MEMORANDUM

January 3, 2018

To: All Line Agencies, Autonomous Agencies, the Mayors' Council of Guam, the Judiciary of Guam and I Liheslaturan Guahan

From: Doris Flores Brooks, CPA, CGFM
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RE: Reminder of Public Law (P.L.) 34-35, Amendment to Small Purchases Procurement

Hafa Adai!

As a reminder, P.L. 34-35 was signed into law in August 2017, which amended the small purchases threshold from $15,000 to $25,000, and requires the Chief Procurement Officer, the Director or the Department of Public Works, or head of an agency utilizing this section to submit a report to the Speaker of I Liheslaturan Guahan monthly as to procurement exceeding Fifteen Thousand Dollars ($15,000) for supplies and services, or exceeding Fifty Thousand Dollars ($50,000) for construction. This became effective August 11, 2017.

Specifically §5213 of Subarticle B, Article 3, Chapter 5, Division 1, Title 5, Guam Code Annotated was amended to read as follows:

Any procurement not exceeding Twenty-five Thousand Dollars ($25,000) for supplies or services, and not exceeding One Hundred Thousand Dollars ($100,000) for construction, may be made in accordance with small purchase procedures promulgated by the Policy Office; provided, however, that procurement requirements shall not be artificially divided so as to constitute a small purchase under this Section. The Chief Procurement Officer, the Director of the Department of Public Works, or the head of an agency utilizing this section, shall submit a report to the Speaker of I Liheslaturan Guahan monthly as to procurement exceeding Fifteen Thousand Dollars ($15,000) for supplies and services, or exceeding Fifty Thousand Dollars ($50,000) for construction, pursuant to this Section.

Also, in line with efforts to provide more outreach and assistance to Government of Guam agencies, the Office of Public Accountability (OPA) will be issuing an Executive Summary of Guam Procurement Law and Regulations for Procurement Solicitation Methods shortly.

Should you have any questions, please contact Jerrick Hernandez at 475-0390 ext. 208 or jhernandez@guamopa.com.

Senseramente,

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