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Prugråman Ayuda Para I Taotao-ta Energy Credit Program Extended for Three Months Through December

GPA awaits funds to apply the first of three $100 energy credits to active accounts

(Fadian, Guam) – This past weekend, Gov. Lou Leon Guerrero signed Bill 173-37 into Public Law 37-49, which extended the *Prugråman Ayuda Para I Taotao-ta Energy Credit* program for another three months, providing an additional $300 in energy credits from October through December 2023. The Guam Power Authority (GPA) will work closely with the Department of Administration (DOA) to apply the first $5.27 million in funding for the first $100 increment towards October services for all active residential and commercial accounts.

GPA General Manager John. M. Benavente, P.E. said, "GPA thanks Speaker Therese Terlaje, Vice Speaker Muña Barnes and Senators Barnett, Parkinson, Perez, Quinata, San Agustin, Shelton, and Taitague of the 37th Guam Legislature who voted to pass Bill 173-37 to extend this energy credit for our customers. We also thank Gov. Lou Leon Guerrero for her support and for signing the bill into law. GPA continues to assist customers who are still recovering from recent natural disasters. Our team will work swiftly to apply the credits once the funding is received from DOA."

The *Prugråman Ayuda Para I Taotao-ta Energy Credit* program is now in its **third extension**, which lengthens the energy credit program to a total of 18 months since it was first signed into law in 2022. The program's second extension of $500 (P.L. 37-16) concluded in September 2023.

GM Benavente shared, "The last four months of the year post the highest energy demands to our Island-Wide Power System due to warm temperatures and increased usage due to the holidays. The extension comes at a good time for our customers, and we will continue to ask everyone to Beat the Peak and conserve energy to lighten the demand on our power system while saving on their power bills."

GPA asks customer to continue with their energy conservation efforts

GPA's Beat the Peak campaign continues to encourage households and businesses to reduce their energy consumption between the high-demand hours of 5:00 and 11:00 p.m. For more information about the Beat the Peak campaign and energy conservation tips, visit GPA's customer service website (guampowerauthority.com) and Facebook and Instagram pages (@guampowerauthority).

Additionally, GPA customers interested in applying for financial assistance programs from the Department of Administration's Emergency Rental Assistance (ERA) Program and Guam's Homeowner Assistance Fund (HAF) Program can call GPA's Customer Service team at (671) 647-5787 for guidance on how to apply.

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