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The Honorable Eddie Baza Calvo
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Dear Governor Calvo,

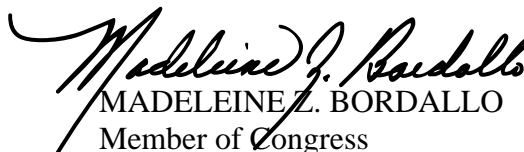
I write regarding the Navy's proposed action to lease property in South Finegayan and the former Tumon Tank Farm for Photovoltaic Systems infrastructure. I understand that your administration and several local families have expressed concerns with the Navy's proposed actions and have requested additional information from the Navy for this project.

As the Ranking Member of the House Armed Services Committee's Subcommittee on Readiness, I have placed a temporary hold on further action until the Navy provides me, and our community, with a clear plan of how this proposal will be incorporated into the Department of Defense's "net negative" land commitment for the Marine Corps realignment. I believe this will provide an opportunity to have a broader discussion about the Navy's land use, overall footprint, and land return policy on Guam before this project can move forward.

While I fully support the Navy's efforts to develop sustainable and renewable energy infrastructure on Guam, there are a number of questions that must be addressed before these projects can move forward. I have written to Assistant Secretary McGinn asking for clarification on the Navy's "net-negative" strategy, and highlighting several areas that warrant specific attention including the return of the former Tumon Tank Farm. I believe it is critical for DoD to engage with local leaders to ensure that our community's concerns are considered and adequately addressed as we move forward.

I appreciate your engagement with the Navy on this project, as well as the broader realignment strategy. I look forward to continuing to work with you, local leaders, and our federal partners to work through any areas of concern related to the build-up and this renewable energy project. Should your staff have any further questions regarding this matter, please contact my Legislative Assistant, Jason McMahon, at jason.mcmahon@mail.house.gov or at 202-225-1188.

Sincerely,


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