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NEWS RELEASE Latest Batch of Port Employees All Test Negative for COVID-19; Five Port Employees Remain in Isolation

Piti, Guam, September 1, 2020: Port Authority of Guam General Manager Rory J. Respicio today released the following statement:

"We have received confirmation from the Department of Public Health and Social Services that all port employees who tested for COVID-19 on Saturday and Monday are negative," Respicio said. "I want to thank the employees who went and took the test because they understand how important it is for us to stay safe and fully operational at the Port Authority of Guam. I also appreciate the Port Contact Tracing Team efforts being conducted by our Human Resources Division in coordination with Marketing and Safety and in consultation with DPHSS. Stay safe everybody."

In total, the Port Contact Tracing Team has been able to identify 290 cases of close contact exposure with five port employees who have tested positive for COVID-19 and have coordinated testing for all exposures. All five Port employees remain in isolation and are all expected to be released from isolation in a few days. Nearly all of the positive cases have been identified through contact tracing efforts.

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Photo Cutline: Port Authority of Guam Human Resources Manager Francine T. Rocio conducts Contact Tracing with employees who were potentially exposed to COVID-19 while at work. The Port Contact Tracing Team is comprised of members of the Human Resources, Marketing, Safety and General Manager's Office.