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RE: Guam Coastal Management Program's 2023 Program Change (GU-2023-1)

Dear Director Jeffrey L. Payne:

Hafa Adai! The Guam Coastal Management Program (GCMP) of the Bureau of Statistics and Plans (Bureau) has prepared a program change request for the approval of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's Office for Coastal Management (OCM) under 15 CFR §923.84. This request seeks OCM's approval to incorporate changes to GCMP's Program Authorities.

The request includes changes to Authorities and Organization (Subpart E) but does not include any changes to Uses Subject to Management (Subpart B), Special Management Areas (Subpart C), Boundaries (Subpart D), or Coordination, Public Involvement and National Interest. In particular, this program change request seeks to update GCMP's Program Authorities that it uses to review and make decisions on projects. The proposed changes to Program Authorities include an authority which is under the principal responsibility of the Chamorro Land Trust Commission. The proposed change under the Chamorro Land Trust Commission is the addition of the Guam Undersea Access for Homes Act (GUAHA), 21 GCA Ch. 75A Art. 2.

In support of GCMP's request, GCMP has provided a brief overview description of the proposed program change, a brief summary of the changes of the authority and how the management program as changed is different from the previously approved management program, and a program change table, and a draft public notice of program changes to comply with the public notice requirements, publication of which will occur on the Bureau's website in a conspicuous manner in addition to email or mail to local and regional offices of relevant Federal agencies, Federal agency CZMA headquarter contacts identified on NOAA's Federal consistency website, affected local governments and state agencies, and to individuals requesting direct notice, as provided under 15 CFR 923.81(e).

Please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Edwin Reyes, Coastal Program Administrator at 671-475-9672 or email edwin.reyes@bsp.guam.gov. Si Yu'os Ma'åse'.

Sincerely,

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