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Notice To Proceed To Be Issued for Temporary Power

(Fadian, Mangilao) – Effective April 1, a Notice to Proceed will have been issued for the agreement between Aggreko and Guam Power Authority (GPA) for Temporary Power. GPA successfully secured a temporary power contract with Aggreko for 2-years and the contract was approved by both the Attorney General and the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) last Thursday. The agreement provides for 20 MW of power to be available for customers within 100 days.

This successful culmination of extensive collaborative work is part of GPA's aggressive plans to bolster its generation capacity until the commissioning of the Ukudu Power Plant.

The temporary power agreement comes at a critical juncture as Guam braces for increasing temperatures along with the heightened energy demand in the coming months. "GPA remains committed to resolving the energy capacity shortfall and this temporary power contract is a giant step toward providing reliable and sustainable power solutions for our customers for the interim," remarked GPA General Manager, John M. Benavente, P.E.

As temperatures climb and energy demand surges, securing additional generation capacity becomes critical to maintaining uninterrupted essential services. Acknowledging the urgency of addressing the energy shortfall within a limited timeframe, GPA initiated an emergency procurement process for temporary power. Aggreko emerged as the sole responsive bidder and was subsequently selected as the vendor. While the contract entails additional operational costs, the upside lies in the fuel efficiency of these generators compared to those currently in operation.

GPA acknowledges the collaborative efforts of the Guam Legislature, Governor, CCU, PUC, Attorney General, and Aggreko in facilitating the approval and execution of this critical agreement. Benavente added, "With the support of our stakeholders and customers, our entire team at GPA will continue to tackle obstacles posed by the impending capacity shortfall as we bridge the gap until the Ukudu Power Plant is ready to be commissioned on September 15, 2024."

GPA emphasizes that the current shortfall is indeed temporary and brighter days are ahead for the people of Guam. For more information on how GPA is addressing the generation capacity shortfall, please visit GPA's website at https://guampowerauthority.com/brighterdaysahead and GPA's social media pages.

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