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Dear Legislative Secretary Brown:

Enclosed please find Bill No. 071 (COR) entitled: "AN ACT TO REPEAL AND REENACT SECTIONS 221201, 221202 AND 221203 OF ARTICLE 12 OF CHAPTER 22, DIVISION 2 OF TITLE 5, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO ADOPTING A MODEL STATUTE UNDER THE MASTER SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT" which I have signed into law as Public Law No. 26-07.

This legislation makes technical amendments to Public Law No. 26-03, signed into law on March 14, 2001, relative to Guam adopting the Model Statute under the Master Settlement Agreement for receipt of tobacco funds. Most of the technical amendments concern removal of italics, insertion of parentheses, and other stylistic amendments to conform the Guam statute with the Model Statute. Three sections previously amended in Public Law No. 26-03 were repealed and reenacted in this legislation, to include the required modifications.

Very truly yours,

Carl T. C. Gutierrez I Maga'Lahen Guåhan Governor of Guam

Attachment: copy attached for signed bill or overridden bill original attached for vetoed bill

cc: The Honorable Antonio R. Unpingco Speaker

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MINA'BENTE SAIS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2001 (FIRST) Regular Session

CERTIFICATION OF PASSAGE OF AN ACT TO I MAGA'LAHEN GUÅHAN

This is to certify that Bill No. 071 (COR) "AN ACT TO REPEAL AND REENACT SECTIONS 221201, 221202 AND 221203 OF ARTICLE 12 OF CHAPTER 22, DIVISION 2 OF TITLE 5, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO ADOPTING A MODEL STATUTE UNDER THE MASTER SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT," was on the 7th day of May 2001, duly and regularly passed.

TONIO R. UNPINGCO Speaker Attested: TOANNE M.S. BROWN Senator and Legislative Secretary This Act was received by I Maga'lahen Guåhan this // Ha day of 2001, at <u>3:40</u> o'clock \cancel{A} .M. Assistant Staff Officer Maga'lahi's Office APPROVED: CARL T. C. GUTTERREZ I Maga'lahen Guåhan Date: <u>5-16-01</u> Public Law No. 26-07

MINA'BENTE SAIS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2001 (FIRST) Regular Session

Bill No. 71 (COR)

As amended on the Floor.

Introduced by:

V. C. Pangelinan A. R. Unpingco <u>L. A. Leon Guerrero</u> J. F. Ada T. C. Ada F. B. Aguon, Jr. J. M.S. Brown E. B. Calvo F. P. Camacho M. C. Charfauros Mark Forbes L. F. Kasperbauer K. S. Moylan A. L. G. Santos J. T. Won Pat

AN ACT TO REPEAL AND REENACT SECTIONS 221201, 221202 AND 221203 OF ARTICLE 12 OF CHAPTER 22, DIVISION 2 OF TITLE 5, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO ADOPTING A MODEL STATUTE UNDER THE MASTER SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:
 Section 1. Section 221201 of Article 12 of Chapter 22, Division 2 of Title
 5 of the Guam Code Annotated is hereby *repealed and reenacted* to read as
 follows:

"§221201. Findings and Purpose. (a) Cigarette smoking presents serious public health concerns to the State and to the citizens of the State. The Surgeon General has determined that smoking causes lung cancer, heart disease and other serious diseases, and that there are hundreds of thousands of tobacco-related deaths in the United States each year. These diseases most often do not appear until many years after the person in question begins smoking.

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9 (b) Cigarette smoking also presents serious financial 10 concerns for the State. Under certain health-care programs, the 11 State may have a legal obligation to provide medical assistance to 12 eligible persons for health conditions associated with cigarette 13 smoking, and those persons may have a legal entitlement to 14 receive such medical assistance.

15 (c) Under these programs, the State pays millions of 16 dollars each year to provide medical assistance for these persons 17 for health conditions associated with cigarette smoking.

> (d) It is the policy of the State that financial burdens imposed on the State by cigarette smoking be borne by tobacco product manufacturers rather than by the State to the extent that such manufacturers either determine to enter into a settlement with the State or are found culpable by the courts.

(e) On November 23, 1998, leading United States tobacco
 product manufacturers entered into a settlement agreement,
 entitled the "Master Settlement Agreement," with the State. The
 Master Settlement Agreement obligates these manufacturers, in

return for a release of past, present and certain future claims against them as described therein, to pay substantial sums to the State (tied in part to their volume of sales); to fund a national foundation devoted to the interests of public health; and to make substantial changes in their advertising and marketing practices and corporate culture, with the intention of reducing underage smoking.

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It would be contrary to the policy of the State if (f)8 tobacco product manufacturers who determine not to enter into 9 such a settlement could use a resulting cost advantage to derive 10 large, short-term profits in the years before liability may arise 11 without ensuring that the State will have an eventual source of 12 recovery from them if they are proven to have acted culpably. It is 13 thus in the interest of the State to require that such manufacturers 14 establish a reserve fund to guarantee a source of compensation 15 and to prevent such manufacturers from deriving large, short-16 term profits and then becoming judgment-proof before liability 17 may arise." 18

Section 2. Section 221202 of Article 12 of Chapter 22, Division 2 of Title
5 of the Guam Code Annotated is hereby *repealed and reenacted* to read as
follows:

22 "§221202. Definitions. (a) "Adjusted for inflation" means
23 increased in accordance with the formula for inflation adjustment
24 set forth in Exhibit C to the Master Settlement Agreement.

25 (b) "Affiliate" means a person who directly or indirectly 26 owns or controls, is owned or controlled by, or is under common

ownership or control with, another person. Solely for purposes of this definition, the terms "owns," "is owned" and "ownership" mean ownership of an equity interest, or the equivalent thereof, of ten percent (10%) or more, and the term "person" means an individual, partnership, committee, association, corporation or any other organization or group of persons.

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(c) "Allocable share" means Allocable Share as that term is defined in the Master Settlement Agreement.

"Cigarette" means any product that contains nicotine, 9 (d) is intended to be burned or heated under ordinary conditions of 10 use, and consists of or contains (1) any roll of tobacco wrapped in 11 paper or in any substance not containing tobacco; or (2) tobacco, in 12 any form, that is functional in the product, which, because of its 13 appearance, the type of tobacco used in the filler, or its packaging 14 and labeling, is likely to be offered to, or purchased by, consumers 15 16 as a cigarette; or (3) any roll of tobacco wrapped in any substance containing tobacco which, because of its appearance, the type of 17 tobacco used in the filler, or its packaging and labeling, is likely to 18 be offered to, or purchased by, consumers as a cigarette described 19 in clause (1) of this definition. The term "cigarette" includes "roll-20 21 your-own" (i.e., any tobacco which, because of its appearance, 22 type, packaging, or labeling is suitable for use and likely to be 23 offered to, or purchased by, consumers as tobacco for making 24 cigarettes). For purposes of this definition of "cigarette," 0.09 25 ounces of "roll-your-own"^{*} tobacco shall constitute one (1) 26 individual "cigarette."

(e) "Master Settlement Agreement" means the settlement agreement (and related documents) entered into on November 23, 1998 by the State and leading United States tobacco product manufacturers.

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(f) "Qualified escrow fund" means an escrow arrangement with a federally or State chartered financial institution having no affiliation with any tobacco product manufacturer and having assets of at least \$1,000,000,000 where such arrangement requires that such financial institution hold the escrowed funds' principal for the benefit of releasing parties and prohibits the tobacco product manufacturer placing the funds into escrow from using, accessing or directing the use of the funds' principal except as consistent with section 221203(b).

(g) "Released claims" means Released Claims as that term is defined in the Master Settlement Agreement.

(h) "Releasing parties" means Releasing Parties as that term is defined in the Master Settlement Agreement.

 (i) "Tobacco Product Manufacturer" means an entity that after the date of enactment of this article directly (and not exclusively through any affiliate):

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(1) manufactures cigarettes anywhere that such
manufacturer intends to be sold in the United States,
including cigarettes intended to be sold in the United States
through an importer (except where such importer is an
original participating manufacturer (as that term is defined
in the Master Settlement Agreement) that will be responsible

for the payments under the Master Settlement Agreement with respect to such cigarettes as a result of the provisions of subsection II (mm) of the Master Settlement Agreement and that pays the taxes specified in subsection II (z) of the Master Settlement Agreement, and provided that the manufacturer of such cigarettes does not market or advertise such cigarettes in the United States);

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(2) is the first purchaser anywhere for resale in the United States of cigarettes manufactured anywhere that the manufacturer does not intend to be sold in the United States; or

(3) becomes a successor of an entity described in Paragraph (1) or (2).

The term "Tobacco Product Manufacturer" shall not include an affiliate of a tobacco product manufacturer unless such affiliate itself falls within any of Paragraph (1) through (3) above.

"Units sold" means the number of individual 17 (i) 18 cigarettes sold in the State by the applicable tobacco product 19 manufacturer (whether directly or through a distributor, retailer 20 or similar intermediary or intermediaries) during the year in 21 question, as measured by excise taxes collected by the State on 22 packs (or "roll-your-own" tobacco containers) bearing the excise 23 tax stamp of the State. The Department of Revenue and Taxation 24 shall promulgate such regulations as are necessary to ascertain the 25 amount of State excise tax paid on the cigarettes of such tobacco 26 product manufacturer for each year.

(k) "State" means Guam or the government of Guam, as
 the case may be."

Section 3. Section 221203 of Article 12 of Chapter 22, Division 2 of Title
5 of the Guam Code Annotated is hereby *repealed and reenacted* to read as
follows:

6 **"§221203. Requirements.** Any tobacco product manufacturer 7 selling cigarettes to consumers within the State (whether directly or 8 through a distributor, retailer or similar intermediary or intermediaries) 9 after the date of enactment of this article shall do one of the following:

(a) become a participating manufacturer (as that term is defined
 in section II (jj) of the Master Settlement Agreement) and generally
 perform its financial obligations under the Master Settlement
 Agreement; or

(b) (1) place into a qualified escrow fund by April 15 of the
year following the year in question the following amounts (as
such amounts are adjusted for inflation) --

172000: \$.0104712 per unit sold after the date of18enactment of this article;

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For each of 2001 and 2002: \$.0136125 per unit sold;

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 For each of 2003 through 2006: \$.0167539 per unit

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 sold;

For each of 2007 and each year thereafter: \$.0188482 per unit sold.

(2) A tobacco product manufacturer that places funds into
 escrow pursuant to Paragraph (1) shall receive the interest or
 other appreciation on such funds as earned. Such funds

themselves shall be released from escrow only under the following circumstances:

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(A) to pay a judgment or settlement on any released
claim brought against such tobacco product manufacturer
by the State or any releasing party located or residing in the
State. Funds shall be released from escrow under this
Subparagraph (i) in the order in which they were placed into
escrow and (ii) only to the extent and at the time necessary
to make payments required under such judgment or
settlement;

(B) to the extent that а tobacco product manufacturer establishes that the amount it was required to place into escrow in a particular year was greater than the State's allocable share of the total payments that such manufacturer would have been required to make in that year under the Master Settlement Agreement (as determined pursuant to section IX (i)(2) of the Master Settlement Agreement, and before any of the adjustments or offsets described in section IX (i)(3) of that Agreement other than the Inflation Adjustment) had it been a participating manufacturer, the excess shall be released from escrow and revert back to such tobacco product manufacturer; or

> (C) to the extent not released from escrow under Subparagraphs (A) or (B), funds shall be released from escrow and revert back to such tobacco product

manufacturer twenty-five (25) years after the date on which they were placed into escrow.

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(3) Each tobacco product manufacturer that elects to place funds into escrow pursuant to this subsection shall annually certify to the Attorney General that it is in compliance with this subsection. The Attorney General may bring a civil action on behalf of the State against any tobacco product manufacturer that fails to place into escrow the funds required under this section. Any tobacco product manufacturer that fails in any year to place into escrow the funds required under this Section shall:

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(A) be required within fifteen (15) days to place such funds into escrow as shall bring it into compliance with this section. The court, upon a finding of a violation of this subsection, may impose a civil penalty to be paid to the General Fund in an amount not to exceed five percent (5%) of the amount improperly withheld from escrow per day of the violation and in a total amount not to exceed one hundred percent (100%) of the original amount improperly withheld from escrow;

20(B) in the case of a knowing violation, be required21within fifteen (15) days to place such funds into escrow as22shall bring it into compliance with this section. The court,23upon a finding of a knowing violation of this subsection,24may impose a civil penalty to be paid to the General Fund in25an amount not to exceed fifteen percent (15%) of the amount26improperly withheld from escrow per day of the violation

and in a total amount not to exceed three hundred percent (300%) of the original amount improperly withheld from escrow; and

(C) in the case of a second knowing violation, be prohibited from selling cigarettes to consumers within the State (whether directly or through a distributor, retailer or similar intermediary) for a period not to exceed two (2) years; and

9 (D) be required to pay the State's costs and 10 attorney's fees incurred during a successful prosecution of 11 any action brought under this Paragraph (3).

(4) Each failure to make an annual deposit required under this section shall constitute a separate violation."



MINA' BENTE SAIS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN TWENTY-SIXTH GUAM LEGISLATURE 155 Hesler Street, Hagåtña, Guam 96910

2001 (FIRST) Regular Session

I, Antonio R. Unpingco, Speaker of *I Mina'Bente Sais Na Liheslaturan Guåhan*, hereby certify, in conformance with Title 2 Guam Code Annotated §2103, *Public Hearings Mandatory*, as amended, that an emergency condition exists involving danger to the public health and welfare of the people and therefore waive the statutory requirements for a public hearing on Bill Number 71 (COR), "AN ACT TO REPEAL AND REENACT SECTIONS 221201, 221202 AND 221203 OF ARTICLE 12 OF CHAPTER 22, DIVISION 2 OF TITLE 5, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO ADOPTING A MODEL STATUTE UNDER THE MASTER SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT," which was introduced on April 27, 2001, and therefore waive the statutory requirements for a public hearing on Bill Number 71 (COR).

Dated: May 7, 2001

ANTONIO R. UNPINGCO

Speaker

MINA'BENTE SAIS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2001 (FIRST) Regular Session

Bill No. 71 (COR)

Introduced by:

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AN ACT TO REPEAL AND REENACT SECTIONS 221201, 221202 AND 221203 OF ARTICLE 12 OF CHAPTER 22, DIVISION 2 OF TITLE 5, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO ADOPTING A MODEL STATUTE UNDER THE MASTER SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT.

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Section 1. Section 221201 of Article 12 of Chapter 22, Division 2 of Title
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"§221201. Findings and Purpose.(a) 5 Cigarette smoking presents serious public health concerns to the State and to the citizens of 6 the State. The Surgeon General has determined that smoking causes 7 8 lung cancer, heart disease and other serious diseases, and that there are hundreds of thousands of tobacco-related deaths in the United States 9 each year. These diseases most often do not appear until many years 10 after the person in question begins smoking. 11

(b) Cigarette smoking also presents serious financial concerns
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 legal obligation to provide medical assistance to eligible persons for

health conditions associated with cigarette smoking, and those persons may have a legal entitlement to receive such medical assistance.

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(c) Under these programs, the State pays millions of dollars each year to provide medical assistance for these persons for health conditions associated with cigarette smoking.

6 (d) It is the policy of the State that financial burdens imposed on 7 the State by cigarette smoking be borne by tobacco product 8 manufacturers rather than by the State to the extent that such 9 manufacturers either determine to enter into a settlement with the State 10 or are found culpable by the courts.

On November 23, 1998, leading United States tobacco 11 (e) product manufacturers entered into a settlement agreement, entitled the 12 "Master Settlement Agreement," with the State. The Master Settlement 13 Agreement obligates these manufacturers, in return for a release of past, 14 present and certain future claims against them as described therein, to 15 pay substantial sums to the State (tied in part to their volume of sales); 16 to fund a national foundation devoted to the interests of public health; 17 and to make substantial changes in their advertising and marketing 18 practices and corporate culture, with the intention of reducing underage 19 20 smoking.

(f) It would be contrary to the policy of the State if tobacco
product manufacturers who determine not to enter into such a
settlement could use a resulting cost advantage to derive large, shortterm profits in the years before liability may arise without ensuring that
the State will have an eventual source of recovery from them if they are
proven to have acted culpably. It is thus in the interest of the State to

require that such manufacturers establish a reserve fund to guarantee a
 source of compensation and to prevent such manufacturers from
 deriving large, short-term profits and then becoming judgment-proof
 before liability may arise."

5 Section 2. Section 221202 of Article 12 of Chapter 22, Division 2 of Title 6 5 of the Guam Code Annotated is hereby *repealed and reenacted* to read as 7 follows:

8 **"§221202. Definitions.** (a) "Adjusted for inflation" means 9 increased in accordance with the formula for inflation adjustment set 10 forth in Exhibit C to the Master Settlement Agreement.

11 (b) "Affiliate" means a person who directly or indirectly owns 12 or controls, is owned or controlled by, or is under common ownership 13 or control with, another person. Solely for purposes of this definition, 14 the terms "owns," "is owned" and "ownership" mean ownership of an 15 equity interest, or the equivalent thereof, of ten percent (10%) or more, 16 and the term "person" means an individual, partnership, committee, 17 association, corporation or any other organization or group of persons.

(c) "Allocable share" means Allocable Share as that term is
defined in the Master Settlement Agreement.

(d) "Cigarette" means any product that contains nicotine, is
intended to be burned or heated under ordinary conditions of use, and
consists of or contains (1) any roll of tobacco wrapped in paper or in any
substance not containing tobacco; or (2) tobacco, in any form, that is
functional in the product, which, because of its appearance, the type of
tobacco used in the filler, or its packaging and labeling, is likely to be
offered to, or purchased by, consumers as a cigarette; or (3) any roll of

tobacco wrapped in any substance containing tobacco which, because of its appearance, the type of tobacco used in the filler, or its packaging and labeling, is likely to be offered to, or purchased by, consumers as a cigarette described in clause (1) of this definition. The term "cigarette" includes "roll-your-own" (i.e., any tobacco which, because of its appearance, type, packaging, or labeling is suitable for use and likely to be offered to, or purchased by, consumers as tobacco for making cigarettes). For purposes of this definition of "cigarette," 0.09 ounces of "roll-your-own" tobacco shall constitute one (1) individual "cigarette."

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(e) "Master Settlement Agreement" means the settlement agreement (and related documents) entered into on November 23, 1998 by the State and leading United States tobacco product manufacturers.

- "Qualified escrow fund" means an escrow arrangement 13 (f)with a federally or State chartered financial institution having no 14 affiliation with any tobacco product manufacturer and having assets of 15 at least \$1,000,000,000 where such arrangement requires that such 16 financial institution hold the escrowed funds' principal for the benefit of 17 releasing parties and prohibits the tobacco product manufacturer 18 placing the funds into escrow from using, accessing or directing the use 19 of the funds' principal except as consistent with section 221203(b). 20
- (g) "Released claims" means Released Claims as that term is
 defined in the Master Settlement Agreement.
- (h) "Releasing parties" means Releasing Parties as that term is
 defined in the Master Settlement Agreement.

(i) "Tobacco Product Manufacturer" means an entity that after
 the date of enactment of this article directly (and not exclusively
 through any affiliate):

anywhere that such (1)manufactures cigarettes 4 manufacturer intends to be sold in the United States, including 5 cigarettes intended to be sold in the United States through an 6 importer (except where such importer is an original participating 7 manufacturer (as that term is defined in the Master Settlement 8 Agreement) that will be responsible for the payments under the 9 Master Settlement Agreement with respect to such cigarettes as a 10 result of the provisions of subsection II (mm) of the Master 11 Settlement Agreement and that pays the taxes specified in 12 subsection II (z) of the Master Settlement Agreement, and 13 provided that the manufacturer of such cigarettes does not market 14 or advertise such cigarettes in the United States); 15

(2) is the first purchaser anywhere for resale in the United
States of cigarettes manufactured anywhere that the manufacturer
does not intend to be sold in the United States; or

19(3) becomes a successor of an entity described in20Paragraph (1) or (2).

- The term "Tobacco Product Manufacturer" shall not include an affiliate of a tobacco product manufacturer unless such affiliate itself falls within any of Paragraph (1) through (3) above.
- (j) "Units sold" means the number of individual cigarettes sold
 in the State by the applicable tobacco product manufacturer (whether
 directly or through a distributor, retailer or similar intermediary or

intermediaries) during the year in question, as measured by excise taxes
collected by the State on packs (or "roll-your-own" tobacco containers)
bearing the excise tax stamp of the State. The Department of Revenue
and Taxation shall promulgate such regulations as are necessary to
ascertain the amount of State excise tax paid on the cigarettes of such
tobacco product manufacturer for each year.

7 (k) "State" means Guam or the government of Guam, as the
8 case may be."

9 Section 3. Section 221203 of Article 12 of Chapter 22, Division 2 of Title
10 5 of the Guam Code Annotated is hereby *repealed and reenacted* to read as
11 follows:

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 selling cigarettes to consumers within the State (whether directly or
 through a distributor, retailer or similar intermediary or intermediaries)
 after the date of enactment of this article shall do one of the following:

(a) become a participating manufacturer (as that term is defined
 in section II (jj) of the Master Settlement Agreement) and generally
 perform its financial obligations under the Master Settlement
 Agreement; or

(b) (1) place into a qualified escrow fund by April 15 of the
year following the year in question the following amounts (as
such amounts are adjusted for inflation) --

23 2000: \$.0104712 per unit sold after the date of
 24 enactment of this article;

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For each of 2001 and 2002: \$.0136125 per unit sold;

For each of 2003 through 2006: \$.0167539 per unit sold;

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For each of 2007 and each year thereafter: \$.0188482 per unit sold.

(2) A tobacco product manufacturer that places funds into escrow pursuant to Paragraph (1) shall receive the interest or other appreciation on such funds as earned. Such funds themselves shall be released from escrow only under the following circumstances:

10 (A) to pay a judgment or settlement on any released claim brought against such tobacco product manufacturer 11 by the State or any releasing party located or residing in the 12 13 State. Funds shall be released from escrow under this Subparagraph (i) in the order in which they were placed into 14 15 escrow and (ii) only to the extent and at the time necessary to make payments required under such judgment or 16 settlement: 17

18 **(B)** the to extent that tobacco product а manufacturer establishes that the amount it was required to 19 20 place into escrow in a particular year was greater than the 21 State's allocable share of the total payments that such 22 manufacturer would have been required to make in that year under the Master Settlement Agreement (as determined 23 pursuant to section IX (i)(2) of the Master Settlement 24 25 Agreement, and before any of the adjustments or offsets 26 described in section IX (i)(3) of that Agreement other than the Inflation Adjustment) had it been a participating manufacturer, the excess shall be released from escrow and revert back to such tobacco product manufacturer; or

(C) to the extent not released from escrow under Subparagraphs (A) or (B), funds shall be released from escrow and revert back to such tobacco product manufacturer twenty-five (25) years after the date on which they were placed into escrow.

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Each tobacco product manufacturer that elects to place 9 (3) funds into escrow pursuant to this subsection shall annually 10 certify to the Attorney General that it is in compliance with this 11 subsection. The Attorney General may bring a civil action on 12 13 behalf of the State against any tobacco product manufacturer that fails to place into escrow the funds required under this section. 14 Any tobacco product manufacturer that fails in any year to place 15 into escrow the funds required under this Section shall: 16

(A) be required within fifteen (15) days to place such 17 18 funds into escrow as shall bring it into compliance with this 19 section. The court, upon a finding of a violation of this 20 subsection, may impose a civil penalty to be paid to the 21 General Fund in an amount not to exceed five percent (5%) 22 of the amount improperly withheld from escrow per day of 23 the violation and in a total amount not to exceed one 24 hundred percent (100%) of the original amount improperly 25 withheld from escrow;

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Lieutenant Governor Madeleine Z. Bordallo

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Refer to Legislative Secretary

April 19, 2001

The Honorable Antonio R Unpingco Speaker 26th Guam Legislature 155 Hesler Street Hagåtrja, Guam 96910

Hafa Adai, Mr. Speaker:

When Public Law No. 26-03 was enacted on March 14, 2001, there was a scrivener error in the transcription of the Model Statute when enacted into Guam Law. As a result, the Tobacco attorneys have rejected the Guam's Model Statute within the meaning of the Master Settlement Agreement.

Enclosed is a letter dated April 12, 2001 from Mr. David H. Remes (Tobacco attorney) to Ms. Jenna Magan (Bond counsel) concerning the amendment needed for the OPM's (other producing manufacturers) to accept Guam's Model Statute within the meaning of the Master Settlement Agreement (MSA). It was the exclusion of the parentheses that has caused a dispute of Guam's Model Statute within the meaning of the MSA.

Therefore, Mr. Speaker it is with great urgency that the amendments be implemented through legislation so as there would be no dispute with regards to Guam's Model Statute. It is most necessary that this be done to move forward with the Tobacco Securitization Bonds.

If you should have any questions, please call myself or Mr. Joseph Cepeda.

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April 12, 2001

BY FACSIMILE

Jenna Magan, Esq. Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP 400 Capitol Mall **Suite 3000** Sacramento, California 95814-4497

Dear Ms. Magan:

At your request, we have reviewed Bill No. 33, Public Law No. 26-03, enacted on March 14, 2001, amending the public law enacting Guam's Exhibit T legislation, which you were kind enough to fax to me on April 5 and April 11. Unfortunately, the amendment failed to make a change that we identified in the attachment to our letter of February 26, 2001, which required the insertion of open and close parentheses in the definition of "tobacco product manufacturer" (§ 221202(i)(1) (page 6)). A copy of the page, showing the omission of these parentheses, is attached. Therefore, I regret to say that the OPMs are not able at this time to agree not to dispute that Guam has in effect a Model Statute within the meaning of the Master Settlement Agreement.

Sincerely.

David H. Renus

David H. Remes

Attachment

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> (i) 'Tobacco Product Manufacturer' means an entity that after the date of enachment of this Article directly, (and not exclusively through any affiliate):

(1) manufactures cigarettes anywhere that such manufacturer intends to be sold in the United States, including cigarettes intended to be sold in the United States through an importer *(except* where such importer is an original participating manufacturer) as that term is defined in the Master Settlement Agreement, that will be responsible for the payments under the Master Settlement Agreement with respect to such cigarettes as a result of the provisions of Subsections II(mm) of the Master Settlement Agreement, and that pays the taxes specified in Subsection II(z) of the Master Settlement Agreement, and provided that the manufacturer of such cigarettes does not market or advertise such cigarettes in the United States;

> (2) is the first purchaser anywhere for resals in the United States of clgarettes manufactured anywhere that the manufacturer does not intend to be sold in the United States; or

> (3) becomes a successor of an entity described in Paragraph (1) or (2).

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