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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF GUAM TERRITORY OF GUAM

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,	CIVIL CASE NO. 02-00022
Plaintiff,	JN 23
vs.)	REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF THE TO FILE RESPONSE TO RECEIVER'S
GOVERNMENT OF GUAM,	PROPOSED FINANCING PLAN
Defendant.)	44

The Office of the Attorney General, on behalf of the Defendant, Government of Guam, respectfully requests an extension of time, until February 2, 2009, to submit its Response to the Receiver's proposed financing plan presented at the January 14, 2009 hearing. The current deadline for submission is January 22, 2008 at 12:00 p.m.

The Government of Guam makes the foregoing request after meetings with Governor's Legal Counsel Shannon Taitano-Lujan, BBMR Bertha Duenas, Director Anthony Blaz of the

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Guam Economic and Development Authority (GEDA), Speaker of the 30th Guam Legislature, Judith Won Pat, Vice-Speaker B.J. Cruz, Senator Frank Aguon, Jr., Chairman of the Committee on Economic Development, Health & Human Services and the Judiciary, Senator Tom Ada, Chairman of the Committee on Utilities, Transportation, Public Works and Veterans Affairs, Bank of America's bond counsel Lawrence Tonomura, Auli Limtiaco of the Bank of America, Attorney General Alicia G. Limtiaco, Chief Deputy Attorney General Alberto Tolentino, Civil Deputy Attorney General J. Patrick Mason, and other staff of the Office of the Attorney General. These meetings resulted in the identification of alternative financing proposals for the closure of the Ordot dump and the construction of a new Municipal Solid Waste Landfill Facility. These proposals, together with a comprehensive analysis of the Receiver's proposed financing plan presented at the last status hearing in this matter, would inform the Court of the impact of such plan on government operations and apprise the Court of the Government's diligent and responsible identification of alternative solutions to assure compliance with the Consent Decree.

The Government of Guam has undertaken its best efforts to actively gather the most recent and meaningful information regarding the viability of private-public sector partnerships to achieve full compliance with the Consent Decree. The Government of Guam has also undertaken a good faith review of all available budget and financial information to assess the impact of the Receiver's proposed financial plan on Government operations. These efforts included comprehensive and extensive meetings to discuss all available options.

On January 16, 2009, the Speaker and Vice-Speaker of the Legislature, Senator Frank Aguon, Jr., Senator Tom Ada, Director Anthony Blaz and other representatives of GEDA,

Bank of America bond counsel Lawrence Tonomura, BBMR Director Bertha Duenas, Governor's Legal Counsel Shannon Taitano-Lujan, Assistant Attorney General Thomas Keeler, and David Manning of Gershman, Brickner & Bratton, Inc., (GBB) met to discuss alternative financing proposals. As a result of this meeting, bond counsel drafted legislation which addresses alternative financing proposals, including revenue bond authorization and lease-back authorization with section 30 revenue security. Other alternatives include authorization to enter a Performance Management Contract (PMC) or other contractual partnership with the private sector. Leaders of the Legislature received a preliminary draft of the legislation today, though an official transmittal of the legislation will take place expeditously. The Receiver has also received a copy of the draft legislation.

Again, on January 21, 2009, the Attorney General, BBMR Director Bertha Duenas, the Governor's Legal Counsel, GEDA representatives, the Speaker, Vice-Speaker, and Senator Tomas Ada met to discuss the draft legislation and the draft fiscal impact analysis.

The Government of Guam has been actively reviewing the potential impact of the Receiver's cash financing plan on government operations. Specifically, BBMR Director Bertha Duenas and Department of Administration Director Lourdes Perez have prepared documents relating to the budgetary impact of cash deposits proposed by the Receiver, cash flow analysis, and review of the potential impact on federally funded programs. The documents address various scenarios facing the Government of Guam if an across-the-board cut in revenues is required to pay the sums identified by the Receiver. Although these documents have been prepared in draft form, the Office of the Attorney General requests

additional time to ensure that all agency directors can submit their review of this analysis for the Court's consideration.

Finally, the Office of the Attorney General is cognizant that time is of the essence in proceeding with the closure of the Ordot dump and opening a new Municipal Solid Waste Landfill Facility. The request for an extension of time is for the sole purpose of assuring that the Court receives the most comprehensive and up to date information regarding the available financing options and the impact of the Receiver's proposed financing plan on the Government of Guam's operations.

Wherefore, the Government of Guam respectfully requests that the Court grant an extension to file its response to the Receiver's proposed financing plan.

Respectfully submitted this 21st day of January, 2009.

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