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See IRS Publications 1141, 1167, 1179 and other IRS resources for information about printing these tax forms.

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Form **W-2GU** **Guam** **Wage and Tax Statement** **2008**

Department of the Treasury—Internal Revenue Service

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Copy A For Social Security Administration—Send this entire page with Copy A of Form W-3SS to the Social Security Administration; photocopies are not acceptable.

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## Notice to Employee

**Refund.** Even if you do not have to file a tax return, you should file to get a refund if box 2 shows Guam income tax withheld or if you can take the earned income credit.

**Earned income credit (EIC).** You must file a tax return regardless of your income if any amount is shown in Box 9, Advance EIC payment. If you qualify, you can get the earned income credit in advance by giving Form W-5, Earned Income Credit Advance Payment Certificate, to your employer. See Pub. 596, Earned Income Credit (EIC), for details.

**Copies B and C; corrections.** File Copy B of this form with your 2008 Guam income tax return. Keep Copy C for your records. If your name, social security number (SSN), or address is incorrect, correct Copies B and C and ask your employer to correct your employment record. Be sure to ask the employer to file Form W-2c, Corrected Wage and Tax Statement, with the Social Security Administration (SSA) to correct any name, amount, or SSN error reported to the SSA.

**Estimated tax.** If you expect to owe self-employment tax of \$1,000 or more for 2009, you may have to make estimated tax payments to the U.S. Internal Revenue Service. Use Form 1040-ES, Estimated Tax for Individuals.

**Credit for Guam income tax withheld.** If you are required to file your return with the United States or the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands instead of with Guam, add the Guam income tax withheld to the other withholding tax credits on your income tax return.

**Credit for excess social security tax.** If you had more than one employer in 2008 and more than \$6,324.00 in social security tax was withheld, you may have the excess refunded by filing Form 843, Claim for Refund and Request for Abatement, with the Department of the Treasury, Internal Revenue Service Center, Austin, TX 73301-0215, USA. If you must file Form 1040 with the United States, claim the excess tax as a credit on Form 1040.

**Note.** Keep Copy C of Form W-2GU for at least 3 years after the due date for filing your income tax return. However, to **help protect your social security benefits**, keep Copy C until you begin receiving social security benefits, just in case there is a question about your work record and/or earnings in a particular year. Review the information shown on your annual (for workers over 25) Social Security Statement.

(Also see the *Instructions for Employee* on the back of Copy C.)

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# Instructions for Employee

(Also see Notice to Employee, on the back of Copy B.)

**Box 9.** Enter this amount on the advance earned income credit payments line of your tax return.

**Box 11.** This amount is (a) reported in box 1 if it is a distribution from a nonqualified deferred compensation or nongovernmental section 457(b) plan, or (b) included in box 3 and/or 5 if it is a prior year deferral under a nonqualified or section 457(b) plan that became taxable for social security and Medicare taxes this year because there is no longer a substantial risk of forfeiture of your right to the deferred amount.

**Box 12.** The following list explains the codes shown in box 12. You may need this information to complete your tax return. Elective deferrals (codes D, E, F, and S) and designated Roth contributions (codes AA and BB) under all plans are generally limited to a total of \$15,500 (\$10,500 if you only have SIMPLE plans; \$18,500 for section 403(b) plans if you qualify for the 15-year rule explained in Pub. 571). Deferrals under code G are limited to \$15,500. Deferrals under code H are limited to \$7,000.

However, if you were at least age 50 in 2008, your employer may have allowed an additional deferral of up to \$5,000 (\$2,500 for section 401(k)(11) and 408(p) SIMPLE plans). This additional deferral amount is not subject to the overall limit on elective deferrals. For code G, the limit on elective deferrals may be higher for the last 3 years before you reach retirement age. Contact your plan administrator for more information. Amounts in excess of the overall elective deferral limit must be included in income. See the "Wages, Salaries, Tips, etc." line instructions for your tax return.

**A**—Uncollected social security tax on tips. Report on U.S. Form 1040.

**B**—Uncollected Medicare tax on tips. Report on U.S. Form 1040.

**C**—Taxable cost of group-term life insurance over \$50,000 (included in boxes 1, 3 (up to social security wage base), and 5).

**D**—Elective deferrals to a section 401(k) cash or deferred arrangement. Also includes deferrals under a SIMPLE retirement account that is part of a section 401(k) arrangement.

**E**—Elective deferrals under a section 403(b) salary reduction agreement.

**F**—Elective deferrals under a section 408(k)(6) salary reduction SEP.

**G**—Elective deferrals and employer contributions (including nonelective deferrals) to a section 457(b) deferred compensation plan.

**H**—Elective deferrals to a section 501(c)(18)(D) tax-exempt organization plan. (You may be able to deduct.)

**J**—Nontaxable sick pay (information only, not included in boxes 1, 3, or 5).

**M**—Uncollected social security tax on taxable cost of group-term life insurance over \$50,000 (former employees only). Report on U.S. Form 1040.

**N**—Uncollected Medicare tax on taxable cost of group-term life insurance over \$50,000 (former employees only). Report on U.S. Form 1040.

**P**—Excludable moving expense reimbursements paid directly to employee (not included in boxes 1, 3, or 5).

**Q**—Nontaxable Combat Pay. See your tax return instructions for details on reporting this amount.

**R**—Employer contributions to your Archer (MSA). Report on Form 8853, Archer MSAs and Long-term Care Insurance Contracts.

**S**—Employee salary reduction contributions under a section 408(p) SIMPLE (not included in box 1).

**T**—Adoption benefits (not included in box 1).

**V**—Income from exercise of nonstatutory stock option(s) (included in boxes 1, 3 (up to social security wage base), and 5).

**W**—Employer contributions to your Health Savings Account. Report on Form 8889, Health Savings Accounts (HSAs).

**Y**—Deferrals under a section 409A nonqualified deferred compensation plan.

**Z**—Income under section 409A on a nonqualified deferred compensation plan. This amount is also included in box 1. It is subject to an additional 20% tax plus interest. See "Total Tax" in the instructions for your tax return.

**AA**—Designated Roth contributions under a section 401(k) plan.

**BB**—Designated Roth contributions under a section 403(b) plan.

**Box 13.** If the "Retirement plan" box is checked, special limits may apply to the amount of traditional IRA contributions that you may deduct.

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## Employers, Please Note—

**Who must file.** File Form W-2GU for each employee to whom any of the following items applied during 2008.

- You withheld Guam income tax or social security and Medicare taxes.
- You would have withheld Guam income tax if the employee had not claimed more than one withholding allowance.
- You paid any amount for services if you are in a trade or business. Include the cash value of any payment you made that was not in cash.

**Distribution of copies.** By February 2, 2009, furnish Copies B and C to each person who was your employee during 2008. For anyone who stopped working for you before the end of 2008, you may furnish them copies any time after employment ends but by February 2, 2009. If the employee asks for Form W-2GU,

furnish him or her the completed copies within 30 days of the request or within 30 days of the final wage payment, whichever is later. You may also file Copy A and Form W-3SS, Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements, with the Social Security Administration (SSA) at the same time.

**Note.** If you terminate your business, see the rules on furnishing and filing Forms W-2GU and W-3SS under *Terminating a business* in the separate instructions.

**When to file.** By March 2, 2009, send Copy A of Forms W-2GU and W-3SS to the SSA. However, if you file electronically, the due date is March 31, 2009. See the separate instructions.

**Reporting electronically.** If you file 250 or more Forms W-2GU, you must file electronically. For information, visit SSA's Employer Reporting Instructions and Information webpage at [www.socialsecurity.gov/employer](http://www.socialsecurity.gov/employer) or contact your Employer Services Liaison Officer (ESLO) at 510-970-8247.

See the Instructions for Forms W-2AS, W-2GU, W-2VI, and Form W-3SS for more information on how to complete Form W-2GU.