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APPEAL NO: OPA-PA-07-009

ORDER AFTER HEARING ON APPELLEE'S EX PARTE MOTION TO SHORTEN TIME FOR HEARING DATE

Purchasing Agency:

PACIFIC SECURITY ALARM, INC.,

Appellant

IN THE APPEAL OF,

Mr. PeterJohn D. Camacho, MPH, Administrator Guam Memorial Hospital Authority 850 Carlos Camacho Road Oka, Tamuning, Guam 96911

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Appellant:

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THIS MATTER came before the Office of the Public Auditor on March 6, 2008 for a hearing on the Purchasing Agency's *Ex Parte* Motion to Shorten Time for Hearing Date. The

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Appellant was present without his Counsel of Record, G. Anthony Long, Esq., who was offisland. No representatives for the Purchasing Agency were present, however, the Purchasing Agency was represented by its Counsel of Record, Aaron R. Jackson, Esq. The Hearing Officer, after hearing the arguments of the parties and considering the motions and responses thereto submitted for the hearing, hereby ORDERS the following:

- 1. The Appellant's *Ex Parte* Motion to Continue the March 6, 2008 Hearing on Appellant's *Ex Parte* Motion to Shorten Time for Hearing Date is hereby DENIED on the following grounds: (1) The Hearing Officer finds that this motion, which was filed on March 5, 2008, the day before the hearing, is untimely because the Appellant had notice of the March 6, 2008 Hearing on February 29, 2008 and either knew or should have known that Appellant's counsel would be traveling at the date and time of the hearing and Appellant should have made an earlier effort to reschedule the hearing; and (2) The Hearing Officer finds that there are only eighteen (18) days between the hearing on the Purchasing Agency's *Ex Parte* Motion to shorten time and the next scheduled date for the formal hearing in this matter, and any delay would render Appellant's *Ex Parte* Motion to Shorten time moot.
- 2. The Purchasing Agency's *Ex Parte* Motion to Shorten Time for Hearing Date is hereby DENIED on the following grounds: (1) The Hearing Officer finds that the testimony of Appellant's Vice President, William H. Craig, is not duplicated with the testimony of Appellant's President, George Lee Palmer because Mr. Craig would testify as to his technical knowledge and expertise relating to fire alarm systems, and such technical testimony would likely not be the same as Mr. Palmer's testimony, who is an accountant; and (2) The Hearing Officer finds that re-scheduling the hearing in this matter to a date that would prevent Appellant from presenting the testimony of Mr. Craig, whose name appears on Appellant's Witness List,

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would prejudicially burden Appellant by denying Appellant the opportunity to effectively present its case.

3. The March 24, 2008 Hearing in this matter shall be heard as scheduled.

SO ORDERED this 7th day of March, 2008 by:

ANTHONY R. CAMACHO, ESQ.

Hearing Officer