



OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC AUDITOR

OPA Passes its Internal Quality Control Peer Review

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Governor Anefal and Speaker Falan were recently informed that the Office of the Yap State Public Auditor (OPA) passed its Peer Review. The review found the OPA to be in full compliance with Government Auditing Standards.

The review was conducted by the Association of Pacific Island Public Auditors (APIPA). The Peer Review is an external quality control review conducted every three years to determine whether an audit office is performing its work in accordance with professional standards. Full compliance is the highest of possible ratings. Public Auditor Ronald C. Yow attributed the accomplishment to the team effort and hardworking spirit of his staff. Passing the Peer Review is not only an achievement in the audit division, but also reflects on the reputation, staff dedication, and competency of the entire office. The scope of the review included work performed from January 1, 2009 through September 30, 2011. During that period, the office issued a total of 23 reports.

The review team was comprised of Mr. Charles Hester, APIPA Technical Advisor, Mr. Stoney Taulung, Kosrae State Public Auditor, and Mr. Iso Ihlen Joseph, Pohnpei State Public Auditor. Mr. Yow thanked the members of the Peer Review team for their hard work and diligence in conducting the review on behalf of APIPA. He also expressed his appreciation to the U.S. Department of the Interior, Office of Insular Affairs for their continued financial support to APIPA and this office.

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