSTAND SPECIFICALLY WHAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT TO GIVE YOU A.

SENATOR LUJAN: SURE SURE.

FENTON – FEMA: GOOD ANSWER.

SENATOR LUJAN: NO I I JUST WANT TO MAKE SURE BECAUSE I AGAIN MR. BORDALLO HAD MENTIONED AGAIN THAT THEY NORMALLY DON'T DEAL WITH THIS IT'S BASED ON THEIR THEIR THEIR RATES THEIR THEIR PAYMENTS.

FENTON – FEMA: AND.

SENATOR LUJAN: GO AHEAD.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH I'M JUST GOING TO ADD TO THAT SO WHY I SAID 75 25 PERCENT REIMBURSEMENT FOR DAMAGED INFRASTRUCTURE THAT'S YOU KNOW WE REIMBURSE PUBLICLY OWNED DAMAGE INFRASTRUCTURE AT A RATE OF 75 PERCENT FEDERAL 25 PERCENT STATE OR LOCAL MATCH SO THAT WOULD BE HIS RESPONSIBILITY GUAM WATER AUTHORITY'S RESPONSIBILITY I THINK THE PART THAT WOULD PROBABLY NOT GO TO HIM THAT WOULD GO TO THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM IS ANY MISSION ASSIGNMENTS I'M GETTING TO DIRECT THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT ONE OF MY ROLES IS TO COORDINATE THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT'S RESPONSE TO THIS EVENT AND THOSE MISSION ASSIGNMENTS COME IN FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM SO DIRECTS ME TO PUT A GENERATOR AT ONE OF HIS WELLS ON GETTING DIRECTION FROM THE STATE COORDINATING OFFICER THE TERRITORY ACCORDING OFFICER FOR THAT'S FOR THE GOVERNOR TO DO THAT MY AUTHORITY ALLOWS ME THEN TO TASK THE CORPS OF ENGINEERS TO GO INSTALL GENERATORS WE HAVE HERE THE COST OF DOING THAT IS ALSO 75 25 COST SHARE AND THOSE COSTS WOULD MOST LIKELY BE WOULD BE BEARED BY THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM VERSUS GUAM WATER AUTHORITY BECAUSE THAT'S WHO'S THE AUTHORIZED TASKER IS THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM.

SENATOR LUJAN: OKAY 75 25 25 BEING I GUESS GOVGUAM I YEAH.

FENTON – FEMA: GOVGUAM OR OR THE THE.

SENATOR LUJAN: SURE.

FENTON – FEMA: SPECIFIC ENTITY.

SENATOR LUJAN: SURE.

FENTON – FEMA: TO GET REIMBURSED.

SENATOR LUJAN: DO YOU KNOW WHETHER WE GOT BECAUSE I KNOW THE CONGRESSMAN HAD WRITTEN ASKING FOR A WAIVER ON THE 25 PERCENT DO YOU KNOW WHETHER.

FENTON – FEMA: NO.

SENATOR LUJAN: DO YOU KNOW WHETHER THAT WAS GRANTED OR NOT.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH NO WAIVERS YET TYPICALLY WE LOOK AT THE AMOUNT OF SPEND HAPPENING THERE IS A IN OUR REGULATIONS WHEN YOU GET TO 104 DOLLARS PER CAPITA I THINK IT IS MAYBE 106 IT'S RIGHT AROUND THERE THERE IS THE ABILITY TO PUT A REQUEST IN TO GO TO 90 10.

SENATOR LUJAN: 90 10.

FENTON – FEMA: 90 10 THERE'S THAT REQUEST THAT COULD GO IN AND THEN UNDERNEATH BECAUSE YOU'RE A TERRITORY AND THERE'S SOME SPECIFIC RULES THERE THAT YOU CAN GO AND ASK FOR 100 PERCENT WAIVER THAT'S NOT GRANTED UNLESS USUALLY THERE'S CATASTROPHIC CATASTROPHIC EVENTS THAT KIND OF LIKE 9/11 COVID WAS ONE THAT WAS GRANTED FOR A LITTLE WHILE MARIA WAS ONE PONGSONA IT WAS GRANTED ON THE BEGINNING FOR A AND B SO THERE IS THE POTENTIAL THAT MAYBE WHAT THEY MAY DO IS THEY MAY SELECT A PORTION OF THE COST TO DO THAT ON BUT THAT'S A PRESIDENTIAL DECISION IT'S NOT MY DECISION.

SENATOR LUJAN: IN YOUR IN YOUR EXPERIENCE BE IT 90 10 AND OR OR 100 PERCENT AT THIS POINT AND WHAT YOU HAVE SEEN I GUESS IN THE ISLAND WHERE DO YOU THINK WE WOULD FALL ON THE.

FENTON – FEMA: THIS IS A PRETTY SIGNIFICANT EVENT AND I I'VE BEEN COMING TO DISASTERS IN GUAM SINCE TYPHOON PAKA I SPENT PONGSONA ON GUAM AND WENT THROUGH THE TYPHOON WITH EVERYONE I WOULD SAY THAT'S THE CLOSEST EVENT TO THIS BEING THAT THAT LEVEL AND AND THAT THAT CATASTROPHIC AND IN THAT EVENT EVENTUALLY THE COST SHARE GOT MODIFIED TO A HUNDRED PERCENT FOR DEBRIS REMOVAL AND EMERGENCY PROTECTIVE MEASURES FOR A PERIOD AND THEN 90 10 AFTER THAT.

SENATOR LUJAN: WHEN WHEN WHAT IS THE TIME FRAME FOR FINDING OUT WAIVERS GRANTED.

FENTON – FEMA: IT'S PROBABLY GOING TO BE MONTHS AWAY.

SENATOR LUJAN: MONTHS AWAY.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH IT COULD BE MONTHS I MEAN USUALLY WHAT WE WANT TO START TO GET AS A SCOPE OF WHAT THE IMPACT IS OUR PROGRAM IS TYPICALLY A REIMBURSEMENT PROGRAM NOT FUNDING UP FRONT THAT WHAT WE WILL DO IS PROVIDE DIRECT ASSISTANCE UP FRONT WHICH WE'RE DOING RIGHT NOW BY PUTTING THE GENERATORS IN THE WELLS HAVING DOD DOING SOME ROUTE CLEARANCE PROVIDING WATER AND FOOD TO THE SHELTERS SO THOSE THINGS ARE ALL DIRECT FEDERAL ASSISTANCE I'M TASKING THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TO GO DO IT I'M KEEPING A TAB OF THOSE COSTS AND LETTING GUAM KNOW WHAT THEY ARE AND EVERY TIME THEY REQUEST I GIVE AN ESTIMATE OF WHAT THOSE COSTS MAY BE AND AND THEN THEY SIGN OFF ON IT AND AND THEN I TASK ANOTHER FEDERAL AGENCY I'VE PROBABLY HAD 15 FLIGHTS OVER HERE ALREADY C-17S CHARTER FLIGHTS.

SENATOR LUJAN: I I SAW THEM ALL FLYING OVER.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH THEY HAD.

SENATOR LUJAN: MY MY HOUSE THIS MORNING.

FENTON – FEMA: THAT I'M BRINGING OVER HERE WITH STUFF JUST GOT REQUESTS FROM GUAM POWER AUTHORITY TO BRING SOME HIGH BIG BUCKET TRUCKS TO REACH THE HIGH WIRES SO WE'RE WE'RE EVERYTHING WE'RE ALL IN FEDERAL GOVERNMENT DOD THE CORPS OF ENGINEERS EVERY FEDERAL AGENCY'S HERE AND WE'RE BEING AS RESPONSIVE AS WE CAN.

CARLSON: - BBMR: SENATOR.

SENATOR LUJAN: YEAH.

CARLSON: - BBMR: YOU MADE A STATEMENT EARLIER ABOUT THE STOCKPILE COULD YOU ASK MR. FENTON TO CONFIRM THE NUMBERS THAT YOU CITED EARLIER.

SENATOR LUJAN: YEAH ACTUALLY IT WAS IT WAS THAT WAS CITED TO US FROM FROM THE CONGRESSMAN'S OFFICE.

FENTON – FEMA: I'M SORRY THE QUESTION ABOUT.

SENATOR LUJAN: YEAH OH YEAH SUPPOSEDLY AS A CONGRESSMAN WORKING I GUESS WITH THE THE FEMA FOLKS OUT HERE THAT THERE WAS 1.1 MILLION UNITS OF WATER AND 909000 MRES IN A FEMA WAREHOUSE HERE IN GUAM.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH SO WE DO HAVE A WAREHOUSE HERE IN GUAM WE DO STAGE WATER MRES COTS TENTS PLASTIC SHEETING GENERATORS A NUMBER OF OTHER ITEMS AND AND PRIMARILY THAT WAREHOUSE IS FOR GUAM AND CNMI EVENTS SO THAT WE HAVE SOME HERE ON ISLAND AND WE'VE GONE AHEAD AND STARTED MOVING WATER AND FOOD OUT OF THOSE LOCATIONS TO THE FOR SHELTERS AND THEN ALSO MOVE WE ALSO HAVE SOME RED CROSS ITEMS IN THERE MOVE THE RED CROSS ITEMS OUT AND WE MOVE PALLETS OF WATER TO EVERY MAYOR IN THE LAST COUPLE DAYS.

SENATOR LUJAN: OKAY YEAH BECAUSE ONE OF THE CONCERNS THE MAYORS OR ACTUALLY YEAH THE MAYORS REPRESENTED BY MAYOR ALIG THIS MORNING WAS SAYING THAT THEY DON'T HAVE THE STAFF TO BE ABLE TO TO GO AND PICK THOSE THINGS UP AND THEY THEY WOULD NEED TO BE TO BE.

FENTON – FEMA: WELL I DROPPED IT AT THEIR LOCATION AT THEIR OFFICE SO.

SENATOR LUJAN: YOU'RE DROPPING IT THERE THEIR LOCATIONS.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH YEAH I WENT TO A MEETING THE FIRST MEETING I WENT TO WITH THE MAYORS WAS ABOUT 24 HOURS AGO.

SENATOR LUJAN: OKAY.

FENTON – FEMA: AND THE MAYOR ASKED THE QUESTION AND I HAD HIM DELIVER IT TO THEIR OFFICE AND FOR THOSE MAYORS WHO WEREN'T THERE I SAID DROP IT AT THEIR DOOR.

SENATOR LUJAN: OKAY SO SO ALL THE MAYORS THE 19 MUNICIPALITIES.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH.

SENATOR LUJAN: WILL HAVE THEM ALREADY.

FENTON – FEMA: SO WE I THINK IT WAS YESTERDAY THEY DID 11 OF THEM I BELIEVE.

SENATOR LUJAN: OKAY.

FENTON – FEMA: AND THE REST OF THEM THEY WERE DOING TODAY AND.

SENATOR LUJAN: THIS INCLUDES INCLUSIVE OF THE MRES.

FENTON – FEMA: IT WAS WATER FOR IS WHAT THEY ASKED ME FOR.

SENATOR LUJAN: OKAY.

FENTON – FEMA: I PUT WATER IN MRES TO THE SHELTER BUT THEY COULD PUT IN THE REQUESTS INTO GOVGUAM AND I WILL DELIVER WHAT THEY NEED.

SENATOR LUJAN: OH OKAY.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH.

SENATOR LUJAN: SO IT'S IT'S AWAITING A REQUEST THEN.

FENTON – FEMA: IF THEY PUT.

SENATOR LUJAN: YEAH.

FENTON – FEMA: A REQUEST AND I'LL DELIVER MORE I.

SENATOR LUJAN: OKAY.

FENTON – FEMA: I WAS IN THE MEETING THEY ASKED ME FOR A POT OF WATER I SAID YES.

SENATOR LUJAN: OKAY SO WHAT DO YOU HIT YOU HAVE YOU HAVE WATER YOU HAVE MRES COTS YOU SAY AND TENTS OR.

FENTON – FEMA: COTS TENTS GENERATORS A NUMBER OF OTHER ITEMS THAT ARE IN THERE EVEN SOME RED CROSS ITEMS THAT'S BEING PUT OUT RIGHT NOW TO THOSE THAT ARE IN SHELTERS TO HELP CLEAN UP.

SENATOR LUJAN: OKAY.

FENTON – FEMA: THEIR HOUSES THERE'S BABY AND INFANT TODDLER FORMULA.

SENATOR LUJAN: OKAY.

FENTON – FEMA: THAT WE'VE SENT OUT ALREADY.

SENATOR LUJAN: OKAY SO SO I ASSUME AT THIS POINT THAT THE MAYORS KNOW WHAT'S IN STOCK SO THEY CAN REQUEST AS THEY NEED.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH I THINK.

SENATOR LUJAN: OKAY.

FENTON – FEMA: THAT THEY COULD DO THAT YOU KNOW THERE'S SOME THINGS THAT MAKES SENSE THERE'S SOME THINGS THAT MAYBE THERE'S BETTER WAYS TO DO IT FOR EXAMPLE FEEDING HDRD MEALS AREN'T THE BEST MEALS TO EAT LONG TERM RIGHT SO WE RATHER SWITCH OVER AND RIGHT NOW RED CROSS IS COOKING HOT MEALS THROUGH A VENDOR SO I'D RATHER GO TO SOMETHING LIKE THAT AND GIVE SOMEONE A BETTER MEAL THAN HDR HDR MEAL A HUMANITARIAN WHICH EVERYONE CALLS AN MRE SO WITH THEIR HIGH CALORIE HIGH SODIUM SO WE WANT TO GET AWAY FROM THAT MAYBE FOR THE FIRST 72 HOURS THAT'S GOOD NOW WATER IT COULD BE IT'S A CONTINUING ISSUE.

SENATOR LUJAN: SURE.

FENTON – FEMA: SO WE'LL CONTINUE TO PUSH WATER OUT.

SENATOR LUJAN: SURE.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH.

SENATOR LUJAN: THANK YOU.

FENTON – FEMA: IT'S BOTTLED WATER AND BOXES.

SENATOR LUJAN: THANK YOU THANK YOU BACK TO MR. MR. MR. BORDALLO MR. BORDALLO I KNOW THIS IS NOT YOUR ENTITY HERE BUT YEAH GETTING INFORMATION HERE WE GOT THIS MORNING OF COURSE CLINICS MEDICAL CLINICS ARE REALLY SHORT OF WHAT THEIR THEIR I GUESS THE WATER TANKS UP IN THE *MANGILAO* AREA AND THEY'RE SEEING I WISH I WISH PUBLIC HEALTH WAS HERE BECAUSE SUPPOSEDLY THESE DOCTORS CLINICS ARE SEEING A INFLUX ON GASTROINTESTINAL PROBLEMS HERE ON ISLAND BASED ON AGAIN STANDING WATER DIRTY WATER AND AND ALL THAT SO I'M YOU KNOW THE DOCTORS ARE CONCERNED THAT THIS IS A THIS IS A THEY'RE SEEING A RISE ON AND YOU SAID THE WATER AND THE TAP IS YOU DON'T HAVE TO BOIL IT IS THAT YOU'RE SAYING.

BORDALLO – GWA: NO WE'VE CONDUCTED TWO ROUNDS OF SAMPLING IN FACT I WAS JUST INFORMED THAT THIS THE ANOTHER ROUND THE RESULTS JUST CAME BACK ALL NEGATIVE.

SENATOR LUJAN: OKAY.

BORDALLO – GWA: SO THE WATER IS FINE.

SENATOR LUJAN: OKAY SO IT'S BASICALLY THEN STANDING WATER OR YEAH.

BORDALLO – GWA: I I DON'T KNOW IT COULD BE FOOD THAT'S NOT REFRIGERATED.

SENATOR LUJAN: NO AND AND.

BORDALLO – GWA: AND THE POWER.

SENATOR LUJAN: FOOD AS WELL YEAH YEAH.

BORDALLO – GWA: I'M NOT SURE.

SENATOR LUJAN: YEAH BUT BUT THEY'RE SAYING I KNOW THE AGAIN THE THE DOCTORS ARE ARE TEXTING AND SAYING WE'RE SEEING AN INCREASE IN GASTROINTESTINAL PROBLEMS HERE AND YOU KNOW FROM FROM BAD WATER NOT NECESSARILY FROM TAP BUT THE STANDING WATER AND AND FOOD AS WELL SO THAT THAT'S WHY I SAID I KNOW THIS IS NOT YOUR ENTITY AND WISH PUBLIC HEALTH WAS HERE AND SEEING IF THERE THEY SEE A RISE ON ON THOSE PATIENTS COMING IN AS WELL BUT ANYWAY THE GOING BACK AGAIN SO IF YOU WERE TO AND THIS IS JUST A A GUESSTIMATE I GUESS AT THIS POINT WHAT WOULD YOU WHAT WHAT WOULD YOUR FINANCIAL NEEDS YOU THINK IN AROUND BALLPARK FIGURE.

BORDALLO – GWA: I'M SORRY SENATOR I I DON'T HAVE A NUMBER TO PROVIDE.

SENATOR LUJAN: OKAY.

BORDALLO – GWA: YOU.

SENATOR LUJAN: OKAY IS THERE ANY IS THERE ANY CONVERSATION AND MAYBE ABATEMENT FOR A COUPLE MONTHS FOR FOR FOR WATER FOR RATEPAYERS.

BORDALLO – GWA: SOR I'M SORRY I DIDN'T HEAR YOU ABATEMENT.

SENATOR LUJAN: WOULD ABATEMENT IN THE NEXT COUPLE MONTHS OR SO.

BORDALLO – GWA: THAT'S A POLICY DECISION THAT WE'LL DISCUSS I'M SURE WITH THE CCU AT 5:30 TONIGHT SO OUR AGM OF ADMINISTRATION HAS ALREADY BROACHED THAT SUBJECT SO I'M SURE WE'RE GOING TO DISCUSS IT.

SENATOR LUJAN: OKAY THANK YOU MADAM CHAIR.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: THANK YOU SENATOR LUJAN SENATOR BROWN.

SENATOR BROWN: THANK YOU VERY MUCH MADAM CHAIR JUST BEFORE I START TO CLARIFY ARE WE ABLE TO ASK WATERWORKS AND FEET AT THE SAME TIME OR DO YOU PREFER TO ANOTHER ROUND WITH FEMA JUST SO WE DON'T.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: I WILL DEFINITELY OFFER THE SENATORS ANOTHER ROUND FOR FEMA BY THEMSELVES BUT IF THEY WANT TO COMBINE.

SENATOR BROWN: OKAY.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: THE QUESTIONS YOU'RE FREE TO DO SO ON YOUR ON THE SECOND ROUND WE WILL GO TO FEMA.

SENATOR BROWN: OKAY THANK YOU I APPRECIATE.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: BUT ACTUALLY.

SENATOR BROWN: THE CLARIFICATION.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: SECOND ROUND BY THE WAY I MEAN AFTER GWA I AM GOING TO GO TO THE ADMINISTRATION WITH SENATOR RIDGELL A FORMER SENATOR RIDGELL TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS FROM THE ADMINISTRATION BUT PLEASE FEEL FREE TO ASK ANYONE RIGHT NOW.

SENATOR BROWN: APPRECIATE IT THANK YOU WELCOME MR. BORDALLO I'M SURE OF ALL THE THINGS ON YOUR LIST THIS PROBABLY WASN'T THE ONE THING YOU WANTED TO ATTEND TO TODAY I'M SURE YOU HAVE A LOT OF OPERATIONAL THINGS TO ADDRESS WITH REGARDS TO AND I APPRECIATE THE UPDATE ON WHERE WE'RE AT I'M SURE OUR RESIDENTS OUT THERE PROBABLY ARE VERY ANXIOUS FOR THOSE THAT DON'T HAVE WATER SERVICE TO GET WATER SERVICE BACK WHAT IS YOUR TIMELINE LOOKING AT WHERE'S YOUR CURRENT CAPACITY OF WHAT'S OPERATING WHAT YOU NEED TO OPERATE YOU MENTIONED THAT 14 PERCENT YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE TO DO A LITTLE MORE WORK WITH REGARDS TO GETTING THOSE PARTICULAR WELLS BACK AND OPERATIONAL SO WHAT IS WHAT IS YOUR ESTIMATED TIMELINE DO YOU THINK FROM WHERE YOU'RE AT NOW TO WHERE YOU CAN GET A MAJORITY OF OF THE WATER FLOWING FOR OUR ISLAND RESIDENTS.

BORDALLO – GWA: SO WITH RESPECT TO THE 14 PERCENT THAT YOU MENTIONED THAT REQUIRE LONGER TERM.

SENATOR BROWN: YES.

BORDALLO – GWA: WATER REPLACEMENTS THOUGH THAT'S BEING SCHEDULED NOW WE DO HAVE A REQUEST INTO WE HAVE TO NOTIFY GUAM EPA WHEN WE WHEN WE DO THESE WELL MAINTENANCE PROCEDURES SO THE FIRST ONE OR TWO WERE ANNOUNCED TO GUAM EPA TODAY SO WE'RE GOING TO START THOSE AS SOON AS WE GET THE ALL CLEAR MOST LIKELY TOMORROW AND THEN WE'LL PROCEED FROM THERE IN TERMS OF THE WELLS THAT ARE COULD BE OPERATING BUT FOR MINOR REPAIRS OR GENERATOR ISSUES BEING REPAIRED WE'VE ALREADY STARTED COORDINATING WITH GUAM POWER AUTHORITY OBVIOUSLY THEY'RE WORKING SEVERAL ASPECTS OF THIS ONE IS JUST TO KEEP THE WELLS THAT WE DO HAVE ON GENERATORS CONTINUING TO RUN AND THEN REPAIRING THE OTHER ONE SO WE'RE TRYING TO GIVE THEM THE MAJOR ITEMS AND THEN OUTSOURCE AND AUGMENT WITH OUR OWN PERSONNEL WHO ARE MOSTLY YOU KNOW PUMP STATION.

SENATOR BROWN: SURE.

BORDALLO – GWA: MECHANICS BUT MIGHT BE ABLE TO ASSIST WITH SOME OF THESE OTHER REPAIRS SO WE'RE BRINGING THREE DIFFERENT TEAMS TO BEAR WE ARE COORDINATING ASSESSMENTS FOR THAT STUFF WITH THE OUTSOURCED ENTITIES TOMORROW SO MY HOPE IS THAT WITHIN A WEEK'S TIME WE'LL BE ABLE TO GET MORE OF THESE WELLS ONLINE AND THEN REALLY ULTIMATELY THE TIME FRAME FOR WHEN WE'RE ABLE TO GET BACK TO FULL RECOVERY SO THAT EVERYBODY HAS WATER IS LARGELY DEPENDENT ON THOSE EFFORTS AND ALSO POWER RESTORATION BY MR. BENAVENTE.

SENATOR BROWN: YEAH.

BORDALLO – GWA: AND I'VE WORKED WORKING WITH HIM TO PRIORITIZE FEEDERS THAT SERVE OUR WELLS AND HE'S WELL AWARE OF OUR.

SENATOR BROWN: OKAY.

BORDALLO – GWA: SITUATION.

SENATOR BROWN: MR. BENAVENTE'S HE'S BEEN AT THIS A LONG TIME SO I I CERTAINLY APPRECIATE THAT HE HAS CONTINUED TO CONTRIBUTE HIS EXPERTISE TO GPA AS WELL AND HAVING SPENT QUITE SOME TIME ALSO SITTING IN YOUR CAPACITY SO I KNOW HE'S WELL VERSED ON ON YOUR SYSTEM AS WELL YOU MENTIONED THAT SOME OF THESE WATER WELLS DO NOT HAVE GENERATORS AND ARE WHAT IS THE PERCENTAGE OF YOUR WELLS THAT IF THEY WERE TO GET BACK ON ISLAND POWER WOULD BE ABLE TO OPERATE RIGHT NOW.

BORDALLO – GWA: WHAT IS THE PERCENTAGE THAT WOULD BE ABLE TO OPERATE IF THEY GOT BACK.

SENATOR BROWN: RIGHT BECAUSE IT WAS MENTIONED EARLIER THAT THERE WAS SOME SOME WATER WELLS THAT DID NOT HAVE GENERATORS SO IF IF ARE THEY DAMAGED OR OR DO YOU HAVE WELLS THAT WOULD BE READY TO GO IF THEY WERE HOOKED UP TO ISLAND POWER.

BORDALLO – GWA: SO I WOULD SAY ABOUT 10 PERCENT OF OUR WELLS WOULD BE READY TO GO IF THEY GOT ISLAND POWER.

SENATOR BROWN: OKAY.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: SENATOR BROWN.

SENATOR BROWN: YES.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: THERE WAS A POINT OF INFORMATION FROM FEMA.

SENATOR BROWN: SURE.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: WHO WOULD LIKE TO PRESENT SOMETHING PLEASE GO AHEAD IT WAS A QUESTION I THINK YOU PROVIDED EARLIER.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH SO YOU WERE ASKING ABOUT WATER WELLS AND AND PUTTING GENS OUT SO ONE OF THE THINGS THAT GUAM WATER AUTHORITY'S IS ASKING US TO ASSESS THOSE GENS.

SENATOR BROWN: OKAY.

FENTON – FEMA: OUT OF THE CORPS OF ENGINEERS ASSESSING REQUIREMENTS OF ALL THE WELLS NOW INCLUDING THE SEWER STATION THE FIRST 10 WERE WORKING ON INSTALLING AND I HAVE A PICTURE OF THE FIRST ONE BEING INSTALLED TODAY.

SENATOR BROWN: OKAY.

FENTON – FEMA: OKAY SO WE'RE TURNING AROUND AS QUICK AS WE CAN AND PAIRING THEM UP I ALREADY HAVE WHEN HE TALKED ABOUT THE STAGING HIS STUFF HERE I HAVE ABOUT A HUNDRED GENERATORS GIVE OR TAKE THAT ARE HERE ALL THE TIME AND I'VE FLOWN IN PROBABLY ANOTHER 100 MORE ON PLANES SO WE HAVE THE GENERATORS THE CORPS OF ENGINEERS STARTED COMING HERE ON SATURDAY AND THEY'VE CONTINUED TO GROW IN NUMBERS AND THEY ARE OUT THERE NOW INSTALLING THOSE GENERATORS AS QUICK AS THEY CAN.

SENATOR BROWN: OKAY SO I'M HOPEFUL THEN THAT THE THE WATER WELLS THAT AGAIN ARE JUST LACKING POWER YOU'LL BE ABLE TO FACILITATE GETTING THE GENERATORS ON AND GETTING THOSE OPERATIONAL OF THE 14 PERCENT YOU MENTIONED WERE THOSE ALREADY IN THE CYCLE FOR REPAIR PRIOR TO THE STORM OR WERE THEY AFFECTED BY THE STORM.

BORDALLO – GWA: SOME OF THEM WERE AS WE DID FOR SOME OF THE SITES THAT WERE INACCESSIBLE WHEN WE STARTED WE GOT SOME ASSISTANCE FROM GUAM ARMY NATIONAL GUARD TO CLEAR SOME OF THOSE SITES AS WE'VE BEEN ABLE TO GO IN AFTER THE CLEARING WAS DONE AND ASSESS TRIED TO START THEM UP WE FOUND THAT SOME OF THE MOTORS HAD BEEN THEY WERE OPERATING BEFORE THE STORM.

SENATOR BROWN: PRIOR.

BORDALLO – GWA: AND THEN THEY NEEDED NOW THE MOTORS ARE GROUNDED.

SENATOR BROWN: OKAY.

BORDALLO – GWA: SO I WOULD SAY PROBABLY ABOUT THREE OR FOUR SITES HAVE BEEN ADDED TO THAT LIST.

SENATOR BROWN: OKAY.

BORDALLO – GWA: SINCE THE STORM.

SENATOR BROWN: AND THEN WITH REGARDS TO OF COURSE I MEAN WE'RE VERY FOCUSED ON WATER BUT YOUR WASTEWATER PUMP STATIONS HOW ARE YOU FARING WITH THAT AND WHAT'S THE IMPACT OF YOUR PERCENTAGE WHAT IS AND IS NOT OPERATIONAL.

BORDALLO – GWA: IN TERMS OF PERCENTAGES WE HAVE PROBABLY ABOUT 60 PERCENT THAT ARE OPERATIONAL 24 PERCENT WHICH ARE NON-OPERATIONAL PENDING EITHER REPAIR OR GENERATORS AND JUST

A HANDFUL THAT ARE USUALLY IN SITUATIONS LIKE THIS OPERATED ON A PORTABLE GENSET BUT THOSE ARE NOT BECOME NOT YET OPERATIONAL SO WE HAVE PROBABLY CLOSE TO 30 PERCENT I THINK THAT ARE BEING IMPACTED BY NOT HAVING POWER OR WORKING GENERATORS AT THIS POINT.

SENATOR BROWN: AND IF YOU WERE ABLE TO GET POWER I'M SURE AS YOU MENTIONED YOU'RE PRIORITIZING THIS MR. BENAVENTE WHAT AREAS YOU KNOW YOU CAN HELP HOPEFULLY GET HIS ASSISTANCE IN IN GETTING THE POWER TO GET THOSE.

BORDALLO – GWA: SO.

SENATOR BROWN: THEIR WATER PUMPS OR PUMPS OR PUMP STATIONS OPERATIONAL WHAT.

BORDALLO – GWA: SO THE ONES UP THE ONES UP NORTH ARE MORE LIKELY TO GET POWER QUICKLY UNFORTUNATELY THE WAY THE POWER SYSTEM IN THE SOUTH IS THE MAJORITY OF THE ONES THAT WE NORMALLY OPERATE ON TEMPORARY GENERATORS PORTABLE GENERATORS OR DON'T HAVE GENERATORS ARE ALONG *MALESSO*'.

SENATOR BROWN: I SEE.

BORDALLO – GWA: SO ON THAT STRETCH AND SO THOSE ALWAYS GET FLOODED OUT WE DON'T DEPLOY PRE-STORM FOR THAT REASON AND SO THOSE ARE THE ONES THAT LIKELY WILL BE THE LAST TO BE POWERED UP SO AND CURRENTLY WHAT WE'RE DOING TO HELP CONTROL FLOW IS USING PUMPER TRUCKS TO KEEP THOSE WET WET WELLS EMPTY.

SENATOR BROWN: MY LAST QUESTION I GUESS WITH THE GENERATORS BECAUSE MOST OF US ARE ALWAYS UNDER THE IMPRESSION THE WHOLE IDEA WAS TO GET GENERATORS INSTALLED ON EVERY ONE OF THESE FACILITIES I DON'T KNOW IF THAT'S PRACTICAL I MEAN THE LONG-TERM MAINTENANCE AND ALL THE THINGS THAT HAVE TO DO YOU MENTIONED THAT GW GPA IS IN CHARGE OF THAT FOR THOSE THOSE FACILITIES YOU DON'T HAVE GENERATORS WHAT IS THE REASON FOR THAT ARE THESE GENERATORS WERE THERE THEY'RE NOT MAINTAINED THEY WENT DOWN WHAT WHAT IS THE CASE.

BORDALLO – GWA: I IF YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT FOR THE WASTEWATER PUMP STATIONS THE THE ONES THAT ARE LOCATED WITHIN THE ROAD

EASEMENT THEMSELVES THOSE ARE THE ONES THAT WERE NOT ORIGINALLY CONSTRUCTED WITH THE FACILITIES.

SENATOR BROWN: OKAY.

BORDALLO – GWA: FOR GENERATORS AND THEY'RE.

SENATOR BROWN: SO THEY JUST DON'T HAVE THE FACILITIES THAT WERE CONSTRUCTED TO HAVE THEM.

BORDALLO – GWA: WELL RIGHT OR THE LAND.

SENATOR BROWN: I SEE.

BORDALLO – GWA: OR THE LAND AREA THAT WOULD BE REQUIRED SO AS PART OF OUR UPCOMING OR ONGOING NEGOTIATIONS WITH U.S. EPA ON CONS ON CONSENT DECREE PROJECTS WE DO HAVE ONE OF THE REQUIREMENTS IN WHICH WE PLAN TO DO IS TO UPGRADE THOSE STATIONS BUT AGAIN THEY WOULD REQUIRE LAND ACQUISITION EXPANSION OF THE STATION ITSELF SO THOSE ARE CIP INTENSIVE PROJECTS.

SENATOR BROWN: I SEE.

BORDALLO – GWA: AND THEY'RE THEY'RE IN THEY'RE ON THE PLAN BUT FOR THE NEXT OVER THE NEXT FIVE TO TEN YEARS.

SENATOR BROWN: WELL I APPRECIATE THE CLARIFICATION THANK YOU VERY MUCH AND GOOD LUCK I KNOW IT'S A TOUGH JOB I MEAN IT'S EASY FOR US TO TALK SITTING HERE VERSUS PHYSICALLY ACTUALLY GETTING OUT AND GETTING THINGS OPERATIONAL BUT WE CERTAINLY HOPE YOU HOPE ALL YOUR SUCCESS BECAUSE THAT WILL BENEFIT OUR PEOPLE THANK YOU FOR TAKING THE TIME TO COME DOWN AND TALK WITH US.

BORDALLO – GWA: THANK YOU.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: THANK YOU SENATOR BROWN VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES.

VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* MADAM CHAIR THANK YOU FOR GIVING ME THE OPPORTUNITY TO ASK A COUPLE OF QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FIRST OF ALL I JUST WANT TO SAY THANK YOU TO THE PANEL MEMBERS HERE I KNOW THAT YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO BE OUT THERE DOING A LOT OF WORK AND YOU GUYS ARE DOING IT SO I GIVE MY HATS OFF TO ALL OF YOU GUYS I I DID HAVE A QUESTION FOR FEMA AND FOR *ADELUP* FOR FOR SENATOR RIDGELL BUT I FIRST GWA THANK YOU I KNOW THAT I INQUIRED ABOUT THE STATUS ON ON THE WATER PRESSURE AS IT RELATES TO THOSE IN HIGH AREAS VERSUS THE LOW AREAS AND WHY SOME AREAS WITHIN THE SAME IN THE VILLAGES SOME HAVE WATER AND NEXT DOOR THEY DON'T SO MAYBE YOU CAN JUST GIVE GIVE A SUMMARY FOR THAT.

BORDALLO – GWA: SO THE AMOUNT OF PRESSURE AT ANY GIVEN SIDE IS DEPENDENT OF COURSE ON THE RESERVOIR THAT SERVES THAT SITE OR A WELL IF IT'S PRE IF IT'S PRESSURED BY A WELL BUT FOR GENERAL IN GENERAL TERMS FOR A GIVEN AREA THE FOLKS THAT LIVE AT THE HIGHER ELEVATIONS WILL SEE LOWER PRESSURE UNTIL EVERYTHING IS FULLY RESTORED AND TYPICALLY THE HIGHER AREAS ARE THE LAST TO BE RESTORED SO IF YOU LIVE UP HIGH CLOSE TO A RESERVOIR JUST THE LAWS OF PHYSICS NOTHING I CAN DO TO CHANGE THAT BUT THEY WILL BE THE ONES THAT ARE THE THEY'RE THE FIRST TO LOSE WATER AND THE LAST TO GET IT RESTORED SO.

VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: OKAY THANK YOU FEMA AS AS OUR STATUS AS AN ISLAND JURISDICTION OR A TERRITORY THIS THE RESPONSE TIME OR THE IMPACT FROM FEMA DIFFER AS IT RELATES TO A STATE VERSUS A TERRITORY AND ARE THERE ANY SPECIFIC FORMULAS THAT ARE UTILIZED WHEN DETERMINING THESE FACTORS.

FENTON – FEMA: WELL AS FAR AS DECISIONS TO DECLARE DISASTERS BY THE PRESIDENT NO HE DECLARED THE EMERGENCY DECLARATION BEFORE LANDFALL HE DECLARED A MAJOR DECLARATION IMMEDIATELY UPON LAND FALLS NOW HE'S DONE INDIVIDUAL ASSISTANCE WITHIN 24 HOURS SO ALL THOSE ARE CONSISTENT WITH BIG EVENTS OF THIS MAGNITUDE I THINK THE COMPLEXITY OUT HERE IS JUST THE TIME AND DISTANCE QUITE FRANKLY IT'S NOT LIKE BACK IN KONAS OF THE UNITED STATES WHERE WE COULD DRIVE TRUCKS TO YOU YOU KNOW THERE'S NO BRIDGE LONG ENOUGH TO GET TO GUAM SO THAT'S WHY WE STAGED SO MUCH STUFF IN OUR WAREHOUSE HERE I ACTUALLY IN REGION 9 I HAVE CALIFORNIA ARIZONA NEVADA AND THEN THE REST OF THE PACIFIC ISLAND STATES AND TERRITORIES AND I HAVE ONE PERMANENT EMPLOYEE AT EVERY STATE OR TERRITORY THAT WORKS IN THEIR EOC HERE I HAVE TWO AND I DO THAT JUST BECAUSE OF THE DISTANCE THE TIME IT TAKES TO GET THINGS THERE RESOURCES SO IT TAKES TIME FOR DOD TO GIVE ME ASSETS AS FAR AS AIR TRANSCOM IT TAKES TIME FOR ME TO CONTRACT FOR AIR AND IT TAKES TIME FOR ME TO GET PERSONNEL HERE SO WE TRY TO BE RESPONSIVE I MOVED 100 PEOPLE HERE BEFORE THE STORM OF DIFFERENT FEDERAL AGENCIES FEMA PERSONNEL BUT IT'S IT'S DIFFICULT BECAUSE EVEN FROM A WEATHER SERVICE STANDPOINT YOU KNOW AND YOU WATCH THE TRACK OF THIS EVENT IT MOVED AROUND A LOT AND SO WE'RE TRYING TO GAUGE LIKE YOU ARE IS THIS GOING TO GO RIGHT OVER GUAM OR IS THIS GOING TO SHOOT YOU KNOW BETWEEN ROTA AND GUAM OR IS IT GOING TO GO SOUTH OF GUAM THEY KEPT ON MOVING ON US AND FROM THERE WE'RE TRYING TO DECIDE HOW FAR DO WE LEAN FORWARD HOW MUCH RESOURCES DO WE PUSH FORWARD SO WE TRY TO MAKE THE BEST DECISION BASED ON WHAT THE IMPACT'S GOING TO BE BASED ON WHAT WEATHER SERVICE TELLS US AND I THINK IN THIS JOB OR IN THIS EVENT WE LEAN FARTHER FORWARD THAN WE DID IN PONGSONA I WAS THERE FOR THAT EVENT AND WE PUT MANY MORE PEOPLE HERE ON THE GROUND BEFORE THIS EVENT HIT WE'VE BEEN THE FIRST PLANE THAT BROUGHT ADDITIONAL RESPONDERS HERE WAS SATURDAY SO IF TYPHOON FORCE WINDS TROPICAL FORCE WINDS STOPPED ON FRIDAY THE NEXT DAY WE HAD A PLANE LAND HERE WITH FEDERAL RESPONDERS AND FEMA PERSONNEL TWO MEDICAL TEAMS AND THEY'RE BOTH AT THE HOSPITALS NOW WE'RE INSTALLING GENERATORS SO WE'VE BEEN PRETTY I THINK RESPONSIBLE PRETTY PRETTY RESPONSIVE BUT TIME AND DISTANCE MAKES IT TOUGH IT'S NOT AS EASY AS CALIFORNIA ARIZONA NEVADA BECAUSE I COULD DRIVE IN A COUPLE HOURS AND BE THERE.

VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: THANK YOU THANK YOU FOR THAT RESPONSE BOB I SEE BBMR'S AND RIGHT NEXT TO YOU AND MAYBE THIS NEXT QUESTION WOULD BE FOR EITHER OF YOU AS IT RELATES TO THE ADMINISTRATION USING ANY AND ALL RESOURCES POSSIBLE BASED ON WHAT CAN BE UTILIZED IF THEY WERE TO USE EXISTING MONEY THAT WAS ENCUMBERED LIKE FROM THE FEDERAL GRANTS THAT HAVE BEEN

PROVIDED TO GUAM LIKE LIKE ARP AND ALL THAT WILL THAT BE REIMBURSABLE BY FEMA IF IT'S UTILIZED SO YOU KNOW I'D LIKE TO HEAR IT FROM BOTH BOTH LES YOU BOB AND THEN LESTER.

CARLSON: - BBMR: LET ME SUMMARIZE A DISCUSSION THAT WE HAD BEFORE WE BEGAN THIS AFTERNOON SESSION I ASKED MR. FENTON AND MR. RIDGELL WAS THERE WE GOT REIMBURSEMENT FOR TRAVELING NURSES AND NON-CONGREGATE SHELTER EXPENSES UNDER CARE THAT'S OVER AND DONE NOW WE'RE UNDER ARP SPECIFICALLY THE STATE AND LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUND MONEY AND MR. FENTON HIS INITIAL AND VERY STRONG OPINION WHICH HE'S RESEARCHING JUST FOR CLARITY IS THAT WE WON'T GET THE SAME KIND OF TREATMENT FOR REIMBURSEMENT SO IT APPEARS THAT THE BEST COURSE OF ACTION AND I THINK MR. FENTON SAID THAT I'VE SAID THIS EARLIER IS THAT THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM THE THE REQUESTING AGENCY TAKE THE LEAD IN BEING ABLE TO PUT TOGETHER A LIST OF ELIGIBLE COSTS INCURRED FROM THE SUPER TYPHOON SUBMITTED TO FEMA WHETHER IT'S 75 25 90 10 100 PERCENT AS HE ALSO MENTIONED IT'LL BE MONTHS BEFORE WE GET THAT BUT THE IMPORTANT THING TO REMEMBER IS THAT IF WE DO IT THAT WAY IT'S REIMBURSABLE AND IF WE DOT OUR EYES AND CROSS OUR T'S WHICH I THINK MR. FENTON WILL BE THE FIRST TO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT WE HAVE SOME LEGACY EVENTS THAT WE'RE STILL TRYING TO CLEAR UP FROM PRIOR ADMINISTRATIONS WHICH FEMA HAS BEEN VERY RECEPTIVE AND EXTENDING DEADLINES TO US TO BE ABLE TO YOU KNOW SECURE THOSE FUNDS BUT IT APPEARS VICE SPEAKER THAT THE WAY TO GO IS TO USE LOCAL FUNDS SO THAT WE DON'T HAVE A AN ISSUE WITH THE STATUS OF WHETHER OR NOT IT'S REIMBURSABLE NOT REIMBURSABLE WE JUST HAVE TO BE DILIGENT IN DOCUMENTING AND THE DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF CAN ELABORATE ON THE STEPS THAT WE'RE TAKING TO ENSURE THAT THE COST THAT WE'VE INCURRED ARE IN FACT WELL DOCUMENTED TO A DEGREE THAT IS SOMETHING THAT FEMA HAS BEEN ASKING FROM US EVER SINCE THE PRIOR ADMINISTRATION AND MAYBE EVEN BEFORE SO.

VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: SO MAYBE WITH THAT BEING SAID LESTER BOB IF YOU'D LIKE TO RESPOND TO THAT WITH ALL YOUR EXPERIENCE.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH.

VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: BEING HERE ON THE ISLAND OF GUAM AND BEING FEMA'S REPRESENTATIVE HOW WOULD YOU RATE THE RESPONSE SO FAR BY THE DIFFERENT ADMINISTRATIONS AND THIS ADMINISTRATION FROM GOVGUAM.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH SO LET ME FIRST JUST YOUR LAST QUESTION AND AND SAY THAT THE STAFFORD ACT FUNDING THAT FEMA MANAGES FOR THE PRESIDENT IS SUPPOSED TO BE SUPPLEMENTAL ASSISTANCE AND THAT'S SUPPLEMENTAL TO INSURANCE IT'S SUPPLEMENTAL TO OTHER FEDERAL FUNDING SO WE CAN'T DUPLICATE OTHER FEDERAL FUNDING AND THEN WE CAN THEN USE STAFFORD ACT FUNDING TO COST SHARE THE COSTS OKAY SO IT'S SUPPLEMENTAL SO TO YOUR QUESTION ABOUT CAN YOU USE OTHER FUNDS THAT'S MY FIRST REACTION BECAUSE THAT'S THE WAY IT'S ALWAYS BEEN HOWEVER IN THE LAST COUPLE OF YEARS WITH THE CARES ACT AND OTHER FUNDING SOURCES THEY'VE ALLOWED SOME SOME ABILITY TO DO SOME OF THOSE THINGS HOWEVER THEY'VE PUT SOME TIMELINES ON IT AND LIMITED IT SO I NEED TO GO BACK AND TRACK THE SPECIFIC SOURCE SO IF IT'S IRA OR IF IT'S YOU KNOW SOME OTHER TYPE OF INFRASTRUCTURE FUNDING OR SUPPLEMENTAL AND YOU GO BACK AND TRACK AND SAY IF YOU GO USE THAT TO PROCURE SOMETHING CAN I NOW REIMBURSE THAT COST OR NOT OR AM I PROHIBITED BECAUSE YOU USE ANOTHER FEDERAL SOURCE USUALLY I'D BE PROHIBITED BUT I'M GOING TO GO DOUBLE CHECK NOW BECAUSE THEY'RE YOU KNOW SINCE COVID'S HAPPENED THERE'S BEEN SOME CHANGES AND AND THE WAY WE'VE DONE THINGS MY LAWYER IS CHECKING IT JUST AS WE WALKED IN HERE I TEXT MY LAWYER THIS QUESTION HE THOUGHT RIGHT AWAY I DON'T THINK SO I DON'T THINK THERE'S THE FLEXIBILITY TO DO THAT BECAUSE LET ME GO AHEAD AND RESEARCH IT SO I'M HOPING BY TOMORROW I'LL HAVE AN ANSWER AS FAR AS THE RESPONSE CAPABILITY I THINK THE GOVERNOR HERE IS YOU KNOW I WAS IN PONGSONA IN PONGSONA AND I WAS DID A NEWS CONFERENCE YESTERDAY WITH THE GOVERNOR YOU KNOW AT THIS POINT THERE WERE NO LINES AT THE GAS STATIONS THE REASON WHY THERE WERE NO LINES IS BECAUSE THERE'S NO GAS RIGHT THE GAS FARM WAS ON FIRE ELECTRICITY ALL THE TELEPHONE POLES WERE DOWN THERE'S HUNDREDS DOWN RIGHT AT THIS PLACE HAS DONE I THINK A TREMENDOUS JOB AND AND THE GOVERNOR IN THE LAST YOU KNOW WORKING WITH HER LAST FOUR OR FIVE YEARS A NUMBER OF MITIGATION PROJECTS AND THE MORE THAT WE'VE OVER THE YEARS TAKEN OUR FUNDING AND HARDENED THE INFRASTRUCTURE HERE THE CONCRETE POLES THE COMPOSITE POLES YOU KNOW I WANT TO PARTNER WITH THE GUAM WATER AUTHORITY GOING FORWARD AND WE I WANT TO USE MY MITIGATION MONEY TO BUY THEM MORE GENERATORS RIGHT SO THEY'RE THERE AHEAD OF TIME

SO WE COULD GO AHEAD AND AND MAKE A MORE EVEN MORE RESILIENT GUAM BUT YOU GUYS HAVE MADE TREMENDOUS STRIDES IN DOING THAT AND I THINK THE GOVERNOR HAS DONE A GREAT JOB WITH EVERYTHING THAT'S HAPPENED THE IMPACTS FROM POWER WATER COMMUNICATIONS BEING DOWN AND RESPONDING TO THIS AS I SAID IT'S BEEN A RECORD RESPONSE ON OUR END AND THE PRESIDENT AND EVERYONE IS GIVING US THE RESOURCES AND AUTHORITIES TO HELP THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM OUT.

VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: THANK YOU BOB I I.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: MADAM VICE SPEAKER MR. BORDALLO HAS A CCU MEETING AT 5:30 FOR THOSE RESOLUTIONS SPOKE ABOUT EARLIER SO IF I MAY ASK THAT THE SENATORS WHO HAVE ANY QUESTIONS FOR MR. BORDALLO TO ASK THEM NOW AND THEN WE WILL COME BACK YOU KNOW AND CIRCLE AROUND OF COURSE TO ASK THE THE REST OF THE PANEL EVERYONE FROM HOMELAND SECURITY SO IF YOU COULD DIRECT NOW ALL YOUR QUESTIONS BECAUSE OF THE TIME FRAME DIRECTLY TO MR. BORDALLO IF YOU DON'T HAVE ANY WE'LL GO TO THE NEXT.

VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: YEAH.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: AND WE'LL JUST ASK FOR THOSE QUESTIONS.

VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: THANK YOU MADAM CHAIR BUT JUST FOR THE RECORD AND AND I WILL YIELD MY TIME BACK TO YOU BASED ON THAT BUT I I WANT TO NOTE THAT THIS MORNING THERE WERE THERE WERE THERE WAS A LOT OF PASSION AND EMOTIONS THAT WERE PRESENTED AND AND I DIDN'T ASK I ASKED *ADELUP* A QUESTION BUT THEY SAID NO WE'RE GOING TO LEAVE IT JUST TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE MAYORS COUNCIL FIRST AND I THINK IT'S ONLY FAIR THAT THAT SENATOR CLYNT RIDGELL BE ABLE TO RESPOND TO ALL THOSE QUESTIONS THAT WERE ASKED AND ALL THOSE INQUIRIES THAT WERE ASKED BECAUSE IT DOES RELATE TO HOW WATER'S GOTTEN TO US IT DOES RELATE TO HOW FEMA IS WORKING WITH US AND THAT'S WHY I ASKED THE QUESTION TO FEMA BECAUSE IT IT'S ALL THERE IT'S A TRICKLE EFFECT THERE'S IT'S A DOMINO EFFECT AND AND EVERYBODY WANTS WATER I I TAKE WATER ANY DAY OVER ANY OTHER UTILITY BECAUSE IT'S THAT VITAL BUT I THINK I I THINK HEARING THE RESPONSE FROM FEMA KNOWING THAT THAT THERE IS THAT THAT WE ARE DOING A GOOD JOB CONSIDERING THIS MAY BE THE PROBLEM RIGHT NOW THE COMMUNICATION BECAUSE THERE'S NO SERVICES AND MAYBE WE SHOULD HAVE ASKED THE PRIVATE VENDORS THAT ARE UTILIZING THIS THAT WE ARE DEPENDENT UPON THAT MAYBE WHAT IS THE UPDATE THERE AND HOW IS THAT INFORMATION GOING THROUGH SO I KNOW HE'S GOT A MEETING BUT.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: YEAH THANK YOU.

VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: I LITERALLY WANTED *ADELUP* TO ANSWER SO.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: AND WE WILL WE WILL MADAME VICE SPEAKER WE WILL.

VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: THANK YOU.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: OFFER THEM THE OPPORTUNITY SO IF YOU DON'T MIND.

VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: THANK YOU.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: DO YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS FOR.

VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: NO I.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: MR. BORDALLO.

VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: I HE ANSWERED THAT.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: OKAY.

VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: AND I WANT TO THANK YOU MIGUEL AND TO YOUR TEAM TO THOSE GUYS BECAUSE THEY THEY'RE TIRELESSLY WORKING AND AND THERE MAY BE A LEAK IN *PAGO BAY* ON ROUTE 4 DOWN TO THE BOTTOM OF THE HILL SOMEBODY SHOULD CHECK THAT THANK YOU.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: THANK YOU MADAM VICE SPEAKER SENATOR SHELTON ANY QUESTIONS TO MR. BORDALLO PLEASE.

SENATOR SHELTON: THANK YOU VERY MUCH MADAM CHAIR *HĀFA ADAI* MR. BORDALLO THANK YOU FOR TAKING THE TIME TO BE WITH US TO ANSWER QUESTIONS THIS AFTERNOON WE HEARD A LOT OF DIFFERENT DATES AND TIMELINES FOR REPAIRS ESPECIALLY FOR ONES THAT NEED SOME EQUIPMENT THAT YOU NEED FROM OFF ISLAND OR PARTS THAT YOU NEED FROM OFF ISLAND BUT CAN YOU GIVE US A YOUR BEST ESTIMATE FOR THE WHOLE ISLAND BEING BACK WITH WATER RUNNING WATER YOUR SERVICES.

BORDALLO – GWA: AS AS I MENTIONED MY ABILITY TO ESTIMATE THAT IS ENTIRELY DEPENDENT ON GETTING POWER RESTORED ESPECIALLY TO THOSE AREAS WHERE WE DON'T HAVE BACKUP GENERATORS BUT I'M HOPEFUL THAT WITHIN A COUPLE OF WEEKS WE SHOULD HAVE ALL OF OUR CRITICAL WELLS UP AND RUNNING YOU KNOW AS A BEST ESTIMATE THAT I COULD GIVE YOU RIGHT NOW IF I HAD TO GIVE YOU A NUMBER I'M NOT BASING THAT ON ANYTHING OTHER THAN THE PROGRESS I'VE SEEN SO FAR AND THE DIFFICULTY I THINK THAT MR. BENAVENTE IS GOING TO HAVE IN KIND OF ISOLATING OUR ASSETS FROM EVERYTHING ELSE THAT HAPPENS TO BE ON THE SAME CIRCUIT YOU KNOW IF THERE ARE OTHER BUILDINGS OR FACILITIES THAT ARE CONNECTED AND YOU KNOW WE'RE READY TO GO BUT THEY'RE NOT THAT MAY DELAY THE ABILITY FOR US TO RESTORE POWER TO THAT FEEDER SO THERE'S THOSE TYPES OF COMPLICATIONS BUT BASED ON WHAT I'VE SEEN THEY ARE WORKING VERY HARD SO THAT'S YOU KNOW IF I HAD TO GIVE AN ESTIMATE THAT'S THAT'S WHAT I WOULD GIVE IT SORRY.

SENATOR SHELTON: SO NO ESTIMATE REALLY BUT IT'S JUST BASED ON WHAT WE CAN DO WITH GPA'S RESPONSE.

BORDALLO – GWA: SO.

SENATOR SHELTON: GWA'S RESPONSE IS DEPENDENT ON GPA.

BORDALLO – GWA: OUR ABILITY TO GET TO NORMAL FOR EVERYBODY IS DEPENDENT ON THAT YES.

SENATOR SHELTON: OKAY GOT IT THERE WERE A COUPLE SENATORS BACK THERE WAS A QUESTION ABOUT WAIVING WATER BILLS AND YOU SAID THAT THERE WOULD BE A DISCUSSION ABOUT THAT TODAY IN THE CCU MEETING OR POSSIBLY A DISCUSSION ABOUT IT.

BORDALLO – GWA: SO ANY WATER THAT IS CONSUMED OF COURSE WE HAVE TO CHARGE FOR BUT IN TERMS OF YOU KNOW GRACE PERIODS OR ANYTHING LIKE THAT THAT IS A POLICY DECISION FOR THE CCU I HAVE NOTES I'VE TAKEN NOTES THAT WE WILL JUST MAKE SURE TO BRING THAT UP I KNOW THE AGM HAS ALREADY BROACHED THAT SUBJECT WITH ME AND HAS SOME THOUGHTS ON IT SO WE WILL DISCUSS IT WITH THE CCU.

SENATOR SHELTON: OKAY AND I KNOW THAT YOU'RE NOT GPA BUT YOU'RE THE ONLY UTILITY HERE AND SO IT WOULD THAT DO YOU KNOW IF THAT IS ALSO A POSSIBILITY FOR GPA CUSTOMERS.

BORDALLO – GWA: I WILL SAY THAT THE CCU TYPICALLY LIKES OUR POLICIES TO BE LOCKSTEP SO I'M FAIRLY CERTAIN IF THEY MAKE A POLICY FOR US IT'S GOING TO APPLY ALSO TO GPA.

SENATOR SHELTON: SO THERE'S.

CARLSON: - BBMR: AND AN INCONSISTENT WITH BOND COVENANTS.

SENATOR SHELTON: YES OF COURSE SO THERE'S NO COMMITMENT BUT THERE IS A POSSIBILITY OF A GRACE PERIOD OR A DEFERMENT.

BORDALLO – GWA: YES OR PAYMENT PLANS YES.

SENATOR SHELTON: OKAY THANK YOU VERY MUCH AND THANK YOU TO YOUR TEAM THE MEN AND WOMEN WHO ARE WORKING HARD WE'VE BEEN SEEING THEM OUT WE'RE VERY GRATEFUL FOR WHAT THEY'RE DOING THERE ARE A LOT OF THINGS I KNOW THAT ARE BEYOND OUR CONTROL BUT WE ARE GRATEFUL FOR ALL OF YOUR WORK THANK YOU.

BORDALLO – GWA: THANK YOU THANK YOU.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: THANK YOU SENATOR SHELTON MADAM SPEAKER.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: THANK YOU MADAM CHAIR THANK YOU MIGUEL FOR BEING HERE I APPRECIATE THE WORK YOU'VE BEEN DOING I'M GETTING TEXT MESSAGES SAYING WE SHOULDN'T HAVE YOU HERE AT ALL THAT YOU SHOULDN'T HAVE TO ANSWER TO US AND WE SHOULD JUST LET YOU GO DO YOUR WORK BUT I KNOW THAT YOU GO TO BRIEFINGS EVERY DAY AT THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OR SOMEBODY FROM YOUR OFFICE DOES AND I THINK IT'S VERY IMPORTANT THAT WE WE GET TO THE BOTTOM OF WE'RE BEING ASKED TO GIVE OUT 50 MILLION DOLLARS TO THE GOVERNOR AND THAT THAT IS GOING TO RESULT IN QUICKER RECOVERY AND I THINK EVERYBODY'S NUMBER ONE SUFFERING IS LACK OF WATER AND I THINK THEY'RE SUFFERING I'M GOING TO SAY IT THAT WAY BUT AND SO I WANT TO GET TO THE BOT THE BOTTOM LINE OF YOUR NEEDS SO YOU'RE SAYING THAT THEY AREN'T GIVING YOU EMERGENCY MONEY AT THIS POINT YOU'RE TAKING CARE OF EVERYTHING WITH YOUR RATEPAYERS MONEY AND BUT YOU'VE LISTED OUT THE NEEDS OF GENERATORS AND IT SOUNDS LIKE 30 PERCENT OF YOUR WATER WELLS NEED GENERATORS AND IF THEY HAD GENERATORS MAYBE MORE OF THE PEOPLE OF GUAM WOULD HAVE WOULD HAVE WATER IN THEIR HOUSES IS THAT CORRECT.

BORDALLO – GWA: NO THE 30 PERCENT NUMBER IS INCLUDE SITES THAT MIGHT NEED MINOR REPAIRS OR SOME OTHER REPAIRS NOT JUST A GENERATOR ISSUE SO I YOU KNOW THIS IF TO ISOLATE JUST THAT I DON'T HAVE THAT PERCENTAGE IN FRONT OF ME BUT IF WE HAD OBVIOUSLY FOR THOSE CRITICAL SITES THAT WE WOULD LIKE WE WILL MAKE THE REQUESTS TO FEMA IF THERE ARE GENERATORS THAT COULD BE SUPPLIED THEN WE WOULD TRY TO GET THEM CONNECTED SOONER RATHER THAN LATER AND WE'RE BALANCING THAT WITH HOW QUICKLY WE THINK CERTAIN CIRCUITS CAN BE RESTORED DOESN'T MAKE SENSE TO TO HAVE THEM PROVIDE A GENERATOR IN THE VERY NEXT DAY MR. BUT MR. BENAVENTE IS GOING TO HAVE US RESTORED SO WE HAVE TO BALANCE THOSE KINDS OF DECISION AND IT'S A MOVING TARGET.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: ALL RIGHT I DON'T KNOW IF EVERYBODY WOULD AGREE BECAUSE WE THEY WANT WATER IN EVEN ONE DAY OF WATER IN ADVANCE OF WAITING FOR A GPA CREW IS VERY CRITICAL AT THIS POINT THEY'RE GOING SIX DAYS WITHOUT WATER SO HOW MANY GENERATORS DO YOU NEED TO PROVIDE MORE WATER INTO THE PEOPLE'S HOMES IF IT'S NOT 30 PERCENT YOU'RE SAYING IT'S LESS.

BORDALLO – GWA: I'M SAYING THAT THE NUMBER IS A MOVING TARGET AND AS WE HAVE PORTABLE GENERATORS OR GPA HAS PROVIDED VENDOR GENERATORS BASED ON WHATEVER CONTRACTS THEY HAVE AS WE GET AS AN EXAMPLE *FUJITA* PUMP STATION HAS ONE WE'RE RELOCATING THAT TO SERVICE ANOTHER WELL SO AGAIN IT IS A MOVING TARGET AND I DON'T HAVE A SPECIFIC NUMBER TO GIVE YOU RIGHT RIGHT NOW.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: WELL HAVE YOU REQUESTED WHY I'M ASKING IS BECAUSE HAVE YOU REQUESTED A CERTAIN NUMBER OF GENERATORS BECAUSE THAT WOULD RESTORE WATER TO THE PEOPLE OR DID WE WAIT FOR FEMA IN ORDER TO GIVE US 10 GENERATORS HAVE YOU REQUESTED IT BEFORE THAT FOR GENERATORS.

BORDALLO – GWA: WE.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: IF THAT'S ALL YOU NEED IT GPA WAS IN HERE AND SAID WELL TOLD ME THAT THEY OPERATE 145 OF YOUR GENERATORS BUT YOU SAID ONLY 90 OF THEM WERE ONLINE AND THAT'S NOT MAKING SENSE TO ME THAT IF WE NEED GENERATORS YEAH THAT WE'RE GOING TO WAIT.

BORDALLO – GWA: THE 90 REFERS TO THE NUMBER OF WELL SITES THAT WERE ONLINE WE HAVE GENERATORS BOTH ON THE WATER SIDE ON THE WASTEWATER SIDE SO THE TOTAL NUMBER OF FACILITIES THAT THEY OPERATE IS CL IF THEY'RE QUOTING YOU THAT NUMBER THEN THAT'S.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: OKAY.

BORDALLO – GWA: THAT'S THE CORRECT NUMBER I'M NOT DISPUTING IT.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: ALL RIGHT SO THE WATER WELL IS 90 GENERATORS.

BORDALLO – GWA: NO NO 90 WATER WELLS.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: OH 90 WATER WELLS AND AND 30 PERCENT OF THOSE NEED GENERATORS.

BORDALLO – GWA: NO 30 PERCENT ARE NOT OPERATING FOR EITHER A REPAIR THAT NEEDS TO BE MADE OR A GENERATOR ISSUE.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: NO YOU SAID 48 PERCENT OF YOUR WELLS ARE OPERATING SO THAT MEANS 52S PERCENT ARE NOT AND YOU SAID 30 PERCENT OF THOSE THAT ARE NOT OPERATING NEED GENERATORS AND 14 PERCENT NEED MOTOR REPLACEMENTS OR ENTIRE PUMPS REPLACED.

BORDALLO – GWA: SO THE 30 PERCENT REFERS TO WELL SITES THAT WE HAVE WHICH ARE NON-OPERATE NON-OPERATIONAL BECAUSE EITHER OF A GENERATOR ISSUE OR THEY NEED ADDITIONAL REPAIRS EITHER BY GPA OR BY US THE EIGHT THE THE 14 PERCENT ARE THE ONES THAT REQUIRE.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: MOTOR.

BORDALLO – GWA: MOTOR CHANGE OUTS.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: YES.

BORDALLO – GWA: WHICH IS A DIFFERENT ISSUE ALTOGETHER.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: ALL RIGHT I'M JUST TRYING TO GET TO A NUMBER OF GENERATORS THAT IS GOING TO HELP PEOPLE GET WATER AND AND WAS THERE ANY OTHER SOURCE THAT YOU WERE LOOKING TO FOR GENERATORS IF THAT WAS GOING TO HELP THEM GET WATER BEFORE FEMA OR WE WERE JUST WAITING TO SEE.

BORDALLO – GWA: NO WE.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: WHAT FEMA WOULD GIVE.

BORDALLO – GWA: SORRY MADAM SPEAKER.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: BECAUSE THEY HAVE A HUNDRED THEY'VE ONLY GIVEN YOU 10 AND SO I WANT TO KNOW WHAT IS YOUR NEED.

BORDALLO – GWA: THE REQUEST THAT WE MADE INITIALLY WAS FOR THOSE THAT INCLUDED OUR MOST CRITICAL PRODUCING WELLS AT THE TIME THAT WE MADE THE REQUEST THE MOST CRITICAL PRODUCING WELLS AND THE THE WATER BOOSTER PUMP STATIONS THAT WE KNOW DO NOT HAVE ANY GENERATORS THE THE REQUEST WAS MADE BASED ON THE EARLY INFORMATION THAT WE HAD ASSESSING EVERYTHING ELSE AS WE PROGRESS IF THERE IS ADDITIONAL NEEDS WE WILL IDENTIFY THEM AND THEN WE'LL MAKE THE REQUEST TO FEMA BUT THERE WAS SOME CONFUSION AS TO IN OUR PART AS TO THE BEGINNING OF WHETHER THAT WAS GOING TO BE MADE BY US OR WHETHER IT WAS GOING TO BE MADE BY GPA BECAUSE GPA OWNS AND OPERATES THE MAJORITY OF THE GENERATORS THAT SERVICE OUR FACILITIES SO AS FAR AS THE PROCESS GOES WITH FEMA WE MADE OUR REQUESTS FOR WHAT WE WE KNEW WE NEEDED.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: WAS THAT 10.

BORDALLO – GWA: THAT WAS THE INITIAL REQUEST WAS 10.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: SO BUT NOT EVERYBODY'S WATER IS RESTORED.

BORDALLO – GWA: NO MA'AM AND GENERATORS ONLY WILL NOT RESTORE EVERYBODY'S WATER.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: YEAH YOU NEED 14 PERCENT OF THE WELLS NEED MOTOR REPLACEMENTS HOW HOW ARE YOU GOING TO GET THOSE IN HOW SOON ARE YOU.

BORDALLO – GWA: WE'RE WE'RE.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: GOING TO GET THOSE.

BORDALLO – GWA: WE'RE ALREADY WORKING ON THAT WE HAVE ONE AS I MENTIONED WE HAVE A REQUEST INTO GUAM EPA TO GET THEIR CLEARANCE SO THAT WE CAN START THE FIRST ONE WE CAN ONLY DO THEM ONE AT A TIME.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: WHAT DO YOU MEAN.

BORDALLO – GWA: WE BECAUSE IT'S A MAJOR THE OUR PERMIT REQUIREMENTS AND THE REGULATIONS REQUIRE US TO NOTIFY GUAM EPA WHENEVER WE DO MAJOR MAINTENANCE ON A WELL AND EVEN IN THIS EMERGENCY SITUATION WE ARE STILL FOLLOWING THE PROPER PROTOCOL SO WE NOTIFY THEM TODAY WE HAVE ONE SCHEDULED AND PLANNED AND WE WILL ONCE WE CONDUCT THAT ONE WE'LL MOVE ON TO THE NEXT ONE WE ARE ALSO AGAIN THAT'S ANOTHER MOVING TARGET WHICH ONE DO WE CHANGE OUT IT DEPENDS ON WE NEED TO CHANGE OUT THE MOTORS WHERE WE KNOW WE HAVE EITHER A WORKING GENERATOR OR ISLAND POWER SO THAT WE'RE MAKING THE MOST EFFICIENT PROGRESS AT TRYING TO RESTORE WATER FLOW INTO THE SYSTEM.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: SO HAVE YOU REQUESTED THE NUMBER OF GENERATORS THAT YOU NEED AND YOU ARE WORKING ON THE MOTOR REPLACEMENTS ONE BY ONE THEN THERE IS NOTHING ELSE THAT ANYBODY CAN DO TO HELP YOU GET WATER FASTER NOT MONEY NOT ANY NOT FEMA NOT ANYBODY.

BORDALLO – GWA: WE WILL USE WHATEVER SERVICES ARE AVAILABLE TO US TO TRY AND EXPEDITE ALL OF RESTORING ALL OF THOSE WELLS TO SERVICE AND WORKING WITH GPA IS ONE USING OUR OWN INTERNAL RESOURCES ONE AND CONTRACTING CONTRACTING OUT SERVICES IS ANOTHER AND WE'RE MAKING WE'RE TRYING TO GET THAT ON BOARD RIGHT NOW SO.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: OKAY WHAT DO YOU MEAN BY JUST TRYING TO GET THAT BECAUSE THOSE ARE THE KIND OF ANSWERS THAT THE PEOPLE I THINK ARE REALLY JUST GROWING IMPATIENT WITH WHEN YOU KNOW IT'S BEEN SIX DAYS SO WHEN YOU SAY WE'RE TRYING TO GET CONTRACTORS ON BOARD I MEAN WE'RE IN THE MIDDLE OF AN EMERGENCY.

BORDALLO – GWA: SO WE.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: I'M GOING TO ASK *ADELUP'S* REPRESENTATIVE LATER.

BORDALLO – GWA: THE ASSESSMENT.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: WHAT'S THE DEAL WITH THAT I WOULD THINK THAT IS WHY YOU'RE MEETING WITH THE GOVERNOR BECAUSE YOU NEED ASSISTANCE WITH CERTAIN THINGS TO EXPEDITE THEM.

BORDALLO – GWA: SO THE THE ASSESSMENT AND THE SCOPE OF WORK THAT FOR THESE REPAIRS NEEDS TO BE IDENTIFIED BASED ON WHAT HAS HAPPENED AND SO THAT'S THE PART THAT IS AS OF NOW AND UNKNOWN AND ONCE WE GET THAT IDENTIFIED THEN THE SERVICES WILL BE CONTRACTED.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: AND THAT IS BEING DONE BY YOUR TEAM.

BORDALLO – GWA: YES.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: YOU'RE SAYING IT'S THE ASSESSMENT THAT'S STILL IN PROGRESS THAT IS DELAYING CONTRACTING WITH CONTRACTORS.

BORDALLO – GWA: YES.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: ALL RIGHT AND WHEN DO YOU ESTIMATE YOUR ASSESSMENT WILL BE DONE.

BORDALLO – GWA: WITHIN TWO DAYS.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: FROM TODAY.

BORDALLO – GWA: YES.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: DID BEFORE FEMA'S 10 GENERATORS THEY SAID YESTERDAY IS THAT YESTERDAY.

FENTON – FEMA: WHAT I SAID WAS THAT FEMA ASSESSED 10 GENERATED LOCATIONS GIVEN TO US BY GUAM WATER AUTHORITY IT'S ACTUALLY THE CORPS OF ENGINEERS 249TH POWER BATTALION THAT'S DOING THE ASSESSMENTS AND WE TODAY PUT THE FIRST INSTALL IN OF A GENERATOR.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: SO WE STILL NEED TO PUT IN THE NINE THIS ASSESSMENT THEN.

BORDALLO – GWA: SORRY.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: ARE WE ARE YOU RELYING ON THE ARMY CORP'S ASSESSMENT OR THAT'S.

BORDALLO – GWA: THAT'S.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: JUST IN ORDER TO GET FEMA GENERATORS.

BORDALLO – GWA: THAT'S.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: YEAH.

BORDALLO – GWA: THAT'S THEIR PROCESS.

FENTON – FEMA: YES.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: YES OKAY I UNDERSTAND THAT'S WHY I WANT TO CONCUR.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH SEPARATE PROCESS JUST.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: YES.

FENTON – FEMA: IF YOU'RE GOING TO INSTALL ONE OF OUR GENERATORS WE'RE GOING TO ASSESS IT FIRST.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: I UNDERSTAND.

FENTON – FEMA: AND THEN INSTALL.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: THAT MAKES SENSE.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: BUT FOR YOU SO YOU'VE YOU'VE DONE YOUR ASSESSMENT BECAUSE WE'VE GOT THESE NUMBERS AND YOUR REPORTS THAT ARE COMING OUT THANK YOU FOR THESE THAT SHOW HOW MANY GENERATORS NOT ARE OPERATING BECAUSE OF NO GENERATOR ARE NOT OPERATING BECAUSE OF LACK OF GENERATOR RIGHT DID YOU HAVE ANOTHER SOURCE OF GENERATORS.

BORDALLO – GWA: GPA HAS SOURCES FOR GENERATORS.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: ALL RIGHT THE SO DID I HEAR YOU CORRECTLY ESTIMATE TO MY COLLEAGUE A COUPLE WEEKS BEFORE THE REST OF THE WATERS RESTORED NOT WITH NOT TALKING ABOUT YOU KNOW CERTAIN PECULIAR CASES BUT GENERALLY.

BORDALLO – GWA: GENERALLY.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: DID YOU SAY TWO WEEKS.

BORDALLO – GWA: THAT WAS THAT WAS WHAT I WAS ESTIMATING HOW LONG IT WOULD TAKE FOR US TO GET A SUFFICIENT NUMBER OF WELLS OPERATING SO THAT WE COULD START TO BUILD A SUFFICIENT WATER LEVELS IN OUR RESERVOIR SO THAT EVERYBODY HAS WATER.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: WHAT VILLAGES ARE GOING TO COME ONLINE IN THE NEXT COUPLE DAYS THAT ARE NOT YET ONLINE.

BORDALLO – GWA: SO I THINK FOR MOST VILLAGES WE HAVE PARTIAL SERVICE SO I CAN'T DO I CAN'T GIVE YOU ANY NUMBERS BY VILLAGE WE DON'T HAVE A SMART METER NETWORK LIKE GPA DOES WHERE THEY CAN IDENTIFY WHICH CUSTOMERS HAVE POWER JUST BY LOOKING AT A COMPUTER SCREEN WHAT I CAN SAY IS THAT AS WE GET MORE WATER IN THE THE AREAS WITH HIGHER ELEVATIONS WITHIN ANY GIVEN VILLAGE WILL START TO SEE THEIR WATER COME ON.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: SO YOU'RE SAYING THAT YOU'VE PUT PARTIAL INTO EVERY VILLAGE ALREADY AND IT'S ONLY THOSE THAT HAVE PRESSURE NEEDS HIGHER PRESSURE NEEDS THAT ARE NOT GETTING WATER.

BORDALLO – GWA: ESSENTIALLY.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: ALL RIGHT THANK YOU MADAM CHAIR THANK YOU MR. BORDALLO.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER SENATOR BARNETT PLEASE.

SENATOR BARNETT: THANK THANK YOU MADAM CHAIR THANK YOU MR. BORDALLO AND THANK YOU TO THE HARD-WORKING EMPLOYEES OF THE GUAM WATERWORKS AUTHORITY FOR WORKING HARD.

BORDALLO – GWA: THANK YOU.

SENATOR BARNETT: IT'S JUST SO CONFUSING AND I GET WHERE SPEAKERS THE PREVIOUS SPEAKER IS COMING FROM BECAUSE IT JUST SEEMS LIKE BACK IN THE DAY THE WAY THE INFORMATION WAS REPORTED WAS OKAY THIS VILLAGE GOT WATER WE'RE WORKING ON THIS VILLAGE NEXT AND IT'S JUST HARD I THINK FOR THE PEOPLE OF GUAM TO KIND OF SORT THROUGH THIS 48 PERCENT OF WELLS ARE DOING THIS 30 PERCENT ARE DOING THAT 12 PERCENT ARE DOING A HOP SKIP AND A JUMPER SO WE'RE TRYING TO FIGURE THAT OUT BUT THEN ALSO I I REALLY WANT TO KNOW HOW DO WE PREVENT THIS FROM HAPPENING AGAIN I MEAN I UNDERSTAND IT WAS A CATEGORY 4 TYPHOON BUT IT SOUNDS LIKE YOU HAVE GENERATOR ISSUES THAT THAT WERE CAUSED MAYBE NOT BY THE TYPHOON BUT MAYBE MAINTENANCE SO CAN YOU ELABORATE ON THAT IF THAT'S THE CASE.

BORDALLO – GWA: SO I WOULDN'T NECESSARILY AGREE WITH THAT STATEMENT BUT I UNDERSTAND THE PERCEPTION IF YOU'RE ASKING ME HOW CAN THIS BE AVOIDED I WOULD SAY IF WE HARDEN THE INFRASTRUCTURE SPECIFICALLY TO THE WELL SITES BY PUTTING IN DEDICATED UNDERGROUND LINES TO A STRING OF WELLS ALONG A CERTAIN ROUTE THAT WOULD DEFINITELY HELP I'VE ALREADY HAD DISCUSSIONS WITH THE CHAIRMAN ABOUT DOING THAT AND YOU KNOW AS A CIP PLANNING BETWEEN BOTH AGENCIES POST STORM SO THAT WOULD YOU KNOW THAT WOULD HELP AND HOW WE CAN AVOID THIS WE CURRENTLY HAVE AN ARRANGEMENT FOR HOW THE GENERATORS ARE MAINTAINED AND OPERATED THAT WE COULD TAKE A LOOK AT THAT AND SEE IF THERE'S ANY WAY TO IMPROVE ON THAT AND THAT'S.

SENATOR BARNETT: I GUESS IT'S RIGHT OFF THE BAT ON THAT DO YOU THINK OFFHAND THAT THERE ARE WAYS THAT YOU CAN IMPROVE ON ON THE MAINTENANCE OF THESE GENERATORS AND AND WHO'S RESPONSIBLE FOR THE MAINTENANCE.

BORDALLO – GWA: SORRY THE MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION OF THE GENERATORS IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE POWER AUTHORITY.

SENATOR BARNETT: AND I GUESS JUST TO EXPAND ON YOUR PREVIOUS POINT YOU SAID THAT YOU MAY TAKE A LOOK AT THIS ARRANGEMENT OF THIS AGREEMENT AND SEE WHERE IT MIGHT NEED IMPROVEMENT DO YOU DO YOU KNOW OFFHAND.

BORDALLO – GWA: OFFHAND I WOULD SAY THAT AUGMENTING THE ABILITY OF GPA TO MAINTAIN THE THE GENERATORS THEMSELVES THAT MIGHT BE SOMETHING THAT WE COULD DO WE GWA USED TO HAVE A MAINTENANCE STAFF BUT WHEN THE CCU PUT OUT THE POLICY THAT GPA WOULD TAKE OVER THAT THAT DIVISION OR SECTION OF GWA GOT RE-TASKED TO OTHER THINGS SO I'M NOT NECESSARILY IN FAVOR OF US REDOING THAT BECAUSE IT'S NOT OUR CORE SKILL SET IF YOU WILL IT DOES IT BELONG IN GPA'S IT'S IN THEIR WHEELHOUSE BUT FOR IN ORDER TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL SERVICES COULD WE CONTRACT SOME OF THAT OUT THAT MIGHT BE SOMETHING THAT WE WE SHOULD BE DISCUSSING AND LOOKING AT IN THE FUTURE.

SENATOR BARNETT: SO ARE YOU ARE YOU SAYING HERE ON THE RECORD THEN THAT THERE ARE ISSUES WITH THE MAINTENANCE OF THESE GENERATORS THAT'S SUPPOSED TO BE CONDUCTED BY THE GUAM POWER AUTHORITY.

BORDALLO – GWA: NO THAT'S NOT WHAT I'M SAYING I'M SAYING THAT IN ORDER TO IMPROVE ON HOW WE DO THINGS AND TO TO MAKE US MORE RESILIENT FOR THESE TYPES OF EVENTS THAT THAT WOULD BE A GOOD OPTION TO CONSIDER.

SENATOR BARNETT: CAN YOU KIND OF GO OVER IF YOU DON'T MIND YOUR YOUR NUMBERS RELATIVE TO HOW MANY OF THE ACTUAL GENERATORS WERE DOWN BECAUSE OF MECHANICAL ISSUES AND NOT NECESSARILY STORM DAMAGE.

BORDALLO – GWA: I DON'T HAVE.

SENATOR BARNETT: AN ESTIMATE.

BORDALLO – GWA: THOSE NUMBERS IN FRONT OF ME SENATOR AND I YOU KNOW I I DON'T HAVE THOSE MEMORIZED.

SENATOR BARNETT: WAS IT 10 20.

BORDALLO – GWA: SORRY.

SENATOR BARNETT: NO.

BORDALLO – GWA: I I CAN'T GIVE YOU A NUMBER.

SENATOR BARNETT: BUT SO BASICALLY WHAT YOU'RE SAYING IN A NUTSHELL IS THAT WE CAN GO BACK AFTER YOU'RE DONE WITH THE RESTORATION OF THE RECOVERY AND LOOK AT HOW WE CAN PREVENT THIS FROM HAPPENING AGAIN BY HARDENING THE INFRASTRUCTURE AND IMPROVING THE MAINTENANCE OF THESE GENERATORS SO THAT IN THE EVENT OF A SEVERE STORM THE CHANCES OF US AT LEAST YOU KNOW BEING ABLE TO STILL HAVE WATER ARE INCREASED.

BORDALLO – GWA: I WOULD SAY THAT'S ACCURATE.

SENATOR BARNETT: IS THERE ANY OTHER MESSAGE YOU HAVE FOR THE PEOPLE AT GUAM DURING THIS DIFFICULT TIME.

BORDALLO – GWA: OF COURSE WE WOULD ASK FOR THEIR CONTINUED PATIENCE AND ALSO TO BE COGNIZANT OF THE FACT THAT WE ARE STILL TRYING TO FILL UP THE RESERVOIRS SO PLEASE USE YOUR WATER APPROPRIATELY IF YOU DO HAVE IT EVERYBODY HAS SEEN PEOPLE I THINK WATER BLASTING THE EXTERIOR OF THEIR HOMES OR WASHING THEIR CARS I MEAN THAT UNDERSTAND THAT EVERYBODY WANTS TO DO THAT BUT YOU KNOW WE ARE TRYING TO CONSERVE WATER AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE TO HELP US FILL UP THE RESERVOIR SO WE ASKED FOR THE PUBLIC'S SUPPORT IN THAT EFFORT.

SENATOR BARNETT: SO IN OTHER WORDS NO WATER BLASTING FOR NOW OR CAR WASH WELL SOMEBODY WASHED THEIR CAR BECAUSE IT'S RAINING THANK YOU MR. BORDALLO FOR YOUR HARD WORK AND YOUR ATTENDANCE HERE TODAY.

BORDALLO – GWA: THANK YOU.

SENATOR BARNETT: THANK YOU MR. CHAIR.

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SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: THANK YOU SENATOR BARNETT SENATOR DUEÑAS DO YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS.

SENATOR DUEÑAS: *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* MR. CHAIRMAN AND THANK YOU MIGUEL FOR YOUR VALUABLE TIME AND BEING HERE IN REGARDS TO THE TEAM AND ALL THE EFFORTS THAT THEY'RE TRYING.

BORDALLO – GWA: THANK YOU.

SENATOR DUEÑAS: TO PULL THIS OFF JUST ONE QUESTION MANY QUESTIONS HAVE BEEN ASKED ALREADY THE RISK OF POSSIBLY SOMETHING LIKE A MICROMANAGER BUT I WANT TO GET BOB IN HERE TOO SIMPLY BECAUSE I'VE WORKED ON REDUNDANT SYSTEMS BEFORE YOU MENTIONED THAT SOME OF THE GENERATORS THAT ARE BEING ASSESSED FOR REPAIRS POSSIBLY PANELS OR ELECTRICAL CIRCUITS OR THINGS OF THAT NATURE HOWEVER I THINK TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE BOB IF THE REQUEST CAME IN FOR YOU TO STABIL YOU KNOW MOBILIZE THE GENERATORS THAT YOU HAVE AND AND GET IT THERE AS A REDUNDANT SYSTEM RUNNING UNTIL THE MAIN GENERATOR COMES UP IS THAT SOMETHING THAT WE COULD DO BECAUSE I JUST THINK THAT THAT'S TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE RIGHT NOW.

FENTON – FEMA: THAT'S WHAT WE'RE DOING RIGHT NOW SO WE GOT THE REQUEST FOR WE ACTUALLY GOT A REQUEST TO LOOK AT 11 SITES I THINK ONE OF THE SITES HAD DAMAGE SO WE COULDN'T DO ANYTHING 10 SITES

WE'VE ASSESSED NOW WE'VE PAIRED THEM TO GENERATORS AND INVENTORY IN THE COURSE I'M INSTALLING THE FIRST ONE WENT IN TODAY I'M SURE MANY MORE WILL GO IN TOMORROW.

SENATOR DUEÑAS: OKAY GREAT SO IF IT GROWS FROM THE 10.

FENTON – FEMA: IT'LL CONTINUE TO GROW WE'RE LOOKING AT NOT ONLY GWA BUT MANY OTHER LOCATIONS THAT NEED GENERATORS SO WE'RE OUT EVERYWHERE ASSESSING AND STARTING THE INSTALL PROCESS.

SENATOR DUEÑAS: SO WOULD YOU SAY IN YOUR WORK WITH THE ARMY CORPS AND YOUR SYSTEM AS THEY SAY IN PLACE SHOULD START PICKING UP IN TERMS OF.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH EVERYDAY MORE.

SENATOR DUEÑAS: COMING KIND OF.

FENTON – FEMA: WILL GET INSTALLED AND THINGS WILL GET BETTER AND I'M SURE AT THE SAME TIME POWER WILL CONTINUE TO COME IN SOMEWHERE IN THE MIDDLE WE'LL MEET YOU KNOW.

SENATOR DUEÑAS: RIGHT.

FENTON – FEMA: TEMPORARY POWER WITH PERMANENT POWER.

SENATOR DUEÑAS: I'VE SEEN YOUR INVENTORY IT'S VERY IMPRESSIVE AND JUST WANT TO THANK YOU AND YOUR TEAM.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH.

SENATOR DUEÑAS: AND EVERYTHING YOU'VE DONE TO FORWARD DEPLOY SO ONCE AGAIN MIGUEL I MEAN LIKE I KNOW YOU KNOW WHAT YOU'RE DOING BUT I JUST WANTED TO BRING THAT UP BECAUSE IT SEEMS LIKE THROUGHOUT THE DISCUSSION THAT'S WHERE WE WERE AT AND IT JUST SEEMS LOGICAL THAT THERE'S A WAREHOUSE FULL OF GENERATORS LET'S GET THEM OUT THERE AND THEN AS OUR REPAIRS COME ONLINE FEED THEM BACK UP.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH WE'RE.

SENATOR DUEÑAS: THAT'S ALL I HAVE.

FENTON – FEMA: WE'RE FLYING MORE IN TO SO WE'RE.

SENATOR DUEÑAS: EXCELLENT.

FENTON – FEMA: GONNA MAKE SURE THERE'S ENOUGH HERE TO DO THIS JOB.

SENATOR DUEÑAS: RIGHT ON THAT'S ALL I HAVE MIGUEL YOU KNOW IT'S IT'S A BATTLE OUT THERE WE KNOW THAT IN AND PEOPLE ARE COUNTING ON YOU AND YOUR TEAM SO JUST DON'T WANT TO TAKE MORE OF YOUR TIME AND THANKS FOR YOUR EFFORTS ON WHAT YOU'RE TRYING TO DO THANKS MADAM CHAIR.

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SENATOR SHELTON: THANK YOU VERY MUCH SENATOR DUEÑAS MINORITY LEADER BLAS.

SENATOR BLAS: YEAH THANK YOU MADAM CHAIR MR. BORDALLO THANK YOU VERY MUCH JUST A COUPLE SHORT THINGS GWA STILL RESPONSIBLE FOR WHAT WATER BUFFALOES INTO THE VILLAGES FOR THEM.

BORDALLO – GWA: WE DO PROVIDE TANKER SERVICES.

SENATOR BLAS: OKAY BECAUSE I'M NOTICING THAT THERE ARE A NUMBER OF DIFFERENT PLACES THAT LOW ON WATER BUT INDIVIDUALS MAYOR IS ACTUALLY TAKING ON THE TASK OF BEING ABLE TO PROVIDE THE VILLAGERS WITH THE WATER WHERE NORMALLY THERE'LL BE A WATER BUFFALO.

BORDALLO – GWA: I THINK IN CERTAIN INSTANCES IT'S BOTH WE DO HAVE FLEX TANKS THAT ARE STAGED AND THEY'RE ALSO GOING TO THE MAYOR'S OFFICE BUT WE HAVE DEPLOYED NINE WE HAVE AN ADDITIONAL EIGHT THAT WE'RE SEEKING ADDITIONAL CONTAINERS FROM THE PORT AUTHORITY SO WE CAN DEPLOY THOSE WHERE

THEY'RE NEEDED THE TANKERS THAT WE HAVE AS I MENTIONED WE ARE USING TO SERVICE MEDICAL FACILITIES AND THE HOSPITAL AND SO THOSE ARE ON CONSTANT ROTATION FOR REFILLING.

SENATOR BLAS: OKAY IS THERE A SHORTAGE RIGHT NOW WATER BUFFALOES THAT CAN BE ABLE TO DEPLOY.

BORDALLO – GWA: I THINK WE HAVE WE PURCHASED THESE FLEX TANKS FOR EACH VILLAGE BUT THE SHORTAGES IN GETTING THE 20-FOOT CONTAINERS AND CHASSIS.

SENATOR BLAS: OKAY WELL THEN ONE LAST THING IS AND IT'S IN A CONVERSATION THAT YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE RESPONSIBLE FOR BUT IT'S RELATED MARIA ULLOA ONE OF THIS ONE OF THE SHELTER SITES THEY'VE GOT LOW WATER PRESSURES THAT WAY YOU CAN GET SOMEBODY UP THERE TO CHECK ON THE WATER PRESSURE.

BORDALLO – GWA: OKAY.

SENATOR BLAS: OKAY THANK YOU VERY MUCH I'LL SAY THAT MY MY MARIA ULLOA QUESTION FOR EVERYBODY ELSE THANK YOU.

SENATOR SHELTON: THANKS SENATOR BLAS SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: THANK YOU MADAM CHAIR SIMPLE QUESTION FOR GWA WHAT WAS THE STATUS OF GWA BEFORE THE STORM HOW MANY RESERVOIRS HOW MANY WELLS HOW MANY WHATEVER WHAT WAS THEIR STATUS.

BORDALLO – GWA: SO APPROXIMATELY 20 TO 23 RESERVOIRS IN OPERATION WHICH ARE STILL IN OPERATION APPROXIMATELY 90 WELLS IN OPERATION THAT NUMBER IS DOWN BY 52 PERCENT AND ONE SURFACE WATER TREATMENT PLANT OPERATING AT 2 MILLION GALLONS A DAY CURRENTLY OPERATING AT ABOUT HALF OF THAT.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: OKAY NOW YOU I HEARD YOU AND I WATCHED THE NEWS TRYING TO FILL THE WELLS THE RESERVOIRS WHAT WAS THE STATUS OF THE RESERVOIRS BEFORE THE STORM.

BORDALLO – GWA: THE RESERVOIRS UNDER NORMAL OPERATION FLUCTUATE ON AVERAGE THEY'RE AT 50 PERCENT FULL THEY RECHARGE DURING THE EVENING HOURS AFTER EVERYBODY GOES TO BED WHEN EVERYBODY WAKES UP IN THE MORNING ALL THAT HIGH DEMAND DROPS THE RESERVOIR LEVELS DOWN TO ABOUT 25 15 PERCENT AND THEN THEY GET REFILLED DURING THE DAY AND THEN AT 6 P.M. PEOPLE START COMING HOME AGAIN PERIODS OF HIGH DEMAND THE LEVELS DROP THAT'S THE REASON WHY WE HAVE RESERVOIRS IS TO ABSORB THOSE CHANGES IN DEMAND.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: I'M JUST TRYING TO UNDERSTAND YOU MENTIONED EARLIER WITH A COUPLE OF MY COLLEAGUES IS THAT THERE ARE SOME AREAS THAT HAVE WATER AND SOME DON'T IN *YIGO* ALONE WHAT WOULD YOU SAY THE PERCENTAGE OF THE RESIDENTS THERE HAVE WATER.

BORDALLO – GWA: SORRY SIR I CANNOT GIVE YOU AGAIN I MENTIONED THE METER NUMBERS I DON'T HAVE A PERCENTAGE TO GIVE YOU.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: MR. MR. MIGUEL I HAVE A PROBLEM WHEN SOMEBODY CAN'T RUNNING AN AGENCY THAT GOES THROUGH THE BOND THAT ASKS FOR POSSIBLE INCREASE IN RATES I KNOW FOR A FACT YOU ALSO RUN THE SEWER TREATMENT CORRECT.

BORDALLO – GWA: THAT'S CORRECT.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: HAVE YOU EVER HAVE THERE AS HAS THERE BEEN A PROPOSAL OR AN UPGRADE ON ANY OF OUR SEWER TREATMENTS ANY OF OUR LINES OUR SEWER LINES.

BORDALLO – GWA: YES

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: THERE HAS.

BORDALLO – GWA: YES.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: HAS IT BEEN HAS THERE BEEN NEW SEWER LINES DUG UP AND PLACED IN THE VILLAGES.

BORDALLO – GWA: NOT AT THE VILLAGE LEVEL.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: I KNOW BECAUSE IF YOU SAID THERE WAS I LIVE IN AN AREA FOR OVER 26 YEARS AND WE'RE ALL IN SEPTIC TANKS AND EVERYBODY IN THERE IS ALMOST A MILLION DOLLAR HOMES AND I'M TRYING TO UNDERSTAND WHY AND I'M UP NORTH AND EVERYBODY TALKS ABOUT PROTECTING THE AQUIFER AND I'M TRYING TO UNDERSTAND AND THEN I KNOW FOR A FACT NOT EVEN A MILE AWAY FROM MY HOUSE THERE ARE THREE LARGE CYLINDERS UP IN *YIGO* YOU KNOW THOSE ONE THEY FILL UP WITH WATER I'M TRYING TO UNDERSTAND WHY WE DON'T HAVE WATER UP THERE AND THAT'S VERY BOTHERSOME FOR ME AND I KNOW FOR A FACT THE EMPLOYEES AT GWA ARE HARD WORKING I HAVE RESERVATION WITH MANAGEMENT BUT I HAVE NO PROBLEM WITH ANY OF THE EMPLOYEES AND I KNOW A LOT OF THEM BUT THAT'S WHY I ASKED THE QUESTION AND I WOULD ACTUALLY ASK YOU THAT IN THE FUTURE GET YOUR NUMBERS TOGETHER AND GET ESTIMATES SO THAT WHEN WE ASK THE QUESTION YOU GIVE US AN ANSWER BECAUSE WE WE DON'T WANT TO WASTE YOUR TIME AND WE DON'T WANT YOU TO WASTE OUR TIME AND WHEN YOU SPEAK TO THE CCU BECAUSE WE'LL BE REACHING OUT TO CCU AND ASKING THEM THOSE QUESTIONS AND I HAVE A LOT OF RESERVATIONS WHEN I HEARD THAT YOU SAID YOU'RE GOING TO WAIT FOR GPA TO POWER YOU UP I SEE A GENTLEMAN HERE TO YOUR LEFT MY RIGHT THAT SAYS THAT IF YOU SAID YOU NEEDED 20 OR 30 GENERATORS TODAY HE COULD GIVE YOU BY GOING OUT AND DOING A QUICK ASSESSMENT AND ALL THEY'RE GOING TO DO IS MATCH UP A GENERATOR WITH WHAT IT NEEDS TO RUN AND THE ONLY REASON I KNOW THAT THAT'S HOW IT WORKS SO THAT'S HOW THE MILITARY DOES BUSINESS YOU HAVE A MACHINE YOU NEED A GENERATOR WE'RE GOING TO MAKE SURE WE GIVE YOU THE RIGHT GENERATOR TO RUN THAT MACHINE AND THEN THEY'LL JUST PLACE IT NOT UNLESS THE AREA YOU'RE YOU WERE SAYING EARLIER THAT YOU NEED A GPA TO BRING IN THE LINE GENERATORS WILL CAN GO ANYWHERE AND POWER UP ANYTHING IT NEEDS TO POWER UP AND THAT'S WHY MR. MIGUEL I HAVE SOME SERIOUS RESERVATIONS WHAT'S GOING ON IN GWA AND WITH THAT I'M NOT GOING TO WASTE MY TIME OR WASTE YOUR TIME THANK YOU VERY MUCH MADAM CHAIR.

SENATOR SHELTON: THANK YOU VERY MUCH SENATOR SAN AUGUSTIN THANK YOU MR. BORDALLO DID YOU GO ALREADY ROY YOU WENT ALREADY ROY AND DWAYNE IS THE LAST TWO OKAY WE ARE STILL IN THE ROUND FOR GWA QUESTIONS SENATOR SAN NICOLAS AND THEN WE'LL END WITH SENATOR QUINATA.

SENATOR SAN NICOLAS: HI GOOD AFTERNOON SIR.

BORDALLO – GWA: GOOD AFTERNOON.

SENATOR SAN NICOLAS: THANK YOU FOR TAKING YOUR TIME TO BE HERE ARE YOU DOING EVERYTHING HUMANLY POSSIBLE WITHIN YOUR GRASP AND YOUR ABILITIES TO TRY TO RESTORE WATER TO THE PEOPLE WHO WHO HAVE LOST IT DURING THIS VERY VERY DEVASTATING STORM HAVE YOU.

BORDALLO – GWA: I BELIEVE I HAVE.

SENATOR SAN NICOLAS: THANK YOU SIR I HAVE NO FURTHER QUESTIONS THANK YOU FOR YOUR HARD WORK GENTLEMEN THANK YOU.

SENATOR SHELTON: THANK YOU SENATOR SAN NICOLAS SENATOR QUINATA.

SENATOR QUINATA: SIR THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME THANK YOU TO ALL THE GWA EMPLOYEES THAT ARE CONTINUING TO WORK TIRELESSLY THROUGHOUT THE NIGHT THROUGHOUT THE DAY I WISH THEM ALL THE BEST AND LET US KNOW WHAT WE CAN DO AS A BODY TO ENSURE THAT THIS DOESN'T HAPPEN AGAIN AND MAKE SURE THAT WE CAN SHORE UP OUR AND HARDEN OUR SYSTEMS I KNOW IT'S A SIGNIFICANT INVESTMENT IT'S DEFINITELY GOING TO NEED A BOND MARKET AND A LOT OF APPROPRIATION AND OF COURSE YOU KNOW IT COMES DOWN TO HOW MUCH WE'RE WILLING TO SPEND FOR ALL OF THIS INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENTS BUT IT'S THE ONLY WAY TO MAKE ANY EVERYTHING IN BETTER SHAPE RIGHT IS YOU HAVE TO DO SOMETHING DIFFERENT YOU KIND OF KEEP DOING THE SAME THING SO IT'S MY HOPE THAT WITH FEMA HERE AGAIN AND THE LEADERSHIP THAT WE CAN GET THESE THINGS DONE AND OVER AND DEALT WITH I KNOW YOU HAVE A MEETING YOU'RE PROBABLY LATE FOR EFFECTIVE RIGHT NOW 5:31 SO I WISH YOU ALL THE BEST AND LET US KNOW WHAT WE CAN DO THANK YOU AGAIN TO ALL THE HARD-WORKING PEOPLE THAT ARE CONTINUOUSLY TRYING TO DELIVER WATER TO ALL THE PEOPLE OF GUAM.

BORDALLO – GWA: THANK YOU.

SENATOR SHELTON: THANK YOU SENATOR QUINATA WE WILL TAKE A MOMENT SERIES OH I'M SORRY SENATOR PARKINSON YOU HAVE A QUESTION.

SENATOR PARKINSON: YEAH I JUST WANTED TO HAVE A QUICK FEW QUESTIONS PEOPLE BASICALLY WANT TO KNOW WHEN'S THE FASTEST WE'RE GOING TO GET OUR WATER BACK OR WHAT WHAT'S THE TIMELINE YOU HAVE.

BORDALLO – GWA: MY BEST ESTIMATE AT THIS POINT IS THAT WE WILL BE ABLE TO GET SUFFICIENT WELLS OPERATIONAL WITHIN A COUPLE WEEKS TO GET START FILLING UP OUR RESERVOIRS TO SUCH TO THE POINT SUCH THAT ALL RESIDENTS HAVE WATER BUT IT'S IT'S NOT GOING TO BE OVERNIGHT IT'S IT'S GOING TO TAKE A COUPLE OF WEEKS AT LEAST.

SENATOR PARKINSON: OKAY IF WE WERE TO HAVE ANOTHER TYPHOON IN ANOTHER THREE MONTHS WOULD YOU BE SATISFIED WITH THE CURRENT STATE OF PREPAREDNESS.

BORDALLO – GWA: IT'S A DIFFICULT QUESTION TO ANSWER I'M NOT SURE.

SENATOR PARKINSON: YEAH SO WHAT WHAT HAVE YOU GUYS DONE LIKE AN AFTER ACTION REVIEW LESSONS LEARNED ON WHAT THINGS YOU COULD HAVE DONE BETTER ON YOUR END LIKE I'M TRYING TO FIGURE OUT HOW WE AS A BODY COULD HELP YOU GET WATER UP AS FAST AS POSSIBLE.

BORDALLO – GWA: NO WE'VE NOT DONE THAT THAT'S SOMETHING THAT IS IN PROGRESS.

SENATOR PARKINSON: OKAY I GUESS JUST WHAT WHAT ELSE COULD WE DO AS A BODY TO ASSIST GWA IN THEIR ON YOUR MISSION LIKE WE JUST WANT TO GET PEOPLE WATER UP AS FAST AS POSSIBLE WHAT DO WE GOT TO DO TO HELP EXPEDITE THAT DREAM.

BORDALLO – GWA: A MORE RESILIENT WATER SYSTEM IS HEAVILY DEPENDENT ON CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS WE HAVE PREPARED A 20-YEAR PLAN AND FIVE-YEAR CIPS SUPPORT FROM THIS BODY IN ADVANCING THE CIP PROGRAM TO THE NECESSARY AUTHORIZATIONS FOR BOND ISSUANCES TO SUPPORT THE CIP THOSE ARE GOING TO BE REQUIRED THAT'S HOW I SEE THAT THIS BODY COULD ASSIST.

SENATOR PARKINSON: OKAY I HAVE NO FURTHER QUESTIONS FOR GWA LET'S GET THE RESOURCES MOVING AND GET THAT MATCHING FROM THE MATCHING FUNDS FROM FEMA AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

SENATOR SHELTON: THANK YOU SENATOR PARKINSON WE'LL TAKE A MOMENT'S RECESS THANK YOU TO MR. BORDALLO FROM GUAM WATERWORKS THANK YOU.

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SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE IS CALLED BACK TO ORDER COLLEAGUES ONE ROUND KEEP IT SIMPLE ASK QUESTIONS FOR FEMA AND WE MOVE ON WE NEED TO GET TO THE BILL THAT'S WHAT WE'RE HERE FOR IN THE EMERGENCY WE WILL BEGIN WITH SENATOR FISHER.

SENATOR FISHER: THANK YOU SIR NO QUESTIONS.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: THANK YOU SENATOR QUINATA THANK YOU SENATOR LUJAN DO YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS FOR FEMA.

SENATOR LUJAN: YES IT WAS ANSWERED ALREADY THANK YOU.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: THANK YOU SENATOR BROWN.

SENATOR BROWN: NO I DON'T BUT I CERTAINLY WANT TO THANK FEMA FOR BEING HERE AND THE ASSISTANCE GOOD TO SEE YOU AGAIN APPRECIATE YOUR CONTINUED CONTRIBUTION I KNOW THERE'S A LOT OF FRUSTRATION OUT THERE BUT THE FACT THAT YOU'RE HERE TO ASSIST US IS MOST APPRECIATED THANK YOU GOOD TO SEE YOU AGAIN.

SENATOR BROWN: THANK YOU SENATOR BROWN VICE SPEAKER DO YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS FOR FEMA.

VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: THANK YOU MR. CHAIR MR. CHAIR I I LITERALLY APPRECIATE FEMA BEING HERE AND AND ANSWERING MY INQUIRY EARLIER IN REFERENCE TO THE ADMINISTRATION'S WORK AND HOW THEY'VE BEEN DOING THE RECOVERY ON OUR ISLAND AND I WAS REALLY HOPING THAT THE SENATOR CLYNT WILL STILL BE HERE BUT I UNDERSTAND HE'S HEADED TO ANOTHER MEETING BUT SINCE HE'S GONE I JUST WANT TO SAY BOB I REALLY APPRECIATE YOUR COMMENTS I REALLY APPRECIATE THAT GUAM CONTINUES TO DO GOOD IN THIS RECOVERY EFFORTS AND IT'S GOING TO TAKE A LONG TIME COMMUNICATION IS IMPORTANT WE DON'T HAVE THE PHONE SERVICE RIGHT NOW NOW BUT WE'RE TRYING OUR BEST AND IF FEMA CAN LITERALLY HELP ASSIST IN PROVIDING WHETHER IT BE GENERATORS OR OR THE PROCESS FOR THE MAYORS TO HAVE THE EQUIPMENT THEY NEED THAT'S WHAT WE NEED TO DO AND I'M REALLY SORRY THAT WE TOOK YOU AWAY FROM HAVING TO DO ALL THAT BUT I GUESS THE PEOPLE OF GUAM NEEDED TO HEAR IT SO ANY COMMENTS FURTHER TO THAT.

FENTON – FEMA: I APPRECIATE YOUR COMMENTS YOU KNOW DISASTERS BRING THE BEST AND THE WORST OUT IN PEOPLE AND TO ME IT'S THOSE STATES AND TERRITORIES I GO TO THAT EXCEED IS WHERE THEY COME TOGETHER AND FOCUS ON ONE SET OF OBJECTIONS AND GOALS NOT ONLY AT THE GOVERNMENTAL LEVEL BUT AT STATE LOCAL AND PRIVATE SECTOR LEVEL INCLUDING NONPROFITS WE ALL HAVE TO COLLECTIVELY WHETHER IT'S FEDERAL GOVERNMENT STATE GOVERNMENT LOCAL GOVERNMENT PRIVATE SECTOR NON-PROFITS IT HAS TO BE ONE TEAM ONE FIGHT IF WE DON'T DO THAT AND WE DON'T WORK TOWARD THE COMMON GOOD OF THE PEOPLE THAT WE'RE HERE TO SERVE THE PEOPLE THAT HAVE BEEN IMPACTED BY THE STORM IT JUST PROLONGS THE THE RECOVERY FROM THESE STORMS SO I APPRECIATE YOUR COMMENTS I'VE BEEN IN FEMA FOR 26 YEARS I'VE I'M A CAREER FEDERAL EMPLOYEE SO I'M NOT POLITICAL I'VE BEEN THE ACTING ADMINISTRATOR FOR FEMA FOR PRESIDENT TRUMP AND FOR PRESIDENT BIDEN AND AND HAVE BEEN HERE FOR MANY STORMS IN THE PAST.

VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: YEAH.

FENTON – FEMA: IT'S IMPRESSIVE WHERE WE'RE AT BUT IT DOES TAKE TIME FOR INFRASTRUCTURE TO COME UP I THINK WE'VE GOTTEN TO A SOCIAL MEDIA AGE YOU KNOW KIND OF LIKE STAR TREK WHERE YOU COULD BEAM IT UP THINGS DON'T BEAM UP THINGS TAKE TIME AND THERE'S PROGRESSION TO GET THINGS ONLINE AND AND MAKE THEM OPERATIONAL WE ARE GOING TO MOVE AS FAST AS WE CAN TO GET EVERYTHING WE HAVE FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT PERSPECTIVE TO SUPPORT GUAM DOD HAS BEEN AMAZING THEY'VE BROUGHT SHIPS HERE THEY'VE SENT PLANES FOR ME CORPS OF ENGINEERS IS HERE YOU KNOW EVERY OTHER FEDERAL AGENCY HHS IS HERE WITH MEDICAL TEAMS IN YOUR HOSPITALS RIGHT NOW ANYTHING WE COULD DO WE ARE GOING TO DO AS FAST AS WE CAN DO IT ONE THING I DID WANT TO SAY THAT'S REALLY IMPORTANT WHILE I WAS HERE IS YESTERDAY WE HAD A PRESS CONFERENCE WE TALKED ABOUT THE INDIVIDUAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM AND IT'S REALLY IMPORTANT THAT PEOPLE START APPLYING FOR THAT PROGRAM BECAUSE IF WE'RE REALLY GOING TO HELP YOUR RESIDENTS RECOVER WE GOT TO HELP THEM WITH THE DAMAGES TO THEIR HOMES AND SO I URGE PEOPLE THAT ARE LISTENING TO THIS TO START THAT PROCESS YOU KNOW AS I MENTIONED YESTERDAY [DISASTERASSISTANCE.GOV](https://www.fema.gov/disaster-assistance) GO ON THERE AND APPLY THERE THE PHONE THE 1-800-621-3362 FEMA NUMBER AND THEN I TALKED ABOUT DISASTER RECOVERY CENTERS WILL BE SET UP SO WE'LL SET UP THREE TO SIX DISASTER RECOVERY CENTERS GEO GEOGRAPHICALLY LOCATED ACROSS THE ISLAND WHERE PEOPLE COME IN AND IT'LL BE A ONE-STOP SHOP OF FEDERAL AND STATE AGENCIES AND THEN ALSO YOU COULD DOWNLOAD THE FEMA APP AND THAT WILL HELP YOU REGISTER BUT PLEASE REGISTER CALL YOUR INSURANCE IF YOU CAN REGISTER AND THEN THERE'S A LOT OF PROGRAMS THAT HAVE BEEN BUILT TO HELP PEOPLE AND ON OUR EXPERIENCE FROM YUTU THERE'S A LOT OF UNIQUE THINGS THAT WE COULD DO THAT WE'VE LEARNED SINCE TYPHOON PONGSONA THAT WE'LL BRING HERE FROM OUR LESSONS LEARNED AND HOPEFULLY HELP THE RECOVERY EVEN MORE AND THEN TO A LOT OF YOUR GUYS'S POINTS THAT HAVE BEEN BROUGHT UP NOT ONLY DO WE WANT TO HELP YOU RECOVER WE WANT TO HELP YOU BUILD BACK STRONGER WE REALLY DO WE WANT TO FOCUS MONEY ON MITIGATION WHICH IS ANOTHER 75 25 COST SHARE BUT THERE WILL BE MONEY SET ASIDE IN MITIGATION MY USUALLY 15 PERCENT OF ALL THE MONEY WE SPEND HERE GETS PUT IN A POT THAT CAN BE USED FOR HARDENING THINGS SO IF WE WANT TO IF COLLECTIVELY YOU KNOW GUAM DECIDES TO GO AHEAD AND HARDEN GENERATORS AND HAVE THEM THERE BEFOREHAND THEY CAN DO THAT THOSE ARE PROJECTS WE DID AT CNMI WE'VE DONE THOSE IN HAWAII I THINK WE'VE EVEN DONE A COUPLE HERE THERE MAY BE OTHER PROJECTS TO HARDEN SCHOOLS FOR TO MAKE THEM BETTER FOR SHELTERS AND THOSE KIND OF THINGS SO WE'RE HERE YOU KNOW AND WE KNOW THIS IS GOING TO BE A PROCESS BUT WE'LL

WORK WITH EVERYONE TO COMMUNICATE EVERYTHING WE CAN TO GET YOU TO RECOVER AS QUICK AS POSSIBLE.

VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: MR CHAIR IF I MAY BOB YOU TALKED EARLIER ABOUT THE THE SPLIT BE BEING 75-25 AT THIS TIME AND I KNOW THAT IN PREVIOUS STORMS THE GOVERNOR WAS ABLE TO GET US AT A BETTER RATING LIKE A 90 10 HOW WHAT STEPS DO WE NEED TO TAKE OR WE CAN HELP ASSIST TO TO SEE IF THAT CAN BE ACQUIRED OR THAT CAN BE DONE.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH SO AS I MENTIONED A LITTLE EARLIER ONE'S IN THE REGULATIONS ONES IN THE REGULATIONS ME OR YOU IS HE TALKING.

VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: NO.

FENTON – FEMA: OH I THOUGHT THE GUY IN THE BACK WAS TALKING TO ME OH HE'S GOING BEHIND ME HE'S GIVING ME A HAND SIGN I THOUGHT HE WAS TALKING TO ME I WAS LIKE YOU WANT ME TO PLUG SOMETHING IN I WAS LIKE I DON'T KNOW WHAT TO PLUG IN SO ONE IS IN THE REGULATIONS AND WHEN YOU GET TO 106 DOLLARS PER CAPITA SO WHAT'S THAT LOOK LIKE FOR GUAM IF YOU ROUGHLY HAVE 160000 PEOPLE AND YOU MULTIPLY IT THAT'S ABOUT 160 SOMETHING MILLION DOLLARS 170 MILLION DOLLARS IF WE SPEND THAT MUCH MONEY HERE IN THE DIFFERENT GRANT PROGRAMS THAT'S ONE OF THE WAYS THAT'S A THRESHOLD THAT CHANGES IT TO 90 10 OKAY THAT'S ONE WAY THE OTHER WAY IS BASED ON SIGNIFICANT IMPACT THE GOVERNOR ONCE WE START TO UNDERSTAND WHAT THAT IMPACT IS AND QUANTIFY THE DOLLARS THAT WE'RE GOING TO SPEND HERE THE GOVERNOR COULD WRITE A LETTER TO THE PRESIDENT AND THAT'S HAPPENED BEFORE IT USUALLY HAPPENS ABOUT MAYBE 30 DAYS IN WHERE THEY START TO GET A BETTER IDEA OF THE OVERALL IMPACT AND THEY CAN WRITE A LETTER TO THE PRESIDENT TYPICALLY THE PRESIDENT AND THE PAST IS DONE THINGS LIKE FOCUS ON EMERGENCY PROTECTIVE MEASURES AND MADE THEM A HUNDRED PERCENT OR 90 PERCENT EITHER FOR A PORTION OF THE TIME OR THE WHOLE TIME DEPENDING ON HOW BAD IT IS MAYBE DEBRIS REMOVAL BECAUSE THERE'S A LOT OF DEBRIS OUT THERE AND MAYBE HE WANTS TO MAYBE THE REQUEST IS MOVE TO DEBRIS REMOVALS AT 90 OR 100 PERCENT TYPICALLY WE DON'T DO PERMANENT WORK SO THINGS THAT ARE LIKE PERMANENT DAMAGE STRUCTURES THE COST SHARE TYPICALLY REMAINS 75-25 UNLESS YOU MEET THE 100 PER CAPITA THEN IT GOES TO 90 10.

VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: THANK YOU.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH.

VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: AND ONE MORE AND ONE MORE MR. CHAIR AS AS IT RELATES TO THE MR. CHAIR IF YOU CAN YIELD BACK TO ME AS SOON AS I OKAY.

FENTON – FEMA: ONE OTHER THING EARLIER YOU KNOW THEY TALKED ABOUT DELIVERY OF WATER SO AND THEY ASKED ME YOU KNOW WHERE WE PUT IT AT I THINK IT WAS YOU SENATOR OVER HERE THAT ASKED ME THAT SO WE'VE DELIVERED IT I WENT AND CHECKED YOU KNOW EXACTLY WHERE WHERE IT'S GONE AND THE FOUR SHELTERS WATER AND FOOD THE MAYORS OFFICES MOST OF THEM HAVE BEEN MET TODAY WITH WATER EITHER YESTERDAY TODAY I THINK THE ONE THAT WILL BE DONE TOMORROW IS FROM MALESSO' MALESSO' IF I'M SAYING THAT RIGHT I APOLOGIZE FOR MY PRONUNCIATION AND THAT HAS TO DO WITH BEING ABLE TO CONTACT THEM SET UP A YOU KNOW A DROP OFF WE HAVE AS WE TALKED ABOUT THE WATER IN THE WAREHOUSE AND IS THERE MORE MAYORS NEED MORE PALLETS OF WATER WE WILL CONTINUE TO DELIVER THERE'S NOTHING THAT CAN STRAIN US AT THIS POINT TO DELIVER MORE WATER AS NEEDED.

VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: SO THE LAST QUESTION MR. CHAIR WAS ABOUT THE APPLICATION AND THE PROCESS THAT FEMA WAS SAYING THE PEOPLE CAN START WE STILL DON'T HAVE POWER AND SOME OF THE ACCESSIBILITIES TO TAKE PHOTOS AND ALL THAT BUT THE MAYORS AND AND THE ADMINISTRATION IS SAYING THEY'RE GOING TO START PICKING UP DEBRIS.

FENTON – FEMA: THAT'S FINE.

VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: GOING TO START CLEANING SO HOW DO YOU CLEAN UP I MEAN IF WE CLEAN UP THE EVIDENCE AND IT'S NOT SEEN AND THEY CANNOT.

FENTON – FEMA: OH NO TAKE A TAKE A PICTURE WITH YOUR PHONE.

VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: BUT A LOT OF THEM YOU DON'T HAVE THAT ACCESS.

FENTON – FEMA: KEEP WELL.

VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: BECAUSE THEY DON'T EVEN HAVE POWER OR.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH.

VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: GENERATORS.

FENTON – FEMA: KEEP RECEIPTS IF YOU PAY FOR ANYTHING AND YOU KNOW AND WE'LL DO THERE'S A COUPLE THINGS THAT WILL HAPPEN ONE I HAVE ABOUT A ABOUT 30 EMPLOYEES THAT ARE FLYING OUT TOMORROW THAT ARE CALLED DISASTER ASSISTANCE EMPLOY DISASTER ASSISTANCE EMPLOYEES AND I'M GETTING UP TO ABOUT A HUNDRED IN THE NEXT COUPLE OF DAYS AND I'M GOING TO SEND THEM OUT ACROSS THE DIFFERENT VILLAGES TO HELP WITH YOU KNOW EXPLAIN OUR PROGRAM THEY'LL HAVE PALM PADS THAT THEY COULD TAKE INFORMATION IN AND REGISTER PEOPLE IN THE PALM PAD AND THEY DOWNLOAD IT BACK AT THEIR HOTEL OR SOMETHING LIKE THAT SO WE WILL HELP PEOPLE REGISTER THAT AREN'T ABLE TO GET OUT WE'LL SET UP SITES WHERE PEOPLE COME AND REGISTER AT WHERE THERE'S ABILITY TO DO WI-FI OR USE OUR MACHINES TO REGISTER AND IN THE MEANTIME DOCUMENT DOCUMENT DOCUMENT YOU GET TO GET A PAD OF PAPER AND PEN AND SAY YOU KNOW HERE'S WHAT I LOST IF YOU HAVE ANY RECORDS FROM THAT KEEP THEM IF YOU CAN TAKE A PICTURE TAKE A PICTURE IF YOU HAVE A RECEIPT GET A RECEIPT AND THEN WE WILL GO AHEAD AND WORK WITH THOSE INDIVIDUALS ON A CASE-BY-CASE BASIS.

VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: THANK YOU.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH.

VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR MR. CHAIR THANK YOU VERY MUCH BOB FOR BEING HERE AND LITERALLY TAKING THE TIME TO HELP US GUAM.

FENTON – FEMA: YES.

VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: *SAINA MA'ÁSE'.*

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: THANK YOU SENATOR SHELTON.

SENATOR SHELTON: THANK YOU VERY MUCH MR. CHAIR THANK YOU BOB GREAT TO MEET YOU NICE TO HAVE YOU HERE WITH US TO ANSWER THESE QUESTIONS AND THANKS TO YOUR TEAM FOR ASSISTING WHAT YOU'VE ALREADY DONE AND WHAT WE KNOW YOU WILL DO IN THE MONTHS AHEAD IN ADVANCE THANK YOU VERY MUCH I WANTED TO KNOW IF THERE IS A LIST ALREADY THAT YOU CAN PROVIDE TO US THAT TELLS US WHAT ARE REIMBURSABLE CLAIMS FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH ACTUALLY I SENT FOUR ONE PAGE SHEETERS TO ALL THE MAYORS.

SENATOR SHELTON: OKAY.

FENTON – FEMA: THAT GIVES THEM INFORMATION ON INDIVIDUAL ASSISTANCE THAT GIVES INFORMATION ON OUR PUBLIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAM AND WHAT RECORDS TO KEEP I GAVE HIM GUIDANCE ON CONTRACTING DO'S AND DON'TS CONTRACT AND WE HAVE CERTAIN CONTRACTING REQUIREMENTS THAT HAVE TO BE FOLLOWED FOR REIMBURSEMENT AND SO I GAVE YOU KNOW THESE KIND OF ONE SHEETERS TO KIND OF HELP THEM BUT GLAD WE GIVE THEM TO YOU GUYS I THINK YOUR KEY IS PUBLIC OFFICIALS BECAUSE CONSTITUENTS LISTEN TO YOU AND TO ARM YOU WITH THE INFORMATION IT WILL ONLY HELP US AND ALSO WHAT I WOULD URGE YOU TO DO AS YOU GET THE QUESTIONS GET THEM BACK INTO US BECAUSE THEN WE KNOW WHERE TO FOCUS PEOPLE MAYBE THAT NEED BETTER CLARITY OF THE ANSWERS AND WHERE WE'RE NOT BEING CLEAR AT OR MAYBE WE'RE NOT REACHING A POPULATION ONE OF THE BIG THINGS FEMA'S DONE IN THIS ADMINISTRATION HAS BEEN FOCUSED ON IT IS NOT ONLY EQUITY BUT SOCIAL VULNERABLE POPULATIONS AND HOW TO REACH OUT TO THEM AND SO ANY HELP YOU CAN GIVE US IN THAT RESPECT ALLOWS US TO FOCUS WHETHER IT'S LANGUAGES SPECIAL YOU KNOW TYPES OF MAYBE SIGN LANGUAGE OR OTHER TYPES OF WAYS TO REACH OUT TO INDIVIDUALS IF YOU CAN LET US KNOW WE WILL THEN USE THOSE TO HELP COMMUNICATE.

SENATOR SHELTON: OKAY THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THAT I KNOW THAT WE RECEIVED THROUGH MESSAGES FROM OUR REPRESENTATIVE HERE IN THE LEGISLATURE THE FORM FOR THE OR THE THE SHEET FOR THE INDIVIDUAL ASSISTANCE WE'VE BEEN SENDING THAT OUT TO OUR CONSTITUENTS THEY'RE VERY GRATEFUL FOR THAT INFORMATION AND THEY DO HAVE A LOT OF QUESTIONS AND SO WHEN WE FIELD THOSE QUESTIONS IS THERE A LOCAL NUMBER THAT WE CAN REACH YOU AT.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH YOU WANT MY CELL PHONE NUMBER NO.

SENATOR SHELTON: OH NO.

FENTON – FEMA: I'M KIDDING AROUND.

SENATOR SHELTON: NOT YOUR CELL PHONE NUMBER BUT IF YOU DO ONE.

FENTON – FEMA: SO SO HERE'S.

SENATOR SHELTON: WHEN YOU START SETTING UP THE LOCAL OFFICES.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH SO.

SENATOR SHELTON: I GUESS DO YOU ALREADY HAVE A.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH SO WE HAVE WE'RE AT THE EOC AND WE'RE SETTING UP A JOINT FIELD OFFICE BUT TYPICALLY WHAT WE DO IS WE SET UP INTERGOVERNMENTAL CALLS WITH ELECTED OFFICIALS SO MAYBE WHAT WE SHOULD DO IS SET UP YOU KNOW ONE MAYBE WITH THE MAYORS THEN MAYBE ONE WITH OTHER ELECTED OFFICIALS LIKE YOU ALL AND WE DO THOSE LIKE MAYBE LIKE EVERY SO MANY DAYS THAT WE NEED TO TO ANSWER QUESTIONS AND THEN MAYBE GETS EVERY WEEK MAYBE IT GETS LONGER RIGHT AS WE GO FURTHER IN BUT WE WILL WE COULD SET THOSE UP AND THEN HAVE THE SUBJECT MATTER EXPERTS ON THE CALL SO AS YOU HAVE QUESTIONS WE COULD THEN ANSWER YOUR QUESTIONS AND WE DO THAT YOU KNOW ALL OVER THE COUNTRY IS SET THOSE UP TO ANSWER OUR ELECTED LEADERS PHONE.

SENATOR SHELTON: OKAY.

FENTON – FEMA: MESSAGES OR QUESTIONS.

SENATOR SHELTON: I THINK THAT WOULD.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH.

SENATOR SHELTON: BE GREATLY APPRECIATED I KNOW THAT'S SOMETHING THAT WE DID DURING COVID.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH.

SENATOR SHELTON: AND THE CALLS WERE FIRST EVERY COUPLE OF DAYS.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH.

SENATOR SHELTON: AND THEN ONCE A WEEK AS YOU SAID AND NOW THEY'RE EVERY COUPLE OF MONTHS.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH.

SENATOR SHELTON: WE GET THE NOTIFICATION TO JUMP ON THESE CALLS SO YES I WOULD APPRECIATE THAT BUT I WANTED TO ASK IF YOU COULD SPEAK SPECIFICALLY TO WHAT GOVERNMENT SPENDING WILL BE REIMBURSABLE SO THAT WE CAN HAVE AN IDEA OF WHAT THIS 50 MILLION DOLLARS OF MONEY THAT WE'RE ALLOWING THE GOVERNOR TO SPEND WILL BE SPENT ON I MEAN WE HAVE AN IDEA THE GREEN WASTE THE BIG PROJECTS.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH.

SENATOR SHELTON: BUT WHAT ELSE CAN WE EXPECT THIS MONEY TO BE SPENT ON.

FENTON – FEMA: WELL SO WHAT I COULD SPEAK TO IS MY AUTHORITY AND WHAT I COULD REIMBURSE AND WHAT'S COST SHARED FROM FEMA THERE'S OBVIOUSLY GOING TO BE MANY COSTS THAT I CANNOT COVER THAT

GUAM WILL HAVE TO FIGURE OUT HOW TO COVER SOME OF THOSE OR ANY OTHER FEDERAL AGENCIES AUTHORITIES AND THEY MAY BE ABLE TO BRING IN FURTHER RESOURCES BUT THERE WILL STILL BE GAPS AND AND SO I THINK WHAT YOU'RE ASKING IS ONE WHAT CAN I COVER SO YOU GET AN IDEA OF WHAT I'M COVERING TWO YOU KNOW WHAT MAY BE THE GAPS RIGHT SO FIRST LET ME START OUT WITH WHAT I CAN COVER WHAT I COULD COVER IS INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE PRIMARY HOMEOWNERS OR RENTERS WHO EITHER ARE UNINSURED OR DON'T HAVE SUFFICIENT INSURANCE I COULD GO AHEAD AND PROVIDE THEM A GRANT UP TO FORTY ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS TO HELP THEM REPAIR REPLACE THEIR HOUSE HELP THEM WITH THINGS LIKE MEDICAL BILLS IF THEY SUSTAIN THEM FROM THIS EVENT FUNERAL EXPENSES THINGS LIKE MAYBE THEY LOST CERTAIN PIECES OF CRITICAL MAYBE THEIR TOOLS FOR WORK MAYBE EVEN SOMETHING THAT THEY NEED IN THE HOUSE LIKE MEDICAL EQUIPMENT THOSE KIND OF THINGS THOSE THINGS ARE ALL ELIGIBLE THAT WE PROVIDED DIRECT GRANT THAT'S NOT COST SHARE THAT'S BETWEEN ME AND MRS. YOU KNOW GUAM WHOEVER ON THE ISLAND RIGHT THERE WILL BE INDIVIDUALS THAT ARE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR THAT PROGRAM THE COFA THE INDIVIDUALS HERE LIKE COME FROM MICRONESIA UNLESS THEY HAVE SOMEONE BORN HERE IN THE UNITED STATES THAT'S IN THEIR HOUSEHOLD THEY'RE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR THAT PROGRAM OKAY SO THAT'S GOING TO BE A GAP OF HOW DO WE HELP THOSE INDIVIDUALS OUT BECAUSE THEY'RE GOING TO HAVE LOSSES I WENT THROUGH THE NORTHERN PART OF THE ISLAND ALREADY I SAW A LOT OF DAMAGES UP THERE TO THEIR HOUSES WHICH ARE ALREADY ESPECIALLY THE 30-YEAR LEASE HOUSES ALREADY HAVE LIMITATIONS.

SENATOR SHELTON: BUT IF THEY HAVE A CHILD WHO IS A U.S. CITIZEN.

FENTON – FEMA: IF THEY HAVE A CHILD.

SENATOR SHELTON: THEY WOULD BE ELIGIBLE.

FENTON – FEMA: THEY CAN APPLY UNDERNEATH THE CHILD'S NAME.

SENATOR SHELTON: OKAY.

FENTON – FEMA: IN ADDITION TO THAT GRANT WE CAN GO AHEAD AND PROVIDE RENTAL ASSISTANCE TO TEMPORARY RENT SOMETHING UNTIL THEY REPAIR REPLACE FIX THEIR HOUSE THAT RENTAL ASSISTANCE IS BASED ON THE FAIR MARKET RENTAL RATE AND CAN BE GIVEN WE USUALLY GIVE TWO MONTHS UP FRONT AND THEN WHAT WE DO IS BASED ON NEED AND A PERMANENT HOUSING PLAN WE GO AHEAD AND EXTEND THAT IT CAN BE EXTENDED UP TO 18 MONTHS THAT DOES NOT IMPACT THE FORTY ONE THOUSAND DOLLAR GRANT I WOULD SAY JUST TYPICALLY VERY FEW PEOPLE GET THE FORTY ONE THOUSAND DOLLAR GRANT THE AVERAGE I SEE IN DISASTERS IS SOMEWHERE BETWEEN FIVE AND TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS TYPICALLY BUT IT DEPENDS YOU KNOW EVERY DISASTER IS DIFFERENT AND THERE COULD BE A UNIQUE NEEDS SO THAT'S INDIVIDUAL ASSISTANCE IN ADDITION TO THAT THEY COULD ASK FOR SBA THEY GET LOW INTEREST LOANS FOR INDIVIDUALS FOR BUSINESSES AND AND GET ASSISTANCE THERE ALSO HUD PROVIDES MONEY FUNDING TO INDIVIDUALS AND AND TYPICALLY EVEN SOMETIMES CDBG OUR MONEY FOR LONG-TERM TYPE OF MITIGATION OR GAPS WITHIN FEDERAL FUNDING AND AND THAT IS NOT AUTOMATIC THAT IS THAT IS THAT HAPPENS SOMETIMES NOT ALL THE TIME SO YOU REALLY NEED TO TALK TO SOMEONE FROM HUD ALSO THERE'S FUNDING FROM LIKE SNAP THAT YOU KNOW YOU HEARD YESTERDAY THE FOOD PROGRAM USDA PROVIDES FUNDING FOR REPLACEMENT OF GROCERIES AND PEOPLE THAT ARE ON SNAP BUT ALSO PEOPLE THAT ARE NOT ON SNAP AND SO THERE'S A NUMBER OF PROGRAMS FOR INDIVIDUALS MOVING AWAY FROM INDIVIDUALS I COULD PAY FOR DEBRIS REMOVAL 75 25 PERCENT THAT'S TO BE REMOVED BY PUBLIC ENTITIES THE VILLAGE MAYORS GUAM PUBLIC WORKS OR THEY COULD ASK ME TO DO IT RIGHT NOW ALL THREE ARE HAPPENING I HAVE THE MILITARY REMOVING DEBRIS THEY'RE OPENING RIGHTS OF WAY AND THEY'RE ALSO MOVING TO ARE THEY'RE THEY'RE MOVING THE OPEN ROUTES AND NOW THEY'RE DOING RIGHTS OF WAY DEBRIS REMOVAL THAT'S.

SENATOR SHELTON: CAN.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH.

SENATOR SHELTON: CAN YOU CLARIFY THERE WAS A LITTLE BIT OF DISCUSSION WITH DPW EARLIER TODAY ABOUT IT THE GREEN WASTE REMOVAL ONLY BEING COVERED WHEN IT'S ON THE EASEMENT IS THAT TRUE AND IF THEY'RE ONLY AN EPA APPROVED STAGING SITES.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH I I DON'T WANT TO SPEAK TO GUAM'S DEBRIS PLAN AND AND I UNDERSTAND THAT THEY HAVE PRE-APPROVED SITES THAT DEBRIS HAS TO BE MOVED TO BUT I'LL LET GUAM SPEAK TO THEIR PLAN ON HOW THEY TEND TO MOVE IT BUT OUR AUTHORITY IS PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY SO IF YOU WANT TO REMOVE DEBRIS OFF OF SOMEONE'S HOUSE RIGHT SOMEONE'S PROPERTY THEY NEED TO MOVE IT TO THE RIGHT OF WAY TYPICALLY THAT'S WHAT HAPPENS IN HER HURRICANE YOU KNOW ON THE SOUTHEAST AS WE ALLOW THEM TO MOVE IT TO THE RIGHT OF WAY AND THEN THE PUBLIC ENTITY WHETHER IT BE US OR THE LOCAL ENTITY IN THIS CASE GUAM PUBLIC WORKS THEN GOES AHEAD AND PICKS IT UP WE'RE NOT GOING TO PAY FOR GREEN WASTE SO I MEAN NOT GREEN WASTE SAID WE'RE NOT GOING TO PAY FOR GARBAGE SO IF THERE'S AN EXISTING SERVICE WE DON'T REIMBURSE YOU KNOW FOR GARBAGE SERVICE BECAUSE THERE'S ALREADY A FEE CHARGE FOR THAT RIGHT.

SENATOR SHELTON: THERE.

FENTON – FEMA: IT'S REALLY THE GREEN WASTE OR ANY ANY OTHER DEBRIS CAUSED BY THE HURRICANE I'M RATHER THE TYPHOON THAT WE WOULD THEN REIMBURSE FOR.

SENATOR SHELTON: OKAY OUR SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY ANNOUNCED THAT THEY WOULD BE PICKING UP WASTE TRASH FROM EVERY HOUSEHOLD WHETHER OR NOT THEY'RE A CUSTOMER AND SO THAT IS NOT AN EXISTING SERVICE WOULD THAT BE SOMETHING THAT FEMA WOULD REIMBURSE.

FENTON – FEMA: TYPICALLY WHAT WE WOULD WE WOULD SAY IS THAT THEY'RE FOR INDIVIDUALS THAT SO WE DON'T PAY FOR WAVING OF DUMP FEES WHICH IS ONE OF THE THINGS THAT'S HAPPENING WE DON'T REIMBURSE THAT TWO WE DON'T REIMBURSE FOR ENTITITES THAT HAVE THE ABILITY TO CHARGE YOU KNOW THAT ARE THEY PROVIDE A SERVICE THEY COULD CHARGE SO WE DON'T PAY FOR FOR EXAMPLE LET'S JUST SAY BACK TO WATER THAT THEY WEREN'T GOING TO CHARGE PEOPLE FOR WATER THE DISCUSSION WAS HAPPENED EARLIER I CAN'T PAY FOR THAT COST THAT THEY COULD HAVE CHARGED RIGHT OKAY SO SAME THING WITH THE GARBAGE.

SENATOR SHELTON: GOT IT.

FENTON – FEMA: I CAN'T I CAN'T PAY FOR THINGS THAT COULD BE CHARGED BECAUSE THEY COULD CHARGE THE FEE FOR THAT TO TO GET BACK THAT REVENUE THAT THEY'VE LOST BUT I CAN PAY FOR EVERYTHING THAT IS TYPHOON RELATED THEY NEED TO DOCUMENT IT THAT'S A BIG DEAL DEBRIS IS A DIFFICULT THING THAT TAKES A LOT OF OVERSIGHT AND MONITORS TO DO IT RIGHT YOU KNOW I KNOW THERE'S AN ISSUE WITH ALREADY IN THE GREEN WASTE PILES OF MAKING SURE IT'S ONLY GREEN WASTE GOING IN THERE SO WE WILL ALSO PAY TO ANY TYPHOON DEBRIS THAT IS WHITE GOODS OR METALS THAT NEED TO BE RECYCLED OR THE HAZMAT TAKEN OUT WE COULD GO AHEAD AND REIMBURSE THOSE COSTS THAT'S DEBRIS THE LAST THING WE PAY FOR IS PERMANENT RESTORATION OF PUBLICLY OWNED INFRASTRUCTURE THAT WAS IN USE BEFORE YOU KNOW THERE WAS OPERATIONAL AND DAMAGED AS A RESULT OF THE STORM SO ROADS IF THEY WERE DAMAGED WATER SYSTEMS IF THEY WERE DAMAGED AS A RESULT OF THE STORMS PUBLIC BUILDINGS AND THESE ALL HAVE TO BE PUBLICLY OWNED UTILITIES IF THEY'RE PUBLICLY OWNED AND PARKS YOU KNOW LIKE MAYBE TRAILS AND OTHER THINGS BUT IT HAS TO BE CAN'T BE A NATURAL FEATURE WE DON'T PAY LIKE REPLACE GRASS BUT ANYTHING THAT'S BUILT THAT'S ENGINEERED THAT'S MAINTAINED WE WOULD PAY TO BRING IT BACK TO PRE-DISASTER CONDITION WHATEVER THAT PRE-DISASTER IS ON TOP OF THAT WE SET ASIDE AS I SAID 15 PERCENT OF ALL FUNDING WE SPEND HERE INTO A MITIGATION FUND TO BUILD BACK STRONGER AND MORE RESILIENT FOR SPECIFIC PROJECTS THAT WERE NOT DAMAGED YOU KNOW THERE WERE THAT WERE THINGS THAT YOU KNOW GOING BACK TO THE GUAM WATERWORKS DISCUSSION IT SOUNDS LIKE THERE WERE SOME WELLS THAT DIDN'T HAVE GENERATORS IF IT MAKES SENSE TO PUT GENERATORS ON THEM AND HARDEN THEM AND PUT CONCRETE YOU KNOW PROTECTION AROUND THEM THAT'S SOMETHING WE WOULD BE ABLE TO DO GOING FORWARD IN THE FUTURE AS LONG AS LONG AS IT'S COST BENEFICIAL THAT'S OUR THREE MAJOR PROGRAMS THAT WE PROVIDE THERE'S A BUNCH OF OTHER PROGRAMS THAT EXIST AT THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT USDA IS LOOKING AT SOME OF THE AG STUFF ALREADY THEY'RE HERE ON ISLAND WE'RE LET ME THINK OF SOME OF THE OTHER ONES THAT ARE THERE THERE MAY BE STUFF THROUGH WHAT I SAID SBA MAYBE NRCS IF THERE'S SOME SMALL STREAM ISSUES THERE'S A BUNCH OF DIFFERENT FEDERAL PROGRAMS THE ONE THING THAT I DID WANT TO SAY IS THAT IN ADDITION TO THAT ANY DIRECT FEDERAL ASSISTANCE WHICH WE'RE PRIMARILY DOING RIGHT NOW WE CAN DIRECT ANY FEDERAL AGENCY TO ANYTHING IF IT'S IMPACTING LIFE SAFETY OR HEALTH SO THAT'S WHY WE'RE INSTALLING GENERATORS THAT'S WHY WE'RE CLEARING DEBRIS

THAT'S WHY WE HAVE MEDICAL PERSONNEL IN THE HOSPITALS YOU KNOW WE'LL HELP YOU KNOW THAT'S WHY WE'RE HELPING WITH THE FUEL ISSUE DOWN AT THE RACKS WE HAVE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY DOWN THERE WE'RE HELPING GUAM POWER AUTHORITY YOU KNOW WE HAVE PEOPLE ALL OVER THE PLACE TRYING TO HELP TO BRING THE INFRASTRUCTURE BACK UP AND OPERATIONAL.

SENATOR SHELTON: THANK YOU VERY MUCH YOU KNOW THERE THERE ARE MANY FAMILIES WHO HAVE LOST EVERYTHING THEIR HOMES OR MAYBE THEIR ROOF A PART OF THEIR HOME YOU AND I WERE HAVING A DISCUSSION OFFLINE ABOUT THE WORK THAT YOU DID AFTER TYPHOON YUTU AND SAIPAN CAN YOU SHARE A LITTLE BIT OF WHAT WE CAN LOOK FORWARD TO TO HELP THESE DISPLACED FAMILIES.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH I JUST CAME FROM SAIPAN THIS MORNING AND AND VISITED THE GOVERNOR OVER THERE AND AND WAS THERE FOR TYPHOON YUTU WHICH WAS I THINK I HAD OVER 200 MILE PER HOUR RECORDED WINDS SO CATEGORY FIVE EVENT IT DESTROYED A LOT OF PEOPLE'S HOMES OVER THERE AND AND THEY DON'T HAVE THE SAME THEY DIDN'T HAVE AT THAT TIME THE SAME CODES THAT YOU GUYS HAD FOR CONCRETE STRUCTURES AND SO A LOT OF WOOD BUILDINGS WITH TIN ROOFS DESTROYED SO ONE OF THE THINGS WE DID IS WE OFFERED A PROGRAM THAT IN THE LIEU OF IF YOU HAVE A MATCH GRANT FROM FEMA IF YOU DIDN'T TAKE THE MATCH GRANT WE WENT AHEAD AND AUTHORIZED PERMANENT HOUSING CONSTRUCTION AND WE ACTUALLY BUILT PEOPLE PERMANENT HOUSES 170 OF THE OF THE I WANT TO SAY 400 AND SOME PEOPLE THAT WERE ELIGIBLE ALMOST 500 WERE ELIGIBLE YEAH A LITTLE BIT OVER YEAH RIGHT AROUND 500 WERE ELIGIBLE ABOUT 170 WE BUILT I WENT AND SAW THE LAST ONE BEING BUILT TODAY FOUR YEARS LATER IT TAKES A LONG TIME TO BUILD THEM ESPECIALLY YOU KNOW WITH LIMITED LABOR FORCE OUT HERE BUT REALLY REALLY NEAT TO SEE AND THE HOUSES WE'RE BUILDING HAVE A THEY'RE ALL CONCRETE THEY HAVE A 20-YEAR ROOF ON THEM THEY HAVE HURRICANE SHUTTERS THEY'RE REALLY BUILT FOR THIS ENVIRONMENT SO THAT'S THAT'S A POSSIBILITY WE COULD BRING THAT PROGRAM HERE IF IF IT'S NEEDED THE OTHER THING WE DID IS WE WORKED WITH THE MILITARY AND I ALREADY TALKED TO THE ADMIRAL HERE ABOUT DOING THIS IS IF THERE'S HOMES THAT HAVE THE TIN ROOFS THAT BLEW OFF CAN WE QUICKLY JUST PUT THE TIN ROOF BACK TOGETHER AND I HAVE STILL I'VE BROUGHT OVER AND I SUPPLY TIN FOR THIS AND WE DID THIS FOLLOWING YUTU WHERE WE PUT UP 547 ROOFS IN FOUR MONTHS I THINK I COULD DO IT A LOT QUICKER NOW BECAUSE WE KNOW A LOT MORE AND WE'VE GOTTEN BETTER AT IT SO I'VE BROUGHT OVER THE TIN FOR 800 ROOFS AND BROUGHT OVER THIS I'M STARTING TO BRING THE SEABEES IN AND THE OTHER INDIVIDUALS AND WE'LL QUICKLY BE GOING THROUGH AND DOING AN ASSESSMENT AS PEOPLE START APPLYING WHO LOST THEIR ROOF AND RATHER THAN PUT PLASTIC SHEEN ON WHICH IS TYPICALLY WHAT WE WOULD DO WOULD IT BE BETTER IF WE JUST PUT A TIN ROOF BACK AND PUT TYPHOON CLIPS MADE IT A LITTLE BIT MORE HARDENED AND BETTER FOR THE FUTURE THAT'S WHAT WE'VE DONE IT TAKES A LITTLE LONGER THAN THE THE TARPING BUT I THINK IT'S A BETTER SOLUTION IN THE MIDTERM FOR INDIVIDUALS.

SENATOR SHELTON: YEAH.

FENTON – FEMA: SO THOSE ARE THE TYPES OF PROGRAMS WE'LL LOOK AT DOING AND YOU KNOW AS I SAID ONE OF THE KEY THINGS IS LOOKING FOR THOSE THAT ARE MOST SOCIALLY VULNERABLE THAT NEED THE HELP THAT DON'T HAVE THE RESOURCES AND WE WANT TO MAKE SURE WE'RE THERE TO HELP YOU KNOW EVERYONE BUT ESPECIALLY THOSE INDIVIDUALS.

SENATOR SHELTON: YES THANK YOU VERY MUCH BOB I KNOW IN THE PAST WE PAST STORMS THAT WHEN WE REBUILD THAT WITH FEMA THAT THESE ROOFS NEED TO BE CONCRETE SO HOPEFULLY GUAM WILL BE ELIGIBLE FOR THIS REBUILDING PROGRAM AND THAT THE TIN ROOFS THAT YOU CAN BUILD TODAY TOMORROW IN THE NEXT COUPLE OF WEEKS WILL STILL BE JUST A TEMPORARY FIX UNTIL WE CAN GET THOSE PERMANENT HOMES IN AND IS THERE SOME KIND OF WAIVER OR APPLICATION THAT WE NEED TO DO FROM THE GUAM GOVERNMENT SIDE TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR THAT OR YOU WILL MAKE THAT DETERMINATION ON YOUR OWN.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH WE'RE GONNA ONCE WE GET A BETTER IDEA OF WHAT THE DAMAGES OF STAYING HERE WERE TO INDIVIDUALS HOMES WE WILL WORK WITH GUAM TO OFFER DIFFERENT PROGRAMS AND THEN IT'S REALLY UP TO THE INDIVIDUAL TO MAKE A DECISION ON THEIR RECOVERY THEY'RE IN THE DRIVER'S SEAT AND I'LL TELL YOU AS I SAID YOU KNOW THERE'S 500 AND SOME PEOPLE THAT WERE ELIGIBLE FOR THAT PROGRAM AND ONLY 170 TOOK IT YOU KNOW SO NOT EVERYONE THAT WORKS FOR EVERYONE SOME PEOPLE WANT THE MONEY RIGHT NOW THEY WANT TO BE IN CONTROL THEY WANT A CONTRACTOR THEY WANT TO REBUILD SOME PEOPLE SAY OKAY HEY I'LL GO FIND A TEMPORARY PLACE TO LIVE AT PLEASE REBUILD MY HOUSE FOR ME

RIGHT AND AND SO IT DEPENDS ON YOUR INDIVIDUAL SITUATION AND WHAT WORKS BETTER BEST FOR YOU BUT WHAT WE DID IS COMMUNITY MEETINGS AND DISCUSS THEM WITH INDIVIDUALS THAT WERE ELIGIBLE FOR THE PROGRAM SO WE'LL WE'LL BRING EVERY PROGRAM WE HAVE HERE AND HAVE THOSE DISCUSSIONS NOT ONLY WITH GOV GUAM BUT WHAT THE INDIVIDUALS THAT ARE IMPACTED.

SENATOR SHELTON: OKAY THANK YOU VERY MUCH BOB THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

FENTON – FEMA: THANK YOU.

SENATOR SHELTON: FOR BEING HERE AND I THINK THE INFORMATION THAT YOU SHARED THE PROGRAMS THAT YOU HAVE ARE REALLY GIVING US A LOT OF HOPE THIS MORNING IF YOU WERE LISTENING OR YOU WERE IN THE CNMI THIS MORNING BUT I FELT LIKE THERE WAS A LOT OF DOOM AND GLOOM AND RIGHT NOW WHAT WE NEED THE MOST IS HOPE AND SO I THINK THAT IT THAT IS SOMETHING THAT WE CAN LOOK TO YOU TO AND THE ADMINISTRATION AND HOPEFULLY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM CAN LOOK TO OUR BODY ALSO FOR THIS HOPE THAT WE'LL BE ABLE TO PASS THESE THE THESE BILLS TO GIVE ASSISTANCE AND TO ALLOW THE GOVERNMENT TO SPEND THE MONEY THAT IT NEEDS AND TO COLLABORATE WITH FEMA TO BRING THE ASSISTANCE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE SO *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'*.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH I APPRECIATE IT YOU KNOW COLLECTIVELY WE ARE ALL LEADERS AT DIFFERENT LEVELS OF GOVERNMENT AND AS I SAID IN THE BEGINNING RECOVERY WORKS BEST WHEN WE ALL WORK TOGETHER WITH A COMMON MISSION AND IT HAS TO BE THE PEOPLE OF GUAM IN THIS CASE AND HOW DO WE HELP THEM THE MOST AND HOW DO WE HELP THEM THE QUICKEST SOMETIMES THINGS TAKE TIME AND AND YOU ARE SO FAR AWAY FROM THE MAINLAND I CAN'T JUST GO DOWN THE BLOCK AND GO THE NEXT CITY STATE OR COUNTY AND GRAB SOMETHING IT'S DIFFICULT HERE LABOR'S DIFFICULT TO GET HERE YOU KNOW THERE'S JUST SO MANY COMPLEXITIES HERE WE GO WE WILL GO AS QUICK AS WE CAN GO BUT NEED TO DO IT RIGHT AND WE WE WANT TO MAKE SURE IT'S IT'S COLLECTIVE IT'S INVOLVED IT INVOLVES EVERYONE SO WE WE YOU KNOW WE'LL BE EVERYONE'S PARTNER AND THE KEY IS TO WORK FOR THE SURVIVORS OF OF THIS STORM AND GET THEM BACK TO WHERE THEY WORE PRE-DISASTER AND IF WE CAN MAKE THEM HAVE A BETTER SITUATION WE WILL.

SENATOR SHELTON: YES ABSOLUTELY I THINK THAT THAT'S WHAT WE'RE ALL LOOKING TO DO RAISE THE QUALITY OF LIFE FOR EVERYONE ON GUAM NOT JUST BECAUSE OF THE TYPHOON BUT IN GENERAL TO BRING US BACK BETTER AND STRONGER THAN WE WERE BEFORE AND I THINK YOU HAVE OUR COMMITMENT FROM THE LEGISLATURE TO COLLABORATE TO WORK TOGETHER TO BRING THESE PARTNERSHIPS TO LIFE AND TO BRING THE HELP TO THE PEOPLE SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH AND YOU'RE RIGHT THERE IS A PRICE TO PAY FOR LIVING IN PARADISE BUT YOU KNOW THIS IS A LESSON FOR US NOW TO TO PREPARE BETTER WITH YOUR ASSISTANCE TO TO HARDEN OUR INFRASTRUCTURE TO TO DO BETTER FOR OUR PEOPLE THANK YOU.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: THANK YOU SENATOR PEREZ DO YOU HAVE ANY QUES.

SENATOR PEREZ: YES THANK YOU MR. CHAIR AND THANK YOU MR. FENTON FOR YOUR FOR BEING HERE AND ALL YOUR STAFF IN THIS REALLY GREAT TIME OF NEED IN OUR COMMUNITY YOU KNOW I THINK ONE OF THE BIGGEST ISSUES THAT WE'RE FACING IS THE WATER ACCESS TO CLEAN WATER TO CLEAN DRINKING WATER AND YOU KNOW WE'VE HAD TESTIMONY HERE EARLIER TODAY CAN YOU GIVE US PERHAPS SOME SORT OF WHAT WHAT IS THE PLAN TO HELP EXPEDITE PROVIDING WATER TO OUR PEOPLE YOU KNOW CONSIDERING I MEAN YOU HAVE IT SEEMS LIKE THERE'S A LOT OF SUPPLIES HERE ON ISLAND.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH.

SENATOR PEREZ: AND THERE THERE SEEMS TO BE SOME SORT OF MAYBE BUREAUCRACY TAKING PLACE OR THAT COULD BE JUST MY OWN IMPRESSION AS FAR AS THE POINT OF CONTACT OF WHO IS GOING TO ASSURE THAT THE GENERATORS ARE UP AND RUNNING SO THESE WATER WELLS ARE WORKING AND PUMPING OUT WATER TO TO THE PEOPLE.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH.

SENATOR PEREZ: SO IS THERE ANYTHING THAT YOU CAN ADD TO THAT.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH I THINK THERE'S THREE WAYS THAT WE'RE HELPING WITH THAT RIGHT NOW AND THERE'S OTHER WAYS WE CAN HELP POST EVENT IN THE IN THE FUTURE THREE WAYS WE'RE HELPING WITH RIGHT NOW IS WE'RE SENDING OUT BOX WATER BOTTLED WATER RIGHT NOW IMMEDIATELY AND I TALKED ABOUT SENDING IT TO THE SHELTERS SENDING TO THE MAYORS OFFICES AND WE HAVE MORE BOX WATER TO SEND IN THE INTERIM IF NEEDED SO THAT'S THE FIRST THING AND THAT'S REALLY NOT A SOLUTION THAT'S A TEMPORARY SOMETHING TEMPORARY THE NEXT THING WE'VE DONE IS BULK WATER WE GAVE GPA THE TWO 6500 GALLON BULK WATER POTABLE WATER TRAILERS WE HAVE ON ISLAND WE'VE ALSO TASKED DOD TO LOOK FOR EVERY BULK WATER TRAILER THEY HAVE ON ISLAND THAT THEY CAN MAKE AVAILABLE THAT THEY'RE NOT USING RIGHT NOW TO ASSIST THEM IN PROVIDING WATER TO INDIVIDUALS THE LAST WAY IS BY PUTTING OUT GENERATORS TO POWER UP WELLS FOR GPA WE AS I SAID RECEIVED A REQUEST YOU KNOW I GOT HERE ON ISLAND SATURDAY YOU KNOW FRIDAY TROPICAL STORM FORCE WINDS I THINK I WAS ON ONE OF THE FIRST FLIGHTS TO GET HERE IN ANDERSEN WE HAD SOME PEOPLE HERE AHEAD OF TIME WE HAVE GENERATORS STAGED HERE AND WE STARTED IMMEDIATELY WORKING WITH GUAM TO GET ALL THE GENERAL REQUIREMENTS IN AND WE'RE GETTING TONS OF THEM IN RIGHT NOW FOR YOU KNOW NOT LIKE GUAM WATER AUTHORITY BUT MANY OTHER ENTITIES AND SO WHAT WE'RE DOING IS PRIORITIZING YOU KNOW BASED ON WATER POWER COMMS YOU KNOW WHERE THOSE NEED TO GO YOU KNOW MEDICAL IS RIGHT UP THERE AND AND DOING ASSESSMENTS OF THOSE LOCATIONS FROM GUAM WATER AUTHORITY WE RECEIVE THE 11 1 I THINK HAD BEEN DAMAGED SO WE COULDN'T PUT A GENERATOR IN THERE'S 10 LOCATIONS THAT I HEAR THAT WE'RE ABLE TO ASSESS THE FIRST ONE WENT IN TODAY I HAVE A GREAT PICTURE OF IT GOING IN TODAY AND WE WILL PUT MORE IN TOMORROW AND THE NEXT DAY AS WE GET OTHER REQUIREMENTS FOR GENERATORS WE WILL GO AHEAD AND CONTINUE TO INSTALL GENERATORS UNTIL THE POWER COMES UP THE BEST THING IS OBVIOUSLY FOR POWER TO COME UP AND FOR FUEL TO CONTINUE TO GET OUT THERE AND THE MORE THAT FUEL GETS OUT THERE AND THE MORE THE POWER COMES UP THE LESS NEED FOR TEMPORARY MEASURES LIKE GENERATORS.

SENATOR PEREZ: THANK YOU FOR THAT RESPONSE OKAY IN REGARDS TO SO YOU HAVE A PROGRAM EMERGENCY PROTECTIVE MEASURES COULD GUAM HAVE REQUESTED THAT TO SUPPLY THE GENERATORS IN ADVANCE.

FENTON – FEMA: WELL WE DID A DECLARATION PRE-LANDFALL I WANT TO SAY THAT YOU KNOW THIS IS THE DECLARATION IS TYPICALLY ISSUED 48 HOURS PRIOR TO LANDFALL AND USUALLY IT'S FOR HELPING WITH MASS CARE AND EVACUATION OBVIOUSLY EVACUATION ISN'T REALLY SOMETHING THAT WE'VE EVER DONE ON GUAM IT'S REALLY SOMETHING FOR THE STATES BUT MORE MORE OF A MASS CARE TYPE OF ASSISTANCE IS WHAT WE'VE DONE WE REALLY DON'T HAVE THE TIME TO SET UP GENERATORS PRE-HURRICANE TAKE SOME TIME TO DO THE ASSESSMENT TO MOVE IT TO INSTALL IT WE'RE WORKING ON HARDENING AND EVERYTHING GET EVERYTHING READY FOR THE HURRICANE LAST THING WE WANT TO DO IS LOSE MILLION DOLLAR GENERATORS TO GIVE YOU AN IDEA SOME OF OUR GENERATORS TAKE TWO YEARS TO GET EVEN WE HAVE DEFENSE PRODUCTION AUTHORITY WHICH MEANS WE COULD GO THE FRONT OF ANY LINE EVEN IN DOING THAT IT TAKES A YEAR TO TWO YEARS TO GET WITH SOME OF THESE BIG GENERATORS WE HAVE SO WE HAVE SOME PRETTY LARGE GENERATORS HERE AND SOME AMAZING CAPABILITY PLUS WE'RE BRINGING MORE IN SO WHAT WE WANT TO DO IS PROTECT EVERYTHING AS THE STORM COMES IN AND HARDEN EVERYTHING AND MAKE SURE THEY DON'T GET DAMAGED THE NEXT THING WE WANT TO DO IS IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE STORM START BECOMING OPERATIONAL START PULLING EVERYTHING OUT GET OUR WAREHOUSE OPERATIONAL MOVE ALL THE DEBRIS WE HAD TO REMOVE WE RESPONDED JUST LIKE YOU RESPONDED AND HAD TO DO THE SAME THING TO GET OUR FACILITY GOING THE ROADS OPEN ALL THOSE KIND OF THINGS NEXT THING WE DO IS FLY IN THE 249TH POWER BATTALION WE HAD SOME ON ISLAND BEFOREHAND I WAS ON THE FIRST PLANE WITH 25 OF THEM AND THEN THERE'S MORE ON THE NEXT PLANE THAT CAME IN THAT NIGHT THEY START ASSESSING RIGHT AWAY AND AT THE SAME TIME WE'RE CONTRACTING WITH VENDORS HERE BECAUSE WE NEED THE ABILITY TO HAUL AND CRANES TO LIFT THE THING SO ALL THAT'S BEING DONE SIMULTANEOUSLY MOST OF THIS WE'VE GONE AHEAD IN AND YOU KNOW PRE THIS EVENT DONE WORK TO FIGURE OUT WHO WE'RE GOING TO PARTNER WITH ON ISLAND WHICH CONTRACTORS ARE AVAILABLE TO DO THIS KIND OF WORK BUT WE GOT TO MAKE SURE THEIR EQUIPMENT'S OPERATIONAL SO SATURDAY WE GOT IN WE STARTED ASSESSING BY SUNDAY WE HAD TEAMS OUT IN THE FIELD ASSESSING AND THIS MORNING START HAULING GENERATORS TO SITES AND THE FIRST GENERATOR WINNING THIS MORNING SO I THINK WE'RE MOVING PRETTY QUICKLY I THINK THE PACE WILL PICK UP THE TRUTH IS YOU GOT HIT BY A PRETTY BIG TYPHOON AND IT CAUSED A LOT OF DAMAGE IMPACTED ROADS

IT'S IMPACTING PHONES STILL TO TODAY IT'S MAKING OPERATIONS VERY DIFFICULT BUT I THINK THAT WE'RE RESPONDING PRETTY QUICKLY TO THE REQUIREMENTS AS THEY'RE COMING UP AND WE KNOW THE PRIORITIES YOU KNOW WE WILL GET THOSE GENERATORS TO THOSE SITES THE GOOD NEWS IS I THINK WE MATCHED MOST OF THEM SO THEY'RE IN OUR INVENTORY WE DON'T WANT TO FLY THEM FROM OFF ISLAND SO THAT SPEEDS UP THE PROCESS OF BEING ABLE TO INSTALL.

SENATOR PEREZ: OKAY AND DO YOU HAVE A DISASTER UNEMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE IS GUAM QUALIFY FOR THAT.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH WE GUAM'S ALREADY QUALIFIED THROUGH THE ACTION BY THE PRESIDENT TO OPEN IA SO IT BRINGS DISASTER UNEMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE SPECIFIC TO THE DISASTER AND THE SNAP PROGRAM I TALKED ABOUT THERE'S A BUNCH OF OTHER PROGRAMS THAT WERE TRIGGERED BY THAT DECLARATION BY THE PRESIDENT.

SENATOR PEREZ: YEAH BE.

FENTON – FEMA: I THINK IT WAS FOR THE GOVERNOR.

SENATOR PEREZ: THAT'S GREAT BECAUSE I KNOW THERE'S SOME SOME PEOPLE THAT HAVE LOST OR LOST WORK BECAUSE THEIR BUSINESSES BLEW DOWN AND IT'S GOOD TO KNOW THAT THAT THAT WOULD BE PROVIDED TO THEM SO JUST FOR PEOPLE THAT ARE LISTENING OUT THERE WE WANT TO ENCOURAGE THEM TO APPLY IN REGARD.

FENTON – FEMA: INCLUDING THINGS LIKE CRISIS COUNSELING ASSISTANCE FROM LAWYERS I MEAN I'M SURE PEOPLE ARE GOING TO HAVE LEGAL QUESTIONS AND ALL THOSE KIND OF THINGS ARE THERE SO THERE'S A LOT OF PROGRAMS AND YOU KNOW AS I TOLD YOU THAT YOU KNOW WE TALKED EARLIER ABOUT THE WAYS TO APPLY BUT THE DISASTER RECOVERY CENTER WILL HAVE INDIVIDUALS TO HELP GUIDE PEOPLE TO SOME OF THOSE PROGRAMS TOO.

SENATOR PEREZ: OKAY AND IN REGARDS TO GETTING THE WORD OUT I MEAN THAT'S ONE OF THE ISSUES SOME OF THESE SOME OF OUR NEIGHBORHOODS HAVE SPOTTY SERVICE WHAT ARE THE PLANS TO IMPROVE THAT.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH SO IN OUR DISASTER RECOVERY CENTERS WE'LL BRING SATELLITE CAPABILITY INTO THOSE SO THAT WE COULD HAVE WI-FI AS I SAID YESTERDAY ON THE NEWS WE SHOULD HAVE THOSE OPERATIONAL IN LESS THAN A WEEK I'M HOPING BY THIS WEEKEND THE FIRST ONES ARE STARTING TO BECOME OPERATIONAL WE HAVE TO AGREE ON FACILITIES WITH THE MAYORS THAT THEY'LL LET US USE WE HAVE TO MAKE SURE THAT THEY YOU KNOW THAT THEY ARE BIG ENOUGH FOR THE SIZE OF THE CROWDS THAT WE'LL SEE THERE BUT I THINK WE'RE HEADED TOWARD THAT WE'LL BRING INTO THE SATELLITE SYSTEMS WE'LL DO THOSE KIND OF THINGS ON TOP OF THAT IN THAT CENTER WE'LL SEND PEOPLE OUT TO THE FIELD BY THIS WEEK AND WE SHOULD HAVE OVER 100 PEOPLE IN THE FIELD AND THEY WILL HAVE IPADS AND THEY'LL BE ABLE TO YOU KNOW GO TO NOT ONLY WORK THROUGH THE VILLAGES BUT GO TO AREAS WHETHER IT BE THE CHURCHES MAYBE THE GROCERY STORE WHERE DO PEOPLE CONGREGATE AT THAT WE COULD COMMUNICATE THE OTHER WAY IS ARMING PUBLIC OFFICIALS LIKE YOURSELVES AND THE MAYOR SO YOU KNOW I SENT INFORMATION TO ALL THE MAYORS ON THE PROGRAM DOING THAT AND SO WE'LL LOOK THROUGH MANY DIFFERENT VEHICLES TO MAKE SURE THAT WE HELP PEOPLE REGISTER I THINK ONE OF THE BIGGEST THINGS WE'VE DONE IS NOT JUST WAIT FOR PEOPLE TO FIGURE OUT HOW TO GET TO THE SYSTEM BUT COME TO THEM WITH CAPABILITY AND TECHNOLOGY TO ASSIST THEM.

SENATOR PEREZ: OKAY THE OTHER THING IS YOU KNOW THERE'S A LOT OF VEGETATION DAMAGE AND WITH THAT COMES THE POTENTIAL FOR SOIL EROSION AND MUDSLIDES SO ARE YOU WORKING CLOSELY WITH THE ARMY CORPS TO PREVENT MORE PREVENTATIVE MEASURES TO PROTECT HOMES PROTECT PEOPLE AT THIS POINT.

FENTON – FEMA: NO I HAVEN'T STARTED I HAVEN'T GOT A MISSION TO START ANALYZING THE POTENTIAL MUDSLIDES YOU KNOW FROM THIS EVENT AND SOME THINGS SOME THINGS WE CAN DO SOME THINGS ARE NOT UNDERNEATH OUR PROGRAM THAT WE CAN'T DO WHEN IT COMES TO SECONDARY IMPACTS FROM FUTURE EVENTS SO WE'RE LIMITED TO WHAT WE COULD DO WHEN IT COMES TO NATURAL VEGETATION BUT IF IT'S ENGINEERED OR SOMETHING LIKE THAT THEN WE CAN GO AHEAD AND LOOK AT ESPECIALLY IF IT IF IT

SUPPORTS INFRASTRUCTURE LIKE A ROAD OR A HOUSE OR THOSE KIND OF THINGS SO WE'RE GLAD TO LOOK AT THOSE AND ANALYZE THOSE AND WE'RE GLAD TO BRING IN THE RIGHT ENGINEERS TO HAVE THOSE DISCUSSIONS IF THERE'S SPECIFIC AREAS AND AND I APPRECIATE I'LL TAKE IT BACK TO GUAM AND ASK THEM.

SENATOR PEREZ: APPRECIATE THAT.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH.

SENATOR PEREZ: BECAUSE ONE OF THE ISSUES IS DOCUMENTING RIGHT SO MAYBE YOU KNOW WE DIDN'T PLAN THIS THIS LEVEL OF DEVASTATION PERHAPS I MEAN MAYBE WE CAN RELY ON CERTAIN IMAGES GIS IMAGES PRIOR TO THE THE TYPHOON HOW HOW FAR OUT CAN WE USE WHAT KIND OF DATA CAN WE USE TO US YOU KNOW ASSESS THIS POTENTIAL HAZARD.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH IT'S A GOOD QUESTION I WOULD TURN IT OVER TO ONE OF THE GEOLOGISTS TO TO ANSWER YOUR QUESTION AND AND SPECIFICALLY I KNOW THAT SOME AREAS HAVE PRE-EXISTING SLIDES THAT ARE KNOWN SOME ARE UNKNOWN SLIDES THAT ARE CAUSED BY AN EVENT SOME MAY BE WATER INTRUSION YOU KNOW THERE'S MANY REASONS WHY WE SEE SLIDES HAPPEN SO YOU KNOW WHAT I'LL DO IS HAVE USGS AND SOME OF OUR GEOLOGISTS YOU KNOW HAVE A LOOK AT THAT AND SEE WHAT IS THE LIKELIHOOD OR THE THREAT OR THE RISK OF THAT TO HAPPEN AND THEN HAVE A DISCUSSION WITH GUAM AND IF THERE'S MAPPING THAT EXISTS GREAT IF THERE'S NOT A MAPPING THAT DOESN'T EXIST AND WE COULD IDENTIFY AREAS WE'RE GLAD TO DO THAT.

SENATOR PEREZ: OKAY THE OTHER THING OF INTEREST TO ME IS THERE WAS SOME TALK ABOUT ESTABLISHING FEMA DEBRIS DOES DISASTER DEBRIS SITES IS THERE AN OPPORTUNITY IS IT IS AN OPPORTUNITY WHILE YOU'RE HERE TO IDENTIFY THOSE SITES FOR THE FUTURE SO THAT YOU KNOW WE'RE READY.

FENTON – FEMA: MY UNDERSTANDING IS GUAM HAS A DEBRIS PLAN IT IDENTIFIES THE SITES IN THOSE IN THAT DEBRIS PLAN WE WORK WITH ALL OF OUR STATES AND TERRITORIES AND WE ACTUALLY TEACH A DEBRIS COURSE WE'VE BROUGHT IT OUT HERE BEFORE I THINK IT'S BEEN SOME YEARS SINCE WE'VE DONE THAT BUT I WOULD ASK THEM A COPY OF THE DEBRIS PLAN AND I THINK THOSE SITES I I'VE DRIVEN AROUND THE ISLAND I'VE SEEN THE SITES I ASSUME THOSE ARE SOME OF THE SITES THEY'RE IDENTIFYING THAT PLAN BUT YOU'LL HAVE TO ASK THEM.

SENATOR PEREZ: OKAY.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH.

SENATOR PEREZ: AND THEN THE OTHER THING ABOUT HAZARD MITIGATION SO GM BORDALLO WAS TALKING ABOUT HARDENING SOME OF THE INFRASTRUCTURE SO THAT THEY DON'T RELY ON GENERATORS BUT UNDERLINE POWER SUPPLY TO WHAT EXTENT CAN THE HAZARD MITIGATION GRANTS BE USED TOWARDS THAT.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH THERE'S A COST-BENEFIT RATIO THAT'S LOOKED AT AND I THINK THE BIG ISSUE THAT I'VE SEEN IN THE PAST ABOUT UNDERLINING POWER LINES HAS TO DO WITH YOU KNOW A ENGINEERING ASSESSMENT OF WHETHER IT MAKES SENSE BECAUSE YOU'RE ALSO AN EARTHQUAKE-PRONE AREA TOO SO USUALLY ENGINEERS LOOK AT THAT MAKE A DECISION LOOK AT THE COST BENEFIT ANALYSIS FOR OUR PROGRAM WE LOOK AT THE COSMEN HOW MANY TIMES HAS LINE GONE DOWN IS IT BASED ON THE COST OF PUT IT UNDERGROUND DOES IT MAKE MORE SENSE WE DID THAT FOR CNMI AFTER YUTU FOR THE RUN TO THE AIRPORT AND THE RUN TO THE HOSPITAL AND TO THE DOWNTOWN AREA SO THAT'S SOMETHING THAT WE WE HAVE DONE BEFORE IN DISASTERS BUT IT DEPENDS A LITTLE BIT ON THE ENGINEERING THE COST BENEFIT ANALYSIS.

SENATOR PEREZ: OKAY AND THEN THE OTHER THING IS HOMELESSNESS SO THAT WE YOU KNOW WE HEAR IN THE PAPER THAT THERE ARE WE SEEING THE PAPER THERE'S THOUSANDS HOMELESS I GUESS WHAT HOW CAN WE EXPEDITE EITHER IS IT TEMPORARY HOMES OR EVEN PERMANENT HOMES FOR THEM IS THAT IS THAT A POSSIBILITY.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH SO OUR ASSISTANCE IS FOCUSED ON INDIVIDUALS THAT ARE HOMEOWNERS OR RENTERS WHO HAD A HOME PRIOR TO THE EVENT AND AND RECEIVED DAMAGE FROM THOSE EVENTS SO IF WE'RE TALKING ABOUT INDIVIDUALS THAT WERE HOMELESS PRIOR TO THE EVENTS THEN WE NEED TO REALLY

WORK WITH HUD AND YOU KNOW THE NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS AND OTHERS ON WHAT ASSISTANCE THAT WE CAN PROVIDE THEM IF WE'RE TALKING ABOUT OUR THIS EVENT HAS CAUSED THEM TO BE HOMELESS THEN THAT'S DEFINITELY SOMETHING WE WOULD BE WORKING ON.

SENATOR PEREZ: OKAY THANK YOU.

FENTON – FEMA: AND I JUST ON ON THE FIRST PART OF THAT WHERE OBVIOUSLY NOT GOING TO SAY IF THEY'RE HOMELESS AND THEY'RE AT A SHELTER WE'RE NOT GONNA DO ANYTHING WITH YOU WE'RE GOING TO WORK VERY HARD WITH THE NON-PROFITS HUD AND OTHERS TO FIGURE OUT HOW DO WE MEET THOSE GAPS OUR PROGRAMS WON'T FIX EVERYONE'S ISSUES THEY WON'T HOWEVER WHAT WE WILL DO IS WE'LL WORK RESTLY TO LOOK ACROSS OTHER FEDERAL AGENCIES GUAM PROGRAMS AND NON-PROFITS TO FIGURE OUT HOW TO MEET THOSE GAPS.

SENATOR PEREZ: OKAY THANK YOU AND THEN AS FAR AS ASSESSING OTHER GOVERNMENT FACILITIES SO HAS OTHER AGENCIES BEEN IN CONTACT WITH FEMA SUCH AS DOE IN REGARDS TO THE EFFECTS OF THE TYPHOON.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH I I HAVE NOT SEEN AN ASSESSMENT I KNOW THAT DOE WAS DOING SOME ASSESSMENTS BUT I HAVEN'T SEEN YET WHAT THE DAMAGES AN ESTIMATE OF DAMAGES FOR PUBLICLY OWNED BUILDINGS OR INFRASTRUCTURE YET FROM GUAM USUALLY GUAM COLLECTS THAT GIVES US AN ESTIMATE AND TYPICALLY WHAT WOULD HAPPEN IS WE GO OUT AND DO A JOINT ASSESSMENT OF THAT WE BECAUSE WE'RE SO BUSY ON THE RESPONSE END OF THIS WE HAVEN'T GOT TO THE PART OF DOING A JOINT ASSESSMENT YET.

SENATOR PEREZ: OKAY AND AS FAR AS TIMELINE HOW SOON DOES ALL THIS WORK HAVE TO BE DONE.

FENTON – FEMA: I'M SORRY PIPE TIMELINE WHAT'D YOU SAY?

SENATOR PEREZ: TIME TIMELINE.

FENTON – FEMA: OH TIMELINES THE WHICH WORK ARE WE TALKING ABOUT.

SENATOR PEREZ: EMERGENCY PERMANENT WORK I MEAN IS PERMANENT WORK PART OF IT AS WELL.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH SO.

SENATOR PEREZ: AS THE ASSISTANCE.

FENTON – FEMA: SO YEAH OKAY SO THE TIMELINES FOR TYPICALLY FOR ME DIRECTLY TO DO IT FOR YOU WHERE I DO PROVIDE DIRECT FEDERAL ASSISTANCE IS SOMETHING THAT HAPPENS IN THE FIRST 60 DAYS OF AN EVENT YOU KNOW BECAUSE BY THAT TIME TYPICALLY UNLESS THINGS ARE REALLY NOT GOING WELL POWERS COME BACK WATERS COME BACK THERE'S NO MORE LIFE-SAVING REQUIREMENTS NOW WE'RE INTO RECOVERY AND REBUILDING THE TIMELINES FOR RECOVERY AND REBUILDING IS ESSENTIALLY THERE'S A APPLICATION PROCESS THAT STARTS IS 60 DAYS AFTER THE INCIDENT PERIOD CLOSES AND IN THOSE 60 DAYS ALL THOSE THAT ARE ELIGIBLE FOR THE PUBLIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAM APPLY TO THAT PROGRAM AND AND THEY FILL OUT A REQUEST FOR PUBLIC ASSISTANCE AS A FORM THEY FILL OUT THAT INCLUDES SOME NON-PROFITS THAT ARE ELIGIBLE NON-PROFITS THAT PROVIDE AN EMERGENCY TYPE OF SERVICE OUR CRITICAL TYPE OF SERVICE AND THERE'S A LIST OF THEM AND WE CAN HELP YOU WITH THAT THEY APPLY TO THE PROGRAM AND THEN WHAT WE DO IS WE JOIN WITH GUAM DO AN INITIAL MEETING TO KIND OF EXPLAIN THE PROGRAM TO THEM AND TO HELP THEM START AND THEN WHAT WILL HAPPEN IS WE'LL SEND INDIVIDUALS TO THAT PUBLIC ENTITY TO HELP THEM WRITE THE GRANTS.

SENATOR PEREZ: SO WHAT IS THE BALLPARK DO YOU HAVE AN ESTIMATE OF WHAT THIS IS ALL GOING TO COST.

FENTON – FEMA: OH NO I DON'T HAVE AN ESTIMATE YET I CAN ONLY GIVE YOU I THINK THE THE BEST THING I COULD COME UP WITH RIGHT NOW IS WHAT WE SPENT IN PONGSONA AND USE THAT AS YOU KNOW AN EVENT THAT'S NEAR AS BAD AS THIS RIGHT YOU KNOW MAYBE A LITTLE BIT WORSE BUT WE SPENT YOU KNOW THE NEIGHBORHOOD OF TWO TO THREE HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS IN PONGSONA AND THAT'S 2003 YOU GOT 20 YEARS LATER YOU KIND OF GET AN IDEA OF WHAT THIS MAY COST YOU KNOW THINGS ARE DIFFERENT YOU KNOW THE POWER POLES ARE ARE UP NOW THEY WEREN'T UP THEN SO THERE'S DIFFERENT COSTS BUT I DON'T

HAVE AN ESTIMATE I COULD TELL YOU I COULD COME BACK AND PROVIDE WHAT I'VE SPENT TODAY AND I'M PROBABLY SPENDING TO DATE I'M PROBABLY OVER 25 30 MILLION DOLLARS ALREADY.

SENATOR PEREZ: OKAY WELL THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR YOUR SERVICE AND COMMITMENT TO THE ISLAND.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH.

SENATOR PEREZ: AND TO HELPING OUT PEOPLE IN NEED.

FENTON – FEMA: RIGHT.

SENATOR PEREZ: BUT I DO HAVE A QUESTION FOR MR. ESTEVEZ SO YOU'RE YOU ARE WITH THE.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: SENATOR PEREZ.

SENATOR PEREZ: OH JUST FOR FEMA.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: WE'RE GOING TO WRAP WITH FEMA BECAUSE WE NEED TO MOVE ON TO THE BILL.

SENATOR PEREZ: OKAY.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: DO YOU HAVE ANYTHING ELSE FOR FOR BOB IF NONE WE'RE GOING TO MOVE ON.

SENATOR PEREZ: I'LL ASK HIM.

SENATOR BARNETT: I'M SORRY OBJECTION WHEN WE STARTED THIS AROUND YOU SAID THAT WE'RE GOING TO BE LIMITED TO ONE QUESTION EACH AND THEN YOU PROCEEDED TO ALLOW A 45-MINUTE TED TALK ON FEMA 101 AND SO I JUST WOULD ASK THAT WE'D BE CONSISTENT IN ENFORCING THE RULES OF ENGAGEMENT WE'VE YOU KNOW YES MR. FENTON'S GOT A LOT OF STUFF TO DO BUT ALSO WE HAVE TO DO OUR DUE DILIGENCE REPRESENTING THE PEOPLE IN THIS CRUCIAL TIME AND SO I'LL JUST ASK FOR CONSISTENCY RATHER THAN ELIMINATING THE OPPORTUNITY FOR THE REMAINING MEMBERS TO ASK QUESTIONS OF MR. FENTON SIR WITH ALL DUE RESPECT.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: OH NO.

SENATOR BARNETT: THANK YOU MR. CHAIR.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: I'M NOT GOING TO DENY ANYBODY IT'S NOT ASKING ANYBODY ELSE IN THE PANEL BUT HIM ONLY FEMA ALL RIGHT SPEAKER MADAM SPEAKER DO YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS SO WE CAN WRAP THIS UP.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: YES THANK YOU.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: I'M HOPING WE'LL BE DONE SOONER.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: THANK YOU FOR BEING HERE AND FOR BEING WILLING TO ANSWER ALL OUR QUESTIONS AND I HOPE WE CAN HELP YOU IN YOUR MISSION TO GET THE WORD OUT AND TO GET AID TO THE PEOPLE OF GUAM *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* SO WHEN YOU TALKED ABOUT THE RACK DOES THAT MEAN THE RESPONSE WHAT DOES THE RACK STAND FOR.

FENTON – FEMA: I'M SORRY SAY IT AGAIN.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: YOU TALK ABOUT COMMUNICATING WITH THE RACK RESPONSE ACTIVITY COORDINATOR OR SOMETHING.

FENTON – FEMA: OH.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: RESPONSE ACTIVITY COORDINATE IS THAT WHAT IT'S CALLED.

FENTON – FEMA: I I DON'T KNOW IF I SAID THE WORD RACK DID I SAY THE WORD RACK.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: WHAT DID YOU SAY RACKS YOU SAID YEAH WHEN YOU WERE WORKING AT THE PORT TO.

FENTON – FEMA: OH.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: TO RESOLVE THE FUEL.

FENTON – FEMA: OH NO NO NO.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: YOU DISCUSSED.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH SO SO WHAT I SAID WAS YOU I WAS GIVING YOU EXAMPLES OF DIFFERENT FEDERAL AGENCIES AND WHAT THEY WERE DOING AND I SAID ONE OF THE FEDERAL AGENCIES DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY WAS WORKING AT THE PORT ON THE RACK AND THE FUEL COMPANIES BETWEEN THE FUEL COMPANIES THE RACK IS THE THING THAT PROVIDES FUEL TO TRUCKS THAT'S HOW THEY FILL UP THE TRUCK.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: ALRIGHT THE.

FENTON – FEMA: SO THERE WAS A POWER ISSUE WITH THAT EARLY ON.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: YES.

FENTON – FEMA: IN THIS EVENT AND AND THEY WERE WORKING TO WHETHER THEY NEEDED A GENERATOR DOWN THERE TO HELP OR GO ON ISLAND POWER THEY WENT ON ISLAND POWER PRETTY QUICK BUT SINCE THEN OUR DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY PERSON HAS BEEN WORKING TO WITH THOSE FUEL COMPANIES TO TRY TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF GAS STATIONS THEY HAVE ON ISLAND AND MAKE REPAIRS TO THOSE GAS STATIONS AND TO ASCERTAIN WHAT ARE THE ISSUES SO ONE OF THE THINGS DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY HAS THE ABILITY TO DO IS TO UNDERSTAND BE ABLE TO GET INFORMATION THAT IS PROPRIETARY INFORMATION TO HELP US MAKE BETTER DECISIONS AND SO THEY'VE BEEN WORKING WITH ALL THE DIFFERENT FUEL COMPANIES TO GET THAT INFORMATION TO HELP US UNDERSTAND WHAT DO THEY NEED AT THOSE GAS STATIONS YOU KNOW A LOT OF IT IS PERSONNEL SOME OF IT IS INCREASED FUEL TRUCKS TO MAKE MORE DELIVERIES HOW DO WE GET THEM GOING UP AND SO THE RACK WAS JUST ONE PIECE OF EQUIPMENT THAT I WAS TALKING ABOUT.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: ALL ALRIGHT SO DID YOU HELP POWER UP THAT ISSUE DOWN THERE.

FENTON – FEMA: NO THEY THEY WENT ON FULL POWER.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: ALL RIGHT WHO IS IT THAT YOU WORK WITH IN THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM THEN IS THERE ONE PERSON WHO YOU WORK WITH TO COORDINATE YOUR EFFORTS.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH THE THEY'RE WELL SO IN ANY DISASTER THE GOVERNOR APPOINTS A NUMBER OF PEOPLE TO FILL CERTAIN POSITIONS AND ONE OF THEM IS THE TERRITORY COORDINATING OFFICER AND AND SO THE TERRITORY COORDINATING OFFICER AND CHARLES HAS BEEN THE PERSON DOWN THE EOC WITH SAM WHO'S BEEN THE KIND OF LEAD FOR MOST FOR MOST OF THE COORDINATION AT THE EOC TO COORDINATE ALL THE MULTIPLE GUAM AGENCIES AND WE HAVE THE FEDERAL AGENCIES DOWN THERE WORKING WITH THEM SO.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: SO WHO IS IT FOR GUAM.

FENTON – FEMA: SAM BRENNAN.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: OKAY.

FENTON – FEMA: BRENNAN SAM BRENNAN.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: ALL RIGHT.

FENTON – FEMA: I WANT TO MAKE SURE I'M SAYING IT RIGHT SAM BRENNAN AND THEN AND THEN CHARLES AND THEN THERE'S A THERE'S A FIDUCIARY RESPONSIBILITY WHO'S THE WHO'S THE IT'S CALLED THE WHAT IS IT CALLED THERE THE GAR THE GOVERNOR'S AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE WELL LET ME GOVERNOR WHO WHAT DO YOU CALL TERRITORY AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE YOU KNOW SO THE GOVERNOR'S AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE WHO'S HER CHIEF OF STAFF AND THAT'S WHO DOES WHO'S RESPONSIBLE FOR THE FIDUCIARY RESPONSE.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: WHAT DOES THAT MEAN.

FENTON – FEMA: THE FUNDING THE THE AUTHORIZING FUNDING.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: RIGHT.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: THAT'S EXACTLY WOULD THAT BE THE SAME AS AUTHORIZING PURCHASE ORDERS.

FENTON – FEMA: WELL.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: AUTHORIZING FEMA.

FENTON – FEMA: FOR ME I YEAH.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: FUNDING.

FENTON – FEMA: NO SO.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: WHAT DO YOU MEAN BY THAT.

FENTON – FEMA: WHAT HE'S AUTHORIZING IS REQUESTS TO ME FOR ME TO PROVIDE DIRECT FOR FEDERAL ASSISTANCE SO FOR EXAMPLE IF IF I'M GOING TO.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: SORRY I'M SORRY MADAM CHAIR IF WE COULD GET SOME ORDER.

FENTON – FEMA: WE.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: PLEASE SORRY MY APOLOGIES.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: WE TALKED ABOUT THE EXAMPLE OF A GENERATOR SO SO WHAT HAPPENS IS THERE'S MISSIONS THAT COME INTO ME FOR GUAM TO ASK FOR HELP AND CERTAIN MISSIONS CAN YOU INSTALL GENERATORS FOR CRITICAL FACILITIES THAT MAY BE A MISSION ASSIGNMENT THAT THEY GIVE ME A REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE THEY ACTUALLY GIVE ME A REQUEST THAT REQUEST IS SIGNED OFF BY THE GAR BECAUSE THERE'S A DOLLAR ESTIMATE THAT GOES WITH IT YOU KNOW SO HERE'S THE ESTIMATE OF FUNDING THAT WE SEE YOUR REQUEST.

SENATOR FISHER: EXCUSE ME CHAIR I HAVE A POINT OF PROCEDURE.

NOTE SENATOR SHELTON PRESIDES OVER THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

SENATOR SHELTON: PLEASE.

SENATOR FISHER: HOW MANY QUESTIONS ARE WE ALLOWED

SENATOR SHELTON: SENATOR FISHER YOU CAN ASK AS MANY QUESTIONS AS YOU CAN WITHIN YOUR ALLOTTED TIME WE DON'T COUNT THE TIME FOR RESPONSE YOUR MIC'S NOT ON SIR.

SENATOR FISHER: WE UNDERSTAND THAT BUT WE ALSO UNDERSTAND WHAT SENATOR SAN AUGUSTIN TOLD US WHICH WAS ONE QUESTION.

SENATOR SHELTON: NO ONE ROUND ONE ROUND.

SENATOR FISHER: ONE ROUND ONE QUESTION AND.

SENATOR SHELTON: NO EVERYONE'S HAD MULTIPLE QUESTIONS.

SENATOR FISHER: WELL NOT THOSE OF US WHO PASSED OUT OF COURTESY.

SENATOR SHELTON: MY UNDERSTANDING IS THAT WE COULD HAVE ASKED AS MANY QUESTIONS AS WE WANTED

WITHIN OUR FIVE MINUTES.

SENATOR FISHER: YOU'RE.

SENATOR SHELTON: THIS IS A ROUND FOR FEMA.

SENATOR FISHER: YOU'RE MISTAKEN MA'AM.

SENATOR SHELTON: YOU CAN ASK SENATOR JOE FOR CLARIFICATION BUT HE ALLOWED ME TO ASK THE SAME AMOUNT OF QUESTIONS SENATOR PEREZ MY UNDERSTANDING IS THAT WE COULD ASK AS MANY QUESTIONS AS WE WANT WITHIN THE ALLOTTED TIME SO IF YOU SKIPPED BECAUSE YOU DID IF YOU WANT YOUR FIVE MINUTES THEN WE CAN DO THAT SEN.

SENATOR BROWN: MADAM CHAIR I APPRECIATE.

SENATOR SHELTON: SPEAKER TERLAJE.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: THANK YOU THANK YOU.

SENATOR BROWN: FOR ALL THE INFORMATION FROM FEMA AND THE QUESTIONS OF SPEAKER AND EVERY WE ALL HAVE THOSE QUESTIONS BUT I THOUGHT WE WERE HERE FOR AN EMERGENCY SESSION TO RESPOND AND WE HAVE NOT EVEN AT THIS HOUR MANY OF US HAVE FAMILY AT HOME THAT HAVE NO POWER OR RESOURCES TO EVEN HAVE DINNER AND WE'RE NOT EVEN IN A POSITION TO HELP THEM BECAUSE WE'RE HERE ENTERTAINING ALL OF THIS WITHOUT EVEN ADDRESSING THE BILL WE'VE BEEN HERE ALL DAY.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: THE BILL.

SENATOR BROWN: I'VE NEVER BEEN IN AN EMERGENCY RESPONSE.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: MADAM CHAIR.

SENATOR BROWN: WE'RE NOT ADDRESSING A BILL HERE.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: THIS IS OUT OF ORDER MADAM CHAIR.

SENATOR BROWN: IT MIGHT BE OUT OF ORDER.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: WE ARE ADDRESSING A BILL.

SENATOR BROWN: IF YOU TAKE A VOTE.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: THE BILL.

SENATOR BROWN: I THINK YOU'LL HAVE A VERY DIFFERENT RESPONSE FROM THE REST OF US.

SENATOR BARNETT: OBJECTION I DON'T.

SENATOR BROWN: THAT ARE HERE.

SENATOR SHELTON: CAN WE HAVE SOME ORDER.

SENATOR BARNETT: WE'RE HERE TO ACT BRASHLY.

SENATOR SHELTON: ORDER PLEASE.

SENATOR BARNETT: OR IN A RUSH.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: WE'RE HERE.

SENATOR SHELTON: OKAY.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: MAYBE SOME COLLEAGUES YOU KNOW IF WE HAD STAYED AND WORKED INSTEAD OF RECESSING COULD GO HOME EARLIER THE PROBLEM IS WE'RE HERE TO TAKE CARE OF THE NEEDS OF ALL OF THE PEOPLE OF GUAM NOT JUST OUR IMMEDIATE FAMILIES.

SENATOR BROWN: WE'RE ALL HERE TO TAKE CARE OF THE PEOPLE.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: WE'RE HERE.

SENATOR SHELTON: OKAY THANK YOU.

SENATOR BROWN: SPEAKER.

SENATOR SHELTON: ORDER ORDER.

SENATOR BROWN: WE DID NOT SET UP A SESSION.

SENATOR FISHER: I OBJECT TO THE INSULATION.

SENATOR BROWN: WHERE WE'RE NOT ADDRESSING A BILL.

SENATOR SHELTON: ORDER ORDER PLEASE

SPEAKER TERLAJE: THE BILL.

SENATOR SHELTON: SPEAKER TERLAJE.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: THANK YOU.

SENATOR SHELTON: YOU HAVE THE FLOOR.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: THANK YOU THE BILL IS TO AUTHORIZE 50 MILLION DOLLARS OF EXPENDITURES FOR THE GOVERNOR AND I WANTED TO ASK FEMA FOR ME THIS IS THE MOST RELEVANT QUESTION OF THIS ENTIRE PROCEEDINGS TODAY.

SENATOR FISHER: THEN ASK IT.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: IS WHAT IS YOUR ESTIMATE OF THE NEED OF FOR GUAM FOR EMERGENCY EXPENDITURES.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH I I DON'T HAVE AN ESTIMATE YET I HAVEN'T HAD TIME TO PUT TOGETHER AN ESTIMATE I I SAID EARLIER THAT OUR FUNDING WORKS ON REIMBURSEMENT SO YOU NEED TO BE ABLE TO SPEND MONEY IN ORDER FOR US TO REIMBURSE IT SO THE ONLY ESTIMATE I GIVE YOU IS WHAT WE SPENT HERE IN PONGSONA WHICH I'VE ALREADY GIVEN THE FUNDING FOR PONGSONA YOU USE THE 20-YEAR YOU KNOW DIFFERENCE TO KIND OF GET AN IDEA THAT ONE AS THE ORDER OF MAGNITUDE MIGHT HAVE BEEN AN ORDER OF MAGNITUDE A LITTLE BIT WORSE MAYBE I DON'T KNOW WE HAVE NOT YET GOT TO THE POINT WHERE I'VE DONE AN ASSESSMENT OF ALL THE DESTROYED DAMAGE DESTROYED MAJOR OR MINOR DAMAGED HOMES OR GOT AN ACCOUNTING OF ALL THE INFRASTRUCTURE DAMAGE YET SO IT'S HARD FOR ME TO GIVE AN ESTIMATE YOU MAY WANT TO ASK GUAM FOR THAT.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: ALL RIGHT WHO.

FENTON – FEMA: GUAM GOVERNMENT OF GUAM.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: GUAM.

FENTON – FEMA: GUAM.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: OKAY SORRY I THOUGHT YOU SAID SO WHAT IS THE WHAT ABOUT THE 50 MILLION DO YOU THINK IT WILL EXCEED THAT.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH I WOULD BE 400 MILLION DOLLARS SO THAT'S IT I MEAN I I THINK IT'S A PLACE TO START RIGHT I MEAN YOU NEED TO GET MONEY INTO THE SYSTEM SO THEY COULD GO AHEAD AND MAKE MAKE DECISIONS ISSUE CONTRACTS THROUGH PURCHASE ORDERS OR WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN IS IT'S GOING TO BE SOLELY DEPENDENT ON THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT ONLY TO TAKE ACTION AND AND THAT DOESN'T WORK BECAUSE WE DON'T HAVE THE KNOWLEDGE WITH THE INFRASTRUCTURE OR THE EXPERIENCE OR CONTROL THE RESOURCES HERE SO YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE TO PAY OVERTIME FOR PEOPLE TO RESPOND POLICE FIRE ALL THOSE KIND OF THINGS ARE COSTS THAT YOU THAT YOU'RE GOING TO INCUR RIGHT NOW THAT YOU HAVE TO GO AHEAD AND PAY WE COULD EVENTUALLY REIMBURSE THOSE COSTS.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: YES.

FENTON – FEMA: BUT WE CAN'T PAY FOR THEM UP FRONT NOT.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: RIGHT.

FENTON – FEMA: KNOWING WHERE THEY'RE AT.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: NO I'M JUST WE'RE JUST TRYING TO.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: FINESSE THE AMOUNT IF IT'S REASONABLE I WANT TO OF COURSE ASSURE THE PEOPLE OF GUAM THIS IS A REASONABLE AMOUNT DO YOU REMEMBER THE AMOUNT REIMBURSED OR SPENT IN THE CNMI.

FENTON – FEMA: I I WANT TO SAY CMI WAS CLOSE TO YUTU I WANT TO SAY IT WAS CLOSE TO SIX OR EIGHT HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS IT WAS PRETTY HIGH I ONLY WANT TO SAY IT MAY BE EVEN HIGHER THAN THAT IT'S PRETTY HIGH YUTU WAS.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: DO YOU THINK OUR EXPENSES HERE WILL BE MORE OR LESS.

FENTON – FEMA: YOU HAVE A BIGGER POPULATION I MEAN I I DON'T I I JUST DON'T KNOW.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: OH OKAY.

FENTON – FEMA: RIGHT I MEAN IN SOME CASES THE POWER SYSTEM MUCH BETTER THAN YUTU OR PONGSONA I MEAN YOU LOOK AROUND HERE THE POLES ARE STANDING BUT YOU KNOW THERE'S OTHER DAMAGES YOU SEE TOO THAT THAT ARE THERE SO IT'S YOU'RE ASKING ME TO YOU KNOW TO MAKE A GUESS I I THINK YOU KNOW YOU GOT TO START SOMEWHERE YOU KNOW YOU GOT TO BE ABLE TO TAKE CARE OF ALL THE OVERTIME COSTS.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: YUP.

FENTON – FEMA: YOU GOT TO TAKE CARE OF ALL THE EMERGENCY CONTRACTS HAPPENING I COULD REIMBURSE THOSE PRETTY QUICKLY BUT YOU NEED TO GET FUNDING OUT THERE.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: YES.

FENTON – FEMA: TO MAKE THOSE DECISIONS.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: SO THAT'S HOPEFULLY WHAT THIS BILL IS GOING TO DO.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: IT IS THE THE DOES THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM IS SUPPOSED TO BE ACTING THEN PRETTY MUCH AHEAD OF YOU RIGHT AND YOU COME IN AND REIMBURSE SO THERE'S NO NEED FOR THE GOVERNMENT WANT TO WAIT FOR APPROVAL FROM YOU FOR THEIR ACTIONS FOR EXAMPLE TO GET WATER TO THE SHELTERS OR TO PUT GENERATORS AT THE WELLS.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH SO THE WAY IT WORKS IS GUAM CAN TAKE ANY ACTION IT WANTS AND I COULD YOU KNOW IT HAS TO DO WITH THEY TAKE ANY ACTION THEY WANT THERE'S THINGS THAT I COULD REIMBURSE FOR ACTIONS THEY'RE TAKING LIKE WATER TO TO THE SHELTERS THERE'S CERTAIN CAPABILITY THAT I BRING THAT'S INHERENTLY WITHIN THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT C-17S THE MILITARY SHIPS ALL THOSE KIND OF THINGS SO WHEN THERE'S AN EVENT THAT'S THIS BIG FOR ANY STATE OR TERRITORY THEY TURN TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AND SAY HEY CAN YOU HELP US WITH THIS EVENT AND SO THE FACT THAT I HAVE A WAREHOUSE HERE STORED WITH 100 GENERATORS YOU KNOW I AS A FEDERAL GOVERNMENT CAN MAINTAIN AND KEEP THAT HERE FOR THE THREAT FOR GUAM OR CNMI WHERE MAYBE IT'S NOT WITHIN YOUR BUDGET TO KEEP SOMETHING THAT BIG HERE BECAUSE YOU DON'T HAVE THAT MANY EVENTS RIGHT I'M CONSTANTLY USING THAT NOT ONLY OUT HERE BUT SOMETIMES I USE IT BACK IN HAWAII SO I HAVE THE ABILITY TO DO THOSE KIND OF THINGS THAT MAYBE YOU DON'T I THEN PROVIDE THOSE RESOURCES AS GUAM ASKS FOR THEM TO HELP THEM IN THESE EVENTS.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: ALL RIGHT THE 100 GENERATORS ARE THOSE PRETTY MUCH YOU SAID SPOKEN FOR NOW OR THEY'VE BEEN REQUESTED ALREADY THAT MANY REQUESTS YOU'VE RECEIVED.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH I HAVEN'T BEEN IN OUR OFFICE ALL DAY LONG BUT MY GUESS IS THAT.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: YEAH.

FENTON – FEMA: THE CORPS OF ENGINEERS HAS A LONG LIST OF ASSESSORS THEY'RE DOING AND WHAT THEY DO IS PAIR THOSE.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: YEAH.

FENTON – FEMA: TO THE RIGHT SIZE AND SO THEY'RE PAIRING WHAT WE HAVE PLUS WHAT WE'RE FLYING IN BECAUSE WE'RE FLYING IN MORE.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: YES.

FENTON – FEMA: BUT WE HAVE A WIDE ASSORTMENT OF GENERATORS.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: I APPRECIATE THAT AND DO YOU EXPECT ANY OF THOSE TO ASSIST US IN GETTING THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS IMPROVED.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH I I MEAN I THINK YOU KNOW WE COULD DEFINITELY USE THEM TO INSTALL YOU KNOW AT THE LOOK FOR SOME OF THE REPEATERS THAT ARE MAYBE BIG ONES THAT COVER A WIDE AREA AND GENERATE THOSE RIGHT SO THOSE ARE SOME OPPORTUNITIES AND WE'VE TALKED TO GUAM IN THE LAST DAY ABOUT HEY SHOULD WE GET THEM OUT THERE TO THOSE LOCATIONS AND AND DO THAT ALSO WORKING WITH THE PHONE COMPANY AND AND THE DIFFERENT SYSTEMS TO BE ABLE TO DO THAT WE'VE ALSO BOUGHT SOME SATELLITE CAPABILITY HERE SOME CELL COWS TOOK STAND BANDWIDTH IN CERTAIN AREAS SO WE'LL DO THAT AROUND THE RECOVERY CENTERS AND THOSE KIND OF THINGS SET UP KIND OF INTERNET CAFES.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: SO DO YOU WORK ALWAYS THROUGH THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM INSTEAD OF WITH THE TELECOM COMPANY FOR EXAMPLE IT WOULD BE WITH THE GOVERNMENT.

FENTON – FEMA: INSTEAD OF WHAT.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: WITH THE TELECOMMUNICATION COMPANY IT IT DOESN'T YOU DON'T WORK DIRECTLY WITH THEM YOU WORK WITH THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM.

FENTON – FEMA: THE GOVERNMENT GUAM HAS TO GIVE ME THE DIRECTION OF.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: OKAY.

FENTON – FEMA: WHO TO WORK WITH.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: WHAT THE PRIORITIES ARE.

FENTON – FEMA: THAT'S RIGHT.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: OKAY BECAUSE YEAH.

FENTON – FEMA: THE GOVERNOR THE GOVERNOR IS GIVING ME HER PRIORITIES AND BASED ON THAT WE'RE WORKING TO MEET THOSE PRIORITIES THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM THROUGH THEIR OPERATIONS CENTER IN COORDINATION WITH THE VILLAGES AND ALL THE DIFFERENT GUAM AGENCIES PUTS REQUESTS IN FOR ASSISTANCE TO ME ON A FORM THOSE REQUESTS COME TO ME THEN I ACTION THEM TO THE RIGHT FEDERAL AGENCY OR OR MOVE THE RIGHT RESOURCE.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: SURE.

FENTON – FEMA: IN THERE.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: ALL RIGHT I'M ASKING BECAUSE YUP I HEARD THE TELECOMS COMPANY SAY POWER IS A BIG ISSUE AND WHENEVER POWERS THE ISSUE FUELS AN ISSUE YES SO I JUST WANTED TO KNOW IF THAT ALL GOES THROUGH THE GOVERNMENT THEN IF.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: IF THEY'RE GOING TO GET YOUR ASSISTANCE.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH SO.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: I THINK THEY'RE COUNTING ON YOUR ASSISTANCE IT SOUNDS LIKE BUT ALL RIGHT MY OTHER QUESTIONS ARE WHEN YOU LISTED OUT THE REQUIREMENTS THAT THE GOVERNMENT HAS TO MATCH YOU SAID THERE WERE CONTRACTUAL REQUIREMENTS ARE THERE PROCUREMENT REQUIREMENTS.

FENTON – FEMA: WHAT.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: LIKE MUST IT BE COMPETITIVE PROCUREMENT OR.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH SO FOR YES.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: AND THE GOVERNMENT'S FAMILIAR WITH THOSE I THINK CHARLES ESTEVEZ IS FAMILIAR WITH THOSE PROCUREMENT REQUIREMENTS IN ORDER THAT THEY WILL BE REIMBURSABLE.

FENTON – FEMA: YES YOU'RE CORRECT THEY'RE A CFR 200 PART TWO SPELLS OUT THE PROCUREMENT REQUIREMENTS FOR FEDERAL GRANTS AND THEY HAVE TO FOLLOW THOSE PROCUREMENT REQUIREMENTS THAT'S ONE OF THE ONE-PAGE DOCUMENTS I SENT OUT TO THE MAYORS EARLIER AND TO THE DIFFERENT GUAM AGENCIES SO IT'S IMPORTANT THEY FOLLOW PROCUREMENT REQUIREMENTS BECAUSE THERE WILL BE AUDITS LATER ON.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: AND THEN SO YOU MENTIONED HOW FEMA IS THE ONE NOW DIRECTING THE OTHER FEDERAL AGENCIES INCLUDING USE AND MILITARY RECOV REMOVAL OF DEBRIS.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH SO FEMA'S JOB IN A DISASTER IS THE PRESIDENT APPOINTS FEMA TO BE THE LEAD OF ALL FEDERAL AGENCIES THAT COORDINATE THEIR EFFORTS AND GIVES US A FUND TO PROVIDE FUNDING TO THOSE FEDERAL AGENCIES TO TAKE ACTION THERE'S MANY AGENCIES THAT HAVE GOTTEN MANY MISSIONS INCLUDING DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE IT'S HELPING WITH ROUTE CLEARING AND AND CLEARING OF DEBRIS TO THE RIGHTS OF WAY.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: IS THAT ON THE BASES OR OUT OF THE BASES.

FENTON – FEMA: NOT ONLY ON THE BASES BUT OUTSIDE THE BASES SO THERE'S SPECIFIC ROUTES THEY'VE CLEARED THEY ALSO WENT OUTSIDE THE BASE FOR CRITICAL ROUTES TO GO TO THE BASE AND CLEARED IT AND WE'RE WORKING WITH GUAM TO CLEAR OTHER AREAS IN THE NORTH THAT HAVE HEAVY DEBRIS.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: ALL RIGHT AND AND SO WHEN THERE WAS A DISCUSSION EARLIER ABOUT THE MILITARY IS WAITING FOR A REQUEST FROM US IT'S REALLY GOING TO BE REQUESTS THROUGH YOU.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH SO THE MILITARY GETS A REQUEST FROM ME WE'VE GIVEN THE THE MILITARY REQUESTS WHERE WE HAVE REQUIREMENTS FOR THEM THAT THEY'RE THE BEST TOOL FOR THAT CAPABILITY WHEN THEY'RE NOT THE BEST TOOL THAT REQUEST MAY GO TO SOMEONE ELSE IN SOME CASES WE MAY CONTRACT FOR THAT TOOL IT DEPENDS REALLY WHO WHO'S THE BEST CABLE PERSON THE THE MILITARY RIGHT NOW IS DOING STRAT AIRLIFT AND AND SEA LIFT FOR US THE MILITARY IS DOING THE DEBRIS REMOVAL MISSION WE WILL DEFINITELY BRING THEM IN WE TALKED ABOUT POTENTIALLY GOING TO TIN ROOFS AND DOING THAT WE WILL BRING THEM IN FOR THAT WE'RE USING THEM WE'RE ASSESSING THEM TO DO WATER REMOVALS TO ADD TO THAT AND WE'RE ASKING THEM TO ALSO PROVIDE FUEL TO SOME OF OUR GENERATORS SO WE DON'T IMPACT THE COMMERCIAL MARKET OUT THERE THERE'S MANY OTHER THINGS THAT THEY'RE DOING FROM COMMUNICATIONS OTHER THINGS THAT ARE HELPING US OPERATIONAL PLUS GIVING US SPACE WE'RE USING THEIR FACILITIES RIGHT NOW TO STAGE A LOT OF OUR EQUIPMENT AND MOVE A LOT OF STUFF AROUND SO THEY'VE BEEN PRETTY CRITICAL TO THIS OPERATION.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: ALL RIGHT AND AND THE YEAR 10 GENERATORS THAT YOU'RE GOING TO YOU'VE COMMITTED TO GWA HOW LONG DO YOU THINK BEFORE ALL 10 ARE INSTALLED.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH I DON'T KNOW I'D HAVE TO ASK THE CORPS OF ENGINEERS THE QUESTION I HAVEN'T SPOKEN TO HIM I JUST SAW THE PICTURE THAT I JUST GOT EMAILED THAT THE FIRST ONE WAS INSTALLED TODAY I DON'T KNOW IF THEY'RE DIFFICULT LOCATIONS EASY LOCATIONS BIG SIZES SMALL SIZES SO YEAH I DON'T I DON'T KNOW BUT THE FACT THAT I UNDERSTAND ALL 10 HAVE BEEN ASSESSED AND I HAVE NOT HEARD

THAT WE DON'T HAVE ANY OF THOSE NOT IN STOCK I WOULD SUSPECT THAT THEY GET INSTALLED FAIRLY SOON.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: THANK YOU I APPRECIATE THAT VERY MUCH SO I'M GLAD TO LEARN SO WE HAVE A NON-CASH ASSISTANCE THE DIRECT AND THANKS TO YOUR WAREHOUSING OR HAVE SOME OF THESE ITEMS THAT THEY'RE IMMEDIATELY AVAILABLE NOW WITH YOUR AUTHORIZATION WE'VE GOT PERSONNEL ON THE GROUND AUTHORIZED AND AND THEN WE'VE GOT THE FUTURE REIMBURSEMENT POTENTIAL SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH TO YOU THANK YOU.

NOTE SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN PRESIDES OVER THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: THANK YOU SENATOR BARNETT DO YOU YOU HAVE A QUESTION.

VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: MR. CHAIR.

SENATOR BARNETT: HOW MANY QUESTIONS WE GET.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: OH.

VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: YEAH ON.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: POINT OF.

VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: POINT OF INFORMATION PLEASE.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: YES.

VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: WE JUST RECEIVED A CALL FROM ONE OF THE COUNSEL GENERALS AND IT WAS TO INQUIRE WITH FEMA DOES THE RESIDENTS OF FAS WHO ARE ARE STAYING HERE DO THEY QUALIFY FOR FEMA.

FENTON – FEMA: THE COFA.

VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: COFA.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH YEAH.

FENTON – FEMA: THAT'S I TALKED ABOUT THAT.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: OKAY.

FENTON – FEMA: A LITTLE EARLIER.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: YEAH THAT WAS SPOKEN UP EARLIER.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH.

VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: JUST A VERIFICATION ON THAT.

FENTON – FEMA: SO SO BASICALLY.

VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: YES.

FENTON – FEMA: UNDERNEATH THE COMPACT AS IT EXISTS RIGHT NOW TODAY COFA PEOPLE THAT ARE UNDERNEATH COFA THAT ARE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR INDIVIDUAL ASSISTANCE HOWEVER IF THEY HAVE A CHILD BORN HERE IN THE UNITED STATES THEY CAN APPLY THROUGH THEIR CHILD BORN HERE IN THE UNITED STATES.

VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: THANK YOU.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: ALL RIGHT THANK YOU YOU ASKED THE QUESTION HOW MANY QUESTIONS.

FENTON – FEMA: YES I'M SORRY ONE ONE QUESTION THAT DOESN'T MEAN WE'RE NOT GOING TO WORK WITH NON-PROFITS AND OTHER PROGRAMS WE WILL HELP THEM.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: UNDERSTOOD.

FENTON – FEMA: OKAY YEAH YEAH.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: YOU DO WHAT YOU NEED TO DO SENATOR BARNETT IN REFERENCE IS IT ONE QUESTION YOU ASKED.

SENATOR BARNETT: I'M NOT I'M NOT SURE MR. CHAIR DEPENDS ON I DIDN'T HEAR YOU ASK ANYONE ELSE HOW MANY QUESTIONS THEY HAD.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: NO I'M I'M.

SENATOR BARNETT: BUT FOR MR. FENTON I JUST WANT TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME HERE I KNOW YOU GOT A LOT OF THINGS GOING ON.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: ALL RIGHT.

SENATOR BARNETT: BUT I WANTED TO ASK FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS ARE YOU ABLE TO WHAT KIND OF IF ANY ASSISTANCE CAN YOU PROVIDE RELATIVE TO STANDING THEM UP SO THAT PEOPLE CAN ACCESS THEIR MONEY BECAUSE ONE OF THE MAIN ISSUES WE'RE HEARING ABOUT IS PEOPLE THE NO ATMS ARE WORKING BANKS DIGITAL WE HAD LESTER CARLSON THE MAN SITTING RIGHT NEXT TO YOU SAY THAT WE ARE IN THE MIDDLE OF A DIGITAL CATASTROPHE SO WHAT ASSISTANCE IF ANY CAN FEMA PROVIDE SO THAT OUR PEOPLE CAN GET TO THEIR MONEY BEFORE THEY GET ASSISTANCE.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH NO IT'S A GREAT QUESTION I I AGREE WITH YOU I WAS TRYING TO GET CASH OUT THE OTHER DAY I WAS HAVING TROUBLE FINDING A PLACE TO GET CASH SO YOU KNOW DEFINITELY IF THE IF DEPENDING ON WHAT THE FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS NEEDED WE MAY BE ABLE TO ASSIST THEM IF IF GUAM ASKS US TO HELP THEM I THINK WE'D BE LIMITED IN WHAT WE COULD DO WE COULD PROBABLY YOU KNOW PROVIDE THEM A GENERATOR OBVIOUSLY IF THAT'S A PROBLEM BUT IT'S PROBABLY MORE TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND I THINK WE'D BE LIMITED ON THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS SIDE TO HELP THEM OUT BUT I COULD I'LL DEFINITELY BRING IN SOME OTHER FEDERAL AGENCIES THAT WORK WITH BANKS TO START LOOKING AT THOSE ISSUES AND SEE WHAT IT IS WE CAN DO I THINK THE POWER ISSUE IS PRETTY EASY FOR US I THINK THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS PART MAY BE A LITTLE BIT MORE DIFFICULT JUST BECAUSE THE LIMITED SATELLITE CAPABILITY AND THOSE KIND OF THINGS THAT WE HAVE ON ISLAND.

SENATOR BARNETT: RIGHT AND I MEAN I KNOW ONE OF OUR COLLEAGUES HAD PREVIOUSLY SPOKEN ABOUT A SENSE OF HOPE.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH.

SENATOR BARNETT: AND I THINK THAT A LOT OF PEOPLE HAVE LOOKED RIGHT PAST THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND ARE LOOKING AT YOU AND FEMA AS YOU KNOW.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH.

SENATOR BARNETT: PARDON PUN BY THE GREAT WHITE HOPE BECAUSE WE HAVE NOT DONE ENOUGH FOR OUR PEOPLE UP UNTIL THIS POINT IN FACT IT ALMOST SEEMED LIKE WE WERE JUST GOING TO SIT AROUND AND SIT ON OUR THUMBS OUTSIDE OF THE MAYORS AND WAIT FOR FEMA TO COME AND SAVE THE DAY WE DIDN'T EVEN GIVE OUR PEOPLE DRINKING WATER.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH.

SENATOR BARNETT: UNTIL YOU SHOWED UP.

FENTON – FEMA: YOU KNOW ONE OF THE THINGS THAT WE'VE DONE IN DISASTERS IS ACTUALLY PARTNER WITH THE BANKING COMPANIES TO BRING IN MOBILE ATMS AND SO SO YOU KNOW THAT MAY BE AN AREA FOR US TO PARTNER WITH THEM AND SEE WHAT WE COULD BRING IN AND THEN THEN POWER AND SOME OF THEM COME WITH THEIR OWN SATELLITE CAPABILITY AND THOSE KIND OF THINGS.

SENATOR BARNETT: DO YOU GUYS PROVIDE ANY CONNECTIVITY CAPABILITY BECAUSE I KNOW YOU SAID THAT WHEN YOU SEND YOUR WORKERS OUT TO THE HOUSEHOLDS THEY HAVE A PALM DEVICE.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH.

SENATOR BARNETT: WITH INTERNET ACCESS THAT.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH WE HAVE LIMITED I MEAN WE'RE GOING TO PUT STUFF UP NEAR OUR DRCS WE HAVE STUFF FOR OUR TEAMS TO COMMUNICATE WITH WE HAVE SOME CELL COWS THAT WE HAVE HERE TO KIND OF BUILD A INTERNET CAFE AROUND THE AREAS TO REGISTER WE'LL USE IT MOSTLY FOR THE REGISTRATION CAPABILITY BUT YOU KNOW WE COULD YOU KNOW DEFINITELY MAYBE ONE OF THE THINGS TO DO IS BRING ONE OF THOSE THINGS AND PUT IT NEAR THE DRCS RIGHT ONE OF THEM ON THE CASH MACHINES AND YOU CREATE THAT ABILITY FOR PEOPLE TO PULL CASH WHILE THEY'RE AT THE RECOVERY CENTER SO I I THINK YOU HAVE SOME GOOD IDEAS THERE I'LL TAKE THEM BACK AND AND SEE HOW WE CAN ASSIST.

SENATOR BARNETT: I DID WANT TO ASK ABOUT REIMBURSEMENTS RIGHT BECAUSE AND I THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME AND I KNOW THAT YOU KNOW MY MOM'S SITTING AT HOME IN THE DARK BUT THIS IS THE LIFE I CHOSE TO REPRESENT AND SERVE THE PEOPLE BUT YOU KNOW WE'RE HERE TO DO A JOB WE'RE NOT HERE TO RUSH THROUGH THIS BILL YOU KNOW SOME OF MY COLLEAGUES IT DEPENDS ON THE DAY OF THE WEEK SOMETIMES THEY WANT TO DISCUSS AND DEBATE OTHER TIMES THEY WANT TO RUSH THROUGH BUT I DON'T THINK THIS IS SOMETHING THAT WE NEED TO RUSH THROUGH BECAUSE WE DON'T EVEN HAVE AN IDEA OF HOW MUCH MONEY IT'S GOING TO TAKE YOU CAN'T GUESSTIMATE IT ALSO SOUNDS LIKE YOU'RE NOT CLEAR ON WHETHER OR NOT WE CAN UTILIZE FEDERAL FUNDS FOR THIS RECOVERY IS THAT ACCURATE TO SAY.

FENTON – FEMA: NO EVERYTHING THE PRESIDENT'S PROVIDED SO FAR IS ELIGIBLE TO YOU SO OUR ABILITY TO REIMBURSE COSTS FOR PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE OUR ABILITY TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE TO INDIVIDUALS OUR ABILITY TO PROVIDE DIRECT FEDERAL ASSISTANCE HAS BEEN AUTHORIZED I THINK THE THINGS THAT ARE STILL TO BE DETERMINED IS WHETHER THE COST SHARE CHANGES OVER TIME YOU KNOW AS I SAID EARLIER.

SENATOR BARNETT: RIGHT.

FENTON – FEMA: IT DEPENDS IF YOU MEET THE PER CAPITA NUMBER.

SENATOR BARNETT: YES.

FENTON – FEMA: OR IT'S REALLY A PRESIDENTIAL SAY.

SENATOR BARNETT: THERE'S BEEN A QUESTION ABOUT CARES ACT REIMBURSEMENTS.

FENTON – FEMA: OH.

SENATOR BARNETT: AND SO ARP FUNDS.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH.

SENATOR BARNETT: FOR EXAMPLE CAN THE GOVERNOR UTILIZE ARP FUNDS.

FENTON – FEMA: NO YEAH.

SENATOR BARNETT: AND THEN EXPECT.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH SO.

SENATOR BARNETT: TO BE REIMBURSE TO BE REIMBURSED BY FEMA.

FENTON – FEMA: SO TYPICALLY WHAT I SAID IS TYPICALLY STAFFORD ACT FUNDING A SUPPLEMENTAL AND THAT MEANS IT'S AFTER INSURANCE TAKES PLACE OR AFTER OTHER FEDERAL FUNDINGS USED WHAT I CAN'T DO AND TYPICALLY WHAT HAPPENS IS I'VE SEEN IT WHERE WE'VE PROVIDED THE STAFFORD ACT AND THEY USE OTHER FEDERAL FUNDS FOR THE NON-FEDERAL MATCH THE 25 PERCENT BUT THE ONE THING I HAVE NOT SEEN YET IS WHERE YOU USE SOME OF THAT OTHER MONEY AND YOU GO AHEAD AND MAKE A PROCUREMENT AND THEN YOU ASK ME FOR A REIMBURSEMENT OF 100 PERCENT YOU KNOW THE REIMBURSEMENT OF THAT PROCUREMENT YOU KNOW THE 75 25 AND THAT PROCUREMENT I HAVEN'T SEEN THAT NOW I KNOW THAT IN SOME OF THE CARES MONEY THEY HAD CERTAIN THINGS THEY AUTHORIZED THAT WERE UNIQUE I HAVE MY LAWYER SEARCHING THOSE RIGHT NOW FOR THE ARP.

SENATOR BARNETT: YEAH.

FENTON – FEMA: FOR THE INFRASTRUCTURE MONEY.

SENATOR BARNETT: RIGHT.

FENTON – FEMA: AND THOSE KIND OF THINGS I I PERSONALLY THINK I PERSONALLY THINK THAT I CAN'T REIMBURSE THOSE BUT I'M GOING TO VERIFY THAT.

SENATOR BARNETT: THANK YOU YEAH YEAH.

FENTON – FEMA: AND I THINK BUT I DO THINK THEY CAN BE USED IN SOME CASES FOR THE NON-FEDERAL MATCH.

SENATOR BARNETT: RIGHT AND SO THAT'S THE THE DILEMMA WE'RE IN IS IF THE GOVERNOR CAN USE THE ARP FUNDS THEN WE MIGHT AS WELL TEAR UP THIS BILL AND GO HOME BUT I WANTED TO ASK ABOUT REIMBURSEMENTS BECAUSE THERE WAS A COMMENT THAT WAS MADE BY MR. CARLSON EARLIER ABOUT LEGACY ISSUES THAT THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM HAS WITH FEMA CURRENTLY DO WE HAVE ANY OUTSTANDING CLAIMS WITH THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM DO WE CURRENTLY HAVE ANY OUTSTANDING CLAIMS WITH FEMA THAT HAVE YET TO BE RESOLVED AND AND IF SO WHEN ARE THOSE FROM AND WHAT ARE THE ISSUES THANK YOU.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH I WE HAVE TONS OF GRANTS WITH THE GOVERNMENT I GO ON BOTH DISASTER AND NON-DISASTER GRANTS WE DO I'M NOT SURE OF ANY OUTSTANDING YOU KNOW ANY ANYTHING OUTSTANDING THAT'S AN ISSUE I DO KNOW THAT WE ARE DOING AN AUDIT IN GUAM AND CNMI I HAVEN'T SEEN THAT AUDIT YET BUT I DO KNOW THAT THERE'S BEEN SOME ISSUES YOU KNOW OVER THE YEARS AND PAST ADMINISTRATIONS WITH MANAGEMENT OF AND FOLLOWING THE REGULATIONS FOR MANAGEMENT OF SOME OF OUR GRAND FUNDS.

SENATOR BARNETT: ARE YOU ABLE TO SAY WHICH ADMINISTRATION OR.

FENTON – FEMA: I DON'T.

SENATOR BARNETT: A YEAR.

FENTON – FEMA: HAVE ANY INFORMATION YET.

SENATOR BARNETT: NO.

FENTON – FEMA: I DON'T KNOW HOW FAR THEY WENT BACK.

SENATOR BARNETT: OKAY.

FENTON – FEMA: AND TYPICALLY I KIND OF STAY OUT OF IT UNTIL.

SENATOR BARNETT: RIGHT.

FENTON – FEMA: THEY'VE COMPLETED IT AND THEN THEY COME TO ME WE ACTUALLY CONTRACTED THIS ONE OUT AND IT STARTED I WANT TO SAY A COUPLE MONTHS AGO AND.

SENATOR BARNETT: WHAT WHAT CAN YOU SAY WHAT YEAR IS IT IN QUESTION.

FENTON – FEMA: I DON'T KNOW.

SENATOR BARNETT: ON THE RANGE OKAY.

FENTON – FEMA: I WOULD I'D BE GUESSING I KNOW THERE WAS MULTIPLE ADMINISTRATIONS.

SENATOR BARNETT: AND SO WHAT ARE WHAT ARE WHAT WERE THE ISSUES THAT LED FOR THE THE CALLING OF THE AUDIT BECAUSE YOU KNOW WE'RE IN.

FENTON – FEMA: I WELL YEAH I.

SENATOR BARNETT: WE WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE MOVE FORWARD WE DON'T MAKE THE SAME MISTAKES YOU KNOW.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH I WOULD SAY THIS THAT I HAVE NOT HEARD ANYTHING THAT'S FRAUDULENT RIGHT MORE THINGS THAT YOU'RE NOT FOLLOWING YOU KNOW GRANT MANAGEMENT PRACTICES WHETHER THAT BE HOW YOU ACCOUNT FOR THINGS WHAT YOU SPEND THE MONEY ON YOU KNOW HOW YOU GET APPROVAL WHAT THE DOCUMENTATION IS YOU KNOW THOSE ARE THE KIND OF THINGS I'VE HEARD BUT I HAVEN'T HEARD ANYTHING FRAUDULENT AND I DON'T THINK WE'LL AT LEAST WHAT I'VE I FEEL PRETTY COMFORTABLE ABOUT THAT BECAUSE IF IT WAS FRAUDULENT WE'D PROBABLY BE TALKING TO THE INSPECTOR GENERAL OR SOMETHING LIKE THAT.

SENATOR BARNETT: RIGHT RIGHT.

FENTON – FEMA: AND WE'RE NOT THIS IS AN INTERNAL AUDIT THAT OUR REGION'S DOING THAT WE'VE CONTRACTED OUT JUST BECAUSE WE'RE PROBABLY THE BUSIEST REGION IN THE COUNTRY RIGHT NOW YEAH.

SENATOR BARNETT: RIGHT SO IT KIND OF SOUNDS LIKE MAYBE WE DIDN'T CROSS OUR EYES AND DOT OUR T'S AND DO WHATEVER.

FENTON – FEMA: MORE OF THAT ADMINISTRATIVE.

SENATOR BARNETT: RIGHT.

FENTON – FEMA: I WOULD SAY A TYPE OF AUDIT RESPONSIBILITIES THAT YOU HAVE YOU KNOW THAT KIND OF STUFF.

SENATOR BARNETT: RIGHT WELL I JUST WANTED TO SAY ON WE'RE THANKFUL GRATEFUL SURE BUT I KNOW THAT THAT FEMA AND THE RECOVERY ASSISTANCE YOU PROVIDE IS PART AND PARCEL OF OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH THE UNITED STATES I ALSO HAVE TO SAY I'M JUST MAYBE I'M TOO OPTIMISTIC BUT I YOU KNOW I'M DISAPPOINTED THAT WE'VE ONLY HAVE WE IS THAT ONE GENERATOR THAT YOU GUYS HAVE PUT OUT IS THAT UP AND RUNNING OR IS THAT STILL BEING INSTALLED.

FENTON – FEMA: NO THE ONE GENERATOR IS UP AND OPERATIONAL TODAY SO I MEAN YOU KNOW TROPICAL FORCE WINDS.

SENATOR BARNETT: RIGHT.

FENTON – FEMA: ENDED FRIDAY.

SENATOR BARNETT: YEAH.

FENTON – FEMA: DIDN'T MOVE ANYTHING OUT TILL SATURDAY SATURDAY WE OPEN UP AND START MOVING DEBRIS FROM OUR FACILITY LIKE EVERYONE ELSE.

SENATOR BARNETT: CORRECT.

FENTON – FEMA: SATURDAY IS THE FIRST PLANE THAT COMES IN WITH CORPS OF ENGINEERS AND EVERYONE ELSE THAT'S SATURDAY EVENING SO SUNDAY WE GET TO WORK WE GET THE PRIORITIES FROM GUAM WE GO OUT MONDAY SUNDAY MONDAY.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH.

FENTON – FEMA: TUESDAY WE'RE INSTALLING I MEAN YOU KNOW I.

SENATOR BARNETT: AND I APPRECIATE THAT.

FENTON – FEMA: IT IS.

SENATOR BARNETT: I'M JUST SAYING THAT THAT WE'RE SITTING HERE AND WE'RE ALL SAYING OH SATURDAY THIS SUNDAY THAT MONDAY THAT TUESDAY THAT BUT TO THE PEOPLE WHO ARE SUFFERING WITHOUT POWER WITHOUT ELECTRICITY WE MAY BE TALKING ABOUT FIVE TO SIX DAYS BUT FOR THESE PEOPLE WHO ARE LIVING IN THESE CONDITIONS RIGHT NOW IT'S A LIFETIME IT'S FOREVER.

FENTON – FEMA: OH I BELIEVE ME THERE'S NO ONE THAT'S NOT GOING WE HAVE PEOPLE WORKING 16 HOUR DAYS RIGHT THE ISSUE IS I THINK WE ALL HAVE TO BE A LITTLE BIT OF REALISTIC OF WHAT IT TAKES TO PUT A GENERATOR IN AND NOT KILL SOMEONE IN DOING IT SO THERE'S CERTAIN STEPS THAT YOU HAVE TO TAKE AND YOU KNOW THIS IS WHAT I SAID EARLIER YOU KNOW I THINK SOCIAL MEDIA AND A LOT OF OTHER THINGS THINK THAT WE SHOULD THINGS SHOULD HAPPEN LIKE THAT.

SENATOR BARNETT: SURE.

FENTON – FEMA: IN REALITY YOU KNOW WHEN YOU TALK ABOUT MOVING SOMETHING THAT WEIGHS A YOU KNOW A COUPLE TONS YOU NEED CRANES YOU NEED CERTAIN PROTECTION OF EQUIPMENT YOU NEED TO GO AHEAD AND I DON'T KNOW IF THOSE WELLS ARE READY TO ACCEPT THE GENERATOR OR WE'RE DOING ALL THE WIRING IN THERE THERE'S ALL THESE PIECES THAT GO TO IT SO WITHOUT KNOWING THAT YOU KNOW LOOK I WANT TO MOVE FASTER.

SENATOR BARNETT: RIGHT.

FENTON – FEMA: JUST LIKE YOU DO I KNOW THERE'S PEOPLE OUT THERE HURTING THERE AIN'T ANYONE ON THE FEDERAL TEAM THAT DOESN'T WANT TO MOVE FASTER BREAK GLASS GO AS QUICK AS WE CAN WE'RE DOING THAT I MEAN WE'RE WE GOT STUFF IN FLIGHT ALL NIGHT LONG ALL DAY LONG PLANES MOVING STUFF MOVING PEOPLE MOVING WITH THAT IT UNFORTUNATELY TAKES TIME TO DO THIS AND.

SENATOR BARNETT: RIGHT.

FENTON – FEMA: AND I'LL AND I'LL SAY THIS THE BEST THING THAT WE COULD DO IS AS WE REBUILD LOOK FOR OPPORTUNITIES TO NOT LET THIS HAPPEN AGAIN BOTH INDIVIDUALLY AND YOU KNOW AS A GOVERNMENT OF GUAM AS A FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AND I PUT ME IN THAT HOW DO WE WORK TOGETHER ALL THE WAY DOWN TO THE INDIVIDUAL ARE INDIVIDUALS PREPARED DO THEY HAVE WATER FOOD.

SENATOR BARNETT: YEAH.

FENTON – FEMA: AND ALL THAT READY TO GO IN THEIR KIT DO THEY HAVE THEIR OWN GENERATORS IF THEY NEED I MEAN YOU'RE IN A ISLAND COMMUNITY THAT'S A DIFFICULT COMMUNITY IT'S KIND OF LIKE FLORIDA OR SOME OF THOSE AREAS THAT SEE HURRICANES ALL THE TIME BUT.

SENATOR BARNETT: AND I KNOW I KNOW THAT I THINK WHAT'S GOING ON HERE IS THERE'S A PART OF THE OF THIS BODY AND THIS POPULATION WHO THINKS THAT THIS IS THE FIRST STORM WE EVER WENT THROUGH WHO THINKS THAT WE JUST SUDDENLY BECAME AN ISLAND BUT THESE CHALLENGES THAT YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT WE'VE BEEN THIS IS OUR LIFE.

FENTON – FEMA: PAKA PONGSONA I'VE BEEN HERE FOR ALL YOUR STORMS.

SENATOR BARNETT: YEAH YEAH.

FENTON – FEMA: I'VE SPENT OVER A YEAR OF MY LIFE ON GUAM I'VE BEEN HERE FOR A LOT OF STORMS OVER THE YEARS MAYBE ONE HASN'T HAPPENED THIS BIG FOR 20 YEARS BUT I'LL TELL YOU WHAT I BET YOU THE NEXT ONE'S LESS THAN 20 YEARS AWAY AS THE OCEAN HEATS UP AS CLIMATE CHANGE TAKES A YOU KNOW EFFECT YOU KNOW WE'RE SEEING AND THIS YEAR THEY TOLD ME HEY IT LOOKS LIKE THE HEAT AND THE WARM AND THE EL NIÑO LA NIÑA BE PREPARED THIS YEAR FOR A BIG WESTERN PACIFIC YOU KNOW TROPICAL STORM SEASON.

SENATOR BARNETT: RIGHT.

FENTON – FEMA: AND IT HAPPENED EARLIER THAN WE THOUGHT.

SENATOR BARNETT: TRUE.

FENTON – FEMA: AND IT DID.

SENATOR BARNETT: AND I THINK THAT'S WHY THE SPOTLIGHT IS ON GUAM.

FENTON – FEMA: LOOK AT PONGSONA PAKA DECEMBER SO THIS IS JUST THE BEGINNING YOU GUYS ARE AT THE BEGINNING OF TYPHOON SEASON IT'S NOT OVER.

SENATOR BARNETT: RIGHT AND AGAIN I THINK THAT'S WHY WE HAVE TO TURN THE SPOTLIGHT ON EVERY LITTLE MOVE THAT WE'RE MAKING AND EVERY LITTLE THING THAT WE HAVEN'T DONE FOR OUR PEOPLE SO THAT YOU'RE RIGHT WHERE THIS IS A NEW AGE EVERYONE THOUGHT THIS THING WAS GOING TO GO NORTH THEY THOUGHT IT WAS GOING TO GO SOUTH BUT IT I MEAN HIT US RIGHT SMACK ON AND SO ANYTHING WE COULD DO TO REBUILD BACK STRONGER AND BETTER WE DEFINITELY APPRECIATE AND ALSO ANYTHING WE CAN DO AS A LOCAL GOVERNMENT TO TO DO MORE FOR OUR PEOPLE WITHOUT HAVING TO YOU KNOW WAIT FOR FEMA TO COME TO TOWN BECAUSE YOU KNOW I MEAN IF YOU PAY ATTENTION YOU READ THE NATIONAL MEDIA PEOPLE HAVE BEEN CRITICAL OF YOUR RESPONSE IN OTHER EMERGENCIES TOO SO.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH I MEAN EVERYONE YOU KNOW HAS TO BE HELD ACCOUNTABLE AT THE END OF THE DAY FOR WHAT THEY DO AND AND WHAT THEY DON'T DO I I WOULD SAY THIS JUST 26 YEARS IN FEMA NOT MORE OF A DEDICATED GROUP OF CIVIL SERVANTS THAT WANT TO HELP PEOPLE DOES EVERYTHING GO RIGHT EVERY DAY YOU KNOW IT DOESN'T GO RIGHT FOR ALL OF US EVERY DAY AND ARE THE THINGS WE COULD DO BETTER SOME DAYS YEAH YOU BET AND ARE THERE BUREAUCRACIES THAT EXIST THAT EXIST IN GOVERNMENT BUT WE TRY TO IN THESE SITUATIONS STREAMLINE THOSE AND BREAK GLASS AND REMOVE THOSE THAT'S WHY I'M HERE THAT'S WHY OUR HEADQUARTERS SENT THE HEAD OF ALL DISASTER OPERATIONS HERE IS TO BREAK GLASS STREAMLINE THOSE THINGS NOT LET BUREAUCRACY GET IN THE WAY OF HELPING PEOPLE IN GUAM GET BACK.

SENATOR BARNETT: THANK YOU AND YOU TALKED A BIG GAME HERE TODAY MR. FENTON AND THERE'S A LOT OF EXPECTATION FROM ALL THE VARIOUS SERVICES THAT YOU'RE OFFERING THAT ARE GOING TO BE PROFFERED TO THE PEOPLE OF GUAM SO I HAVE NO FURTHER QUESTIONS AND AGAIN I THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR TIME I KNOW IT'S VALUABLE AND THANK YOU FOR BEING HERE THANK YOU MR. CHAIR.

FENTON – FEMA: THANK YOU SENATOR.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: THANK YOU SENATOR BARNETT SENATOR PARKINSON HOPEFULLY YOU'LL BE QUICK BECAUSE WE NEED TO RESET THE SYSTEM THANK YOU.

SENATOR PARKINSON: SURE YEAH I JUST WANTED TO DO A FOLLOW-UP QUESTION ABOUT THE FS FAS CITIZENS YOU SAID THAT THEY COULD APPLY THROUGH THEIR CHILDREN IF THEY NEEDED TO SUPPORT I'M JUST THINKING ABOUT FOR THE CITIZENS THAT DON'T HAVE CHILDREN IS THERE ANYTHING WE COULD DO AS A LOCAL BODY TO HELP FILL THOSE GAPS.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH THAT'S WHAT WE NEED TO DO WE NEED TO WORK TOGETHER WITH NOT ONLY LOCALLY BUT WITH NON-PROFITS AND LOOK AT WHAT OTHER RESOURCES ARE OUT THERE TO HELP THEM BECAUSE THEY'RE GOING TO HAVE NEEDS TO YOUR POINTS SO YES WE WE GOT TO DO ALL THOSE KIND OF THINGS.

SENATOR PARKINSON: OKAY AND THEN I ALSO HAD A QUESTION ABOUT INDIVIDUAL CLAIMS I KNOW WE HAVE A COMMUNITY OF BONA FIDE FARMERS HERE WITH LOST CROPS AND DAMAGED EQUIPMENT WOULD THAT BE SOMETHING REIMBURSABLE BY FEMA.

FENTON – FEMA: NOT BY FEMA BUT USDA'S HERE ON ISLAND AND THEY'RE ALREADY DOING CROP ASSESSMENTS.

SENATOR PARKINSON: OKAY.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH.

SENATOR PARKINSON: AND I GUESS MY OTHER QUESTION IS THIS MORNING WE HEARD JOHN BENAVENTE THE GENERAL MANAGER OF GPA SAY THAT FOR SOME OF THE WEATHER VEINS ON HOUSES HE WOULD RECOMMEND THAT PEOPLE GET AN ELECTRICIAN TO ASSESS IT SO THAT IF THERE NEEDS TO BE ANY REPAIRS THEY COULD GET REPAIRED SO THAT WHEN POWER IS READY THEY COULD YOU KNOW GET THEIR POWER RIGHT AWAY I'M JUST WONDERING IS THE ELECTRICIAN AND THE COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THAT ELECTRICIAN IS THAT SOMETHING REVERSIBLE BY FEMA.

FENTON – FEMA: YEAH I THINK THEY WERE TALKING ABOUT REPLACING THE WEATHERHEAD AND THAT IF YOU HAD A CERTIFIED ELECTRICIAN DO IT THEY WOULD ACCEPT THAT AND THEN CONNECT THE POWER TO IT I'M SURE THAT I'D HAVE TO DOUBLE CHECK BUT I THINK THOSE WILL BE ALL COSTS BECAUSE YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT ESSENTIAL YOU KNOW ESSENTIAL NEEDS TO THE INDIVIDUAL THOSE ARE COSTS THAT WILL ALL BE COVERED KEEP YOUR RECEIPT TAKE A PICTURE OF THE WEATHERHEAD THAT WAS DAMAGED AND THOSE ARE THINGS THAT YOU SHOULD SHOW THE CLAIMS ADJUSTER THAT COMES FROM FEMA.

SENATOR PARKINSON: ALL RIGHT THEN JUST ONE LAST QUESTION IS GUAM GOING TO BE OKAY.

FENTON – FEMA: IS GUAM GOING TO BE OKAY.

SENATOR PARKINSON: YEAH.

FENTON – FEMA: HECK YEAH.

SENATOR PARKINSON: WELL.

FENTON – FEMA: I'VE BEEN COMING HERE FOR 20 YEARS AND YOU GUYS HAVE A REALLY RESILIENT POPULATION A GREAT GROUP HERE I APPRECIATE THE HOSPITALITY I LOOK FORWARD TO BEING AT A VILLAGE BARBECUE SOON AND YOU KNOW.

CARLSON: - BBMR: ALL OF US DO.

FENTON – FEMA: YOU KNOW WANT TO BE BACK HERE YOU KNOW TALKING ABOUT RESILIENCY AND DOING SOMETHING THAT'S NON-DISASTER BUT YOU KNOW THE TRUTH IS WE'RE HERE AND YOU GUYS ARE IN A DIFFERENT DIFFICULT SITUATION RIGHT NOW AND WE'RE GOING TO STAY HERE UNTIL IT GETS BETTER AND IT MAY TAKE A LITTLE WHILE BUT WE'RE GOING TO GO STEP BY STEP WITH YOU.

SENATOR PARKINSON: I AGREE BOB I THINK GUAM IS GOING TO BE OKAY AND WITH YOUR HELP AND ALL OF US WORKING TOGETHER I THINK WE MIGHT COME OUT OF THIS STRONGER THAN WE CAN WENT INTO IT SO THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR SERVICE AND I APPRECIATE YOU GUYS NOT GOING TO HOLD UP ANY MORE OF YOUR TIME I WANT TO GET YOU GUYS BACK TO WORK AND WORKING 16-HOUR DAYS SO.

FENTON – FEMA: THANK YOU.

SENATOR PARKINSON: THANK YOU.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: THANK YOU.

FENTON – FEMA: APPRECIATE IT.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: SENATOR FRANK NOTHING WE WILL I'M GOING TO LET FEMA GO WE'RE GOING TO RECESS TO RESET THE SYSTEM AND THEN WHEN WE COME BACK WE WILL BEGIN ON THE BILL ON DISCUSSION WITH BBMR AND LET'S GET TO THE MEAT OF THIS AND MOVE ON ON THE BILL THANK YOU IT'S JUST RESET JUST A RESET OKAY WE HAVE TO RECESS TO RESET THANK YOU RECESS AT THIS TIME.

RECESS

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE IS CALLED BACK TO ORDER COLLEAGUES WE HAVE THE ADMINISTRATION HERE BBMR WE WILL DO ONLY ONE ROUND AND WRAP THIS UP AND MOVE ON THE BILL CURRENTLY NO ONE HAS SUBMITTED ANY AMENDMENTS WHEN WE'RE DONE WITH THIS ROUND WE WILL IMMEDIATELY GO TO THE THIRD ROUND WHICH IS AMENDMENTS AND COMMENTS AND IF THERE'S NO AMENDMENTS.

SENATOR BARNETT: POINT OF INFORMATION MR. CHAIR I'M SORRY.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: YES.

SENATOR BARNETT: BUT DID WE LOSE MR. ESTEVEZ FOR A REASON.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: NO I THINK IT'S WE HAVE.

SENATOR BARNETT: BECAUSE I THINK.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: WE HAVE.

SENATOR BARNETT: THAT IT WAS RELEVANT THAT HE'D BE HERE.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: WELL WE HAVE BBMR THIS IS ALL ABOUT MONEY ANYWAY I KNOW IT'S DEALING WITH REVENUE.

SENATOR BARNETT: YEAH BUT BUT MR ESTEVEZ IS A PLAYS A KEY AND INTEGRAL ROLE IN THE THE SPENDING AND IF YOU WILL THE REGULATION OF THIS MONEY SHOULD WE APPROPRIATE THIS 50 MILLION I MEAN HE'S THE GUY WHO SIGNS OFF ON THE STUFF HE'S GOT A BIG ROLE I MEAN I'M NOT SAYING LESTER DOESN'T HAVE AN IMPORTANT ROLE BUT IS THERE A REASON WHY HE LEFT THANK THANK YOU SIR.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: IT'S IT'S HE WAITED ALL DAY MY COLLEAGUES I ALREADY SAID WE WILL START NOW ONE ROUND AND WE WILL MOVE TO THE AMENDMENT AND COMMENTS AFTER THAT THAT'S IT OKAY WE'LL BEGIN WITH SENATOR FISHER DO YOU HAVE ANY ANY QUESTIONS FOR THE ADMINISTRATION BBMR OR OFB.

SENATOR FISHER: YES I DO GOOD EVENING MR. CARLSON IT'S JUST REAL SIMPLE DO YOU GUYS HAVE 50 MILLION DOLLARS AND TO TELL THEM.

CARLSON: - BBMR: IF I MAY I READ THIS BILL AS HAVING TWO PARTS THE FIRST AND SPEAKER CORRECT ME IF I MISSPEAK IT'S KIND OF LATE UM I THINK WE'RE ALL A LITTLE TIRED BUT THE FIRST PART BASICALLY TALKS ABOUT FIVE GCA 22 402 WHICH IS THE EMERGENCY 250 THOUSAND DOLLARS WHICH WE ALREADY DID I THINK WE NOTIFIED YOU ABOUT THAT WE DID THAT MAY 22ND SO I KNOW MAYOR ALIG WAS RATHER EMOTIONAL AND HE HE WAS TALKING ABOUT THE PACE OF THINGS.

SENATOR FISHER: I BEG YOUR PARDON SIR AND I FORGIVE THE INTERRUPTION BUT I'VE ASKED A VERY SIMPLE QUESTION DO YOU HAVE 50 MILLION DOLLARS.

CARLSON: - BBMR: AS THE BILL IS PROVIDED TO US NO.

SENATOR FISHER: OKAY LET'S LET'S SUPPOSE YOU DID HAVE 50 MILLION DOLLARS DO YOU HAVE A LAUNDRY LIST OF THINGS THAT YOU WOULD BE ARE WE AT A ONE QUESTION RULE.

VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: NO.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: NO IT'S ONE ROUND.

SENATOR FISHER: OKAY.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: YOU HAVE FIVE MINUTES.

SENATOR FISHER: ALRIGHT.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: TICKING.

SENATOR FISHER: DID DID YOU GUYS SIT DOWN WITH A I DON'T KNOW PENCIL AND PAPER AND KIND OF WRITE DOWN ALL THE STUFF YOU WANTED AND HOW MUCH YOU THOUGHT IT WOULD COST AND IT CAME UP TO 50 MILLION OR WAS THIS JUST KIND OF A BIG FAT ROUND NUMBER THAT WE JUST THOUGHT WELL THIS IS THIS SOUNDS GOOD.

VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: MR. CHAIR I HAVE A POINT OF INFORMATION PLEASE.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: MADAM VICE YOU HAVE A POINT PLEASE STATE YOUR POINT OF INFORMATION.

VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: THANK YOU SIR JUST JUST FOR CLARITY'S SAKE BASED ON THE ORGANIC ACT AND WHAT'S HAPPENING NOW THE IT STATES THAT THE GOVERNOR CAN TAKE A CERTAIN PERCENTAGE FROM THE WHOLE THE BUDGET OF THE LEGIS I MEAN OF THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM DURING EMERGENCIES.

SENATOR FISHER: YEAH BUT THEY DON'T HAVE.

VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: SO WHETHER THEY HAVE THE MONEY OR NOT WHATEVER IS THERE TO TAKE TO UTILIZE TO PROTECT AND WORK AND AND HELP US RECOVERY RECOVER THEN THEN THAT IS IT.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: OKAY THAT'S CORRECT.

VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: I THINK I THINK I THINK THE BUDGET SHOULD BE BBMR SHOULD TELL THEM THAT.

SENATOR FISHER: SIR WAS THAT HAS SHE MADE HER POINT.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: OKAY MAYBE MAYBE AS VICE SPEAKER ASKED THAT THE BBMR MAY WANT TO STATE THAT.

SENATOR FISHER: YEAH SHE.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: TO THE FACT OF WHAT SHE SAID.

SENATOR FISHER: SHE CAN GO TO TOWN ON IT BUT IF SHE I THINK SHE'S MADE HER MADE HER POINT AND I THINK THAT THE ADMINISTRATION'S MADE THEIR POINT BY TELLING US THAT THEY DON'T HAVE 50 MILLION DOLLARS.

CARLSON: - BBMR: SENATOR FISHER.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: TURN TURN IT ON.

CARLSON: - BBMR: SENATOR FISHER.

SENATOR FISHER: SIR.

CARLSON: - BBMR: FROM WHAT I UNDERSTAND WE DIDN'T HAVE ANY PART IN DRAFTING THIS BILL.

SENATOR FISHER: I BELIEVE ME I'M NOT BLAMING YOU BUT I'M JUST WONDERING IF YOU WANT US TO SPEND 50 MILLION DOLLARS DO YOU HAVE THE.

SENATOR BARNETT: MR. CHAIR POINT OF INFORMATION I THINK WE JUST RECEIVED A MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR THAT MR. ESTEVEZ IS ON HIS WAY BACK.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: OKAY.

SENATOR BARNETT: YEAH THANK THANK YOU MR. CHAIR.

SENATOR FISHER: ALL RIGHT SO.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: WE'LL MOVE ALONG GO AHEAD CONTINUE SENATOR FISHER.

SENATOR FISHER: YEAH YES AND THANK YOU FOR THE INTERRUPTION WE NEEDED THAT INFORMATION RIGHT NOW HAVE YOU MADE ANY SORT OF LIST AS TO WHAT THINGS COST AND WHY YOU NEED 50 MILLION DOLLARS.

CARLSON: - BBMR: SIR ARE YOU ASKING ME.

SENATOR FISHER: LESTER PARDON ME MR. CARLSON.

CARLSON: - BBMR: BUT YOU'RE YOU'RE ASKING ME.

SENATOR FISHER: YES SIR.

CARLSON: - BBMR: WHAT I KNOW IS THAT ON MAY 22ND UPON THE DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY BBMR MADE AVAILABLE PER SECTION 22 402 250000 DOLLARS OF THAT 250000 150000 WENT FOR CONTRACTUAL NEEDS AGAIN COMMON SENSE APPLICATION WE WERE ASKED TO PROVIDE SEVENTY FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS FOR THE STATE ACTIVATION OF THE GUARD.

SENATOR FISHER: OKAY.

CARLSON: - BBMR: WHICH WE THOUGHT WOULD BE A GREAT IDEA SO 75000 WENT TO THAT AND 25000 REMAINS AVAILABLE NOBODY'S ASKED ME SINCE MAY 22ND TO MODIFY OR MOVE THAT MONEY INTO ANY OTHER ACCOUNT.

SENATOR FISHER: OKAY YOU SAID WE HAVE 25000 LEFT.

CARLSON: - BBMR: YES SIR.

SENATOR FISHER: OKAY.

CARLSON: - BBMR: AND THEN ON MAY 26 FRIDAY IF I'M NOT MISTAKEN WE WERE GIVEN A BUDGET FROM HOMELAND FOR BASICALLY 3.5 MILLION DOLLARS TO ADDRESS THE TYPHOON RECOVERY RESPONSE NEEDS AND I MUST TAKE ONE SECOND TO TELL EVERYBODY THAT THERE WERE VERY LIMITED COMMUNICATIONS THERE WAS NO INTERNET ACCESS AT MY OFFICE NO TELEPHONE NO NOTHING NO POWER BUT WE IDENTIFIED A FUND SOURCE AND WE WERE ABLE TO LOAD THAT MONEY BY GOING UP TO THE OFFICE OF HOMELAND SECURITY AND UTILIZE THEIR ACCESS TO GET THAT MONEY PROVIDED FOR THE INITIAL PHASES OF RESPONSE ACTIVITIES AND SO THE FUNDING FOR FOR THAT ESSENTIALLY IS A PERSONNEL 492000 CONTRACTUAL SERVICES 2.177 MILLION SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS 143600 EQUIPMENT 56000 MISCELLANEOUS 270000.

SENATOR FISHER: SO WHAT SO WHAT'S THE TOTAL SIR.

CARLSON: - BBMR: PARDON ME.

SENATOR FISHER: WHAT IS THE TOTAL.

CARLSON: - BBMR: THE TOTAL IS 3.5 PLUS 250000.

SENATOR FISHER: OKAY.

CARLSON: - BBMR: SO WE'VE ALREADY PUT IN 3 MILLION 750000 FROM THE WITHIN THE LAST WEEK FOR.

SENATOR FISHER: OKAY.

CARLSON: - BBMR: TYPHOON RECOVERY RESPONSES.

SENATOR FISHER: ALL RIGHT THANK YOU VERY MUCH SIR I WISH WE HAD BEEN ABLE TO ASK YOU THESE QUESTIONS 10 HOURS AGO WE MOST CERTAINLY WOULD HAVE SAVED EVERYBODY A LOT OF TIME THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

CARLSON: - BBMR: YOU'RE WELCOME SIR.

NOTE SENATOR SHELTON PRESIDES OVER THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

SENATOR SHELTON: SENATOR TAITAGUE.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: THANK YOU MADAM CHAIR WHAT IS THE GOVERNOR'S TRANSFER AUTHORITY WHAT PERCENTAGE ARE WE GIVING HER IN THE LAST FY 23 BUDGET.

CARLSON: - BBMR: OKAY YOU'RE GONNA HAVE TO BEAR WITH ME.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: OKAY.

CARLSON: - BBMR: HER TRANSFER AUTHORITY IS 15 PERCENT.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: OKAY.

CARLSON: - BBMR: YOU GO TO PAGE SEVEN OF THE LAST CRER APRIL CRER AND YOU WILL SEE THAT THE TOTAL AVAILABLE IS 267 379 267 MILLION.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: YEAH.

CARLSON: - BBMR: 379 THOUSAND 368 DOLLARS BECAUSE WE HAVE OVER SEVEN EIGHT MONTHS INTO THE FISCAL YEAR SO THE OPERATIVE NUMBER TO BEGIN ASCERTAINING WHAT CAN BE TRANSFERRED IS 267 MILLION

379 THOUSAND 368 DOLLARS BUT THEN YOU HAVE TO TAKE THE ARDUOUS EFFORT AND AGAIN SORRY BUT WE DIDN'T HAVE POWER SO IT WAS HANDWRITTEN THERE ARE EXEMPTIONS FROM THE GOVERNOR'S TRANSFER AUTHORITY MEDICAID 8.7 MILLION MIP 4 MILLION MIP CANCER EIGHT HUNDRED THOUSAND THE MAYORS COUNCIL MAYORS COUNCIL ISLAND BEAUTIFICATION OFFICE OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTABILITY THE LEGISLATURE OFB YOUTH CONGRESS JUDICIARY CLTC ELECTION COMMISSION PUBLIC DEFENDER OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL DOE CHARTER SCHOOLS UOG GCC AND MISCELLANEOUS APPROPRIATIONS AND THEN OF COURSE THE REMAINING PORTION OF DEBT SERVICE WHICH WE CAN'T TOUCH SO YOU GET 267 MILLION MINUS THE GRAND TOTAL OF EXEMPTIONS THAT WE CAN'T TOUCH THAT'S 187 MILLION 885 THOUSAND 442 DOLLARS WHICH LEAVES US A BALANCE OF 79 MILLION 493 THOUSAND 926 DOLLARS YOU APPLY THE 15 PERCENT TRANSFER AUTHORITY THAT GETS YOU TO 11 MILLION 924 THOUSAND DOLLARS NINE HUNDRED AND TWENTY FOUR THOUSAND AND EIGHTY NINE DOLLARS ONE ONE NINE TWO FOUR ZERO EIGHT NINE SO IN ANSWER TO SENATOR FISHER'S QUESTION BASED UPON HOW THE BILL IS SET OUT PART ONE IS 250000 AND THEN THE PART TWO IS THE TRANSFER AUTHORITY THE TRANSFER AUTHORITY AFTER WE DID THE BACK OF THE IT WASN'T EVEN BACK OF THE NAPKIN IT WAS A LENGTHY PROCESS WITHOUT THE AID OF COMPUTERS IT'S JUST SHY OF 12 MILLION DOLLARS.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: SO COMPARED TO THE BILL THAT ONE IS SEEKING 50 MILLION SO LESTER IF THERE'S ONLY 11 MILLION DOLLARS THAT THE GOVERNOR HAS TO UTILIZE FOR TRANSFER AUTHORITY IT'S A FAR CRY FROM 50 SO MY NEXT QUESTION IS TO BBMR IN FY 22 THE BUDGET HOW MUCH MONEY WAS SET ASIDE IN THE RAINY DAY FUND.

CARLSON: - BBMR: 22.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: YES IN 22 I WAS ASKING BBMR.

CARLSON: - BBMR: OH FORGET MAYBE 14 MILLION.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: ABOUT 14 MILLION AND THEN HOW MUCH HAS BEEN SET ASIDE FOR FY 23.

CARLSON: - BBMR: SINCE WE'RE ONLY SEVEN EIGHT MONTHS INTO IT IT'S SEVEN MILLION.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: 22 MILLION DOLLARS IS SITTING IN THE RAINY DAY FUND RIGHT NOW COMPARED TO 11 MILLION DOLLARS IN WHICH THE GOVERNOR ONLY HAS FOR HER TRANSFER AUTHORITY.

CARLSON: - BBMR: YES BUT CAN I REMIND THE BODY THAT THE AMOUNT OF MONEY THAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT HERE IS ALMOST EXCLUSIVELY PERSONNEL.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: THE 11 MILLION YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT.

CARLSON: - BBMR: YES.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: SO THAT IF SHE WERE TO MOVE THIS 11 MILLION DOLLARS THEN THEY'D BE AFFECTING EMPLOYEES GETTING PAID.

CARLSON: - BBMR: YES MA'AM.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: SO TECHNICALLY WE DON'T EVEN HAVE THE 11 MILLION DOLLARS UNLESS WE WANT TO YOU KNOW HAVE.

CARLSON: - BBMR: I I.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: PAYLESS PAYDAYS FOR OUR EMPLOYEES THAT'S ALL THEY NEED ON THEIR PLATE AFTER A TYPHOON NOW.

CARLSON: - BBMR: YOU'RE ABSOLUTELY CORRECT.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: SO WE HAVE IN THE RAINY DAY FUND RIGHT NOW CLOSE TO 20 PLUS A LOT MORE THAN WHAT THE BILL IS IS ALLUDING TO.

CARLSON: - BBMR: NO.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: SO LESTER I HAVE A QUESTION WITH REGARDS TO IF THE TRANSFER AUTHORITY IS 11 MILLION WHICH THAT SHE HAS BUT IT'S ALL SALARIES THEN HOW DO YOU SUPPOSE WE YOU KNOW WE NEED TO GIVE SOME MONEY RIGHT NOW TO THE MAYORS WE NEED TO HELP OUR ISLAND YOU KNOW GET BACK TO RECOVERING FROM THIS DEVASTATION SO WHAT DO YOU RECOMMEND THAT WE DO.

CARLSON: - BBMR: FIRST AND FOREMOST THIS MORNING WE GOT A BUNCH OF EMAILS WHILE I WAS HERE THERE WAS A A NUMBER OF PURCHASE ORDERS FROM THE MAYORS COUNCIL THAT WERE INITIATED LAST WEEK 22ND 23RD THAT HAVE CLEARED DOA AND ARE BASICALLY POSTED IN OTHER WORDS THEY'RE READY TO GIVE THE VENDOR MUCH OF THAT WAS FOR HEAVY EQUIPMENT RENTAL SO THE MAYORS COUNCIL UTILIZED FUNDS THAT THEY HAVE FROM ARP UNDER THE NON-ENTITLEMENT UNIT CATEGORY AND THE LIST INCLUDES VILLAGES *UMATAK YIGO YONA SINAJANA TAMUNING MANGILAO TALO'FO'FO'* AND AN EXTENSION FOR AUGMENTATION OF AN EXISTING PURCHASE ORDER AT BENSON FOR *PITI* BUT THE THE OTHER ENTITIES WERE PRIMARILY LOOKING AT HEAVY EQUIPMENT RENTAL *YONA* SPECIFICALLY SO THERE I THINK IT WAS SENATOR QUINATA WHO SPOKE PREVIOUSLY ABOUT EVERYBODY YOU KNOW LIKE HIS SPRAINED ANKLE RIGHT YOU KNOW EVERYBODY DOING THEIR PART I THINK THE MAYORS COUNCIL DID THEIR PART UTILIZING MONIES THAT THEY HAD AVAILABLE TO GET HEAVY EQUIPMENT TO ADDRESS THE NEEDS YOU KNOW IN CERTAIN VILLAGES.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: THANK YOU LESTER BUT MY QUESTION IS WHAT IS THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE ADMINISTRATION TO GET FUNDING TO THEM SO THEY CAN START.

CARLSON: - BBMR: THEY HAVE.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: ADDITIONAL PURCHASES.

CARLSON: - BBMR: THEY HAVE FUNDING.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: SO THEY CURRENTLY HAVE.

CARLSON: - BBMR: THEY.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: MONEY RIGHT NOW THAT THEY'RE ABLE TO UTILIZE AND BASED ON ANY KIND OF ASSESSMENT THAT'S BEEN MADE RIGHT NOW AS WE'RE MOVING FORWARD AND FEMA IS HERE IS THERE REALLY MONEY NEEDED FOR THE ADMINISTRATION RIGHT NOW.

CARLSON: - BBMR: MAYORS COUNCIL OR ADMINISTRATION.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: THE ADMINISTRATION.

CARLSON: - BBMR: YES THERE IS MONEY THAT THAT WE SHOULD IDENTIFY OTHER THAN THE 3 MILLION 750000 THAT WE HAVE ALREADY PUT INTO PLAY I THINK WHAT I WOULD SUGGEST AND YOU KNOW DON'T DON'T TAKE THIS AS ANYTHING BUT A SUGGESTION IS THAT YOU ALLOW THE GOVERNOR TO PRIORITIZE THE DISASTER RECOVERY FIRST USING AVAILABLE GENERAL FUNDS AND I I WILL TAKE YOU TO PAGE 178 OF THIS YEAR'S BUDGET THE AUTHORIZATION FOR PAYMENT OF PRIOR YEAR OBLIGATIONS THIS SECTION 21 ON PAGE 178 GIVES IT A A DEPARTMENT THE AUTHORITY TO PAY PRIOR YEAR OBLIGATIONS FROM CURRENT YEAR FUNDS AS LONG AS THERE IS NO NEGATIVE IMPACT TO THE CURRENT OPERATIONS OF THAT DEPARTMENT OR AGENCY I WOULD ASK THIS BODY TO GIVE THAT SAME AUTHORITY TO THE GOVERNOR TO ALLOW FOR HER TO PRIORITIZE THE FUNDING THAT WE HAVE TO MAKE FUNDS AVAILABLE TO ADDRESS THE IMMEDIATE NEEDS.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: CURRENTLY RIGHT NOW LESTER IS THERE AN EMERGENCY RIGHT NOW TO GET THIS MONEY I MEAN LIKE TONIGHT DO WE HAVE TO VOTE ON THIS TONIGHT IS THERE ANYTHING DETRIMENTAL THAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN IF WE DON'T DO THAT INSTEAD COME BACK TOMORROW MORNING AND AND COME WITH A NEW BILL THAT'S PROBABLY MORE REALISTIC AND IS THAT SOMETHING I MEAN WE'RE HERE TONIGHT BECAUSE EVERYONE SEES AN EMERGENCY HERE AND YOU'RE TELLING US THAT THE GOVERNOR HAS HAS MONEY AND I EVEN HEARD ON THE ON FACEBOOK LAST NIGHT WHEN THEY DID A PRESS CONFERENCE OR WHEN THEY EVEN TOLD MAYOR ALIG DON'T SAY THAT WE DON'T HAVE MONEY BECAUSE WE DO HAVE MONEY AND WE'RE SITTING HERE TONIGHT YOU KNOW ALL DAY LONG BECAUSE WE FEEL THERE'S MONEY NEEDED RIGHT RIGHT THIS MINUTE SO THE BILL ALREADY CALLS FOR MONEY THAT WE DON'T HAVE WE DON'T HAVE THE 50 MILLION IN THE FIRST PLACE SO.

CARLSON: - BBMR: I AGREE.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: IN YOUR OPINION.

CARLSON: - BBMR: I AGREE WITH YOUR SUGGESTION BECAUSE 50 MILLION DOLLARS FROM THE TWO SOURCES THAT ARE CITED IS IMPOSSIBLE.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: IT'S IT'S NOT THERE.

CARLSON: - BBMR: WE HAVE JUMP STARTED THE RECOVERY EFFORTS MR. FENTON WENT ON TO SAY ON NUMEROUS OCCASIONS THAT WE DON'T HAVE A NUMBER YET SO.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: THANK YOU AND THANK YOU LESTER I THINK AT THIS TIME MADAM CHAIR I WILL MAKE A MOTION THAT WE RECESS TOMORROW REGROUP AFTER HEARING THE COMMENTS MADE BY THE ADMINISTRATION AND WE COME TO THE TABLE HERE WITH A BILL THAT I THINK WE ALL NEED TO AGREE ON AND MOST ESPECIALLY A BILL THAT ACTUALLY IDENTIFIES TRUE MONEY THAT'S NEEDED THE AS FAR AS AN EMERGENCY AT THIS POINT WE HAVE FEMA OUT THERE WE HAVE THE ADMINISTRATION THAT'S FUNDING WHAT THREE MILLION DOLLARS JUST RECENTLY PUTTING THE ACQUISITIONS TOGETHER FOR THE MAYORS OFFICE SO I KNOW THAT MANY PEOPLE HERE TONIGHT HAVE BEEN HERE ALL DAY AND I JUST RECOMMEND AT THIS POINT AND IN MOTION THAT WE RECESS UNTIL TOMORROW AT MAYBE 10 O'CLOCK GIVE ENOUGH TIME TO LOOK AT POSSIBLY INTRODUCING A NEW BILL I MEAN WE.

SENATOR SHELTON: THERE'S A MOTION TO RECESS UNTIL TOMORROW AT 10 A.M. ARE THERE ANY OBJECTIONS THERE IS AN OBJECTION ALL THOSE IN FAVOR OF RECESS UNTIL TOMORROW AT 10 A.M. PLEASE SIGNIFY BY RAISING YOUR HAND MOTION PASSES WE ARE IN RECESS UNTIL 10 A.M. THANK YOU TO OUR PANEL THANK YOU COLLEAGUES HAVE A SAFE EVENING.

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SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: GOOD MORNING THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE IS CALLED TO ORDER MY COLLEAGUES WE ENDED WITH SENATOR TAITAGUE YESTERDAY WE WILL NOW BEGIN WITH MADAM SPEAKER AND I IF I'M CORRECT YOU DO HAVE A MOTION YOU'D LIKE TO MAKE MA'AM.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: YES THANK YOU MR. CHAIR AND MY COLLEAGUES GOOD MORNING I'D LIKE TO SUBSTITUTE THE BILL THERE'S A VERSION THAT I'VE PASSED OUT IT'S DON'T USE THE ITALICIZED VERSION IT SHOULD SAY AS SUBSTITUTED ON THE FLOOR IN A REGULAR FONT AND THE SUBSTITUTE VERSION CHANGES WHAT USED TO BE A TRANSFER AUTHORITY TO AN OUTRIGHT AUTHORIZATION TO USE 50 MILLION FROM THE GENERAL FUND IT ALSO GIVES AN A MORE DETAIL THE AUTHORIZED EXPENSES THAT THESE MONEY CAN BE USED FOR TO INCLUDE SAFETY AND SECURITY FOOD WATER SHELTERING HEALTH AND MEDICAL ENERGY COMMUNICATIONS TRANSPORTATION AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS INDIVIDUAL ASSISTANCE IS SPECIFICALLY AUTHORIZED FOR USE OF FUNDS APPROPRIATED HEREIN AND THE GOVERNOR SHALL COORDINATE WITH FEMA AND THE AMERICAN RED CROSS TO COMPILE SURVEY DATA FOR THE INDIVIDUAL ASSISTANCE DETERMINATIONS THE GOVERNOR SHALL FURTHER DISPERSE ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS FROM THE FUNDS TO EACH MAYOR TO BE USED FOR ANY OF THOSE ABOVE LISTED AUTHORIZED EXPENSES AND THEN THERE ARE REPORTING REQUIREMENTS THAT I'VE ADDED TO THE BILL IN SECTIONS TWO AND THREE IT JUST PRETTY MUCH SAYS THAT WE'RE OF COURSE WE'RE TRYING TO GET REIMBURSED FOR AS MANY EXPENSES AS POSSIBLE SO WE'RE JUST WHEN THEY GIVE US THEIR MONTHLY REPORTS ON THESE EXPENDITURES WE WANT TO SEE HOW IT TIES INTO REIMBURSEMENT AND ON SECTION THREE IT SAYS SUCH REIMBURSEMENTS SHALL BE IF REIMBURSED SHALL BE DEPOSITED INTO THE GENERAL FUND AND I I MIGHT ADD THE WORD POTENTIAL REIMBURSEMENTS BECAUSE AS WE HEARD SOME OF THESE YOU KNOW WE'RE INEVITABLE MAY NOT BE BUT WHAT WELL I GET I DON'T NEED TO ADD THAT WORD IT'S THE REIMBURSEMENTS IF THEY'RE MADE THEY WILL BE DEPOSITED BUT THE GIST OF THIS IS PRETTY MUCH A RECOMMENDATION FROM THE GOVERNOR AND HER TEAM AND BASED ON YESTERDAY'S DISCUSSIONS WITH EVERYONE AND I KNOW THAT WE'RE ALL TRYING TO GET ON THE SAME PAGE TO GET ASSISTANCE OUT FASTER TO GET RESPONSE AND RECOVERY FASTER SOME OF THE TEAMS FROM GPA GWA SAID THEY'RE NOT REALLY CALLING THE OR MAYBE IT WAS MR. ESTEVES IT'S LIKE WE'RE NOT EVEN IN RECOVERY MODE YET WE'RE STILL IN INCIDENT RESPONSE WE'RE STILL IN THE INCIDENT AT THIS POINT AND I THINK THE PEOPLE ARE REALLY FEELING IT SO THE WHOLE GIST OF THE BILL WAS REMOVE ANY IMPEDIMENT FOR THE GOVERNOR TO USE MONEY IF WE CAN GET REIMBURSED BY FEMA AWESOME EXCELLENT BUT BUT REGARDLESS IT HAS TO MOVE FAST AS FAST AS POSSIBLE WE HEARD THE PLEAS OF THE MAYOR I THINK YOU ALL HAVE INDIVIDUAL STORIES OF DISASTER AND EVERY FAMILY'S IMPACTED EVERY SINGLE BUSINESS EVERY EVERYONE AND AND SOME IN SUCH HORRIBLE WAYS SO YEAH I I WANT TO THANK ALL OF THOSE WHO REALLY ARE DOING THE RESPONDING THIS IS THE LEAST THAT WE COULD DO I FEEL IS JUST GIVE THE GOVERNOR THE FLEXIBILITY TO USE THE MONEY AS FAST AS POSSIBLE AND WE'VE HEARD SOME CONCERNS THAT THE PURCHASE ORDERS AREN'T GOING OUT FAST ENOUGH SO I HOPE THAT WITH THE PRESENCE OF ALL THE TEAM HERE AND ALL THE REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE DIFFERENT AGENCIES THAT THOSE ISSUES THAT MAYOR ALIG BROUGHT UP ON BEHALF OF ALL THE MAYORS AND ALL THE PEOPLE THAT WE RESOLVED THOSE THAT WE GET THE PURCHASE ORDERS FASTER WE GET THEM THE HEAVY EQUIPMENT WE GET THEM THE CHAINSAWS WE GET THE PEOPLE WATER AND EVERYTHING THAT WE CAN POSSIBLY DO AND AS I TOLD YOU IN THE BEGINNING I INTRODUCED US AT THE REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR I'M SUBSTITUTING IT ALSO AT HER REQUEST SHE FEELS THAT THIS LANGUAGE WILL BE MORE FLEXIBLE AND AND ALLOW HER TO USE IT MORE INTENTLY FOR THE PURPOSES LISTED HERE SO I WANT TO THANK MY COLLEAGUES FOR CONSIDERING THIS THANK YOU.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: THERE'S A MOTION MY COLLEAGUES TO ACCEPT THE SUBSTITUTE BILL 127-37 (COR) AS SUBSTITUTED ON THE FLOOR ARE THERE ANY OBJECTION TO THE SUBSTITUTE.

SENATOR DUEÑAS: POINT POINT OF INQUIRY MR CHAIRMAN.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: YES SIR.

SENATOR DUEÑAS: SO YESTERDAY AS WE WERE DISCUSSING THE ORIGINAL BILL THERE WAS SOME CONFUSION AS TO WHETHER IT WAS THE CURRENT BUDGET A LOT ALLOTMENTS THAT THE GOVERNMENT THE CURRENT BUDGET FOR THE GOVERNOR THAT EXISTS AND WAS IT AN ADDITIONAL 50 MILLION TAKING IT TO 100 MILLION THIS SO NOW NOW JUST I WANT TO MAKE THAT CLEAR THAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT WHAT'S CONTAINED IN THE CURRENT BUDGET ACT.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: THAT'S CORRECT.

SENATOR DUEÑAS: AND IT WOULD BE THE 50 MILLION THIS WOULD NOT TAKE IT AS AN ADDITIONAL 50 MILLION THIS IS THE FLEXIBILITY TO USE WHAT'S CURRENTLY AVAILABLE WITHIN EXIT UP TO.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: THAT'S CORRECT SIR.

SENATOR DUEÑAS: THANK YOU MR CHAIRMAN FOR THAT.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: THANK YOU THERE BEING NO OBJECTION MOTION MOVES ON THE ACCEPTANCE OF THE SUBSTITUTE I WILL BEGIN THE QUESTION WITH SENATOR BARNETT AND I WILL SAVE THE SPEAKER TO BE LAST SO THAT SHE CAN CLOSE UP ON THE BILL AND THEN RISE TO.

SENATOR BARNETT: THANK.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: THANK YOU.

SENATOR BARNETT: THANK YOU MR CHAIR IT'S KIND OF JUST TO EXPAND ON THE COMMENTS OF THE THE SUBSTITUTE BILLS AUTHOR TALKING ABOUT REIMBURSEMENTS I DID HAVE SOME QUESTIONS FOR MR. ESTEVES SIR I MEAN SO MUCH OF WHAT WE'RE TRYING TO DO HERE IS CONTINGENT AND DEPENDENT UPON US MAKING GOOD CHOICES AND GOOD EXPENDITURES THAT ARE GOING TO BE HELD UP THROUGH THE REIMBURSEMENT PROCESS IS THAT CORRECT.

CHARLES ESTEVES – ADMINISTRATOR OFFICE OF CIVIL DEFENSE (OCD): TEST SO JUST TO LET YOU KNOW FOR ANY EXPENDITURES RELATED TO THE RESPONSE.

SENATOR BARNETT: COULD I'M I'M SORRY COULD YOU JUST STATE YOUR NAME FOR THE RECORD.

ESTEVES –OCD: SORRY.

SENATOR BARNETT: SORRY.

ESTEVES –OCD: CHARLES ESTEVES ADMINISTRATOR OFFICE OF CIVIL DEFENSE SO JUST LET YOU KNOW THAT ANY EXPENDITURES RELATED TO THE RESPONSE WE DO IT APART FROM ANY SORT OF REIMBURSEMENT A LOT OF THESE DECISIONS ARE MADE FOR FIRST OF ALL THE PRIORITY OF LIFE SAVING AND LIFE-SUSTAINING WHILE IT IS GOOD TO GET REIMBURSED BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT FOR FOR EXPENDITURES WE TAKE ESPECIALLY WHEN IT COMES TO EMERGENCY PROTECTIVE MEASURES RIGHT NOW WHATEVER WE CAN DO TO HELP OURSELVES IS BASICALLY WHAT WE'RE GOING TO USE THE MONIES FOR FOR A FULL LISTING OF WHAT'S POTENTIALLY REIMBURSABLE THERE IS A GOOD GUIDE OUT THERE IT'S THE PUBLIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAM POLICY GUIDE VERSION FOUR AND IF YOU GO I THINK IT'S PAGE 106 EMERGENCY PROTECTIVE MEASURES A LOT OF THAT COVERS EVERYTHING FROM OVER TIME TO YOU KNOW FEEDING FOR SHELTERING WRAPAROUND SERVICES MEDICAL SERVICES SO GENERALLY WHAT'S REIMBURSABLE IS ANYTHING OUTSIDE OF NORMAL OPERATIONS DAMAGES TO FACILITIES FROM THE TYPHOON MAWAR THERE IS A BUNCH OF THINGS THAT THE THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT CAN'T REIMBURSE ANYTHING FROM SOIL EROSION TO SAND AND SO IT'S A MATTER OF DETERMINING FIRST WHAT THE DAMAGES ARE PAYING IT UP FRONT AND THEN WORKING THROUGH THE PUBLIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAM TO GET THOSE REIMBURSEMENTS.

SENATOR BARNETT: RIGHT YEAH AND SO.

ESTEVEES –OCD: AND.

SENATOR BARNETT: GO GO AHEAD.

ESTEVEES –OCD: AND JUST TO LET YOU KNOW THAT WHEN WE TALK RECOVERY YOU KNOW AFTER ALL THE LIGHTS ARE ON AND THEN EVERYONE HAS FLOWING WATER RECOVERY IS A LONG PROCESS IT'S IT'S UP TO FIVE YEARS AND THAT'S BECAUSE THAT'S THE THE APPROPRIATION FOR WHATEVER WE GET WHATEVER THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT GETS FOR THE DISASTER RELIEF FUND SO THIS PUBLIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAM WE HAVE TO ENSURE THAT WE DO THE WORK AND COMPLETE THE WORK WITHIN A FIVE-YEAR TIME FRAME SO SOME OF THE THE LEGACY EVENTS THAT MR. CARLSON WAS TALKING ABOUT YOU KNOW WE'RE STILL RECOVERING FROM MANGKUT COVID IS ONGOING FOR PUBLIC ASSISTANCE WE STILL HAVE WUTIP OUT THERE AND SO WE DO HAVE A PRETTY ROBUST PUBLIC ASSISTANCE OFFICE THAT THEY'RE STILL WORKING TO CLOSE OUT PROJECTS FROM PAST EVENTS SO I COULD TELL YOU THAT THAT RECOVERY IS GOING TO BE A LONG VERY LONG PROCESS ESPECIALLY FOR AN EVENT LIKE THIS WE MAY EXCEED THE FIVE YEARS AND HAVE TO REQUEST FOR AN EXTENSION FOR SOME OF THESE PUBLIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS ESPECIALLY CONSIDERING THAT YOU KNOW THEY FOR THE MOST PART THEY FOLLOW OUR LOCAL LAWS IN TERMS OF PROCUREMENT ESPECIALLY WHEN IT COMES TO FACILITY REBUILDING RECONSTRUCTION OR WHATEVER WHATEVER THE THE ACTUAL DAMAGES.

SENATOR BARNETT: RIGHT BUT I THINK THE INTENT OF THIS BODY IS TO GIVE THE GOVERNOR THE AUTHORITY TO SPEND MONEY WITH THE INTENTION OF HAVING IT BE REIMBURSED BY FEMA WHETHER IT'S AT THE 75 25 OR THE 90 10 SPLIT AND SO I GUESS MY LINE OF QUESTIONING IS GOING TO KIND OF BE RELATIVE TO THESE LEGACY ISSUES THAT MR. FENTON AND MR. CARLSON HAD BROUGHT UP THIS DIFFICULTY THAT WE HAVE HAD AS A GOVERNMENT AND TRYING TO GET THESE REIMBURSEMENTS AND I KNOW YOU MENTIONED WUTIP AND MANGKUT BUT I WOULD SAY THAT THERE ARE MORE RECENT EXAMPLES OF QUESTIONABLE EXPENDITURES THAT HAVE BEEN MADE IN A DISASTER YOU KNOW NAMELY THE COVID 19 PANDEMIC RIGHT AND SO WE DON'T HAVE TO GO AS FAR BACK AS MANGKUT AND WUTIP TO LOOK AT MAYBE WHAT I WOULD CALL CAUTIONARYTALES SO IN IN PROCEEDING WITH THIS SUBSTITUTE MEASURE RIGHT WE DO WANT TO SPEED UP THE I KNOW WE'RE NOT IN THE RECOVERY YET THAT WE'RE IN THE INCIDENT RESPONSES IS THAT WHAT YOU CALL IT.

ESTEVEES –OCD: YEAH SO THAT THE PLAYBOOK THAT WE USE FOR THIS EVENT WAS NOT SO MUCH THE GUAM COMPREHENSIVE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PLAN BUT IS THE 2018 CATASTROPHIC PLAN AND SO OUR CATASTROPHIC PLAN WHICH WAS DONE JOINTLY WITH FEMA IS ACTUALLY AN ANNEX TO THE REGION'S ALL HAZARDS PLAN AND SO RIGHT NOW IT'S IT'S IT'S THREE PHASES IT'S A PRE-INCIDENT AND THEN INCIDENT AND THEN RECOVERY SO RIGHT NOW WE'RE STILL IN THE A SUB PHASE OF INS WE'RE STILL AN INSTANT INCIDENT RESPONSE.

SENATOR BARNETT: RIGHT.

ESTEVEES –OCD: AND IT'S ONLY ONCE WE STABILIZE WATER AND POWER AND IN THE PLAN IT LISTS THESE VERY SPECIFIC CRITICAL AREAS THAT YOU KNOW THE GOVERNOR HAS ALSO MADE A PRIORITY IT'S ONLY ONCE WE'VE ABLE TO STABILIZE THESE CRITICAL RESOURCES AND INFRASTRUCTURE THAT WE CAN START MOVING TOWARDS THE RECOVERY RIGHT NOW THE PEOPLE THAT FEMA HAS ON THE GROUND IS SPECIFICALLY FOR INCIDENT RESPONSE AND ALSO TO ESTABLISH THE INDIVIDUAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM AFTER THAT THAT'S WHEN THE PUBLIC ASSISTANCE FOLKS COME IN SET UP THE OFFICE DO THE IN BRIEF WITH GOVERNMENT AGENCIES AND ELIGIBLE NON-PROFITS TO SAY HEY THIS IS THE SCOPE OF WORK THAT YOU IDENTIFIED THE DAMAGES THIS IS WHAT WE NEED TO DO OVER THE NEXT FIVE YEARS TO YOU KNOW BASICALLY RECOVER AND THEN GET THE THE REIMBURSEMENTS THAT WE PUT IN FOR.

SENATOR BARNETT: ALL RIGHT I GUESS WHAT I WHAT I KIND OF WANTED TO ASK WAS AND I I KIND OF ASKED MR FENTON LAST NIGHT HOW DO WE AVOID MISTAKES THAT WE MADE IN THE PAST THAT HAVE YOU KNOW LED TO MAYBE NON-REIMBURSEMENTS OR OUTRIGHT DENIALS OF CLAIMS AND SO I BROUGHT UP THE OR I'M NOW BRINGING UP THE THE Q FACTS THE QUARANTINE FACILITIES RIGHT AND WE KNOW THERE WAS A AN AUDIT ABOUT THAT AND WE KNOW THAT IT MIGHT HAVE BEEN PROCURED QUESTIONABLY AND WHATNOT SO HOW DO WE IF YOU COULD JUST GO OVER WHAT YOU FELT WERE THE ISSUES AND CONCERNS WITH THAT AND HOW DO WE AVOID MAKING THESE SAME MISTAKES AS WE MOVE TO RESPOND TO THIS INCIDENT AND THEN EVENTUALLY RECOVER FROM IT IN A WAY THAT DOESN'T JEOPARDIZE THE PEOPLE'S MONEY.

ESTEVEES –OCD: YEAH SO JUST LET YOU KNOW THAT THE THE 250000 THAT WENT PRETTY QUICK WITH THE 3.5 MILLION THAT LESTER'S YOU KNOW MANAGED TO FIND AND GET FOR US WHICH IS YOU KNOW I'M JUST GONNA SAY IT'S IT'S YOU KNOW IT'S IMAGINARY MONEY RIGHT NOW RIGHT WE DON'T HAVE THIS EMERGENCY FUND THAT WE CAN USE SO WITH WHAT LESTER WAS ABLE TO PROVIDE FOR US WE PUT THE EXACT LINE ITEM THAT KIND OF MATCHES WHAT'S EXACTLY IN THE PUBLIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAM SO AS A BUDGET LINE ITEM WE HAVE 1.5 MILLION DOLLARS I BELIEVE FOR EMERGENCY PROTECTIVE MEASURES AND IN THAT YOU KNOW WE ARE TYING THE ACTUAL EXPENDITURE TO THE POTENTIAL REIMBURSEMENT RIGHT SO WE'RE GOING LINE BY LINE TO DETERMINE YOU KNOW THAT HEY WE'RE SAYING WE'RE SPENDING THIS AND HERE IS THE DIRECT TIE-IN TO THE PUBLIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAM.

SENATOR BARNETT: SO WAS THIS A LINE BY LINE PROCESS THAT YOU JUST DESCRIBED WAS THIS FOLLOWED IN THE PANDEMIC.

ESTEVEES –OCD: I.

SENATOR BARNETT: AT THE ONSET.

ESTEVEES –OCD: YEAH SO DURING THE PANDEMIC IT WAS A VERY NOVEL TYPE OF EVENT AND EVEN WITH THAT FEMA WAS YOU KNOW THEY THEY CHANGED THEIR THEIR POLICIES FOR PUBLIC ASSISTANCE YOU KNOW FOR EXAMPLE THE CARES ACT YOU KNOW YOU HEARD FROM YOU KNOW MR. FENTON THAT WE CANNOT USE THE PUBLIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAM TO REIMBURSE FEDERAL DOLLARS AND THAT'S THE EXAMPLE OF ONE OF THOSE CHANGES ADDITIONALLY THERE WERE THERE WERE PUBLIC ASSISTANCE THAT WAS PUSHED DOWN FROM THE PRESIDENT THAT WE DIDN'T REQUEST FORCE SUCH AS THE FULL ACTIVATION OF THE NATIONAL GUARD SO THERE ARE A LOT OF REALLY NOVEL THINGS THAT THAT PEOPLE HAD TO DO FROM THE ONSET OF OF THAT ONLY TO ENSURE THAT YOU KNOW LIFE-SAVING LIFE-SUSTAINING BUT AN EVENT LIKE THIS IS SOMETHING THAT WE'VE PLANNED FOR IT'S SOMETHING THAT WE'VE REHEARSED THROUGH EXERCISES IT'S VERY DIFFERENT THAN I THINK WHAT WAS HAPPENING DURING COVID.

SENATOR BARNETT: RIGHT AND I KNOW IT WAS ALSO A NOVEL IN THAT THE TRADITIONAL WAY WE RESPOND TO A DISASTER AND IN THE CASE IT WAS A PANDEMIC WAS LIKE YOU SAID RIGHT TRADITIONALLY WE RESPOND WITH A LINE BY LINE ITEMIZATION TO MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE CROSSING ALL THE EYES DOTTING THE T'S BUT WITH COVID WHAT I THOUGHT WAS NOVEL WAS THAT YOU HAD INDIVIDUALS WHO WERE NOT CONNECTED WITH THE OFFICE OF CIVIL DEFENSE OR THE GUAM HOMELAND SECURITY OUT HERE PROCURING SERVICES THAT YOU KNOW LED TO SOME OF THESE QUESTIONABLE EXPENDITURES WOULD YOU SAY THAT'S ACCURATE.

ESTEVEES –OCD: WELL FOR THIS EVENT AND YOU KNOW DURING COVID WHEN I WAS THERE WE PROCURED WHAT WE'RE TOLD TO PROCURE WE GOT OUR QUOTES WE WENT THROUGH THE BIDDING PROCESS SO EVEN EVEN THOUGH THIS IS AN EMERGENCY WE'RE STILL DOING OUR DUE DILIGENCE TO GET AS MANY QUOTES AS WE CAN TO SOURCE AS MANY VENDORS ENSURE THAT THERE'S EQUITABLE AT LEAST A SOLICITATION FOR WHATEVER SERVICES AND PRODUCTS THAT WE'RE TRYING TO GET.

SENATOR BARNETT: SO ARE YOU SAYING THAT THAT WASN'T THE CASE WHEN WE RESPONDED IN THE PANDEMIC.

ESTEVEES –OCD: I JUST KNOW THAT DURING THE PANDEMIC WHATEVER WAS SOURCED THROUGH OUR OFFICE WE'RE TOLD TO TO SOURCE FROM BOTH THE GAR AND AND YOU KNOW FROM THE GOVERNOR LIKE I SAID WE GOT OUR QUOTES WE SENT IT OUT FOR BID ESPECIALLY FOR THE THE QUARANTINE FACILITIES AND NICELY FACILITIES THAT CIVIL DEFENSE PROCURED SO.

SENATOR BARNETT: RIGHT SO II GUESS GOING BACK TO THE THEME OF CAUTIONARY TALE RIGHT WHAT WHAT BECAUSE I'VE I KNOW YOUR TENURE YOUR EXPERIENCE YOU KNOW WHAT YOU'RE DOING YOU'RE VERY QUALIFIED WHAT WOULD YOU ADVISE US AS A POLICY MAKING LAWMAKING BODY TO KIND OF LOOK OUT FOR RED FLAGS THAT THAT WERE THAT CAME UP DURING THE PANDEMIC THAT WE SHOULD WATCH OUT FOR IN THIS INSTANCE BECAUSE RIGHT WE WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT EVERY DOLLAR THAT WE SPEND WE CAN AT THE VERY LEAST GET BACK 75 CENTS FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AND NOT END UP YOU KNOW SPENDING HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS OR EVEN MILLIONS OF DOLLARS ON EXPENSES THAT WE WILL HAVE NO CHANCE OF BEING REIMBURSED FOR.

ESTEVEES –OCD: AND AND I COULD TELL YOU OUR OFFICE IS YOU KNOW WE HAVE GOOD RECORD KEEPING YOU KNOW WE'RE ENSURING THAT EVERY EXPENDITURE YOU KNOW THE FILE IS MAINTAINED YOU KNOW PAPER THE FILE EVERYTHING FROM EMAIL TRAFFIC YOU KNOW PHONE RECORDS OF WHEN WE CALL THESE VENDORS AND YOU KNOW AND THEN FROM YOUR TIME BEFORE THE LEGISLATURE WITH THE THE ALL THE SUNSHINE REQUESTS YOU KNOW OUR FILES ESPECIALLY FOR PROCUREMENT WERE VERY DETAILED AND SO WE HAVE THAT SAME RECORD KEEPING HERE GSA IS ACTUALLY IN OR OFFICE BBMR IS IN OUR OFFICE SO THERE'S YOU KNOW WHEN IT COMES TO THE PROCUREMENT WE WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE HAVE ALL THE NECESSARY PEOPLE IN THERE TO ENSURE THAT WE DON'T HAVE TROUBLE PAYING VENDORS AND WE DON'T HAVE TROUBLE THERE'S NO PROCUREMENT VIOLATIONS.

SENATOR BARNETT: RIGHT AND SO I THINK AND YOU'RE RIGHT COMING BEFORE BEFORE THE LEGISLATURE COMING FROM THE MEDIA I THINK IT WAS VERY CLEAR THAT THE PROBLEM THAT WE HAD WAS THAT YOU HAD PEOPLE WHO WERE DEALING IN AREAS WAY OUTSIDE OF THEIR EXPERTISE AND YOU KNOW I'LL JUST SAY IT WAS THE FORMER LEGAL COUNSEL OF THE GOVERNOR IT JUST I FELT CARRY TOO MUCH WEIGHT AND TOO MUCH POWER AND INFLUENCE TO MAKE DECISIONS THAT WE ENDED UP HAVING TO FOOT THE BILL FOR SO YOU KNOW THAT BEING SAID ARE WE NOW IN A PLACE WITH PERSONNEL WHO HAVE MAYBE MORE EXPERIENCE TO NAVIGATE THIS TYPE OF TERRITORY.

ESTEVEES –OCD: I WOULD SAY FOR THIS EVENT YES I'M VERY CONFIDENT YEAH WITH GSA AND BBMR IN OUR OFFICE I'M VERY CONFIDENT THAT THAT ANY EXPENDITURE WE MAKE IS PROCURED IN ACCORDANCE OF ALL APPLICABLE LAWS AND AND RULES RIGHT WITH THE GAR THE GCA AND THE GAR THAT AND I TELL YOU THAT EVERY EMERGENCY LESTER IS IS HE'S BASICALLY OUR WATCHDOG TO ENSURE THAT THAT EVERY EVERY CENT THAT WE SPEND IS WE'RE SPENDING IT BASED OFF OF WHAT WE TOLD HIM WE'RE SPENDING IT ON.

SENATOR BARNETT: I'M SURE YOU UNDERSTAND THAT WE'RE IN THIS POSITION WHERE IT'S VERY PRECARIOUS WHAT WE'RE ABOUT TO DO AND GIVING THE GOVERNOR THIS AUTHORITY TO SPEND RIGHT UPWARDS OF 50 MILLION DOLLARS I KIND OF WANTED TO PIVOT MAYBE JUST A LITTLE BIT AND BECAUSE WE HAD ASKED MR. FENTON YESTERDAY IF 50 MILLION DOLLARS WAS ENOUGH.

ESTEVEES –OCD: YEAH SO YOU KNOW HE TALKED ABOUT THE PONGSONA EXPENDITURES AND THIS IS ON THE FEMA DISASTER DECLARATION WEBSITE SO WE'RE TALKING ABOUT PONGSONA EXPENDITURES AND THIS IS JUST PUBLIC ASSISTANCE SO THIS DOESN'T INCLUDE THE DIRECT FEDERAL ASSISTANCE THAT FEMA GAVE TO US THAT WE HAD TO PAY THE OUR 25 PERCENT COST SHARE OR WHATEVER THE COST SHARE WAS AT THE TIME BUT IT WAS ABOUT 12 MILLION DOLLARS AND THAT'S JUST FOR DEBRIS AND EMERGENCY PROTECTIVE MEASURES AND THEN IT WAS ABOUT 42 MILLION DOLLARS FOR CATEGORIES C THROUGH F SORRY C THROUGH G WHICH COVERS FACILITIES AND PARKS AND RECREATION AND AND OTHER CATEGORIES THERE DAMS ROADS BRIDGES NOW YOU TAKE THAT TO TODAY'S DOLLARS THAT'S LIKE 90 SOME MILLION DOLLARS YOU KNOW AND HE WAS TALKING UPWARDS TO YOU KNOW OVER A HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS THAT'S BECAUSE HE HAD THE DIRECT FEDERAL ASSISTANCE MONEY SO 50 MILLION IS A IT'S A GOOD STARTING POINT AND AT SOME POINT WE PROBABLY WILL HAVE TO COME BACK AND ASK FOR MORE TO BASICALLY RESTORE GOVERNMENT FACILITIES TO PRE-EVENT CONDITIONS INCIDENT CONDITIONS AND THEN SEEK THAT REIMBURSEMENT ESPECIALLY IF WE'RE IF WE ARE USING PONGSONA AS THE BENCHMARK EVENT AND SO JUST TO TO PUT IN PERSPECTIVE WE'VE HAD OTHER PRESIDENTIAL DISASTERS MAJOR DISASTER DECLARATIONS FROM PONGSONA TO TODAY BUT PONGSONA WAS THE LAST EVENT THAT WE HAD INDIVIDUAL ASSISTANCE WE REQUESTED FOR INDIVIDUAL ASSISTANCE FOR DOLPHIN MANGKUT AND WUTIP AND WE WERE DENIED INDIVIDUAL ASSISTANCE BECAUSE THE AMOUNT OF DAMAGES THAT WAS SUSTAINED THROUGHOUT THE ISLAND DID NOT MEET THE THE THRESHOLD THE PER CAPITA THRESHOLD THAT THE FEMA WHEN THEY DO THEIR ASSESSMENT SO THE FACT THAT WE GOT INDIVIDUAL ASSISTANCE THE FACT THAT WE GOT IT FAST KIND OF SHOWS THE THE AMOUNT OF DAMAGES SUSTAINED TO THE ISLAND.

SENATOR BARNETT: RIGHT RIGHT SO SO MR. ESTEVES IF YOU COULD JUST CLARIFY WHEN YOU SAY THAT THE AMOUNT OF MONEY WE SPENT ON PONGSONA IN 2023 DOLLARS IS EQUAL TO.

ESTEVEES –OCD: 90 90 93.53.

SENATOR BARNETT: 93.53.

ESTEVEES –OCD: 52 YEAH.

SENATOR BARNETT: MILLION NOW IS THAT OUR OUR 75 PERCENT OR 90 PERCENT.

ESTEVEES –OCD: THAT THAT THAT'S OVER 100.

SENATOR BARNETT: OVER.

ESTEVEES –OCD: YEAH.

SENATOR BARNETT: OKAY SO IN YOUR OPINION YOU SAID THAT THERE WILL PROBABLY COME A TIME WHEN WE'LL BE ASKED AGAIN TO REPLENISH TO WHATEVER FUNDING CAN YOU GIVE US LIKE A A BALLPARK SO WE GOT 50 MIL ON THE TABLE NOW LIKE HOW MUCH MORE DO YOU THINK WILL BE NECESSARY BUT NOT TO RESTORE US TO WHERE WE WERE PRE-INCIDENT BUT TO RESTORE US TO A BETTER PLACE THAT MAYBE WE SHOULD HAVE BEEN PRE-INCIDENT.

ESTEVEES –OCD: YEAH AND HONESTLY I DON'T HAVE THAT FIGURE ASSESSMENTS ARE STILL ONGOING RIGHT NOW YOU KNOW THE FACT THAT WE ENDED THE ACTUAL INCIDENT SORRY THE THE THREAT AND WENT INTO THE WEEKEND MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND DID NOT HELP AT ALL RIGHT SO GOVERNMENTS GOVERNMENT AGENCIES ARE STILL DOING THEIR DAMAGE ASSESSMENTS AND THESE ARE DAMAGE ASSESSMENTS THAT WE ALSO DO TURN INTO FEMA AS WELL ESPECIALLY IF WE REQUIRE DIRECT FEDERAL ASSISTANCE TO RETURN THESE FACILITIES TO NORMAL OPERATIONS IF WE FIND IT CRITICAL FOR FOR LIKE I SAID LIFE-SAVING OR LIFE SUSTAINING.

SENATOR BARNETT: JUST LAST POINT HERE ARE YOU HERE TO STAY FOR A WHILE BECAUSE I I LIKE I SAID HERE I FEEL LIKE YOU'RE TRUSTED YOU'RE TENURED YOU'RE EXPERIENCED AND PART OF WHY WE RAN INTO SO MUCH TROUBLE LAST TIME WAS THAT YOU KNOW MAYBE YOU WEREN'T GIVEN THE AUTHORITY THAT YOU WERE ENTITLED TO SO ARE YOU HERE TO STAY FOR THE DURATION OF THIS INCIDENT RESPONSE AND RECOVERY TO MAKE SURE THAT YOU'RE WE'RE SIGNING OFF ON THINGS THAT ARE WE'RE SUPPOSED TO SIGN OFF ON.

ESTEVEES –OCD: YES YES SO YOU KNOW I WAS IN KANSAS ON MILITARY TRAINING FOR A YEAR BUT I'VE BEEN BACK SINCE LAST YEAR JULY I DID GO ON MILITARY ORDERS FOR A MINUTE BUT THE GOVERNOR RECALLED ME SINCE LAST TUESDAY SO HERE I AM.

SENATOR BARNETT: WELL THANK THANK YOU AGAIN FOR YOUR SERVICE MR. ESTEVES AND YOUR CANDOR AND HONESTY THANK YOU MR CHAIR.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: OKAY THANK YOU JUST A REMINDER THAT THIS IS ONLY ONE ROUND AND TRY TO KEEP YOUR QUESTIONS TO THE EVENT MAWAR AND AMENDMENTS EVERYTHING ALL WRAPPED UP IN ONE OKAY AMENDMENTS COMMENTS EVERYTHING SENATOR PARKINSON DO YOU HAVE ANYTHING NONE SENATOR DUEÑAS DO YOU HAVE ANYTHING.

SENATOR DUEÑAS: *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* MR. CHAIRMAN I JUST HAVE A FEW QUESTIONS AND MAYBE A COMMENT SO LESTER I'D LIKE TO START WITH YOU ARE YOU COMFORTABLE WITH THIS ARRANGEMENT AS WE'VE CLARIFIED THAT THIS IS BASICALLY THE 50 MILLION THAT MORE THAN LIKELY CAN BE REALIZED IN TERMS OF HOW WE'RE GOING THROUGH THIS FISCAL YEAR.

CARLSON – BBMR: YES I AM SIR.

SENATOR DUEÑAS: OKAY I'M GOING TO KIND OF MOVE OVER TO CHARLES AFTER THIS BUT I THINK THAT AND IN SOME COMMUNICATIONS THAT I'VE HAD WITH THE MAYORS IN SPECIFIC IS REALLY FIRST AND FOREMOST THE UTILIZATION OF THEIR BUDGET I THINK THEY'VE EXHAUSTED PRETTY MUCH WHAT THEY'VE GOT OR AT LEAST WHAT THEY'VE PUSHED OUT BUT IT'S THE PROCUREMENT ISSUE AND THE ABILITY TO KIND OF PUSH THAT DOWN DO YOU SEE THAT ISSUE.

CARLSON – BBMR: WITH ALL DUE RESPECT TO MAYOR ALIG LAST NIGHT I MENTIONED I THINK SEVEN DIFFERENT VILLAGES THAT PROACTIVELY ON MAY 22ND AND MAY 23RD INITIATED PURCHASE ORDERS FOR HEAVY EQUIPMENT WHICH WERE AS OF YESTERDAY WERE POSTED IN OTHER WORDS THEY'RE CLEARED THEY'RE READY TO GIVE TO THE CONTRACTOR TO COME TO THE VILLAGE AND PERFORM THE SERVICES THEY HAVE A SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT OF ARP MONEY IN ON TOP OF WHAT IS APPROPRIATED RIGHT SO HOW THEY END

UP AS A GROUP ALLOCATING TO THE 19 VILLAGES IS AN INTERNAL THING I THINK WHAT I HEARD YESTERDAY WAS THE ONLY THING THAT THEY'RE ASKING FROM YOU GUYS IS MAYBE DON'T PUT A LIMIT ON PURCHASE ORDERS BECAUSE IF WE IF I ONLY HAVE A HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS I CAN'T SPEND MORE THAN THAT IF IT'S 25000 THAT MEANS I HAVE TO ISSUE MAYBE THREE PURCHASE ORDERS I THINK THAT'S THE ONLY THING THAT HE ASKED SO AGAIN HE DID MAKE MENTION OF A DESIRE I THINK FOR THE EOC MR. ESTEVES SHOP TO DO THE PROCUREMENT FOR THE MAYORS.

SENATOR DUEÑAS: YEAH THAT'S KIND OF THE TRANSITION THAT I'M TRYING TO MAKE.

CARLSON – BBMR: YEAH.

SENATOR DUEÑAS: HERE SO JUST.

CARLSON – BBMR: BUT I KNOW FOR A FACT THAT THEY'RE THEY THEY'RE CAPABLE OF DOING IT I'M COPIED ON EVERY REQUEST TO USE ARP MONEY JUST GOING BACK TO THE EARLIER QUESTION FROM SENATOR BARNETT I'M RESPONSIBLE FOR ENSURING THAT THE USE OF ARP MONEY IS ELIGIBLE IF I FIND THAT THE REQUEST IS NOT ELIGIBLE I DENY IT I APPROVED MR. ESTEVES'S BUDGET THE 3.5 AFTER SEEING IT AND ASKING FOR A FEW REVISIONS SO HE HAS A WORKING BUDGET WHICH I BELIEVE AS HE MENTIONED COVERS THE MAJOR CATEGORIES AND OTHER SUBCATEGORIES HE HAS ATTACHMENTS WITH MORE DETAILS I LOOKED OVER THAT VERY THOROUGHLY TO ENSURE THAT IT MET THE IMMEDIATE NEED SO WE DO HAVE EYES ON WHAT'S GOING ON AND I DO THERE THERE ARE THE MAYORS COUNCIL CAN ISSUE THEIR OWN PURCHASE ORDERS THAT'S WITH FUNDS THAT THEY HAVE AVAILABLE TO THEM SHOULD THIS BILL PASS THERE WILL BE ADDITIONAL FUNDS MADE AVAILABLE TO THEM FOR RECOVERY THERE SHOULDN'T BE AN ISSUE WITH THE MAYORS COUNCIL CONTINUING TO DO WHAT THEY HAVE BEEN DOING I'M NOT RELYING ON ON THE EOC WHEN THEY HAVE THE INFRASTRUCTURE TO DO IT THEMSELVES.

SENATOR DUEÑAS: YEAH CHARLES YOU CONCUR WITH THAT.

ESTEVEES –OCD: YEAH SO JUST TO LET YOU KNOW SOME OF THE THE I WANT TO SAY LIMITATIONS THAT WE HAD COMING OUT OF THIS AT LEAST THE ACTUAL THREAT WAS THE ABILITY TO TO ISSUE OUR PURCHASE ORDERS OVER THE WEEKEND SO WE DID ASSIST THE MAYOR IN GETTING PURCHASE ORDERS AT LEAST FOR HEAVY HEAVY EQUIPMENT RENTAL WE DID THE PURCHASE ORDERS FOR THEIR SAFETY SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT SOME OF THEIR THEIR SUPPLIES THEY NEED FOR DEBRIS MANAGEMENT AND SO WE DEFINITELY HAVE ASSISTED THEM IN EMERGENCY PROCUREMENT HOWEVER A LOT OF THE MAYORS YOU KNOW BEFORE THE EVENT THEY USED WHATEVER FUNDING THEY COULD TO PROTECT THEIR OWN VILLAGES AND SO TO LESTER'S POINT YOU KNOW WE'RE HERE TO TO ASSIST THEM THEY'RE THEY'RE YOU KNOW VERY BUSY DOING WHAT THEY HAVE TO DO IN THE VILLAGES AND SO THEY YOU KNOW THEY'RE THEY HAVE THE STAFF TO PROCURE AS WELL AND WE ARE A ANOTHER BODY TO HELP THEM WITH THAT PROCUREMENT.

SENATOR DUEÑAS: I WAS GOING TO SAY IN IN THE EVENT THAT THERE'S A MIDDLE HERE YOU KNOW MAYBE ONE REPRESENTATION THAT YOU KNOW SEVERAL HAVE BEEN ABLE TO PUSH THROUGH THEIR PURCHASE ORDERS BUT MAYBE IN THEIR TOTALITY.

ESTEVEES –OCD: YEAH.

SENATOR DUEÑAS: THERE'S ANY ISSUES I JUST WANTED TO GET IT FROM YOU.

ESTEVEES –OCD: YEAH.

SENATOR DUEÑAS: THAT IF IT CAME DOWN TO IT I MEAN CHARLES I'VE SEEN YOU IN ACTION BEFORE AND I KNOW THAT WHEN THOSE REQUESTS COME UP YOU CAN MAKE IT HAPPEN AND I'M JUST ASKING YOU AND SO THE PEOPLE OF GUAM UNDERSTAND THAT THEIR MAYORS HAVE THE FULL SUPPORT OF THE EOC SAYING IF THERE IS ANY GLITCHES IN TERMS OF GETTING THOSE PO'S PROCESSED THAT PROCUREMENT IN PLACE AND JUST LETTING THEM GET OUT THERE AND DO THE WORK ON THE GROUND I JUST WANTED TO MAKE SURE WE HAVE THAT ON THE RECORD.

ESTEVEES –OCD: YEAH AND A LOT OF THE THE PURCHASE ORDERS WE ARE YOU KNOW CHANGING THE POINTS OF CONTACTS FOR EXAMPLE THE HEAVY EQUIPMENT PURCHASE ORDER WE'RE CHANGING THE POINTS OF CONTACT FROM DPW TO THE MAYORS YOU KNOW SO WE'RE PROVIDING THESE THESE DIRECT SERVICES TO THE

MAYORS COUNCIL AND YOU KNOW BASICALLY LET LETTING THEM DETERMINE WHERE THE THE BEST IDEALIZATION OF THIS EQUIPMENT WILL GO.

SENATOR DUEÑAS: SO GOING BACK TO YOU LESTER IT SEEMS LIKE YOU'RE YOU'RE COMFORTABLE AS LONG AS IT FILTERS THROUGH YOU THERE'S DISCUSSION ON ARP TO FACILITATE.

CARLSON – BBMR: YES AND I HAVE BEEN TAKING A VERY PROACTIVE ROLE EVER SINCE COVID WITH THE CARES ACT MONEY I THE PROCUREMENTS THAT WERE DISCUSSED DIDN'T GO THROUGH BBMR SO YOU KNOW JUST YEAH.

SENATOR DUEÑAS: I HEAR YOU.

CARLSON – BBMR: YEAH SO WE MYSELF AND MR. BIRN HAVE INTERJECTED OURSELVES INTO THE REVIEW PROCESS AND WE WILL DO THE SAME BECAUSE THE LATER ON IN THE BILL THERE'S A REPORTING REQUIREMENT AND WE WILL MAKE SURE THAT WHAT IT IS THAT IS CONTAINED IN THE REPORT IS MONEY SPENT ON ELIGIBLE POTENTIALLY REIMBURSABLE ACTIVITIES.

SENATOR DUEÑAS: YEAH BECAUSE WHAT I'M THINKING IS THE FLEXIBILITY HERE ALSO MIGHT GIVE YOU THE YOU KNOW THAT IN IN WORKING WITH ASOS BEFORE UNDER MY TIME IN DIFFERENT LEADERSHIP POSITIONS YOU JOURNAL VOUCHER THAT MONEY OVER ESSENTIALLY SAYING IF YOU REPLACE IT UNDER ERP ARP IT'S IT'S LOCAL IT CAME OUT OF THERE BUT YOU'VE REPLACED IT TO MAKE IT ELIGIBLE FOR REIMBURSEMENT SO I THINK THERE'S THERE'S WAYS TO DO THAT TO ENSURE THAT THERE'S THAT ACCOUNTABILITY.

CARLSON – BBMR: YEAH THE ONE THING THAT MR. FENTON SAID VERY PLAINLY BUT HE WAS GOING TO GO CHECK HIS ATTORNEY.

SENATOR DUEÑAS: RIGHT.

CARLSON – BBMR: WAS THEY'RE UNDER THE CARES ACT WE DID GET LIKE THE TRAVELING NURSES WE DID GET REIMBURSEMENT FOR THAT BUT HE'S HE'S ADAMANT AND MR. BIRN IS JUST AS EQUALLY ADAMANT THAT THE LAW ALLOWS FOR US TO USE THE STATE AND LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUND MONEY FOR DISASTER RELIEF AND AND TO GET IT REIMBURSED SO WE'RE TRYING TO NAIL THAT DOWN BUT YOU KNOW MR. FENTON ADAMANTLY SAID NO SO IT MIGHT TAKE A WHILE AND IT MIGHT END UP THAT HE'S RIGHT AND YOU KNOW WE'RE JUST WISFUL THINKING BUT WE WILL MAKE SURE THAT THE REPORTS THAT THIS BODY HAS ASKED US TO PROVIDE AND THAT WE HAVE PROVIDED ON THE FIFTH OF THE MONTH IN THE OBJECT CATEGORY EXPENDITURE ENCUMBRANCE AND BALANCE WE'LL CONTINUE TO DO THAT TYPE OF WORK WITH THE ADDITIONAL COLUMNS OF ELIGIBILITY BECAUSE I THINK MR. ESTEVES IS THERE'S CATEGORIES OF ELIGIBILITY RIGHT.

ESTEVEES –OCD: YES.

CARLSON – BBMR: SO WE WHAT WE WOULD PROBABLY END UP DOING IS LIKE HAVING LIKE SOMETHING ON THE BOTTOM WHERE A B C D E F AND THEN A COLUMN SAID THIS IS THIS EXPENSE IS ELIGIBLE UNDER CATEGORY C SO THAT WAY YOU GUYS UNDERSTAND THAT YOU KNOW THIS THIS THE FUNDS ARE BEING USED IN ACCORDANCE WITH IDENTIFIED ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES THAT WE HOPE WILL SATISFY THE PUBLIC NUMBER ONE BUT ALSO FACILITATE THE REIMBURSEMENT.

SENATOR DUEÑAS: YEAH IN ANY CASE WE'LL PROBABLY IF IT COMES DOWN TO IT HAVE TO GO UP TO CONGRESS WHICH IS SOMETHING WE SHOULD DO ANYWAYS I THINK.

CARLSON – BBMR: I HAVE NO PROBLEM.

SENATOR DUEÑAS: IF IT COMES DOWN TO THAT.

CARLSON – BBMR: I HAVE NO PROBLEM WITH THAT SIR.

SENATOR DUEÑAS: YEAH GOING BACK TO YOU CHARLES I THINK THAT YEAH KIND OF JUST FINISHING UP WITH YOU ON WE WE'RE AUTHORIZING INDIVIDUAL ASSISTANCE BUT RIGHT NOW WHAT IS THE ACTIVITY WITH FEMA IN TERMS OF EVERYTHING THE REQUESTS THAT HAVE BEEN PUT IN AND THOSE THINGS THAT WE ACTUALLY HAVE ON THE GROUND RIGHT NOW WATER FOOD SUPPLIES I BOB TALKED YESTERDAY ABOUT TRANSITIONING

GOING TEMPORARILY WITH MRES AND THEN GOING OVER TO TO HOT MEALS AND VENDORS THAT THEY'RE THEY'RE GETTING SO THAT IF THAT'S COVERED AND GOING OUT I MEAN WE DON'T WE CAN WE CAN USE THIS MONEY FOR OTHER THINGS THAT ARE THAT ARE MORE PRESSING.

ESTEVEZ –OCD: YEAH YEAH SO WHAT I CAN SAY RIGHT NOW IS THAT JUST TO KIND OF EXPLAIN THE PROCESS SO BEFORE WE CAN EVER MAKE TO BEFORE WE CAN MAKE ANY REQUESTS AND TO FEMA WE HAVE TO FIRST EXHAUST ALL ON ISLAND CAPABILITIES AND SO THE PROCESS IN EOC IS IS OUR RESPONSE ACTIVITY COORDINATORS THEY RECEIVE THESE REQUESTS FROM THE DIFFERENT AGENCIES ON THE ACTUAL NEED WHETHER THAT'S FROM THE MAYORS COUNCIL OF GUAM OR THAT'S INTERNAL TO GOV GUAM IN TERMS OF VEHICLE SUPPORT PERSONNEL SUPPORT WHATEVER WHATEVER THEY NEED SO WE TRY TO SOURCE FIRST INTERNALLY IF WE DO NOT HAVE THE RESOURCE INTERNALLY THEN WE WORK TOWARDS EMERGENCY PROCUREMENT IF WE ARE UNABLE TO TO FOR WHATEVER REASON SAY LACK OF VENDORS LACK OF SUPPLIES THAT'S WHEN WE ACTUALLY MAKE THE RESOURCE REQUESTS THROUGH FEMA AND THEN FEMA MISSION ASSIGNS THOSE RESOURCES SO THE DISTRIBUTION CENTER EVERYTHING IN IT WE HAVE TO MAKE SURE THAT THAT WE HAVE EXHAUSTED ALL AVAILABLE MEANS TO TRY TO GET THOSE TYPES OF RESOURCES BEFORE FEMA CAN START RELEASING ANY SORT OF RESOURCES FROM THE DISTRIBUTION CENTER SUCH AS FOOD AND WATER AND JUST TO LET YOU KNOW THAT THE FOOD AND WATER THEY GIVE THESE ARE ONLY YOU KNOW SHORT-TERM KIND OF I WANT TO SAY BAND-AID BUT IT'S IT'S ONLY SHORT-TERM SUPPORT YOU KNOW EVEN OUR VOLUNTEER ORGANIZATIONS ACTIVE AND DISASTERS THEY HAVE LIMITED RESOURCES SO THEY CAN ONLY FEED FOR A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF TIME A GOOD EXAMPLE IS DURING MANGKUT WHEN THE TIER 2 SHELTER OPENED UP IN ASTUMBO YOU KNOW IT WAS THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM THAT PAID FOR THE LONG-TERM FEEDING OF ALL OF THOSE RESIDENTS AT ASTUMBO AND SO FEMA RIGHT NOW THEY'RE TRYING TO HELP US KIND OF IN IN OF IMMEDIATE NEEDS BUT EVENTUALLY WE THEY WILL LEAVE AND THEN WE WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ENSURING THAT THE CONTINUED LIFE-SUSTAINING ACTIVITIES FOR PEOPLE FOR EXAMPLE THAT HAVE LOST THEIR HOMES OR OR TRY TO TRY AND HELP THEM TO SEEK A SHELTER SO.

SENATOR DUEÑAS: MOVING OVER TO SHELTER I REMEMBER WHEN I WAS AT GUAM HOUSING WE FACILITATED THE RELEASE OF TENTS AND COOLERS AND THINGS BASICALLY A FULL PACKAGE OF BEING ABLE TO SHELTER ON PLA IN PLACE A LOT OF PEOPLE DON'T WANT TO LEAVE THEIR PROPERTY AND I'M STILL GETTING THAT REPORT AS WELL SO DO DO WE HAVE THOSE SUPPLIES ON THE READY AND FOR DISTRIBUTION TO FOLKS WHO WANT TO WORK ON REBUILDING THEIR LIVES NEXT TO THEIR HOME WHILE SETTING UP THE THEIR THEIR THREE FOUR FIVE MAN TENTS WITH ALL THE EQUIPMENT AND ASSOCIATED WITH IT SO THEY CAN SURVIVE THE WEATHER RIGHT NOW WHILE THEY STAY ON THEIR PROPERTY.

ESTEVEZ –OCD: YEAH SO SOME OF THOSE THINGS LIKE COTS AND TARPS ARE WE'RE WORKING THROUGH EMERGENCY PROCUREMENT YOU KNOW IN THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM LIKE I SAID ANYTHING THAT WE CANNOT SOURCE HERE YOU KNOW WE WILL WORK THROUGH FEMA TO SEE IF THEY HAVE IT IN THE DISTRIBUTION CENTER BUT YEAH SOME OF THOSE BASIC NEEDS TO AT LEAST PROTECT THEM FROM THE EFFECTS OF WEATHER SUCH AS TARPS WE'RE WORKING TO GET THEM AND ISSUE THEM OUT TO KIND OF GET THEM OUT OF THE SHELTER AND THEN WITH FEMA'S ROOFING PROJECT YOU KNOW IT'S THE INTENT TO EVENTUALLY REPLACE THOSE BLUE TARPS WITH YOU KNOW A ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEER CONSTRUCTED ROOF WITH TYPHOON CLIPS AND KIND OF BUILDING BACK A BETTER AND MORE RESILIENT.

SENATOR DUEÑAS: FINALLY CHARLES I'M WRAPPING UP ON THE ISSUE OF I REMEMBER THIS DURING OUR TIME ON THE ISSUE OF THE FSM CITIZENS WHO ARE NON-ELIGIBLE FOR SOME OF THESE PROGRAMS ARE YOU THE POINT OF CONTACT OR IS IT THEIR CONSULATE FOR THE USAID AND THOSE KIND OF THINGS THAT CAN BE ACTIVATED.

ESTEVEZ –OCD: YEAH SO FOR FOR THE FSM CITIZENS AND YOU REMEMBER LIKE THE LAST WHEN YOU'RE STILL AT GHC YOU KNOW IN THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM WE PROVIDED THE COMMODITY BAGS FOR THEM AND WATER WATER TO WHAT MR. FENTON WAS SAYING YESTERDAY IS THAT IF THEY HAVE AN ELIGIBLE MEMBER IN THEIR HOUSEHOLD THAT PERSON CAN BE THE ONE TO APPLY FOR INDIVIDUAL ASSISTANCE BUT THAT THAT'S THAT'S BEEN A DELTA IT'S BEEN A SHORTFALL YOU KNOW WE'VE WE'VE BROUGHT UP YOU KNOW MANY TIMES DURING EVENTS THAT YES WE HAVE THE SORRY WE HAVE FOLKS THAT ARE COVERED UNDER COFA AND THEY THEY'RE ALREADY CONSUMERS OF OF SNAP HOWEVER HOW ABOUT THE COFA FOLKS THAT ARE NOT ON SNAP THEY'RE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR INDIVIDUAL ASSISTANCE TO REPLACE ANY FOOD LOSS AND SO THAT'S THE THE NUMBER THAT WE NEED I DID GIVE THE FSM CONSULATE THEY DID REQUEST FOR MR. FENTON'S EMAIL ADDRESS

SO I'M PRETTY SURE THAT THEY'RE GOING TO BE REACHING OUT TO KIND OF DETERMINE IF NOT THROUGH FEMA WHAT DOI CAN CAN PROVIDE AS WELL.

SENATOR DUEÑAS: BUT THE INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION OF ASSISTANCE USAID THAT THAT IS BEING ACTIVATED AS WELL AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE.

ESTEVEVES –OCD: THAT THAT I DON'T KNOW I I DO KNOW THAT THE VOLUNTEER ORGANIZATIONS THEY'RE THEY'RE ASSISTING TO KIND OF MEET THAT THAT SHORT NEED.

SENATOR DUEÑAS: CAN YOU RUN THAT UP THE CHAIN JUST TO MAKE SURE FOR WITH YOUR PARTNERS AND THE LIKE BECAUSE I KNOW THAT WE WERE ABLE TO SECURE SOME OF THAT THROUGH PALAU I BELIEVE BEFORE LAST TIME WITH THEM MAKING THE REQUEST TO USAID AND THAT IS THE INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION AS YOU KNOW.

ESTEVEVES –OCD: YEAH.

SENATOR DUEÑAS: OUTSIDE OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT.

ESTEVEVES –OCD: AND THEY HAVE THEIR THEIR OFFICE OF FOREIGN DISASTER ASSISTANCE.

SENATOR DUEÑAS: RIGHT.

ESTEVEVES –OCD: AS WELL AND SO WE'LL GO AHEAD AND ASK THAT QUESTION.

SENATOR DUEÑAS: WELL GOOD LUCK CHARLES I I HAVE CONFIDENCE IN IN THE WORK THAT YOU'RE DOING AND I I'M GETTING A LITTLE BIT MORE COMFORTABLE WITH THIS IDEA PARTICULARLY KNOWING THAT WE'RE BASICALLY MOVING THE BUDGET THAT WE HAVE AND SOMETHING THAT WE WOULD HAVE TO DO ANYWAYS IN ORDER TO BE ABLE TO GET THIS ASSISTANCE OUT FINAL QUESTION MAYBE YOU AND LESTER ESSENTIALLY RIGHT NOW THE AGENCIES ARE USING WHATEVER BUDGETS THEY HAVE OUTSIDE OF WHAT THEY'RE OPERATIONAL AND AND AND OF COURSE THEIR SALARIES AND BENEFITS OPERATIONS IN ORDER TO BE ABLE TO DO WHAT THEY COULD DO JUST ON THE FRONT LINE RIGHT NOW WOULD THAT BE CORRECT.

ESTEVEVES –OCD: YEAH YEAH SO THE LIKE FOR EXAMPLE FIRE DEPARTMENT GUAM POLICE DEPARTMENT THEY'RE YOU KNOW THEY HAVE WHAT'S NORMAL OPERATIONS BUT OBVIOUSLY THERE THERE'S A LOT OF ACTIVITIES THAT THEY ARE DOING BEYOND NORMAL OPERATIONS AND SO THEY YOU KNOW ARE WORKING TO USE WHATEVER FUNDS THEY HAVE UNTIL WE CAN GET SOME SORT OF EMERGENCY TYPE OF APPROPRIATION.

SENATOR DUEÑAS: SO LESTER BASICALLY THIS IS WHAT'S KIND OF HAPPENING RIGHT NOW ANYWAYS YOU GOT TO GET THAT MONEY OUT THERE AND THEY'RE JUST USING WITHIN THEIR BUDGET AUTHORITY YEAH.

CARLSON – BBMR: YES SIR.

SENATOR DUEÑAS: ALL RIGHT GUYS THANKS A LOT APPRECIATE YOUR BEING HERE APPRECIATE YOU YOU KNOW BEING A VERY FRANK AND STRAIGHTFORWARD ON THE ANSWERS AND LOOK FORWARD TO GETTING THAT ASSISTANCE OUT THERE THANK YOU MADAM CHAIR.

NOTE SENATOR TAITAGUE PRESIDES OVER THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

SENATOR TAITAGUE: THANK YOU SENATOR DUEÑAS MINORITY LEADER SENATOR BLAS.

SENATOR BLAS: THANK YOU MADAM CHAIR AND THANK YOU GENTLEMEN FOR FOR FOR BEING HERE TODAY LESTER YOU HAD MENTIONED EARLIER I GUESS IN THE PROCUREMENT PROCESS OR THE PROCESS OF THE EMERGENCY PROCUREMENT THAT YOU HAD TO SOMEHOW USE THE WORD INTERJECT PARTICIPATION IN BEING ABLE TO BE A PART OF THE PROCUREMENT PROCESS IS I I FIND THAT KIND OF INTERESTING BECAUSE THAT'S TELL ME THAT DURING THE EMERGENCY OPERATIONS YOU HAD NO OFFICIAL ROLE.

CARLSON – BBMR: LET ME CLARIFY THAT SIR.

SENATOR BLAS: OKAY.

CARLSON – BBMR: WHAT I MEANT WAS WITH ARP MONEY REQUESTS COME INTO MY OFFICE FOR DRAWDOWNS FOR CERTAIN ITEMS SO WE REVIEW THE ELIGIBILITY.

SENATOR BLAS: RIGHT.

CARLSON – BBMR: AND AND THEN CLEAR OR DENY THIS TIME AROUND WE'RE MAKING DIFFERENT AND HOPEFULLY MORE PRODUCTIVE USE OF GOVERNMENT OF GUAM EMPLOYEES SO I HAVE TWO OF MY STAFF UP AT THE EOC AND MR. BIRN ALSO ASKED FOR TWO OF HIS STAFF ONE FROM PAYROLL AND ONE FROM ACCOUNTING IN ADDITION TO THE GSA PERSONNEL WHICH BASICALLY FALL UNDER MR. BIRN SO WE ARE STEPPING UP THE PRESENCE ONLY TO DO TWO THINGS TO ENSURE THAT WE FACILITATE THIS BUT ALSO TO ENSURE THAT WE DO IT CORRECTLY.

SENATOR BLAS: I APPRECIATE IT BECAUSE I I WOULD HIGHLY ENCOURAGE THAT PLEASE YOU KNOW FOR THAT I JUST FOUND THAT A LITTLE BIT DISTURBING BECAUSE WHEN I RAN THE OPERATION I LOOKED TO BBMR AND DOA TO HANDLE THAT SIDE OF THE HOUSE RIGHT YOU KNOW WITH REGARD TO TO YOU KNOW THE OPERATIONS OR AT THIS THE THE FINANCING ESPECIALLY AND THE ADMINISTRATION PART I LOOK TO THEM I AND I WISH WOULD HIGHLY ENCOURAGE THAT SECONDLY YOU KNOW WHEN WE WE'RE LOOKING AT THE BILL HERE AND THIS IS BASED ON I GUESS THE CONVERSATION THAT WE HAD YESTERDAY WITH WHAT WE HAVE IN OUR COFFERS RIGHT NOW WHAT FINANCING OR WHAT MONIES WE HAVE AND WHAT WE CAN ANTICIPATE PRE-STORM LET'S TAKE THAT EVERYTHING HAPPENED AFTER THE STORM IN BETWEEN RIGHT NOW WE'RE NOT GETTING ANY REVENUES ANY ANYWHERE WHATSOEVER DOES THIS CONVERSATION INCLUDE AND AS FAR AS THIS MONEY THOSE THAT MONIES THAT HAD BEEN ALREADY APPROPRIATED A COUPLE WEEKS AGO THERE WAS TWO DIFFERENT APPROPRIATIONS THAT WERE MADE ALBEIT THEY WERE WITH EXCESS FUNDS WAS THAT INCLUDED IN THIS IN THIS BUDGET TO BE CONSIDERED.

CARLSON – BBMR: SO THANK YOU FOR THAT QUESTION BECAUSE I DID WANT TO SPEAK ABOUT THAT THE LAST CRER THAT WE PROVIDED TO YOU GUYS WHICH INCLUDED THE PASSAGE OF LEAP AND SOME MONEY FOR THE EXTENSION OF THE GAS TAX RESULTED IN US HAVING A NEGATIVE SEVEN MILLION DOLLARS SPEAKER LOVES TO HEAR SNAPSHOTS SO TODAY'S THE 31ST THIS IS FLUID BECAUSE YOU KNOW NOT NOT ALL OF THE THE FUNDS HAVE BEEN REMITTED DUE TO YOU KNOW BANKING ISSUES AND MERCHANT ISSUES AND OTHER THINGS LIKE THAT BUT AS OF RIGHT NOW WE'RE 7.6 MILLION DOLLARS SHORT IN WHAT WE ANTICIPATED FOR THE MONTH OF MAY SO WE HAVE A LOT OF WORK TO DO ON OUR END TO KEEP THE GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS RUNNING TO ENSURE THAT THE RESPONSE EFFORTS ARE FUNDED AND TO PRIORITIZE WHAT IT IS THAT WE'RE DOING WITH THE REVENUES THAT WE DO HAVE.

SENATOR BLAS: OKAY BECAUSE THEN THAT'S WHAT WAS BOTHERING ME ABOUT ABOUT THIS WHOLE THING THAT WHOLE CONVERSATION WAS WAS ABSENT TWO DIFFERENT APPROPRIATIONS I KNOW THAT THIS BODY HAS NO POWER TO BE ABLE TO DIRECT MONIES OUTSIDE OF OUR OF OUR RESOURCES HOWEVER I'M GOING TO USE THIS AS AN OPPORTUNITY WOULD IT WOULD IT HELP IF THOSE TWO SPECIFIC OP APPROPRIATIONS WERE ACTUALLY TRANSFERRED OVER BECAUSE IT COULD BE BECAUSE IT IS ELIGIBLE UNDER ARP THUS FREEING UP THAT SHORTFALL OR BRINGING THE MONEY IN SO THAT IT CAN BE UTILIZED WE WERE HAD THIS DISCUSSION ABOUT BEING ABLE TO SHIFT MONIES OVER SO THAT WE CAN MAKE SURE THAT IT'S A LOCAL YOU KNOW IT'S IT'S IT WE'RE WE'RE USING LOCAL MONEY TO BE ABLE TO GET THE REIMBURSEMENTS FROM THIS IF WE CAN SHIFT THAT MONEY OVER FROM LEAP AND THE GAS TAX OVER TO THE ERP CLEAR FREEING UP THAT FUNDING NECESSITY FROM THE LOCAL FUND SO IT CAN BE UTILIZED HERE AND THEN GET THE REIMBURSEMENTS THERE LESTER I KNOW WE CAN'T HAVE THAT CONVERSATION OR CAN WE LEGISLATE IT BUT LIKE I'M GOING TO ASK PLEASE AS A REPRESENTATIVE TO THE GOVERNOR YOU CAN GO BACK AND ASK HER TO BE ABLE TO BE ABLE TO DO SOMETHING LIKE THIS THIS WILL TREMENDOUSLY HELP AND FREE UP MONIES WE NEED NOW 7.9 MILLION DOLLARS SHORT I'M AFRAID THAT EVEN IF WE WERE TO SAY YES TO THIS BILL AND IT WAS TO BE PASSED INTO LAW THAT THEY WERE WE'RE NOT WE MAY NOT REALIZE A LOT OF THIS STUFF BECAUSE OF ALL THE OTHER DEBT WE HAVE IN OUR IN THAT WE'RE LIKE YOU SAID WE'RE 7.9 MILLION DOLLARS SHORT BUT IF WE CAN FREE THAT UP WE CAN WE CAN FREE UP SOME MONEY RIGHT AM I RIGHT IN THAT.

CARLSON – BBMR: I WILL ASK HER.

SENATOR BLAS: THANK YOU.

CARLSON – BBMR: SHE ALREADY COMMITTED TO TO ADD MONEY TO THE LEAP I WILL ASK HER WHETHER OR NOT SHE IS AMENABLE TO INCREASING THAT THEREFORE REDUCING THE THE GOVERNMENT PORTION.

SENATOR BLAS: APPRECIATE IT NOW LAST QUESTION I THINK YESTERDAY THERE WAS A WELL WE SPENT HOURS AND HOURS AND HOURS YESTERDAY A LOT OF IT WAS IN MY OPINION TRULY NOT NECESSARY FOR THE CONVERSATION THAT WE NEED TO HAVE TODAY WAS THERE ANYTHING IN YET AS A RESULT OF YESTERDAY THAT SLOWED DOWN ANY OPERATIONS THE OPERATIONS STOPPED YESTERDAY BECAUSE OF WHAT HAPPENED IN THIS FLOOR YESTERDAY.

CARLSON – BBMR: FROM BBMR STANDPOINT NO SIR.

SENATOR BLAS: HOW ABOUT THE RESPONSE RE.

CARLSON – BBMR: BECAUSE WE HAVE NO POWER.

SENATOR BLAS: HOW ABOUT THAT HOW ABOUT FROM THE RESPONSE STANDPOINT DOES WELL CHARLES WAS THERE ANYTHING THAT YESTERDAY STOPPED ALL OPERATIONS YESTERDAY BECAUSE OF WHAT WAS HAPPENING.

ESTEVEES –OCD: YEAH NOT NOT SO MUCH JUST STOPPED LIKE I SAID THE ISSUE THAT WE'VE HAD THAT THIS KIND OF SLOWED OUR ABILITY TO RESPOND WAS CONTACTING VENDORS OVER THE WEEKEND.

SENATOR BLAS: OKAY.

ESTEVEES –OCD: YEAH.

SENATOR BLAS: BUT IT HAD NOTHING TO DO WHAT WAS GOING ON.

ESTEVEES –OCD: YEAH.

SENATOR BLAS: OKAY SO TODAY IF WE CAN GET OUT HERE IN AN HOUR AND LET YOU GUYS GO ON YOUR WAY.

ESTEVEES –OCD: ABSOLUTELY.

SENATOR BLAS: WE'RE GOOD TO GO.

ESTEVEES –OCD: ABSOLUTELY.

SENATOR BLAS: I JUST WANTED TO ASSURE YOU GUYS AND THE PUBLIC OF THAT THANK YOU VERY MUCH THANK YOU MADAM CHAIR.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: YOU'RE VERY WELCOME MINORITY LEADER SENATOR BLAS SENATOR JESSE LUJAN.

SENATOR LUJAN: THANK YOU MADAM CHAIR GOOD MORNING GENTLEMEN MR. CARLSON I KNOW THIS WAS ASKED EARLIER AND I ASKED THIS QUESTION AGAIN YESTERDAY BUT LET ME LET ME ASK IT AGAIN SO I CAN BETTER UNDERSTAND AND FORMULATE MY QUESTIONS FROM HERE THE THE GOVERNOR HAS ALREADY AUTHORIZED THROUGH 5GCA SUBSECTION 22402 TRANSFER AUTHORITY OF 15 PERCENT IS THAT CORRECT.

CARLSON – BBMR: NO SIR.

SENATOR LUJAN: NO.

CARLSON – BBMR: THE 22402 IS THE EMERGENCY DECLARATION THE 250000.

SENATOR LUJAN: 250 SO 250 OKAY.

CARLSON – BBMR: YES SIR.

SENATOR LUJAN: OKAY OKAY WITH HER TRANSFER AUTHORITY WHAT IS THAT GRANT HER AS WELL JUST JUST THAT 250000.

CARLSON – BBMR: NO THE WHEN SHE DECLARES AN EMERGENCY.

SENATOR LUJAN: YEAH.

CARLSON – BBMR: SO I COULDN'T DO ANYTHING TIL SHE ACTUALLY PENNED THE EMERGENCY THEN WE LOADED THE 250000 AND MADE IT AVAILABLE TO CIVIL DEFENSE WHAT I WAS TALKING ABOUT YESTERDAY WAS HER TRANSFER AUTHORITY THE 50 MILLION DOES NOT EXIST AND I WENT THROUGH A LITANY OF.

SENATOR LUJAN: OKAY.

CARLSON – BBMR: STUFF BASICALLY SAYING THAT CURRENTLY THE ONLY AMOUNT THAT WOULD BE AVAILABLE WAS 11 MILLION 900000 WHICH IS NINETY THREE FOUR FIVE PERCENT PAYROLL SO THAT'S WHY WE'RE TALKING ABOUT.

SENATOR LUJAN: YEAH.

CARLSON – BBMR: A PARADIGM SHIFT AND WHERE WE'RE GOING.

SENATOR LUJAN: YEAH OKAY YEAH BECAUSE YES SO LAST NIGHT YOU SAID THE AVAILABILITY OF OF THE FUNDS THAT SHE WOULD HAVE AGAIN BASED ON TRANSFER AUTHORITIES 11 MILLION NINE TWENTY FOUR ZERO EIGHT NINE RIGHT.

CARLSON – BBMR: GOOD MEMORY.

SENATOR LUJAN: YEAH THERE WE GO OKAY SO THAT THAT THAT BEING SAID IF SHE WERE TO USE AS YOU HAD MENTIONED LAST NIGHT AS WELL IF SHE SHE WOULD USE THAT FUNDING FORCE SUCH THE GOVERNMENT COULD BE FACING PAYLESS PAYDAYS RIGHT.

CARLSON – BBMR: THERE WILL BE TROUBLE.

SENATOR LUJAN: OKAY SO TO AUTHORIZE 50 MILLION DOESN'T THAT MAKE IT EVEN MORE TROUBLESOME.

CARLSON – BBMR: IF WE ARE ABLE TO RECOVER AND GET COMMERCE BACK TO NORMAL PLEASE REMEMBER THAT DURING COVID THERE WERE THERE WERE A LOT OF FOLKS THAT THOUGHT THAT WE HAD A LOOMING FISCAL CLIFF WE ON THE OTHER HAND SAID NO OUR OUR OWN ECONOMY IS STRONG AND WE CONTINUE TO TO RECORD REVENUES IN EXCESS OF ADOPTED LEVELS ALL THE WAY UP UNTIL THE STORM SO WE'RE LOOKING AT FACILITATING THE RESPONSE EFFORTS TO GET BACK TO THAT LEVEL OF OF OPERATIONS NORMALCY IF THAT'S EVEN APPLICABLE WHERE WE WERE GETTING MONIES OVER WHAT IT WAS THAT WE ANTICIPATED SO YES I BELIEVE THAT ONCE WE GET TO THAT POINT IN TIME WE WILL ACTUALLY STILL SEE REVENUES THAT EXCEED WHAT IT WAS THAT THE BUDGET AND THE APPROPRIATION ALLOCATION REPORT ACTUALLY THE DISTRIBUTION SO YES I I THINK I THINK SO SIR.

SENATOR LUJAN: OKAY NOW LET ME LET ME ASK THIS QUESTION BECAUSE WE HAD FUNDING OF COURSE FOR FOR THE PANDEMIC FOR FOR COVID NOW LIKEWISE WITH WITH FEMA AND THEIR REIMBURSEMENT AND AND ALL THAT AND WE WERE STILL AS WAS MENTIONED EARLIER CIVIL DEFENSE THAT WE WERE STILL WE STILL HAVE SOME PROGRAMS BASICALLY THAT WE'RE COVERING THROUGH THE FUNDING THROUGH COVID NOW HOW DO WE HOW DO WE MOVE FORWARD AND NOT COMMINGLE THESE THESE FUNDS OR CAN THEY BE IS THERE IS THERE AN EXCEPTION EXCEPTION MADE FOR US BASED ON STILL BEING STILL BEING ABLE TO USE SOME OF THAT THAT COVID FUNDING VERSUS NOW THAT WE'RE IN THIS SITUATION AND AND HOW DOES THAT HOW DOES THAT WORK WE STILL HAVE MONEY THAT THAT WE HAVE FROM THE PANDEMIC AND SO HOW COME ARE THOSE TWO MONIES CO-MINGLED.

CARLSON – BBMR: THEY'RE NOT COMMINGLED TO IF THERE'S A POSSIBILITY OF BEING ABLE TO TAKE FOR REMEMBER REMEMBER THIS THIS IS A GOOD EXAMPLE THE THE HUNDRED DOLLAR MONTHLY GAS I MEAN ELECTRIC BILL RELIEF THAT THE BODY PASSED AND THEN EXTENDED WE COULDN'T USE ARP MONEY BECAUSE COVID DIDN'T CAUSE THE OIL PRICES TO GO UP THERE HAS TO BE A DIRECT CORRELATION FOR ELIGIBILITY SO WE'LL LOOK AND SEE WHETHER OR NOT THERE ARE ELIGIBLE USES THAT MAY APPLY IN THIS CASE BUT YOU KNOW EVEN EVEN AS MR. ESTEVES SAID WE'RE IN AN INCIDENT STAGE.

SENATOR LUJAN: SURE SURE.

CARLSON – BBMR: STILL EARLY.

SENATOR LUJAN: YEAH.

CARLSON – BBMR: BUT SENATOR LUJAN WE WE WILL BE AS RESOURCEFUL AS WE POSSIBLY CAN I WILL TAKE THE SENATOR BLAS' MESSAGE BACK TO THE GOVERNOR I WILL IMPART THAT AND WE'RE NOT GOING IF THERE'S A WAY TO BE ABLE TO REDUCE AND FACILITATE SOME OF THE NEEDY NEEDED FUNDING WITH MONIES THAT WE HAVE ALREADY WE'LL CERTAINLY MAKE THAT PITCH.

SENATOR LUJAN: YEAH NO I'M JUST WONDERING BECAUSE AGAIN WE'RE STILL REALLY WORKING AND AND HAVING SOME PROGRAMS REGARDING THE THE THE PANDEMIC AND BECAUSE OF WHAT HAPPENED MAYBE IT MAYBE JUST EXACERBATED THE THE PROBLEM AND MADE THAT PROGRAM EVEN MAYBE MORE NEEDED AT THIS POINT BECAUSE OF THE STORM AND AND MAYBE MORE PEOPLE ARE NOW ELIGIBLE BECAUSE OF THIS YEAH YOU KNOW WHAT I'M SAYING.

CARLSON – BBMR: YEAH.

SENATOR LUJAN: AND AND I'M JUST WONDERING AGAIN THE THE CO-MINGLING AND THEN FEMA WILL COME BACK AND SAID NO BECAUSE THAT WAS COVID.

CARLSON – BBMR: RIGHT.

SENATOR LUJAN: AND AND NOW WE WON'T BE ABLE TO REIMBURSE YOU FOR THIS.

CARLSON – BBMR: CORRECT.

SENATOR LUJAN: BECAUSE YOU UNDERSTAND WHAT I'M SAYING RIGHT.

CARLSON – BBMR: NO I.

SENATOR LUJAN: YEAH YEAH.

CARLSON – BBMR: JUST TO BE CLEAR THE CARES ACT I WENT TO A NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF STATE BUDGET OFFICERS MEETING AND REMEMBER WHEN THE PANDEMIC HIT IT WAS THE MAYOR OF NEW YORK CITY WHO WAS ALL YOU KNOW LIKE BASICALLY LEADING THE CHARGE YOU KNOW MAYOR CUOMO.

SENATOR LUJAN: SURE.

CARLSON – BBMR: AND ANYTHING THAT NEW YORK WAS DOING EVERYBODY WAS FOLLOWING RIGHT BUT THEY DIDN'T HAVE RECEIPTS THEY ACTED YOU KNOW SO THAT INCIDENT WAS UNAUDITABLE SUBSEQUENT TO THAT WHEN THEY PASSED THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN THIS IS SUBJECT TO AUDIT SO HENCE MR. BIRN AND MYSELF SCRUTINIZING ALL THE THE FUND UTILIZATIONS FOR ELIGIBILITY SO WE DON'T GET DINGED SO WE WE WILL ENSURE THAT YOU KNOW WHATEVER IS APPROPRIATE TO LEVERAGE RIGHT IS APPROPRIATE AND NOT COME BACK AND.

SENATOR LUJAN: SURE .

CARLSON – BBMR: BLOWBACK AT OUR FACE.

SENATOR LUJAN: NO I JUST YEAH AGAIN BECAUSE THAT BOOK IS NOT CLOSED YET THAT'S STILL AN OPEN BOOK IN REGARDS TO WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH STILL COVID AND NOW WE HAVE THIS THIS NEW CHALLENGE THAT THAT WE'RE IN ONE OTHER QUESTION MR. CARLSON IS IS THIS HUNDRED THOUSAND APPROPRIATE FOR EACH MAYOR DOES THAT GO TO THE EACH OF THEM 19 MUNICIPALITIES OR THE MAYORS COUNCIL.

CARLSON – BBMR: I THINK MY UNDERSTANDING IS THAT IT'S GOING TO GO TO EACH MAYOR.

SENATOR LUJAN: EACH MAYOR.

CARLSON – BBMR: YES SIR.

SENATOR LUJAN: OKAY DIRECTLY TO THEM RIGHT.

CARLSON – BBMR: YES.

SENATOR LUJAN: OKAY NOW HOW HOW SOON WOULD THAT BE WOULD THAT WOULD THAT HUNDRED THOUSAND GET TO THEM AND WITH MAYOR ALIG YESTERDAY IN REGARDS TO AGAIN BEING ABLE FOR THEM

HAVING THE THE THE MONIES AND BE ABLE TO AGAIN CUT THE POS WHATEVER IT TAKES TO BE ABLE TO GET THAT EXPEDITED WOULD THAT THAT BE A FASTER WAY TO TO GET IT DONE FOR THEM.

CARLSON – BBMR: ACTUALLY I'M GOING TO ASK THE MAYORS COUNCIL TO KIND OF TAKE A STEP BACK AND LOOK AT THE RESOURCES THAT THEY HAVE THE PURCHASING ABILITY THAT THEY HAVE THE FACT THAT THOSE PURCHASE ORDERS COME THROUGH BBMR AND DOA FOR REVIEW FOR ELIGIBILITY AND USE THE RESOURCES SO THAT THEY DON'T HAVE TO WAIT AROUND FOR THIS BECAUSE THEY HAVE RESOURCES SIR.

SENATOR LUJAN: OKAY AND AND LIKEWISE DOING DOING SO WAS AS WELL THAT THEY WOULD DEFINITELY WOULD HAVE TO REPORT AND THEN YOU KNOW OF COURSE REPORT BACK THAT THE FEMA AND MAKE SURE EVERYTHING YOU KNOW YOUR EYES ARE DOTTED THE T'S ARE CROSSED AND WE'RE ABLE TO GET REIMBURSEMENTS FOR FOR THAT RIGHT YEAH AND AGAIN ONE ONE OTHER THING IN REGARDS TO THE *MAGA'HĀGA* HAPPEN TO PROVIDE A WRITTEN REPORT NOW WOULD THAT WRITTEN REPORT BE DONE AFTER EVERY EXPENDITURE SO EVERY TIME YOU BUY SOMETHING YOU HAVE TO.

CARLSON – BBMR: THANK YOU SO MUCH SENATOR LUJAN I WOULD LIKE IF I MAY TO ASK THAT ON PAGE TWO LINE FOUR THAT WITHIN 30 DAYS THEN STARTING ON LINE FOUR AFTER THE END OF THE MONTH BEGINNING WITH MAY SO WE'LL GIVE YOU A REPORT EVERY 30 DAYS WE'LL GIVE YOU A REPORT FOR WHAT TRANSPIRED FROM THE LAST WEEK YOU KNOW SIMILAR TO THE CRER WHERE YOU GIVE ME 20 DAYS AT THE END OF THE MONTH TO GET THE DATA IF YOU GUYS COULD AFFORD US THAT SAME STRUCTURE WE WOULD APPRECIATE IT BECAUSE EACH TRANSACTION WE'RE TALKING ABOUT MR. ESTEVES WILL PROBABLY TELL YOU YOU KNOW MAYBE EVEN 100 TRANSACTIONS IN MAYBE ONE DAY.

SENATOR LUJAN: AND THAT'S THAT'S MY CONCERN THAT YOU'LL BE.

CARLSON – BBMR: YES BOGGED DOWN.

SENATOR LUJAN: WELL YOU'LL BE ALL AT YOUR TABLES WRITING YOUR REPORTS OUT AND AGAIN YES IT'S NECESSARY TO GET THE REPORTS BUT AGAIN YOU KNOW I THINK WHAT HAS PRESENT HAD BEEN SAID AND WHAT YOU'VE BEEN DOING MAYBE WHO WOULD BE APPROPRIATE IN IN CONTINUING THAT FOLLOWING ALONG THAT LINE RIGHT.

CARLSON – BBMR: YEAH.

SENATOR LUJAN: YEAH.

CARLSON – BBMR: WE WE COULD PROBABLY USE THE SAME FORMAT.

SENATOR LUJAN: OKAY.

CARLSON – BBMR: THAT WE'RE USING FOR THE ARP REPORTS.

SENATOR LUJAN: YEAH.

CARLSON – BBMR: THAT WE PROVIDE JUST CHANGE THE REPORT.

SENATOR LUJAN: OKAY.

CARLSON – BBMR: NOMINALLY BUT IT'S STILL YOU KNOW THAT REPORT IS FIVE DAYS AT THE END OF THE MONTH RIGHT THE CRER THE SPECIAL REVENUE FUND REPORTS ARE 20 DAYS AFTER SO NOW IF I COULD GET 20 DAYS AFTER I WOULD REALLY APPRECIATE IT BECAUSE I STILL NEED TO BE ABLE TO LIKE WORK WITH HIM WORK WITH EDWARD PURCHASE ORDER NUMBER USE BLAH BLAH BLAH BLAH BLAH BLAH IT'S IT'S GOING TO BE A RATHER LENGTHY IT'LL END UP BEING A LENGTHY REPORT CUMULATIVELY.

SENATOR LUJAN: OKAY MR. CARLSON THANK YOU VERY MUCH APPRECIATE IT AND YEAH LET'S GET IT DONE THANK YOU.

NOTE SENATOR TAITAGUE PRESIDES OVER THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

SENATOR TAITAGUE: THANK YOU SENATOR LUJAN SENATOR JOANNE BROWN.

SENATOR BROWN: THANK YOU VERY MUCH MADAM CHAIR AND THANK YOU ALSO TO OUR PANEL THAT'S HERE I HAVE TO TELL YOU IT WAS VERY FRUSTRATING YESTERDAY SITTING THROUGH THAT WHOLE PROCESS OF WELL I APPRECIATE THE BRIEFING ON ON CURRENT ACTIVITIES TO ADDRESS RECOVERY WHICH I KNOW IS IMPORTANT TO ALL OF US AND ALL OF OUR MEMBERS IN THE COMMUNITY THIS IS KIND OF LIKE THE KIND OF DISCUSSION WE SHOULD HAVE HAD YESTERDAY MORNING YOU KNOW I THINK IT'S NICE TO BE NEW TO EVERYTHING WE THERE WAS A TIME WE WERE ALL YOUNGER AND STEVE AND I USED TO PLAY SOFTBALL IN FRONT OF *ADELUP* THERE WAS A DAY WE ALL HAD OUR TIME THOSE OF US THAT ARE OLDER YOU KNOW WE ALL HAD OUR MOMENT TO BE NEW AND YOUNG AND THOUGHT WE KNEW EVERYTHING AND THE WORLD AND THE PEOPLE OF GUAM WERE WAITING FOR US TO COME ALONG BECAUSE WE HAD ARRIVED AND I HAVE TO TELL YOU THIS IS ONE OF THOSE MOMENTS WHEN EXPERIENCE WHEN THE NEED FOR EXPERIENCED INDIVIDUALS THAT KNOW HOW TO DEAL WITH THESE ISSUES AND RESPOND EFFECTIVELY I THINK THIS IS ONE OF THOSE MOMENTS WHERE WE'RE SEEING HOW CRITICAL THAT NEED IS SO THAT WE CAN BE RESPONSIVE AND RATHER THAN SHOWING JUST OUR FRUSTRATION AND OUR EMOTION ON THIS ISSUE CAN ACTUALLY GET OUT THERE AND EXECUTE WHAT WE NEED TO DO TO HELP OUR PEOPLE I'M SURE IF MY GOOD COLLEAGUE FROM *BARRIGADA* SENATOR FRANK HAD TO DUST OFF HIS SHOULDERS AND GO OUT THERE AND RESPOND HE WOULD KNOW EXACTLY WHAT TO DO TO MOVE THESE ISSUES FORWARD AND I HOPE FOR THOSE THAT DON'T THIS IS A WONDERFUL OPPORTUNITY TO GET THE EXPERIENCE SO THAT THEY'LL BE IN A POSITION HOPEFULLY I DON'T THINK ANY OF US DESIRE TYPHOONS I MEAN I'VE LIVED THROUGH PAMELA TOO I WASN'T HERE FOR KAREN I WASN'T BORN YET BUT YOU KNOW I THINK WE ALL HOPE THIS DOESN'T HAPPEN BUT IF IT DOES WE'VE IN THE PAST HAD THE ABILITY TO IMMEDIATELY RESPOND BECAUSE WE KNOW FEMA IS NOT GOING TO BE IN PLACE FOR HOW MANY DAYS NO MATTER WHAT THEY HAVE STORED ON GUAM IN THEIR WAREHOUSE IT'S GOING TO TAKE THEM DAYS TO GET OUT THERE AND EXECUTE WHAT THEY NEED TO DO IN THE COMMUNITY AND GOD BLESS THEM WE APPRECIATE THEIR SUPPORT BUT WE KNOW THAT THE INITIAL FEW DAYS HAVE TO BE OUR ABILITY TO RESPOND JUST TO FOLLOW UP ON SOME OF THE QUESTIONS OF MY COLLEAGUES I WANTED TO ASK MR. ESTEVES AND I THINK THAT'S WHERE THE NEED FOR COMFORT IS BECAUSE WE DON'T HAVE A LOT SOME OF US DON'T AND THE ADMINISTRATION IS NOT CONSISTENTLY GIVEN US A REASON TO FEEL A SENSE OF COMFORT WITH HOW FUNDS ARE BEING EXPENDED BECAUSE THERE'S BEEN SUCH RESISTANCE TO DOING IT AND BECAUSE OF YOUR EXPERIENCE AND WE'VE WORKED WITH YOU MR. ESTEVES SO WE HAVE SOME SENSE OF COMFORT IN YOUR WORK BUT I WANT TO KNOW WHAT'S GOING TO BE DIFFERENT THIS TIME AROUND IN IN FACILITATING PARTICULARLY BECAUSE WE ARE YOU KNOW WE KIND OF THINK IF YOU'RE ONLY USING FEDERAL FUNDS WELL WE NEED TO BE EXTRA CAREFUL BECAUSE THAT'S UNCLE SAM'S MONEY BUT WE SHOULD EVEN BE MORE CAREFUL ABOUT HOW WE SPEND OUR OWN PEOPLE'S MONEY BECAUSE IT'S HARDER TO COME BY OUR PEOPLE GOT TO EARN THAT MONEY SO I WANT TO KNOW FROM YOU WHAT'S GOING TO BE DIFFERENT THAT'S GOING TO GIVE OUR COMMUNITY AND OUR PEOPLE A SENSE OF COMFORT THAT THIS MONEY THAT WE'RE WE'RE GOING TO VOTE FOR TODAY TO PUT FORTH TO RESPOND TO THIS EMERGENCY IS GOING TO GO WHERE IT NEEDS TO GO AND THERE'S NOT GOING TO BE ANY FUNNY BUSINESS WITH REGARDS TO HOW IT'S EXPENDED AND THAT WE OPERATE BY THE RULE OF LAW TO ENSURE THAT THE MONEY GOES TO WHERE IT'S SUPPOSED TO GO AND FOR THOSE IF THEY MISSPEND IT THEN BY ALL MEANS THERE SHOULD BE CONSEQUENCES IF THEY MISS PUBLIC MONEY SO I WANTED TO ASK YOU THAT BECAUSE I THINK THAT'S A VERY IMPORTANT A CONCERN THAT I HAVE AND I THINK A LOT OF PEOPLE IN OUR HAVE IN OUR COMMUNITY.

ESTEVES –OCD: YES SO I THINK SOME OF THE THE WAYS TO PREVENT THAT IS IS ONE ENSURING THAT WHATEVER MONIES WERE GIVEN HAS A DIRECT PURPOSE AN EXACT YOU KNOW LINE ITEM BUDGET DESCRIPTION OF THE EXPENDITURE ADDITIONALLY WHAT I USED TO DO IS I USED TO FOOTNOTE WHEN I SEND UP A BUDGET REQUESTS IN PREVIOUS STORMS TO LESTER SAYING HEY THIS IS WHERE EXACTLY IN THE PUBLIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAM POLICY GUIDE WHERE WE'RE GOING TO ASK THE SEEK REIMBURSEMENT SO I USED TO DO THAT ADDITIONALLY WE'RE MOVING WE'RE HOUSING SEVEN FOLKS FROM GSA UP AT THE OFFICE AND THE STAFF WE WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT THAT WHATEVER WE'RE SENDING THROUGH NORMALLY YOU KNOW WE WE KEY IN THE THE THE SORRY THE THE REQUISITIONS THEY CUT THE POS AND THERE'S A PROCESS THERE BUT YOU KNOW WITH GSA THEY'RE TELLING US YOU KNOW WHAT THE LIMITS ARE FOR CERTAIN YOU KNOW PURCHASE ORDERS ACTUALLY GOING IN THE SYSTEM AND ENSURING THAT THAT WE DO NOT EXCEED YOU KNOW ANY ANYTHING STATED IN TERMS OF PROCUREMENT LAW AND PROCUREMENT RULES AND SO IT'S IT'S KIND OF HAVING THOSE PEOPLE IN THE SAME OFFICE WORKING TOGETHER FOR EMERGENCY PROCUREMENT I THINK THAT'S WHAT'S GOING TO KEEP US OUT OF TROUBLE.

SENATOR BROWN: WELL AND PARTICULARLY FOR YOUR OFFICE BECAUSE YOU KNOW OF COURSE WE CAN LOOK BACK AT THE PANDEMIC BUT IT'S NOT THAT LONG AGO I MEAN WE'RE A LITTLE CONCERNED FOR THOSE OF US HAVE BEEN AT THIS A WHILE YOU KNOW WE WERE THERE SINCE THERE WERE PLASTIC TABLES AND FOLDING CHAIRS AND THAT WAS THE WHOLE SETUP THAT WE HAD IN A RECTANGLE LOOKING AT EACH OTHER.

ESTEVEZ –OCD: YES.

SENATOR BROWN: BEFORE WE HAD ALL THE MODERN CONVENIENCES OF COMMUNICATION THAT YOU KNOW IT'S NOT CONSISTENTLY HELPING US RIGHT NOW BUT IN THAT PARTICULAR CASE WE ALL KNEW THAT THE PROCUREMENT SHOULD HAVE BEEN SET UP IN YOUR OFFICE AND YOUR OPERATIONS AND WHY WAS THAT NOT THE CASE BECAUSE THAT'S AUTOMATIC WE ARE IN A WE ARE RESPONDING TO AN EMERGENCY YOU KNOW WE'RE NOT GOING THROUGH THE NORMAL LET'S DO OUR THING ON THE SIDE HERE AND THE GOVERNOR THIS AND SO AND SO THAT IT'S SUPPOSED TO GO THROUGH YOUR OFFICE SO HOW DO WE HAVE COMFORT THIS TIME AROUND THAT IT IS GOING TO GO THROUGH YOUR OFFICE AND YOU'RE NOT GOING TO BE HINDERED IN ANY WAY.

ESTEVEZ –OCD: YEAH.

SENATOR BROWN: FROM PERFORMING YOUR JOB AND ENSURING THAT YOU KNOW THE PEOPLE ARE GOING TO GET WHAT THEY NEED BECAUSE IT'S ALREADY YOU KNOW WE SHARE THE MAYOR'S FRUSTRATION I MEAN IT'S YOU KNOW I DON'T KNOW ANYBODY WHO'S LIVING IN COMFORT IT'S NICE WE HAVE AIR CONDITIONING BUT I'M GOING TO GO HOME TO MY BAHAKI CLOTHES AND NO POWER AS A LOT OF OUR PEOPLE ARE IN THIS SITUATION SO CAN YOU ELABORATE FURTHER ON HOW WE CAN HOW THAT'S GOING TO BE ADDRESSED DIFFERENTLY THIS TIME AROUND BECAUSE WE'RE STILL DEALING WITH THE SAME ADMINISTRATION SO WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE.

ESTEVEZ –OCD: YEAH SO IT'S IT'S HAVING THAT LIKE THE RIGHT PEOPLE DOING BASICALLY OVERSEEING AND MANAGING THOSE PROCUREMENT PROCESSES YOU KNOW VERY COMPETENT VERY CONFIDENT ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICE OFFICER AT OUR SHOP VERY COMPETENT PERSONNEL FROM GSA THAT THAT'S LOCATED IN OUR IN OUR SHOP AS WELL BASICALLY HAVING THAT ROBUST FINANCE ADMINISTRATION TEAM I THINK IT'S IT'S GOING TO HELP US TO ENSURE THAT WE PAPER THE FILE AND WE KEEP THE RECORD KEEPING YOU KNOW EVEN WHEN SENATOR BARNETT WAS WAS OVER WITH THE MEDIA YOU KNOW I BASICALLY SAID TO ALL OF THEM YOU DON'T NEED TO DO THESE FORMAL REQUESTS IF YOU WANT INFORMATION WE'LL JUST EMAIL YOU THE INFORMATION RIGHT SO HAVING THAT TRANSPARENCY TRANSPARENCY I THINK WHENEVER ANYONE ASKS FOR INFORMATION IS THE ABILITY TO GIVE IT TO THEM RIGHT WHEN THEY ASK FOR IT INSTEAD OF HAVING TO WAIT FOR THESE YOU KNOW WHATEVER THE TIME LIMIT FOR THESE SUNSHINE SUNSHINE REQUESTS ARE AND SO I THINK WE'VE BEEN AT LEAST DURING COVID FROM OUR OFFICE THE RECORD KEEPING THAT WE'VE KEPT WE'VE BEEN VERY TRANSPARENT AND WE'VE HAD IT READILY AVAILABLE SO I THINK THAT'S GOING TO PROVIDE AN ADDITIONAL LAYER OF COMFORT KNOWING THAT WHEN YOU REQUEST FOR SOMETHING YES WE WILL HAVE THE PERIODIC REPORTING BUT WHEN YOU REQUEST FOR SOMETHING WHETHER IT'S YOU KNOW A DAILY EXPENDITURES YOU KNOW WE HAVE IT READILY AVAILABLE ADDITIONALLY I DO WANT TO POINT OUT THAT IN THE EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER WE'VE ALWAYS HAD A SEAT FOR FOR A MEMBER FOR THE LEGISLATURE TO SIT THERE YOU KNOW AND BASICALLY JUST KIND OF FIND OUT HOW OPERATIONS ARE GOING ANY SORT OF SPECIFIC REQUEST FOR INFORMATION THEY CAN ASK ANY OF THE RESPONSE ACTIVITY COORDINATORS YEAH SO IT'S NOT AN INVITATION THEY'VE ALWAYS HAD A SEAT SO ANYTIME YOU WANT TO SEND SOMEONE UP THERE TO GET INFORMATION THEY HAVE A SEAT INSIDE THAT EOC THE SAME WITH ANY OTHER GOVERNMENT AGENCY.

SENATOR BROWN: WELL THANK YOU I APPRECIATE THAT AND YOU KNOW I UNDERSTAND OUR EFFORTS OF OUR SPEAKER TO MOVE THIS FORWARD I HOPE SHE'S OUR SPEAKER FOR THE NEXT SIX TERMS SO THAT WE CAN ADDRESS THESE ISSUES FOR OUR PEOPLE BUT I THINK AT THIS POINT I THINK IN ALL FAIRNESS WE NEED TO MOVE FORWARD WE SHOULD HAVE MOVED FORWARD YESTERDAY TO RESPOND IMMEDIATELY TO THE NEEDS OF OUR COMMUNITY AND I HOPE THAT WE WILL CONCLUDE THIS DELIBERATION SHORTLY ONCE OUR COLLEAGUES HAVE FINISHED THEIR QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS AND DO WHAT WE NEED TO DO TO GET THE SUPPORT THAT WE NEED TO GET OUT THERE TO OUR PEOPLE THANK YOU VERY MUCH THANK YOU MADAM CHAIR.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: THANK YOU SO MUCH SENATOR BROWN VICE SPEAKER TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES YOU'RE UP NEXT.

VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* MADAM CHAIR *YAN MANANA SI YU'OS* NO QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS RIGHT NOW I JUST WANT TO TAKE THE TIME TO THANK ALL THE PANEL MEMBERS THAT WERE HERE YESTERDAY AND THOSE THAT HAVE COME BACK THIS MORNING THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR CONTINUED HARD WORK AND ALSO OFB FOR STAYING STRONG WITH THIS EFFORT SO THANK YOU MADAM CHAIR.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* MADAM VICE SPEAKER SENATOR SABINA PEREZ.

SENATOR PEREZ: THANK YOU SO MUCH MADAM CHAIRS SO THANK YOU TO THE PANEL FOR BEING HERE AGAIN SO I GUESS REALLY YOU KNOW I THINK WHAT WE HAVE TO STRIVE FOR IS MAXIMIZING THE REIMBURSEMENT RIGHT AND MR. FENTON YESTERDAY SPOKE ABOUT 75 25 CAN GO UP TO 90 10 AND EVEN 100 PERCENT IF WE THAT MEET THE THRESHOLD OF 106 DOLLARS PER CAPITA AND SO I THINK REALLY IT'S CRITICAL TO HAVE THE PROPER AS WE ALL KNOW THE PROPER DOCUMENTATION IN PLACE AND I THINK THIS QUESTION IS TO MR. ESTEVES AND THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR COMING BACK TO GUAM BRINGING YOUR EXPERTISE AND YOUR YEAH YOUR DUE DILIGENCE IT'S IT'S VERY CRITICAL SO IN IN YOUR EXPERIENCE WHAT HAS I GUESS THIS KIND OF TIES INTO WHAT SENATOR BARNETT WAS SAYING BUT ARE YOU PRETTY CONFIDENT THAT WE CAN MAXIMIZE THE REIMBURSEMENT.

ESTEVES –OCD: I'M GOING TO GO AHEAD AND SAY YES AND THAT'S ONLY BECAUSE OF WHAT WE'VE RECEIVED HISTORICALLY IN TERMS OF YOU KNOW APPROVED PUBLIC ASSISTANCE PROJECTS AND I COULD TELL YOU THAT THAT WHEN THE FEMA PUBLIC ASSISTANCE OFFICE FINALLY SETS UP WHEN WE'RE IN THE RECOVERY PHASE OF THIS YOU KNOW THEY ARE WORKING TO BASICALLY SAY HEY HAVE YOU CONSIDERED THIS HAVE YOU CONSIDERED THAT SO WE'RE NOT WRITING THE THE SCOPE OF WORK IN THE VACUUM IT'S REALLY A IT'S A JOINT ENDEAVOR BETWEEN US AND AND FEDERAL I MEAN FEMA PUBLIC ASSISTANCE FOLKS YEAH BECAUSE SOMETIMES YOU KNOW IT'S I CAN TELL YOU THAT THAT PUBLIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAM POLICY GUIDE IT'S YOU KNOW IT'S JUST FIVE YOU KNOW 500 SOME PAGES YOU KNOW AND AND THEY HAVE EXPERTS IN DIFFERENT AREAS AND CATEGORIES THAT THAT HELP US DEVELOP THESE SCOPES OF WORK SO I CAN TELL YOU THAT YES FROM PAST EXPERIENCES WE THEY THEY WANT TO HELP US MAXIMIZE REIMBURSEMENT.

SENATOR PEREZ: AND HOW QUICKLY DOES A REIMBURSEMENT OCCUR.

ESTEVES –OCD: SO IT REALLY DEPENDS ON THE PROJECT RIGHT SO LIKE I SAID IT COULD BE UP TO FIVE YEARS ESPECIALLY IF IT IS A MORE PERMANENT WORK TYPE OF PROJECT WE CAN REQUEST FOR EXPEDITED PROJECTS WHICH WE HAVE DONE DURING COVID SO EXPEDITED PROJECTS I THINK IT COULD BE UP TO I THINK LIKE SIX MONTHS TO KIND OF SEE SOME OF THOSE MONIES FLOW AND SO THE WAY IT WORKS IS AS SOON AS WE'RE WE OPEN UP THE PROJECT AND WE START SUBMITTING ALL THE DOCUMENTATION NEEDED THEY CAN START LOADING THE THE FUNDS AND I ALSO WANT TO STATE THAT THAT WHEN WE HAVE THESE APPROVED PROJECTS THE AS SOON AS IT'S APPROVED THE THE FUNDS ARE ACTUALLY LOADED BUT WE DON'T WE DON'T DISPERSE THE THE FUNDS UNTIL WE ACTUALLY RECEIVE ALL THE DOCUMENTS ARE REQUIRED TO TO CLOSE OUT THE PROJECT.

SENATOR PEREZ: OKAY SO YOU HAVE THE ADDED ASSURANCE THAT IT'S GONNA PASS MUSTER FOR.

ESTEVES –OCD: ABSOLUTELY.

SENATOR PEREZ: OKAY.

ESTEVES –OCD: AND.

SENATOR PEREZ: OKAY THAT'S GOOD.

ESTEVES –OCD: I CAN TELL YOU THAT THE ONLY THING THAT THAT WILL HOLD US UP AND THIS IS GOING BACK TO DOLPHIN THERE WAS A AT LEAST ONE OR TWO DE-OBLIGATED PROJECTS ONLY BECAUSE THE AGENCY AT THE TIME DID NOT HAVE THE FUNDS TO COMPLETE THE PROJECT AND I I DON'T HAVE WHAT THAT I DON'T HAVE THE EXACT PROJECTS OFF THE TOP OF MY HEAD I CAN GET THAT INFORMATION BUT IT GOES TO SHOW THAT

NOT HAVING THE MONEY TO COMPLETE THE WORK YOU KNOW WE END UP LOSING OUT ON YOU KNOW POTENTIAL REIMBURSEMENT AND ADDITIONAL DOLLARS FROM FEMA.

SENATOR PEREZ: OKAY SO YESTERDAY MR. FENTON KIND OF GAVE A BALLPARK FIGURE I ASKED HIM YOU KNOW WHAT DO YOU THINK IT MIGHT COST AND HE SAID TO UP TO LIKE 400 MILLION SO IF WE HAD A 90 10 REIMBURSEMENT THAT WOULD BE 50 MILLION 40 MILLION WAIT I'M SORRY 40 MILLION COMING OUT FROM OUR COFFERS IF WE DON'T GET THE FULL REIMBURSEMENT SO THIS BALLPARK NUMBER IS IS APPROPRIATE I THINK.

ESTEVEZ –OCD: YEAH AND I I JUST WANT TO YOU KNOW WE HAVE TO BE VERY REALISTIC THAT YES WE ARE GOING TO REQUEST FOR THE WAIVER BUT AS A PLANNING FACTOR WE SHOULD PROBABLY STICK TO THE 75 25 AND THEN YOU KNOW WORK TOWARDS GETTING THE NECESSARY DATA TO TO SEEK THAT 90 10 POTENTIALLY 100 PERCENT COST SHARE.

SENATOR PEREZ: OKAY AND WHAT IS THE SPEED OF EMERGENCY PROCUREMENT HOW QUICKLY DO YOU GET THE THE SUPPLIES.

ESTEVEZ –OCD: SO WE'RE ABLE TO ISSUE OUT POS WITHIN THE DAY OF KEYING IT IN RIGHT BUT IT'S IT'S A MATTER OF ACTUALLY AWARDED IT TO THE VENDOR AND SOME VENDORS YOU KNOW MAY MAY NOT ACCEPT WHAT WE'RE TRYING TO TO PROCURE FROM THEM I MEAN IT'S HAPPENED FOR EXAMPLE WITH FUEL WE DID BLANKET PURCHASE AGREEMENTS FOR FUEL BUT NOT EVERY FUEL COMPANY YOU KNOW THEY THEY BASICALLY DIDN'T WANT TO OR THEY DIDN'T HAVE THE BANDWIDTH FOR DOOR-TO-DOOR DELIVERY OF DIESEL FUEL RIGHT BECAUSE YOU KNOW THEY'RE EXPERIENCING THEIR OWN SHORTAGES AT THEIR VARIOUS GAS STATIONS SO WE CAN REQUEST FROM THESE VENDORS SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT AND SERVICES BUT NOT ALL OF THEM MAY MAY ACCEPT GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT ADDITIONALLY WHEN TRYING TO PROCURE CHAINSAWS IN SAIPAN THERE WAS ONE COMPANY THAT SAYS THEY THEY WON'T TAKE GOVERNMENT POS THEY ONLY WANT CREDIT CARDS RIGHT SO IT'S A MATTER OF US WORKING WITH SOME OF OR WORKING WITH THE PRIVATE SECTOR TO TO KIND OF GET THOSE SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT.

SENATOR PEREZ: OKAY SO THE UTILITIES ARE PRETTY THEY'RE THEY THEY KNOW I GUESS OVERTIME RIGHT THEY'RE THEY'RE PRETTY KEYED INTO HOW TO REQUEST FOR OVERTIME DURING THESE EMERGENCIES HAVE YOU SEEN ANY KIND OF OVERTIME REQUESTS FROM OTHER AGENCIES BESIDES UTILITIES AND IS THERE A MEANS TO I GUESS EDUCATE THEM ON HOW TO PROPERLY DOCUMENT IT SO THAT THEY CAN GET SOME SORT OF ASSISTANCE.

ESTEVEZ –OCD: YEAH SO SO FOR EXAMPLE THE UTILITIES THEY THOSE UTILITY COMPANIES WILL PAY OVERTIME THEY'RE RESPONSIBLE FOR THEIR OWN OVERTIME AND OVERTIME PLANNING BUT THE GUIDANCE THAT WE PUT OUT IS TO ENSURE THAT YOU HAVE TO DIFFERENTIATE BETWEEN WHAT'S NORMAL WORK RIGHT AND YOU KNOW WHAT IS RELATED TO THE ACTUAL INCIDENT RESPONSE.

SENATOR PEREZ: OKAY SO JUST TO KIND OF CONFIRM IS ARE ALL THE AGENCIES AWARE SHOULD THEY REQUEST OVERTIME FOR BECAUSE I REMEMBER YOU MENTIONED YOU MENTIONED EARLIER THAT PUBLIC ASSISTANCE IS GIVEN TO WHAT IS OUTSIDE OF NORMAL OPERATIONS.

ESTEVEZ –OCD: YEAH.

SENATOR PEREZ: AND SO THE AGENCIES THAT ARE SEEKING OVERTIME FOR RECOVERY OF OF THEIR YOU KNOW FACILITIES HAVE THEY BEEN ADEQUATELY EDUCATED SO THAT THEY GET THE REIMBURSEMENT.

ESTEVEZ –OCD: YEAH I'M GOING TO DEFER TO TO LESTER.

CARLSON –BBMR: YEAH THANK YOU SENATOR PEREZ THE GOVERNOR'S EXECUTIVE ORDER WAS VERY SPECIFIC ABOUT OVERTIME YOU HAVE TO HAVE WORKED YOUR 40 HOURS YOU HAVE TO SUBMIT AN OVERTIME PLAN THAT IS GOT THREE LAYERS OF REVIEW MINE BEING THE LAST I KIND OF MADE A STATEMENT AT A CABINET MEETING SAYING I DON'T ANTICIPATE MUCH OUT OF LIKE ENTITIES LIKE MY OFFICE UNLESS THEY'RE UP AT THE EOC SIMILARLY YOU'RE GOING TO GET OVERTIME FROM PUBLIC WORKS THAT'S EXPECTED BUT I NEED THE OVERTIME PLAN I NEED TO DO CASH PLANNING WE NEED TO DO ALL THESE OTHER THINGS SO IT IS A REQUIREMENT OF THE EXECUTIVE ORDER FOR THE OVERTIME PLANS TO BE SUBMITTED AND THEY'LL BE

VETTED FOR APPROPRIATENESS AND FUNDING ELIGIBILITY BECAUSE WE'RE GOING TO BE PAYING THOSE COSTS INITIALLY FROM THE DEPARTMENT TO THE EXTENT THAT THEY CAN.

SENATOR PEREZ: IS THAT IN LINE WITH A POTENTIAL REIMBURSEMENT.

CARLSON – BBMR: YES.

SENATOR PEREZ: OKAY GREAT GREAT AND SO YEAH MY CONCERN IS THERE'S SOME AGENCIES HAVE LEASED PROPERTIES AND SO THEY DO HAVE TO HAVE CLEANUP YOU KNOW THERE'S SOME DEBRIS ON PRIVATE PRIVATE PROPERTIES BUT YET IT'S STILL GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES WORKING THERE SO YOU KNOW I DO HOPE THAT THERE IS OUTREACH TO THESE AGENCIES TO ENSURE THAT YOU KNOW OVERTIME COULD BE REIMBURSABLE AND ESPECIALLY WITH RECOVERY.

CARLSON – BBMR: YOU KNOW MA'AM HONESTLY GOING BACK TO SENATOR QUINATA IF YOU'RE IN AT LEAST JUST HYPOTHETICALLY IF YOU'RE IN A LEASE FACILITY THAT DOESN'T HAVE POWER AND WATER BUT YOU'VE GOT STUFF BRING YOUR PEOPLE IN HAVE THEM CLEAN IT UP AFTER ALL THEY'RE NOT THEY'RE UNABLE TO DO ANYTHING ELSE I MEAN YOU KNOW I CLEARED MY OWN ROAD.

SENATOR PEREZ: AND THAT BRINGS ME TO ANOTHER POINT SO YOU KNOW IF THE FACILITY IS NOT USABLE WE YOU KNOW CAPACITY IS AN ISSUE OUT THERE CAN WE REDIRECT SOME OF THE GOVERNMENT PERSONNEL TO ASSIST WITH THE RECOVERY EFFORTS OR IS THAT ADVISABLE.

CARLSON – BBMR: A GOOD EXAMPLE OF THAT THERE WAS A CALL OUT FOR ASSISTANCE IN TAKING 7500 MEALS OUT OF THE *PITI* WAREHOUSE FOR DISTRIBUTION SO WHILE THERE WAS A NUMBER OF PEOPLE THAT WERE THERE 7500 MEALS IS QUITE A HEAVY LIFT SO THERE WAS A HUGE AMOUNT OF RESPONSE FROM AGENCIES SENDING THOSE YOU KNOW SAYING I'LL SEND TWO PEOPLE DOWN THREE PEOPLE DOWN TO FACILITATE YOU KNOW THE GETTING THOSE MEALS OUT OF THE WAREHOUSE AND OUT INTO THE PUBLIC SO THOSE KIND OF THINGS THANK YOU FOR ASKING BECAUSE IT JUST HAPPENED TODAY.

SENATOR PEREZ: ALL RIGHT I GUESS ONE MORE QUESTION SO IN THE BILL IT TALKS ABOUT THE GENERAL FUND SO IS THERE A CONTEMPLATION THAT IT COULD YOU KNOW DIP INTO THE THE UPCOMING BUDGET CYCLE.

CARLSON – BBMR: IT COULD DIP INTO.

SENATOR PEREZ: THE UPCOMING BUDGET CYCLE THE 2024 IS THERE.

CARLSON – BBMR: 2024.

SENATOR PEREZ: YEAH IS THERE OR IS THERE ENOUGH MONEY IN THE POT THE POT.

CARLSON – BBMR: I DON'T BELIEVE WE'RE GOING TO BE NEEDING THIS ASSISTANCE COME OCTOBER.

SENATOR PEREZ: OKAY CAUSE.

CARLSON – BBMR: UNLESS UNLESS MR. ESTEVES COMES BACK WHICH I'M I HAVE A FEELING HE'LL COME BACK HERE BEFORE OCTOBER FOR ANY SUPPLEMENTAL BUT I DON'T BELIEVE THAT WE'RE CONTEMPLATING REVISING THE BUDGET THAT OFB IS WORKING ON TO INCLUDE THIS EFFORT AS IT STANDS RIGHT NOW.

SENATOR PEREZ: OKAY ALL RIGHT THANK YOU THANK YOU SO MUCH MADAM CHAIR AND THANK YOU TO THE PANEL.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: YOU'RE VERY WELCOME SENATOR PEREZ I BELIEVE SENATOR JOE SAN AUGUSTINE IS NEXT BUT I THINK HE JUST STEPPED OUT FOR A MINUTE SO I'LL GO TO SENATOR FISHER.

SENATOR FISHER: THANK YOU CHAIR.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: OH I'M SORRY I I APOLOGIZE I I DIDN'T SEE YOU BACK THERE SENATOR QUINATA SO PLEASE OKAY I CAN SEE YOUR ARM WITH THE THUMBS UP WOULD YOU LIKE TO HAVE ANY QUESTIONS TO THE PANEL.

SENATOR QUINATA: NO I JUST WANT TO THANK YOU GUYS FOR YOUR SERVICE KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: OKAY.

SENATOR QUINATA: AND GET BACK TO WORK DO WHAT YOU CAN AS MUCH AS YOU CAN AND LET'S HAUL ASS THAT'S ALL I CAN SAY LIFE'S GOING TO GET BACK TO NORMAL WE JUST HAVE TO BE PATIENT WE CANNOT BUILD OUR EMPIRE OVERNIGHT ALL OUR HOUSES ARE IN SHAMBLES WE ARE IN A RECOVERY STATE WE'RE GONNA GET THERE ONE DAY AT A TIME YOUR HOUSE WASN'T BUILT OVERNIGHT NO ONE'S HOUSE WAS BUILT OVERNIGHT YOUR YARD WASN'T LANDSCAPE OVERNIGHT SO BE PATIENT THE NETWORKS OUT THERE THEY'RE DOING EVERYTHING THEY CAN THEY DON'T WORK FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM SO YOUR DEMANDS WE'RE TRYING TO GET TO EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOU OF COURSE THERE'S ONLY SO MUCH WE CAN DO THERE'S ONLY SO MUCH A HUMAN BUING BEING CAN DO AND THIS IS ALSO THE REASON FOR ALL THIS BUREAUCRAT BUREAUCRATIC STUFF BECAUSE YOU GUYS WANT ACCOUNTABILITY FOR EVERYTHING YES WE GET IT BUT IN A STATE OF EMERGENCY WE ALSO WANT TO GET EVERYTHING DONE IMMEDIATELY RIGHT WE ALSO HAVE SITUATIONS WE HAVE PEOPLE WHO WANT ACCESS TO EVERYTHING WELL ONCE UPON A TIME YOU WANT TO PUT YOUR PROPERTY OVER HERE WELL YOU DIDN'T GIVE YOURSELF EASEMENT WELL YOU ALSO PLANTED TREES NEAR A POWER LINE YOU DON'T MAINTAIN THE PROPERTY WE DON'T HAVE THE RESOURCES TO KEEP MATING MAINTAINING ALL OF THESE POWER LINES IT'S KIND OF COMMON SENSE BUT MOTHER NATURE WILL FIND ITS WAY SO ALL I'M ASKING IS FOR PEOPLE TO BE PATIENT DO WHAT YOU CAN HELP OUT WHERE YOU CAN AND LET'S GET BACK TOGETHER HELP EACH OTHER LET'S MOVE FORWARD AND LITERALLY *INAFAMAOLEK* BECAUSE THIS IS NOT OUR COMMUNITY'S STANDARD MARIANA STRONG SAIPAN'S BEEN DEALING WITH TYPHOONS FOR 21 YEARS YOU KNOW BEFORE THIS TYPHOON I KEPT LISTENING TO THE CASTRO BOYS CANDY TAMAN ALL THE CONDITION ONE CONDITION TWO YOU KNOW IT'S A STRUGGLE I STILL DON'T HAVE WATER I STILL DON'T HAVE POWER BUT WE'RE GONNA GET THROUGH IT WE'RE JUST NOT COMFORTABLE PEOPLE BEING IN THE GAS LINES WE HEAR YOU BUT WE JUST GOTTA BE PATIENT HANG IN THERE I KNOW IT'S EASIER TO SAY IT BUT IT'S REALLY WHAT IT IS JUST BE THANKFUL THAT YOU'RE ALIVE BECAUSE THINGS COULD HAVE BEEN A LOT MORE WORSE SO CARRY ON AND LET US KNOW WHAT WE CAN DO YOU HAVE MY COMMITMENT TO SUPPORT ANY IN WHATEVER WAY POSSIBLE AGAIN THANK YOU TO ALL THOSE WHO ARE RESPONDING WHETHER YOU'RE IN THE PRIVATE SECTOR OR IN THE GOVERNMENT.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: OKAY THANK YOU SENATOR QUINATA SENATOR JOE SAN AUGUSTIN.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: THANK YOU MADAM CHAIR NO I'D LIKE TO THANK THE PANEL THAT HAVE I'VE BEEN HERE FOR FROM YESTERDAY AND THEN TODAY AND YOU KNOW WHAT ON THIS SUBSTITUTE BILL I'M IN FULL SPORT OF THIS SUBSTITUTE BILL I JUST BELIEVE IN ONE THING BEING RETIRED ARMY'S LET'S JUST GET HER DONE LET'S QUIT QUIT I GOTTA WATCH THE WORDS I USE LET'S QUIT MESSING AROUND AND JUST MOVE FORWARD IT'S IT'S JUST PASS THIS BILL AND LET'S MOVE ON THANK YOU VERY MUCH MADAM CHAIR.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: THANK YOU SENATOR JOE SAN AUGUSTIN SENATOR TOM FISHER.

SENATOR FISHER: THANK YOU MADAM CHAIR DO YOU ALL I ASSUME YOU HAVE SUBSTITUTE BILL 127-37 BEFORE YOU I HAVE SOME QUESTIONS ABOUT THE BILL ITSELF I DON'T KNOW TO WHAT EXTENT ANY OF YOU WERE INVOLVED IN THE DRAFTING I'M SPECIFICALLY REFERRING TO PAGE ONE LINES 8 THROUGH 11 I GUESS I'LL THROW THIS TO LESTER MR. CARLSON FIRST WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF THIS SENTENCE.

CARLSON – BBMR: LINE SEVEN.

SENATOR FISHER: BEGINNING WITH LINE EIGHT INDIVIDUAL ASSISTANCE IS SPECIFICALLY ETC.

CARLSON – BBMR: THE INDIVIDUAL ASSISTANCE IS SPECIFICALLY AUTHORIZED FOR FUNDS APPROPRIATED HEREIN AND THE GOVERNOR SHALL COORDINATE WITH FEMA AND AMERICAN RED CROSS TO COMPILE SURVEY DATA FOR INDIVIDUAL ASSISTANCE DETERMINATIONS.

SENATOR FISHER: EXACTLY SO MY QUESTION I GUESS A BETTER PHRASED IS IS THIS NECESSARY IN THE BILL AND IF SO WHY.

CARLSON – BBMR: MR. ESTEVES BUT PROBABLY BETTER.

SENATOR FISHER: OKAY.

CARLSON – BBMR: ARTICULATE THAT I DON'T BELIEVE EVERYBODY IS ELIGIBLE UNDER FEMA'S INDIVIDUAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM SO THERE MIGHT BE SOME GAP GROUPS AND THERE THERE MAY BE A NEED TO TAKE SOME FUNDS AND AND HELP THOSE PEOPLE IN THOSE GAP GROUPS BUT MR. ESTEVES COULD PROBABLY SHED A LITTLE BIT MORE LIGHT ON THAT SIR.

ESTEVES –OCD: YEAH SO FOR INDIVIDUAL ASSISTANTS LET'S I THINK WE PROBABLY NEED TO DIFFERENTIATE BETWEEN INDIVIDUAL ASSISTANCE THAT WE PROVIDE AS A GOVERNMENT TERTORIAL GOVERNMENT AND INDIVIDI FEMA INDIVIDUAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM SO FEMA AND AMERICAN RED CROSS TO COMPILE SURVEY DATA FOR INDIVIDUAL ASSISTANCE DETERMINATIONS SO THAT WAS ACTUALLY DONE FOR THE MOST PART WE RECEIVED OUR APPROVAL FOR INDIVIDUAL ASSISTANCE FROM THE PRESIDENT IF SO I THINK IT INDIVIDUAL ASSISTANCE IN THIS CASE IS SEEMS TO BE REFERRING TO THE INDIVIDUAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM HOWEVER TO LEAVE IT IN TO ENSURE THAT WE SPEND FUNDS FOR INDIVIDUALS OF REQUIRING ASSISTANCE THAT WOULD BE HELPFUL.

SENATOR FISHER: IF THIS SENTENCE WERE REMOVED COULDN'T THE GOVERNOR GO AHEAD AND DO PRECISELY THAT ANYWAY.

ESTEVES –OCD: SHE CAN ESPECIALLY WITH THE LINE SEVEN.

SENATOR FISHER: OKAY SO AND IN A SENSE THIS IS SUPERFLUOUS.

ESTEVES –OCD: YES.

SENATOR FISHER: OKAY OKAY ALL RIGHT THE NEXT I GOT TO TELL YOU A LESTER I GUESS OR MR. CARLSON I GUESS I'LL GO BACK TO YOU MUNICIPAL FINANCE IS FOGGY TO ME AT BEST I'M SPECIFICALLY ADDRESSING SECTION THREE ON PAGE TWO OF THE SUBSTITUTE BILL WHAT DOES THIS MEAN AND WHY IS IT NECESSARY.

CARLSON – BBMR: IF I'M NOT MISTAKEN THE RE THIS WAS PUT IN TO ENSURE THAT ANY FEMA REIMBURSEMENTS FOR LOCAL FUNDS SHOULD BE IMMEDIATELY DEPOSITED INTO THE GENERAL FUND AND NOT BE SUBJECT TO ANY FURTHER TRANSFER AUTHORITY SO IF THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM COLLECTIVELY RECEIVED FUNDING FROM THIS ACT FEMA FEMA REIMBURSEMENTS THAT THE MONIES ARE PUT BACK INTO THE GENERAL FUND AND IT MAY FACILITATE YOU KNOW FOR A FUTURE NEED FOR MONEY OR IT MIGHT BE AVAILABLE FOR APPROPRIATION SO THAT THE REASON WHY IT NEEDS TO GO BACK INTO THE GENERAL FUND IS IT REALLY SHOULD BE SUBJECT TO THIS BODY'S APPROPRIATION AUTHORITY BECAUSE WE'VE THIS BODY AUTHORIZED IT.

SENATOR FISHER: OKAY YES SIR THANK YOU FOR THAT RESPONSE I I BELIEVE I DO UNDERSTAND THAT BUT WHY WOULD THE GOVERNOR WANT THAT MONEY TO BE PUT ESSENTIALLY IN A LOCK BOX BECAUSE IT'S NO LONGER SUBJECT TO FURTHER TRANSFER AUTHORITY WHEREAS ASSUMING THERE NEVER WERE A TYPHOON THE GOVERNOR POSSIBLY COULD USE TRANSFER THOSE FUNDS I'M TRYING TO UNDERSTAND WHY SHE'S SEGREGATING THIS AMOUNT OF MONEY.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: POINT POINT OF INFORMATION MR. CHAIR I I THAT'S MY LANGUAGE SECTION FOUR YEAH I ADDED THAT TO THE LANGUAGE GIVEN BY THE GOVERNOR MY APOLOGIES I FORGOT TO MENTION THAT SO I'M SORRY SECTION THREE AND SECTION TWO I ADDED TO THE BILL.

SENATOR FISHER: MAY I ASK A POINT OF INQUIRY THEN.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: SURE.

SENATOR FISHER: TO SPEAKER THERESE COULD YOU EXPLAIN SECTION THREE TO US.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: YES WELL IT'S JUST THAT TO MAKE SURE THAT IT DOESN'T GET USED FOR ANY OTHER PURPOSE THE REIMBURSEMENT THAT THEY GO TO THE GENERAL FUND SO THIS IS SOME MONEY THAT IT'S EITHER ALLOCATED ALREADY TO A PARTICULAR USE AND WE WANT IT TO GET BACK THERE AND BE USED FOR ITS ORIGINAL PURPOSE OR MONEY THAT HASN'T BEEN APPROPRIATED AT ALL AND WE WANT TO BE ABLE AS A LEGISLATURE TO APPROPRIATE AS WE ALWAYS DO.

SENATOR FISHER: THANK YOU THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THAT RESPONSE THAT DID ANSWER MY QUESTION THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

NOTE SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN PRESIDES OVER THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: SENATOR TAITAGUE.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: THANK YOU THANK YOU CHAIR I'D LIKE TO THANK THE PANEL THAT ARE HERE TODAY AND THOSE WHO WERE HERE YESTERDAY AS WELL I THINK YOU KNOW WE'RE JUST A COUPLE HOURS AWAY MAYBE TO GET THIS BILL PASSED OR EVEN SHORTER THAN THAT THAT'S SOMETHING THAT I THINK WE WE'RE ALL DETERMINED TO DO FROM DAY ONE IS TO FIND THAT THIS BODY TO PROVIDE THE ASSISTANCE NEEDED FOR THE ADMINISTRATION TO MOVE FORWARD TO BRING BACK GUAM TO A BETTER PLACE EVEN BETTER THAN BEFORE MAYBE HOPEFULLY BUT DEFINITELY HELP THOSE WHO ARE IN DESPERATE NEED RIGHT NOW OUR COMMUNITY AND I THINK THAT THE THRESHOLD THAT WAS TALKED ABOUT MR. ESTEVES EARLIER REGARDING THAT AMOUNT CAN YOU TELL ME AGAIN WHAT THAT AMOUNT IS IN ORDER FOR US TO BE ABLE TO START GETTING REIMBURSED.

ESTEVES –OCD: YEAH SO THIS IS WHAT MR. FENTON STATED YESTERDAY IT'S BASICALLY A HUNDRED AND I THINK 100 TO 106 DOLLARS PER CAPITA.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: PER WHAT IS THAT.

ESTEVES –OCD: PER CAPITA ACTUALLY PER PERSON SO WHOEVER THE POPULATION IS OF GUAM TIMES 100 LIKE 100 DOLLARS SO IF WE IF DAMAGES EXCEED THAT MUCH THEN WE CAN.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: SO WE NEED TO COME UP WITH HOW MUCH UP FRONT FIRST ABOUT WHAT.

ESTEVES –OCD: WE NEED TO DO THE ASSESSMENTS TO DETERMINE HOW MUCH DAMAGES WE'VE SUSTAINED ACROSS GOVERNMENT FACILITIES AND ALSO HOW MUCH WE'RE EXPENDING FOR THE EMERGENCY AND SO WHATEVER THE TOTAL OF THE TOTAL OF THAT IS WILL HELP TO INFORM WHETHER WE ARE ELIGIBLE FOR THE WAIVER BUT THAT'S THAT'S JUST ONE ONE ROUTE THAT WE CAN GO IS IS MEAN THAT PER CAPITA THRESHOLD.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: OKAY.

ESTEVES –OCD: I THINK THE OTHER WAY IS ANY SORT OF I GUESS OTHER DATA THAT WE CAN PROVIDE TO KIND OF INFORM THEM THAT HEY I KNOW WE DIDN'T MEET THE THE THE THRESHOLD SET FORTH BY YOU KNOW WHATEVER WHATEVER AMOUNTS THAT THEY HAVE STATED BUT THERE ARE OTHER CONDITIONS YOU KNOW THAT.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: OKAY LET ME.

ESTEVES –OCD: THAT NEEDED TO BE CONSIDERED.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: SIMPLIFY THIS FOR YOU.

ESTEVES –OCD: YEAH.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: HOW MUCH DO WE NEED TO FORK OUT FIRST BEFORE WE START GETTING SOME REIMBURSEMENT YOU SAID A HUNDRED DOLLARS.

ESTEVES –OCD: NO.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: PER PERSON.

ESTEVES –OCD: FOR.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: TIMES.

ESTEVES –OCD: YEAH SO FOR THE WAIVER WHEREVER THE POPULATION IS TIMES SAY A HUNDRED DOLLARS.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: OKAY SO LET'S SAY WE HAVE A 160000 PEOPLE ON THIS ISLAND TIMES A HUNDRED DOLLARS.

ESTEVES –OCD: YEAH.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: EACH SO YOU'RE YOU'RE LOOKING AT 16 MILLION DOLLARS CORRECT.

ESTEVEES –OCD: YEAH.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: SO WE WOULD HAVE TO COME UP THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM WOULD HAVE TO COME UP WITH A 16 MILLION DOLLARS AND THEN ANYTHING AFTER THAT THEY WILL REIMBURSE US.

ESTEVEES –OCD: NO THEY'LL THEY'RE ALREADY GOING TO REIMBURSE US 75.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: PERCENT.

ESTEVEES –OCD: PERCENT YEAH.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: OKAY.

ESTEVEES –OCD: THAT'S THAT'S ALREADY THERE.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: OKAY THAT'S.

ESTEVEES –OCD: IT'S YEAH SO IT'S JUST REQUESTING A WAIVER FOR THE 90 10.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: THE 90 10.

ESTEVEES –OCD: YEAH.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: OKAY FOR THE WAIVER AND WHEN WILL WE KNOW ABOUT THAT WAIVER SO AS SOON AS WE START TO GET AS WE START TO TO SPEND FOR THE THIS INCIDENT AND WE START TO GET MORE ASSESSMENTS DAMAGE ASSESSMENTS FROM THE GOVERNMENT AGENCIES WE'LL HAVE A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF THAT NUMBER.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: OKAY.

ESTEVEES –OCD: AND SO WHAT MR. FENTON SAID YESTERDAY IS THAT THE WAIVER OUR REQUEST IS IS PROBABLY GOING TO COME MAYBE A MONTH OR TWO DOWN THE LINE.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: OKAY.

ESTEVEES –OCD: YEAH.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: THE OTHER QUESTION I HAD FOR LESTER IS WHAT ASSISTANCE IS THE ADMINISTRATION GOING TO GIVE THE MAYORS WITH REGARDS TO HELPING THEM WITH PROCUREMENT AND PUTTING THOSE POS TOGETHER.

CARLSON – BBMR: AGAIN SENATOR THE MAYORS COUNCIL OF GUAM HAS STAFF TO BE ABLE TO GET PURCHASE ORDERS OUT IF THEY NEED ASSISTANCE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE YOU KNOW THE EOC IS JUST YOU KNOW A PHONE CALL AWAY.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: OKAY THANK YOU LESTER I'M SURE YOU'RE GOING TO DO WHAT YOU CAN AFTER HEARING WHAT OUR PRESIDENT OF THE MAYORS COUNCIL WAS SAYING YESTERDAY THAT THEY NEED HELP YOU KNOW YOU CAN GIVE THEM THE MONEY BUT IF THEY DON'T HAVE ANY ASSISTANCE TO GET THESE PURCHASE ORDERS OUT OR PROCUREMENT YOU KNOW IT'S NOT GOING TO HELP THEM SO I'M I TRUST THAT YOU WILL ENSURE THAT HAPPENS OTHER THAN THAT I GREATLY APPRECIATE THE TIME THAT YOU ALL OF AWAILED TO US AND THANK YOU MR. CHAIR FOR THE OPPORTUNITY.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: THANK YOU THANK YOU SENATOR TAITAGUE MADAM SPEAKER YOU'RE YOU'RE THE LAST TO COMMENT AMENDMENTS AND THEN WE WILL WRAP IT UP THANK YOU.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: THANK YOU MR. CHAIR I GUESS I'LL MAKE THAT AMENDMENT THAT LESTER WANTED I DON'T HAVE IT IN WRITING IT'S IF MY TIME COULD STOP LESTER COULD REPEAT.

CARLSON – BBMR: IF WE COULD SAY ON LINE FOUR WITHIN 30 I MEAN I'LL GO 20 RIGHT 20 DAYS AFTER THE END OF THE MONTH BEGINNING WITH MAY 2023 SO WE'LL REPORT WHAT TRANSPIRED JUNE 20TH FOR EXPENDITURES INCURRED FOR TYPE OF RESPONSE.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: ALL RIGHT AND SO TO BE PARALLEL TO THE CRER REPORTING THAT WOULD BE MY AMENDMENT MR. CHAIR I I WOULD ASK THAT WE DO THAT WITHOUT PUTTING IT IN WRITING AND ALLOW LEGAL AND.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: YES MA'AM AS A MATTER OF FACT THE COR IS IN FACT HAS IT WRITTEN.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: OKAY.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: IT'S JUST A MATTER OF NOW EVERYONE AGREEING TO THAT.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: THAT'S MY MOTION.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: MY COLLEAGUES THERE'S A MOTION ON THE FLOOR THE AMENDMENT ON PAGE TWO LINE FOUR AFTER LET ME ACTUALLY ACTUALLY LINE THREE WITHIN WITHIN 30 INSTEAD OF 30 STRIKE THAT TO 20 DAYS AFTER THE END OF THE MONTH.

CARLSON – BBMR: 2023 SO WE'LL REPORT THE MAY JUNE 20TH.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: BUT BUT IT'S THE AMENDMENT SPECIFICALLY WITHIN 20 DAYS AFTER THE END OF THE MONTH BEGINNING ON MAY 2023 CORRECT.

CARLSON – BBMR: YEAH BEGINNING WITH THE YOU KNOW THE PERIOD OF MAY.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: GOT IT HAVE ANY OBJECTION TO THAT AMENDMENT.

SENATOR BARNETT: I'M SORRY MR. CHAIR I JUST HAD A POINT OF INQUIRY FOR THE AUTHOR AND IT'S KIND OF RELATIVE TO THE REPORTING REQUIREMENTS IF THE AUTHOR DOESN'T MIND YIELDING TO THE QUESTION.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: YES.

SENATOR BARNETT: IF IT'S OKAY I WOULD JUST LIKE TO ASK.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: MADAM SPEAKER OR STATE THE QUESTION FIRST.

SENATOR BARNETT: OKAY ARE WE GOING TO RUN INTO A SIMILAR SITUATION WITH SOME OF THE OTHER REPORTING REQUIREMENTS WE'VE HAD BECAUSE I REMEMBER BEFORE I WAS A SENATOR BEING IN THE MEDIA DOING MANY STORIES ABOUT THE LEGISLATURE BEING VERY CRITICAL OF THE AMOUNT OF INFORMATION THE ADMINISTRATION WAS REPORTING TO THE BODY RELATIVE TO CERTAIN EXPENDITURES WHETHER THEY BE CARES ACT OR ARP WHAT WE WERE ABLE TO RECEIVE FROM THE ADMINISTRATION WAS THESE REPORTS WITH BASICALLY ONE LINE AND NO DETAIL NO SUPPORTING INFORMATION NO SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION SO I JUST WANT TO BE CAREFUL AND MOVING FORWARD WITH THIS MEASURE SINCE WE'RE OBLIGATING A HUGE AMOUNT OF MONEY THAT WE'RE NOT GOING TO GET THESE REPORTS THAT ARE REALLY NOT REPORTS AT ALL THAT ARE JUST SHEETS OF PAPER WITH YOU KNOW LINES ON THEM SO IS THIS REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: MADAM SPEAKER.

SENATOR BARNETT: DIFFERENT IN THIS BILL MA'AM.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: YEAH MADAM SPEAKER DO YOU YIELD.

SENATOR BARNETT: THANK YOU.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: TO THE QUESTION.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: WELL WE TRY TO ADD ADDITIONAL DETAILS SO THAT THEY WOULD HAVE TO SHOW AS STATED IN SECTION TWO SUFFICIENT DETAIL OF EXPENDITURES TO QUALIFY IT FOR FEDERAL REIMBURSEMENT I DON'T KNOW OF COURSE THAT'S STILL VAGUE AND I DON'T WANT TO WRITE A WHOLE THESIS ON WHAT THEY NEED TO REPORT BUT PERHAPS WE COULD GET THEIR WORD ON IT RIGHT NOW I DON'T KNOW WHAT ELSE TO TELL YOU.

CARLSON – BBMR: OH SENATOR.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: WE COULD ALSO WE COULD ALWAYS.

CARLSON – BBMR: SENATOR BARNETT.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: YEAH.

CARLSON – BBMR: MY GOODNESS SENATOR TAITAGUE YOU AUTHORED THE REQUIREMENT FOR A MORE DETAILED ARP REPORT WE HAVE BEEN PROVIDING THAT EVERY MONTH AS REQUIRED SO YOU HAVE AN EXPANDED UPDATE BY DEPARTMENT BY OBJECT CATEGORY EXPENDITURE ALLOCATION EXPENDITURE ENCUMBRANCE AND BALANCE SO EACH ONE OF THESE CATEGORIES CONSISTENT WITH THE BUDGET THAT MR. ESTEVES PASSED THROUGH ME FOR REVIEW WHICH I APPROVED HAS THAT INFORMATION SO WHAT I HAD MENTIONED EARLIER WAS THAT WE WOULD PROBABLY USE THAT FORMAT AND THEN THE ALPHABETICAL DETERMINATION OF THE CATEGORY AND THEY GET SO WE WILL PROVIDE THAT AND AS MR. ESTEVES MENTIONED IF YOU HAVE A QUESTION ABOUT THIS THERE'S NO NEED TO FOIA HIM YOU KNOW JUST GO AHEAD AND PICK UP THE THE PHONE AND AND MAKE THEIR INQUIRY BUT IF YOU SEE AN EXPENDITURE THAT YOU FIND QUESTIONABLE THEN BY ALL MEANS YOU AT LEAST YOU KNOW THAT IT WAS IN CONTRACTUAL OR EQUIPMENT OR SOME OTHER TYPE OF SPENDING CATEGORY THAT MIGHT PERK YOUR INTEREST BUT YOU WILL GET EXACTLY WHAT IT IS THAT SENATOR TAITAGUE ASKED FOR US TO DO BEGINNING IN THIS FISCAL YEAR AND IT'S WE ADDED THE MAYORS COUNCIL AS WELL IN THE BACK SO I MEAN IT'S I DON'T KNOW IF ANYBODY READS IT BUT HEY YOU KNOW I GIVE IT TO YOU.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: IS THAT SUFFICIENT SENATOR BARNETT.

SENATOR BARNETT: THANK YOU MR. CARLSON THANK YOU THANK YOU MR. CHAIR.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: ARE THERE ANY OBJECTION TO THE AMENDMENT THAT SENATOR PEREZ YOU HAVE AN OBJECTION.

SENATOR PEREZ: NO NO JUST A POINT OF INQUIRY.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: OKAY.

SENATOR PEREZ: SO I GUESS THE IS THE INTENT TO REPORT MONTHLY SO ALL THE TRANSACTIONS THAT OCCURRED PREVIOUSLY.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: THAT'S CORRECT.

SENATOR PEREZ: ON THE 20TH OF THE FOLLOWING MONTH.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: CORRECT.

SENATOR PEREZ: SO JUST I JUST WANT TO CLARIFY THAT.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: YES.

SENATOR PEREZ: THANK YOU.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: AS THE AMENDMENT READS ANY OBJECTION THERE BEING NONE MOTION PASSES MADAM SPEAKER PLEASE CONTINUE.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: THANK YOU AND I WANT TO THANK MY COLLEAGUES FOR ALL THEIR QUESTIONS AND THE PANEL OF COURSE FOR THEIR ANSWERS I HAVE A COUPLE MORE QUESTIONS SO THE WHOLE POINT FOR ME IS WE HAVE HEARD YOU KNOW WE LIVE AMONG THE PEOPLE WHO DO NOT HAVE WATER STILL DON'T HAVE POWER DESPITE I THINK THEY'RE VERY EXTENUOUS EFFORTS OF GWA AND GPA AND WE HEARD I WANT TO KNOW WHAT IS YOUR ROLE ALL OF YOUR TEAM'S ROLE IN GETTING PEOPLE WHAT THEY NEED WE'VE HEARD FROM THE MAYORS IT'S LIKE DOES THE MAYOR REALLY HAVE TO STOP WHAT HE'S DOING TO GO AND MAKE SURE THAT WE WRITE A PURCHASE ORDER TO GET A EXCAVATOR OR ARE YOU GUYS GOING TO GET AHEAD OF THAT AND DO WHATEVER YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO DO TO MAKE SURE THAT EVERY VILLAGE HAS AN EXCAVATOR OR ARE WE GOING TO SIT AROUND AND WAIT FOR THEM TO REQUEST THOSE THINGS THIS IS REALLY I THINK THE CRUX OF THE ISSUE WHY DID WE WAIT FOR FEMA TO GIVE US A GENERATOR FOR A WATER WELL I MEAN DID WE NOT HAVE ANY GENERATORS ON GUAM I GUESS YOU'RE SHAKING YOUR HEAD NO SO BUT THIS IS MY ISSUE AND I JUST I'M NOT GOING TO GO BACK AND SAY ANYTHING ABOUT THE PAST I WANT YOU TO MAKE IT BETTER AND

IT HAS TO BE BETTER WE ARE WILLING TO GIVE YOU FLEXIBILITY BUT THE LEADERSHIP HAS TO BE BETTER IT HAS TO BE PROACTIVE YOU YOU TOLD US WE'RE FOLLOWING A EXECUTIVE ORDER SAYS TO FOLLOW THE 2018 GUAM CATASTROPHIC TYPHOON PLAN AND REALLY WHAT I WANT TO KNOW IS IS THIS OUR CATASTROPHIC TYPHOON PLAN THAT WE ARE GOING TO WAIT FOR EXAMPLE THE MAYORS ARE GETTING EXCAVATORS OR SOMETHING FROM THE PURCHASE ORDERS THAT THEY SUBMITTED ON MAY 22 THEY GOT IT UPLOADED YESTERDAY ACCORDING TO LESTER THAT'S NINE DAYS AND THAT WAS A PURCHASE ORDER PUT IN MAY 22 THAT'S BEFORE THE STORM RIGHT SO ARE THEY GOING TO WAIT NINE DAYS THIS IS THIS IS REALLY THE CRUX AND I'M HOPING YOU'RE GOING TO TELL US THAT'S NOT WHAT WE'RE GOING TO DO WITH THIS MONEY WE'RE GOING TO GET WHAT WE ALREADY KNOW BECAUSE WE MADE A PLAN THAT EVERY VILLAGE NEEDS AND GWA IS GOING TO NEED AND WE'RE GOING TO GET IT OUT THERE AND WE'RE NOT GOING TO WAIT AROUND ANY LONGER THE THIS IS THE MAYOR'S ISSUE WHEN HE SAYS HE DOESN'T WANT THE MONEY BECAUSE HE DOESN'T WANT THAT RED TAPE OF PURCHASE ORDERS YOU GOT TO GO GET EVERYBODY'S APPROVAL YOU GOT TO WAIT FOR WHATEVER DAYS YOU GOTTA AND NOW YOU KNOW LESTER I HEAR YOU SAYING YOU SAID IT YESTERDAY TOO THE MAYORS HAVE FUNDING ALREADY YOU KNOW THEY THEY HAD ALREADY PLANS FOR THEIR ARP MONEY AND SO THEY CAN USE IT TO MAKE IT FASTER BUT I I DON'T AGREE I AGREE WITH THE MAYOR THAT WE SHOULD HAVE HAD A PLAN TO MAKE SURE THAT AFTER A STORM EVERYBODY'S GOT BUCKET TRUCKS IN OR WHAT DO YOU CALL THOSE EXCAVATORS IN THEIR VILLAGES AND CHAINSAWS AND I HAVEN'T HEARD THAT AT ALL IT'S LIKE YOU'RE STILL GOING TO WAIT FOR THE MAYORS TO WRITE PURCHASE ORDERS FOR CHAINSAWS LIKE CAN'T WE GET YOUR TEAM OF GSA PEOPLE TO WRITE THESE FOR THEM ALL THEY GOT TO DO IS CALL YOU AND SAY I NEED 10 CHAINSAWS DO EVERYTHING AND WHAT DO THEY EVEN HAVE TO CALL YOU DON'T WE KNOW THAT ISN'T A PLAN GONNA TELL US YES.

ESTEVEZ –OCD: SO SO I COULD TELL YOU THAT THAT IF THERE WAS ONE RECOMMENDED POLICY CHANGE I WAS TALKING TO SENATOR BARNETT ABOUT THIS YESTERDAY IS THE ABILITY TO.

SENATOR BARNETT: SO I WAS GOING TO INTRODUCE THAT.

ESTEVEZ –OCD: OKAY.

SENATOR BARNETT: MR. ESTEVES GO AHEAD NO PLEASE YEAH GO AHEAD.

ESTEVEZ –OCD: SO YEAH SO IS THE ABILITY TO EXECUTE PRE-DISASTER CONTRACTS THAT WAY WHEN WE KNOW AN EVENT IS COMING ALL WE HAVE TO DO THEY WE DON'T HAVE TO CALL ANYONE WE DON'T HAVE TO PUSH ANY BUTTONS THEY EXECUTE POST EVENTS IMMEDIATELY WHETHER IT'S FOR HEAVY EQUIPMENT.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: I DON'T I DON'T GET IT MR. ESTEVES THE GOVERNOR ISSUED AN EXECUTIVE ORDER PRIOR.

ESTEVEZ –OCD: YEAH.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: TO THE TYPHOON HITTING GUAM I DON'T GET IT.

ESTEVEZ –OCD: YEAH THE 250000 THAT WE'RE GIVEN INITIALLY FOR EVERY EVENT THAT WENT QUICK STATE ACTIVE DUTY TO THE NATIONAL GUARD WE HAD WE ONLY HAD NINE THOUSAND DOLLARS WORTH OF SERVICES FOR HEAVY EQUIPMENT AND SO THE MAYORS DON'T WRITE PURCHASE ORDERS WE THEY JUST TELL US THAT THEY NEED X NUMBER OF CHAINSAWS AND AND THEY NEED A EXCAVATOR HEAVY EQUIPMENT RENTAL BUT THE PROBLEM IS WE WENT INTO THE WEEKEND AND SERVICE PROVIDERS AND EQUIPMENT VENDORS THEY WEREN'T OPEN AND SO I I THINK HAVING THOSE PRE-DISASTER CONTRACTS ARE REALLY ASSIST IN FUTURE EVENTS ADDITIONALLY WITH ANYTHING THAT WE BUY HERE WITH THE MONIES THAT YOU'RE YOU'RE PROVIDING YOU KNOW IF WE'RE BUYING CHAINSAWS IF WE'RE BUYING GENERATORS WHATEVER WE'RE BUYING YOU KNOW WE'RE TAKING THOSE BACK NOT JUST SO MUCH THE STUFF THAT WE'RE GIVING TO MAYORS BUT ANYTHING WE GIVE TO OTHER GOVERNMENT OF GUAM AGENCIES SO WE'RE TAKING THAT BACK AND WE'RE PUTTING INTO THE WAREHOUSE THAT WE HAVE LEASED UP IN *TAMUNING* AND SO I CAN TELL YOU THAT SOME OF THE STUFF THAT WE HAVE FROM COVID THE BLUE MED TENTS SOME OF THE THE OTHER EQUIPMENT THAT WE PURCHASE FOR COVID RESPONSE IS IN THE WAREHOUSE RIGHT NOW AND THAT'S BEING UTILIZED FOR THIS RESPONSE AND SO YES WE ARE GOING TO GET MORE EQUIPMENT AND KIND OF ESTABLISH OUR OWN DISTRIBUTION CENTER TO KIND OF HELP US PREPARE BETTER FOR FOR FUTURE EVENTS AND THEN AND I JUST GOT BACK TUESDAY.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: ALL RIGHT GWA DID NOT HAVE GENERATORS THEY HAD TO WAIT FOR FEMA.

ESTEVEES –OCD: THEY DON'T HAVE THE CAPACITY THE SIZE GENERATORS THAT THEY THEY NEEDED AND THAT'S WHY WE HAD TO MAKE THAT THAT REQUEST FOR FEDERAL ASSISTANCE.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: WE'RE FOLLOWING UP FROM GWA YESTERDAY THAT NONE OF THIS MONEY IS GOING TO GO TO THEM IT'S KIND OF LIKE WHAT THEY NEED IS TIME TO FILL RESERVOIRS AND THEY NEED GENERATORS AND THAT ONE THING THAT THEY NEEDED FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM WE COULD NOT PROVIDE THEM THE GENERATORS AND OTHERWISE THEIR TEAMS ARE OUT THERE DOING ALL THE WORK.

ESTEVEES –OCD: YEAH.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: AND JUST LIKE THE MAYORS THEIR TEAMS ARE OUT THERE DOING ALL THE WORK I DON'T UNDERSTAND.

ESTEVEES –OCD: THE THE.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: JUST JUST PROCUREMENT OF THE NATIONAL GUARD OR THE ACTIVATION OF THE NATIONAL GUARD I'M GETTING PHONE CALLS IN HERE THAT MARINE DRIVE DOESN'T HAVE ANY NATIONAL GUARD TODAY IT'S LIKE THE DAYS IT'S I DON'T GET IT.

ESTEVEES –OCD: YEAH SO THEY WORK IN TANDEM WITH THE GUAM POLICE DEPARTMENT TO DETERMINE WHAT SITES ARE MEANT BUT THE THE PRIORITY FOR THE GUARD RIGHT NOW IS THE 24/7 SECURITY OF DEBRIS MANAGEMENT SITES.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: THAT'S A PRIORITY.

ESTEVEES –OCD: THAT IS A PRIORITY SECOND IS FOR THIS IS JUST FOR THE GUARD IS THOSE TRAFFIC CONTROL POINTS BUT WITHIN OUR ESF 13 SAFETY AND SECURITY THEY HAVE THE LEAD ON THOSE TRAFFIC CONTROL POINTS AND AND YOU KNOW MAYBE THERE'S INFORMATION THAT I DON'T HAVE RIGHT NOW SUCH AS THERE MAY BE SOMETHING SOME RESTORATION EFFORTS FOR SPECIFIC TRAFFIC CONTROL POINTS BUT YOU KNOW THESE THESE TYPES OF ISSUES EVERY DAY WE HAVE PROBABLY A DIFFERENT 100 FIRES TO PUT OUT BECAUSE THERE'S SOME CASCADING FAILURES THAT HAPPEN DURING THIS EVENT THAT HAS KIND OF SLOWED RESPONSE AND JUST TO LET YOU KNOW THERE'S NO IF THERE'S A SAYING IN IN EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT IF YOU'VE SEEN ONE DISASTER YOU'VE SEEN ONE DISASTER RIGHT BECAUSE EVERY SINGLE DISASTER IS IS PRETTY UNIQUE AND HAS THEIR OWN SET OF CHALLENGES SO I CAN TELL YOU THAT THAT WE ARE TAKING ALL OF THIS DOWN BECAUSE THERE IS A COMPREHENSIVE AFTER ACTION REVIEW THAT HAPPENS AFTER THESE TYPES OF EVENTS AND SO IT YOU KNOW WHEN IT IS ALL SAID AND DONE AND WE ARE IN THAT STATE OF NORMALCY YOU KNOW IT'S IT'S GOOD THAT WE GET BACK TOGETHER REVISE THE PLANS THAT WE HAVE TO ENSURE THAT WE DON'T RUN INTO THE SAME SHORTFALLS AND GAPS THAT WE HAD.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: IN YOUR PLAN WHO'S SUPPOSED TO HELP THE MAYORS CLEAR THE VILLAGES.

ESTEVEES –OCD: SO THAT IS DPW FOR THE PRIMARY HIGHWAYS AND THEN THE THE MAYORS WITH ASSISTANCE OF DPW WITHIN THE THE VILLAGES THEMSELVES.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: THEY'RE NOT GETTING DPW'S ASSISTANCE ARE YOU IN CHARGE OF THAT CAN YOU MAKE THAT HAPPEN.

ESTEVEES –OCD: SO SO RIGHT NOW WE DID ASK FOR TITLE 10 ACTIVE DUTY SUPPORT SO THEY ARE CLEARING SPECIFIC ASKS SUCH AS *FONTE SASA* VALLEY AND SO THERE ARE REQUESTS GOING IN TO ASSIST WITH DEBRIS EFFORTS.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: WHO THE NATIONAL GUARD.

ESTEVEES –OCD: NOT THE NATIONAL GUARD ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: ALL RIGHT.

ESTEVEES –OCD: YEAH.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: WELL THE MAYORS SAID THIS IS NOT HOW THE REST OF THE TYPHOON RESPONSE HAS BEEN THAT THEY HAD PEOPLE IN THEIR VILLAGES HELPING THEM IMMEDIATELY THAT DIDN'T HAVE TO SIT AROUND FOR NINE SIX DAYS AND WAIT FOR ANYTHING.

ESTEVEES –OCD: YEAH IT'S JUST UNFORTUNATE THAT WE WENT INTO THE WEEKEND TO TRY TO CALL THESE VENDORS.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: THE.

ESTEVEES –OCD: TO EXECUTE PO'S.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: THE SO MY CONCERN IS IN THE BILL YOU KNOW AT THE REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR THERE'S A 100000 IT SAYS SHALL FURTHER THE GOVERNOR SHALL FURTHER DISPERSE 100000 DOLLARS FROM THE FUNDS APPROPRIATED HERE INTO EACH MAYOR WHO MAY UTILIZE SUCH MONIES FOR THE PURPOSES IDENTIFIED ABOVE YOU'RE SAYING YOU'RE GOING TO HELP THEM WITH THE PROCUREMENT OF WHATEVER THEY NEED BUT I ALSO DON'T WANT THIS TO BE A LIMIT ON WHAT THE MAYORS ARE GOING TO GET WE'VE ALREADY KNOWN FROM YESTERDAY THAT THEY'VE CALCULATED SIX I CALCULATED BASED ON THEIR HOURLY RATE THAT IT WOULD TAKE SIX THOUSAND DOLLARS A DAY FOR TO RENT AN EXCAVATOR THAT'S THAT WOULD USE YOUR 100000 DOLLARS IN 16 DAYS.

ESTEVEES –OCD: SO THAT'S THAT'S.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: OR 16 HOURS.

ESTEVEES –OCD: YEAH SO.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: 16 DAYS YES.

ESTEVEES –OCD: THAT'S FOR THE MAYORS BUT I CAN TELL YOU THAT HALF OF THE BUDGET THAT LESTER HAS GIVEN US HAS ALL GONE FOR SUPPORT FOR THE MAYORS STATE ACTIVE DUTY OF THE NATIONAL GUARD LES.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: BUT THEY HAVEN'T SEEN THE NATIONAL GUARD.

ESTEVEES –OCD: THEY'RE AT EVERY SINGLE DEBRIS SITE.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: THE DEBRIS SITES.

ESTEVEES –OCD: YES.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: THAT'S NOT THE MAYOR'S RESPONSIBILITY THE DEBRIS SITE THEY WANT HELP TO CLEAR THE DEBRIS.

ESTEVEES –OCD: THE MAYORS NEED THE PLACE TO PUT THE DEBRIS AND SO WE GIVE THEM WE'VE GIVEN THEM NATIONAL GUARD SUPPORT TO HELP WITH THAT ADDITIONALLY THE NATIONAL GUARD IS HELPING WITH DEBRIS MANAGEMENT THEY'RE OUT THERE WITH CHAINSAWS AS WELL YEAH.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: ALL RIGHT THEN I WANT I WANT YOUR ASSURANCE LESTER AND THAT THE MAYORS ARE GOING TO GET WHAT THEY NEED IN ADDITION TO THIS HUNDRED THOUSAND.

SENATOR PARKINSON: POINT OF ORDER.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: THAT THIS IS FOR THEM.

SENATOR PARKINSON: MADAM CHAIR MR. CHAIR.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: TO USE A DISCRETIONARY FUNDING.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: OKAY HOLD ON.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: AS FAST AS THEY CAN.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: MADAM.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: DISCRETIONARY EVEN SOME OF THESE MIGHT NOT BE APPROVABLE OR REIMBURSABLE RIGHT.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: MADAM.

ESTEVEES –OCD: YEAH YEAH MAYOR HOFFMAN HAS TEXTED ME.

SENATOR PARKINSON: POINT OF ORDER MR. CHAIR TIME.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: MADAM SPEAKER TIME'S UP AND I UNDERSTAND WHAT YOU'RE GETTING AT FOR LESTER AND MR. ESTEVES TO ASSURE YOU PLEASE WRAP UP THE LAST STATEMENT SO WE CAN WRAP UP THE BILL.

ESTEVEES –OCD: YEAH SO SO MAYOR HOFFMAN HE'S A MEETING WITH THE MAYORS NOW AND HE'S TEXTING ME WE'RE WE'RE TEXTING EARLIER AND HE'S GOING TO GIVE ME THAT LONG LIST OF WHATEVER GAPS THEY STILL HAVE BUT YOU KNOW WE'RE WORKING TO PROVIDE HIM WITH AS MUCH RESOURCES THAT THEY NEED AND SO I I WASN'T HERE THE THE FIRST DAY I I DON'T KNOW WHAT WAS SAID IN THIS BODY BUT YOU KNOW I'M IN DAILY CONTACT WITH THE MAYORS COUNCIL OF GUAM TO DETERMINE WHAT THEIR ACTUAL NEEDS ARE.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: WHAT WHAT DO YOU MEAN.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: OKAY.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: BY MAYOR HOFFMAN WHAT.

ESTEVEES –OCD: SO MAYOR HOFFMAN IS YOU KNOW HE'S WITH THE MAYORS RIGHT HE'S THE VICE PRESIDENT.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: RIGHT.

ESTEVEES –OCD: OF THE MAYORS COUNCIL OF GUAM.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: SO HE'S THE ONE COMMUNICATING.

ESTEVEES –OCD: YUP.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: WITH YOUR OFFICE OKAY.

ESTEVEES –OCD: THE SAME WITH MAYOR ALIG.

SENATOR PARKINSON: MR. CHAIR TIME.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: OKAY.

ESTEVEES –OCD: YEAH.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: MR. CHAIR.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: WE'RE WE'RE.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: YEAH WE'RE ABOUT TO WRAP IT UP.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: YES SO JUST.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: CAN I DO MY CLOSING REMARKS.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: YES MAKE YOUR CLOSING NOW SO WE CAN WRAP IT UP AND.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: ALL RIGHT IN MY CLOSING I WOULD LIKE TO ASK YOU TO PLEASE WATCH THE VIDEO OF THE MAYOR IN HERE ON DAY ONE BECAUSE IF WE CAN'T RESPOND TO THE MAYOR'S NEEDS AND WE'RE GOING TO TELL THEM YOU'VE GOT ALL THE MONEY YOU NEED YOU NEED TO DO YOUR PAPERWORK IN ORDER TO HELP THE VILLAGERS WHO DON'T HAVE WATER THEN I JUST THINK WE'RE YOUR PLAN IS A COMPLETE FAILURE AND I I CAN'T BELIEVE THAT A PLAN WAS WRITTEN TO BE A FAILURE LIKE THAT SO I HAVEN'T READ YOUR 500 PAGE PLAN BUT HOPEFULLY THE PLAN IS BETTER THAN WHAT WE HAVE SEEN SO PLEASE I AM BEGGING ALL OF YOU TO WORK TOGETHER LES LESTER I KNOW YOU WANT THE MAYOR TO USE THEIR ARP MONEY OR WHATEVER

FUNDS THEY HAVE BUT ALL OF THAT MONEY WAS FOR OTHER PURPOSES AS WELL SO I MEAN THEY COULD USE IT THEY ARE USING IT THEY HAVE BEEN RESOURCEFUL BUT I AM I'M BEGGING YOU GUYS TO GET AHEAD OF ALL OF THIS PEOPLE IN THEIR HOUSES GET BACK TO THAT GET BACK TO HOW ARE WE GOING TO HELP THE PEOPLE IN THEIR HOUSES WE'RE GOING TO HELP THE MAYORS GET TO THOSE PEOPLE WE'RE GOING TO GET THE GUARD MEMBERS IN THERE THE ACTIVE DUTY MEMBER IN THERE WHERE THE HOUSES ARE FIRST PLEASE.

SENATOR PARKINSON: POINT OF ORDER MR. CHAIR TIME IS UP.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: I AM.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: NO SHE'S DOING CLOSING.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: JESUS.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: IT'S CLOSING JUST ABOUT DONE SENATOR PARKINSON PLEASE CONTINUE YOUR CLOSING SO WE CAN WRAP IT UP AND THEN MOTION TO RISE MADAM SPEAKER.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: GOD FORBID THAT WE SPEND ONE MORE FUCKING ONE MORE MINUTE IN HERE RIGHT.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: GO AHEAD CONTINUE MADAM SPEAKER THIS IS NOT THIS IS NOT THE AMENDMENTS OR ANYTHING THIS IS THE CLOSING.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: THAT'S CORRECT MR.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: SO CONTINUE.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: I KNOW WHAT I'M DOING I'M TRYING TO CLOSE ON THE BILL I'M TRYING TO GET BACK TO THE REASON WHY THIS IS AN EMERGENCY SESSION THE BILL IS AN EMERGENCY BILL THE RESPONSE IS NOT ADEQUATE I THINK WE ALL AGREE I AGREE THAT PEOPLE ARE DOING THEIR BEST SOME PEOPLE ARE DOING THEIR BEST BUT I THINK AS A GOVERNMENT WE ARE NOT DOING OUR BEST AND THAT'S WHAT I WANT US TO DO THERE'S A REASON WHY WE WANTED TO TALK TO GWA AND GPA AND PUBLIC HEALTH WE HAVE SHELTERS THAT DON'T HAVE WATER BUT GOD FORBID WE SPEND ONE MORE MINUTE TALKING ABOUT IT RIGHT SOME OF THE THINGS IN THE GOVERNMENT THAT WE HAVE SEEN REQUIRED I DON'T WANT TO BRING THESE PEOPLE IN HERE BELIEVE ME I DON'T WANT TO HAVE TO TALK TO PUBLIC HEALTH ABOUT WHAT ARE WE GOING TO DO ABOUT INSULIN THEY SHOULD HAVE IT ALL PLANNED THAT'S THEIR JOB BUT IF WE HAVE TO TALK ABOUT IT IN ORDER TO GET IT DONE THEN PLEASE SPARE ONE MORE MINUTE I SAY WE REGROUP AS A GOVERNMENT WE GET THESE PEOPLE WHAT THEY NEED BEFORE THEY HAVE TO BEG AND I HOPE THAT THIS BILL I ASKED THE GOVERNOR SHE SAID THIS BILL IS GOING TO MAKE THINGS FASTER AND I SAID HOW WILL THIS MAKE IT FASTER WHEN WHAT'S MAKING IT SLOW IS THE PURCHASE ORDERS ARE TAKING LONG THEY CAN'T GET ANYTHING UNTIL THE PURCHASE ORDERS ARE DONE THEY COULDN'T EVEN GET EXCAVATORS IN THEIR VILLAGES FOR SIX DAYS THAT'S JUST NOT ACCEPTABLE TO ANYONE AND SO I'M JUST SAYING WE CAN DO BETTER THAN THIS AND WE EXPECT EVERYONE TOGETHER THAT WE ARE GOING TO DO BETTER THAN THIS STARTING TODAY GET THEM WHAT THEY NEED IN THEIR VILLAGES GET EVERYTHING GWA NEEDS IF WE CAN HELP THEM HELP THEM DON'T WAIT AND I'M TELLING YOU I WE RAN OUT OF TIME I CAN'T TALK ABOUT IT BECAUSE OF OUR TIME LIMITS BUT I WANT IT TO GET SOME ASSURANCE THAT SOME OF THESE EXPENDITURES WELL I TRUST YOU GUYS ARE GOING TO DO YOUR BEST JOB LESTER'S ON IT EVERYBODY'S ON IT THAT WE'RE GONNA MAKE SURE THESE ARE REIMBURSABLE IF POSSIBLE MAKE SURE THAT WE YOU KNOW SUBMIT ALL THE PAPERWORK NECESSARY BUT SOME OF THESE THINGS MAY NOT BE REIMBURSABLE AND I'M NOT NORMALLY GOING TO SAY YEAH YOU KNOW SPEND MONEY BUT NO I AM SAYING SPEND MONEY AND GET THESE PEOPLE WHAT THEY NEED DON'T LET THEM BEG YOU DON'T LET THEM WAIT DON'T TELL THEM THEY NEED A PURCHASE ORDER TO CLEAR THEIR IT JUST I JUST DON'T LIKE THAT IT SOUNDS I'M SORRY I DON'T EVEN WANT TO BE EMOTIONAL BECAUSE I'M NOT EMOTIONAL I'M ANGRY THAT'S AN EMOTION THAT'S A JOKE BUT ANYWAYS WHAT I'M SAYING IS EVERYBODY'S FRUSTRATED BUT WE DON'T NEED TO BE WE NEED TO WORK BETTER AND NOT BE ARROGANT ABOUT IT AND NOT BE YOU GOT ONE MORE MINUTE THAT'S ALL THAT'S PROBABLY WHAT THEY'RE TELLING THE MAYORS TOO I'M JUST SAYING CAN YOU JUST HEAR THEM THEY ARE WORKING HARD AS THEY CAN YEAH YOU DON'T MIGHT NOT LIKE THEM YOU MIGHT NOT LIKE HOW THEY SPEND THEIR MONEY BUT THEN DO IT BETTER IF YOU THINK YOU CAN DO IT BETTER GET OTHER PEOPLE OUT THERE TO ASSIST THESE FAMILIES WHO ARE TRAPPED IN THEIR HOMES GET OTHER PEOPLE OUT THERE TO GIVE THEM WATER JUST LET'S DO IT WE KNOW WE THINK PLANS AND

PLANS FOR DECADES OF HOW TO RESPOND TO CATASTROPHIC TYPHOONS SO PLEASE I DIDN'T HAVE TIME TO GET INTO YOUR CATASTROPHIC PLAN AND WHETHER WE ARE REALLY FOLLOWING IT BECAUSE I CANNOT IMAGINE THAT THIS IS THE BEST THAT OUR PLAN COULD DO FOR US AND I'M SO GRATEFUL AND I WANT TO ONE AND MR. CHAIR THAT I'M VERY GRATEFUL FOR ALL THE WORK THAT HAS BEEN DONE AND I DON'T WANT TO DISCOUNT THAT I JUST WANT TO SAY WE NEED TO COORDINATE BETTER GIVE THEM THESE PEOPLE ON THE FRONT LINES GIVE THEM WHAT THEY NEED AS FAST AS THEY WE CAN AND I JUST HOPE THAT THIS BILL DOES THIS THAT IT MAKES IT FASTER SHE SAID IT'S GOING TO BE FASTER BECAUSE SHE WILL BE ABLE TO LOAD THE 50 MILLION IN AND YOU WILL BE ABLE TO APPROVE THESE PURCHASE ORDERS FASTER AS OPPOSED TO WAITING TO FIND THE MONEY AND ALL OF THAT I WANTED TO ASK WHERE THE THREE AND A HALF MILLION CAME FROM MR. CHAIR MAYBE YOU COULD JUST INFORM US OF THAT BUT OTHERWISE THANK YOU FOR YOUR WORK AND THANK YOU COLLEAGUES FOR YOUR PATIENCE AND DEALING WITH THIS BILL AND THIS EMERGENCY SESSION THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: MADAM SPEAKER YOU HAVE A MOTION TO RISE.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: I MOVE TO RISE I MOVE TO I MOVE TO RISE WITH THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE TO SEND BILL NUMBER 127-37 AS SUBSTITUTED ON THE FLOOR AND FURTHER AMENDED ON THE FLOOR TO THE THIRD READING.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: ON THAT MOTION ARE THERE ANY OBJECTION THERE BEING NONE MOTION PASSES MADAM SPEAKER WE ARE NOW IN RECESS.

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SPEAKER TERLAJE: *I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* IS BACK FROM RECESS SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER I WISH TO REPORT BACK TO THE BODY AFTER DELIBERATION ON BILL 127-37 COR AS SUBSTITUTED AND AS AMENDED IN THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE WITH RECOMMENDATION OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE TO PLACE ON THE THIRD READING FILE.

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VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: NO OBJECTION.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: SEEING NO OBJECTION MOTION CARRIES.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: MADAM SPEAKER SENATOR SAN AUGUSTINE I MOVED THAT NOTWITHSTANDING HOUSE RULES IS THAT WE MOVE THE VOTE ON BILL 127-37 COR AS SUBSTITUTED WITHOUT ENGROSSMENT.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: ON THE MOTION TO VOTE ON BILL 127-37 COR WITHOUT ENGROSSMENT IS THERE ANY OBJECTION.

VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: NO OBJECTION.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: SEEING NO OBJECTION MOTION CARRIES SENATOR SHELTON YOU'RE RECOGNIZED.

SENATOR SHELTON: THANK YOU VERY MUCH MADAM SPEAKER NOTWITHSTANDING THE HOUSE RULES I MOVE TO GO BACK TO MOTIONS FOR THE PURPOSE OF PLACING BILL NUMBER 129-37 LS AN ACT TO ADD A NEW SECTION 88 TO PART TWO OF CHAPTER 13 OF PUBLIC LAW 36-107 THE GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT OF 2023 RELATIVE TO PRIORITIZING FISCAL YEAR 2023 GENERAL FUND REVENUES FOR A POST TYPHOON MAWAR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR GUAM FAMILIES AND FOR THOSE WHO ARE WATCHING THIS IS A BILL INTRODUCED BY MYSELF YESTERDAY WITH SENATOR QUINATA SENATOR PARKINSON AND SENATOR SAN NICOLAS TO PROVIDE A ONE-TIME PAYMENT OF FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: ON.

SENATOR SHELTON: TO INDIVIDUALS.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: ON THE MOTION TO GO BACK TO MOTIONS IS THERE ANY OBJECTION.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: MADAM SPEAKER IS THIS A MOTION TO GO BACK TO MOTIONS PERIOD WITHOUT PUTTING ANY BILL ON THE AGENDA IS THAT THE MOTION.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: THAT'S CORRECT.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: OKAY MADAM SPEAKER I WOULD HAVE TO OBJECT THANK YOU.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: ON THE MOTION TO GO BACK TO MOTIONS THERE'S BEEN AN OBJECTION ALL IN FAVOR OF GOING BACK TO MOTIONS PLEASE RAISE YOUR HAND ONE TWO THREE FOUR FIVE SIX SEVEN MOTION FAILS WE HAVE NOW EXHAUSTED THE SECOND READING FILE WE'LL MOVE TO THE THIRD READING VOTING THE THIRD

READING FILE WE HAVE NOTHING IN THE VOTING FILE SO ON THE THIRD READING FILE THERE WAS A MOTION TO VOTE WITHOUT ENGROSSMENT CLERKS PLEASE SORRY WE ARE ON BILL NUMBER 127-37 (COR) AS SUBSTITUTED ON THE FLOOR AND FURTHER SUBSTITUTED BY THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE CLERKS PLEASE READ THE TITLE.

CLERKS STAFF: BILL NUMBER 127-37 COR AS AS SUBSTITUTED AND AS AMENDED ON THE FLOOR INTRODUCED BY THERESE M. TERLAJE AN ACT TO AUTHORIZED *I MAGA 'HĀGAN GUĀHAN* TO UTILIZE UP TO 50 MILLION DOLLARS FROM THE GENERAL FUND FOR EMERGENCY RESPONSE EXPENSES IN RESPONSE TO TYPHOON MAWAR.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: ROLL CALL.

SUBSTITUTE CLERK OF THE LEGISLATURE: SENATOR BARNETT (AYE) SENATOR BLAS (AYE) SENATOR BROWN (AYE) SENATOR DUEÑAS (AYE) SENATOR FISHER (AYE) SENATOR LUJAN (AYE) VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES (AYE) SENATOR PARKINSON (AYE) SENATOR PEREZ (AYE) SENATOR QUINATA (AYE) SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN (AYE) SENATOR SAN NICOLAS (AYE) SENATOR SHELTON (AYE) SENATOR TAITAGUE (AYE) SPEAKER TERLAJE (AYE).

SPEAKER TERLAJE: BILL NUMBER 127-37 COR AS SUBSTITUTED ON THE FLOOR AND FURTHER AMENDED IN THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE RECEIVED 15 AYES AND IS DULY PASSED BY THIS BODY.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: *BIBA* GUAM.

SENATOR PARKINSON: *BIBA*.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: THAT EXHAUSTS OUR CONSIDERATION OF THE DAILY FILE WE ARE NOW IN BRIEF EXTENSION OF REMARKS IS THERE ANYONE WOULD LIKE TO BE RECOGNIZED UNDER BRIEF EXTENSION OF REMARKS IF NOT ARE THERE ANY ANNOUNCEMENTS AND IF NOT MAJORITY LEADER SENATOR SHELTON YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

SENATOR SHELTON: THANK YOU VERY MUCH MADAM SPEAKER I MOVE TO ADJOURN TODAY'S SESSION SUBJECT TO THE CALL OF THE SPEAKER.

SPEAKER TERLAJE: ON THE MOTION TO ADJOURN TODAY'S SESSION IS THERE ANY OBJECTION SEEING NO OBJECTION MOTION CARRIES *SI YU'OS MA'ĀSE'* COLLEAGUES WE'RE.