

OFFICE OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTABILITY

Doris Flores Brooks, CPA, CGFM Public Auditor

BEFORE THE PUBLIC AUDITOR PROCUREMENT APPEALS TERRITORY OF GUAM

IN THE APPEAL OF TOKIO MARINE PACIFIC INSURANCE LIMITED and CALVO'S INSURANCE UNDERWRITERS, INC.,

Docket OPA PA 12-013

SCHEDULING ORDER

Appellants.

A pre-hearing conference for scheduling came before the Public Auditor on November 20, 2012, on notice duly given to all parties of record. Those present included Michael A. Pangelinan of Calvo Fisher & Jacob LLP for Tokio Marine Pacific Insurance Limited and Calvo's Insurance Underwriters (collectively Tokio-Calvo), dba SelectCare; Frank Campillo, an officer of Calvo's Insurance Underwriters, Inc.; Catrina M. Campana of Cabot Mantanona LLP for Island Home Insurance Co., Inc., dba Staywell; David A. Mair, who appeared telephonically, and Dana A. Gutierrez of Mair Mair Spade & Thompson, P.C., for TakeCare Insurance Company, Inc. (TakeCare); Benjamin M. Abrams of the Office of the Attorney General (OAG) for Guam's Department of Administration (DOA); and Public Auditor Doris Flores Brooks and staff support from the Office of Public Accountability. Peter C. Perez of Lujan Aguigui & Perez LLP, sat as the designated hearing officer.

This appeal arises from a decision issued by DOA's Human Resources Division regarding a request for proposals (RFP) for health insurance. The RFP was numbered DOA/HRD RFP GHI 13-001 (RFP). TakeCare, SelectCare and Staywell each lodged a protest to the RFP with DOA.

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DOA consolidated the protests and on September 7, 2012, issued a decision in which it confessed that the DOA negotiating team had failed to follow general procedures set out in the RFP and as a consequence the team was compelled to issue a Notice of Cancellation of the RFP to all bidders.

On September 19, 2012, SelectCare appealed the DOA decision to the Public Auditor. Thereafter the Attorney General and counsel for TakeCare and Staywell each entered an Counsel for SelectCare stated he was prepared to stipulate to certain facts but that he reserved the right to call witnesses, including experts. Counsel for Staywell and TakeCare stated they would likely call witnesses. All counsel present stated it would likely take four to five days to complete the hearing of the appeal.

On the basis of the consultation with counsel for the parties and the Public Auditor, it is ORDERED:

- 1. No later than December 10, 2012, the parties shall submit a proposed schedule for the filing of motions, opposition to motions and reply to motions, except that motions in limine pertaining to proposed exhibits that are not a part of the procurement record may be filed no later than December 24, 2012...
- 2. All motions shall be decided on the basis of the papers filed by the parties and without oral argument.
- 3. No later than December 17, 2012, the parties shall file and serve their list of proposed witnesses, identifying with particularity are witness who is intended to be called as an expert.
- 4. No later than December 17, 2012, all counsel shall lodge and serve such exhibits as they may wish to offer that are not a part of the existing procurement record.
- 5. No later than December 10, 2012, the parties shall file and serve a joint statement of agreed facts and those facts that remain in dispute.

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- 6. No later than January 14, 2013, each party shall submit a hearing memorandum that addresses in particular:
 - a. Whether the Public Auditor has jurisdiction to hear an appeal of DOA's decision to cancel the RFP, given that none of the parties who were given notice of the DOA's decision to cancel the RFP protested that specific decision?
 - b. To what, if any, extent is the action of DOA cancelling the RFP permissible under 5 G.C.A. § 5225; 2 G.A.R., Div. 4, § 3115(a), (b) and (d); and the several advisories within the RFP relative to the government's not being required to award a contract and its reservation of its right to cancel the RFP (*See* the third paragraph on page 5 of the RFP; the first sentence on page 9 of the RFP; ¶ O, page 11 of the RFP; and ¶ D, page 19 of the RFP.
- 7. The hearing of this appeal shall commence at the Public Auditor's hearing room, Room 907, DNA Building, Hagatna, Guam, at 9:00 a.m., January 21, 2013, and may be continued, as necessary, at 9:00 a.m. on January 22-23, 2013, and at such further time as the Public Auditor may deem necessary and appropriate.

IT IS SO ORDERED this 3rd day of December/2012.

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