EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2012-12

INTEROPERABLE COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, the Government of Guam presently operates an island-wide analog 800MHz wireless communications system which was installed in 1989 for voice communication and is presently used by approximately eighteen (18) GovGuam agencies, ten (10) Federal Agencies and Tumon Hotel Security with one thousand (1,000) subscribers; and

WHEREAS, since September 11, 2001, interoperability of voice, data, and imagery communications with emergency service agencies is of paramount importance; and

WHEREAS, the necessity of reliable communications and interoperability for first responders was demonstrated during the numerous typhoons that have affected the Island; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Guam will best be served by an interoperable communication system executive committee which shall develop an interdisciplinary approach among all levels of government to provide reliable communications for the entire emergency response community within Guam; and

NOW THEREFORE I, EDDIE BAZA CALVO, Governor of Guam, by virtue of the authority vested by the Organic Act and laws of Guam do hereby order and direct as follows:

SECTION 1: The Guam Interoperable Communication Working Group (hereafter ICWG) is hereby established within the Bureau of Information Technology (BIT) and in collaboration with Guam Homeland Security/Office of Civil Defense.

SECTION 2: The ICWG will be co-chaired by the Chief Information Officer (CIO) and the Governor’s Homeland Security Advisor (HSA). The Interoperable Communications Coordinator (ICC) will serve as the Executive Director of the ICWG.

A. The Executive Director will develop strategies and policies to ensure that the ICWG’s objectives are met. The Executive Director will oversee all meetings, oversee financial operations, and implement strategies in a cost-effective and time-efficient manner.

SECTION 3: The duties of the ICWG shall include, but are not limited to, the following:

A. Advise the CIO, HSA, and the ICC regarding the design, construction, administration, and maintenance of the Guam Public Safety Communications System (hereafter system);

B. Advise the CIO, HSA, and ICC regarding the development system design, system testing, and implementation planning;
C. Assist the CIO, HSA, and ICC in the development of strategies and securing funds for the system, operation, and maintenance;
D. Assist the CIO, HSA, and ICC in the development of regulations for system admission and use.

SECTION 4: The ICWG may establish subcommittees to advise the ICWG on specific issues. The ICWG shall review the recommendations of the subcommittees.

SECTION 5: The ICWG will consist of a representative from the following departments and agencies:

- Bureau of Information Technology (BIT)
- Guam Homeland Security/Office of Civil Defense (GHS/OCD)
- Guam Police Department (GPD)
- Guam Fire Department (GFD)
- Department of Customs & Quarantine (CQA)
- Guam Memorial Hospital Authority (GMHA)
- Port Authority of Guam (PAG)
- Guam International Airport Authority (GIAA)
- Guam Department of Education (DOE)
- Guam Department of Public Works (DPW)
- Guam Department of Public Health and Social Services (DPHSS)

SECTION 6: The ICWG shall meet at regularly scheduled intervals and at the call of the Executive Director, or either Co-Chairs.

SECTION 7: This Order is effective upon signature and shall continue in effect until amended, modified, terminated, or rescinded by the governor, or terminated by operation of law.

SECTION 8: This Executive Order shall supersede the previous Executive Order No. 2008-18.
SIGNED AND PROMULGATED at Hagåtña, Guam this 10 day of September 2012.

EDWARD J. B. CALVO
I Maga’låhen Guahan
Governor of Guam

COUNTERSIGNED:

RAYMOND S. TENORIO
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Lieutenant Governor of Guam