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To: Elections Commission

From: Scott T. Nago

Chief Election Officer

Re: STATUS OF OPERATIONS

Since our last status report, on December 14, 2012, the Office of Elections has transitioned from election year operations to its non-election year operations.

Staff

The seasonal staff has left and we are now operating with our base staff. The staff members assigned to the ballot operations section head and counting center operations section heads positions are being trained on their respective sections. The civil service conversion process is still moving forward with the expectation that the conversion will be completed by the end of this year.

Legislature

The Legislative session will open on January 16, 2013. We expect to be testifying on a variety of election related bills that are typically submitted in a non-election year, as there needs to be sufficient time to implement those bills. Additionally, we will be advocating for our proposed budget during the legislative session.

Online Voter Registration System

As part of the development of the online voter registration system required by the Act 225, SLH 2012, we are consulting with the Office of Information Management and Technology, as to how it wishes for us to proceed on the planning, design, and implementation of the system.

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Investigation

We have been contacted by the Department of the Attorney General and have been cooperating with its investigation.

Election Cases

There has been no change in the status of the pending election cases since our last report.