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MR. FRANK M. ICHIHARA, PE, PMP

Frank M. Ichihara is the Deputy Base Civil Engineer, 36th Civil Engineer Squadron (36 CES), Andersen Air Force Base (AAFB), Guam. 36 CES consists of approximately 490 military and civilian personnel responsible for facility operations, maintenance, repair, design, construction, fire protection, explosive ordnance disposal, housing, environmental, real property management, and readiness and emergency management. The squadron manages 20,780 acres, 2,600 facilities, and over 1,200 housing units with an overall plant replacement value of \$7.1 billion.

Mr. Ichihara attended the University of Guam before transferring to the University of Hawaii at Manoa, where he earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Mechanical Engineering in 2001. He began his career as an aircraft maintenance engineer with Aloha Airlines in Honolulu, Hawaii. Shortly after 9/11, Mr. Ichihara entered federal civilian service with the Department of Defense as a mechanical engineer with Naval Sea Systems Command (NAVSEA), Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard, Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, where he worked on the repair, maintenance, and overhaul of naval nuclear submarines and surface ships. In 2009, he transferred to Naval Facilities Engineering Command (NAVFAC) Marianas in Guam



where he worked as a facilities design manager and construction manager at Naval Base Guam (NBG), and construction manager and fuels project manager at 36 CES, AAFB.

From 2013 to 2015, Mr. Ichihara served as a US Air Force (USAF) fuels engineer at Air Force Installation and Mission Support Center (AFIMSC) Detachment 2 Pacific (formerly HQ Pacific Air Forces (PACAF) A7 Directorate), Hickam AFB, Hawaii, where he provided fuel facility project planning and programming support for USAF bases in Hawaii, Alaska, Guam, Japan, Korea, and Wake Island. In 2015, he returned to NAVFAC Marianas as the command's regional petroleum engineer, overseeing fuels facility planning, programming, and project execution at NBG and AAFB. In 2018, Mr. Ichihara served as Deputy Public Works Officer (DPWO) for NAVFAC Far East Public Works Department (PWD) Misawa, Japan, providing comprehensive shore facilities management and base operating support services for Naval Air Facility (NAF) Misawa, Japan. In 2019, he returned to 36 CES as Utilities Director under NAVFAC Marianas and was responsible for managing all base utility systems and infrastructure (electrical, water, wastewater, fuel). Following Joint Region Marianas (JRM) realignment of 36 CES personnel from Navy to Air Force in 2021, Mr. Ichihara was reassigned as the Operations Engineering Element Chief in the 36 CES Operations Flight, overseeing the squadron's requirements and optimization, service contracts, and materiel control sections.

Mr. Ichihara is a licensed Professional Mechanical Engineer in the State of Hawaii and a member of the Society of American Military Engineers (SAME). In 2020, he earned a Master of Business Administration (MBA) degree from the University of Maryland Global Campus. He holds a Defense Acquisition Workforce Improvement Act (DAWIA) Facilities Engineering Level III certification and is a certified American Petroleum Institute (API) 653 Aboveground Storage Tank Inspector and Project Management Professional (PMP).

Mr. Ichihara is a native of Yoña, Guam, a 1996 graduate of Inarajan High School, Guam, and has made Pearl City, Hawaii his second home.