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**IN THE DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE TERRITORY OF GUAM**

WSTCO QUALITY FEED AND SUPPLY,
LLC,

Plaintiff,

vs.

ANTHONY J. ADA, *et al.*,

Defendants.

Case No.: 17-cv-00127

**ORDER GRANTING MOTIONS TO
STAY DISCOVERY AND TAKING
MOTIONS TO DISMISS UNDER
ADVISEMENT**

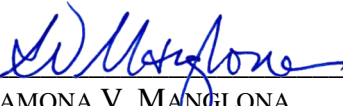
9 Before the Court are motions to stay discovery filed by Defendants Jay Rojas (Aug. 30, 2018,
10 ECF No. 72) and GALC (Aug. 30, 2018, ECF No. 73). Plaintiff WSTCO Quality Feed and Supply
11 filed an opposition (Sept. 20, 2018, ECF No. 78), and defendants filed replies (GALC Reply, Sept. 24,
12 2018, ECF No. 79; Rojas Reply, ECF No. 83, Oct. 9, 2018). The Court has carefully considered these
13 papers and finds good cause to stay discovery pending the determination of defendants' motions to
14 dismiss (GALC, July 31, 2018, ECF No. 65; Rojas, Sept. 4, 2018, ECF No. 75), which are based in
15 part on the defense of qualified immunity. *See Crawford-El v. Britton*, 523 U.S. 574, 597–98 (1998)
16 (trial court “must exercise its discretion so that officials are not subjected to unnecessary and
17 burdensome discovery or trial proceedings”); *Grenning v. Klemme*, 34 F. Supp. 3d 1144, 1153 (E.D.
18 Wash. 2014) (“district courts generally stay discovery until the issue of qualified immunity is
19 resolved”).

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21 At the same time, the Court is mindful of the need to press forward in this matter and Plaintiff's
22 legitimate interest in conducting discovery as soon as possible. The motions to dismiss are fully
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1 briefed, and neither party has filed a request for oral argument pursuant to CVLR 7(i). Therefore, the
2 Court takes the motions to dismiss under advisement and will endeavor to issue its ruling as soon as
3 possible.

4 The motions to stay discovery (ECF No. 72 and 73) are GRANTED. Furthermore, GALC's
5 Motion to Calendar Motion to Stay Discovery (Nov. 6, 2018, ECF No. 84) is DENIED AS MOOT.

6 IT IS SO ORDERED this 9th day of November, 2018.

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10 RAMONA V. MANGLONA
11 Chief Judge, District Court for the Northern
12 Mariana Islands, sitting by designation
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