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## **GPA Addresses Power Generation Shortfall Event**

(Fadian, Guam) – The Guam Power Authority (GPA) is currently reviewing the multiple load-shedding events that occurred during peak hours on December 04, 2024. These events were caused by operating issues with generators, highlighting the ongoing pressures on Guam's power system as GPA works toward long-term improvements.

Last night, our valued customers experienced power outages due to compounded challenges beginning at 4:55 pm with all customers restored by 11:38 pm, with rotating outages limited to no more than an hour for most customers. GPA acknowledges the inconvenience caused and appreciates the community's patience as plant personnel worked to meet demand during peak hours.

At approximately 4:55 pm, the 20 MW Yigo Combustion Turbine went offline due to a hydraulic starter issue. Baseload unit Piti#8 was also taken offline about an hour after, for fuel leak repairs. Additionally, GPA plant personnel continue to make external boiler equipment repairs to baseload unit Cabras #2. The unit was taken down last weekend and plant personnel anticipate its return to service sometime this week. Piti #8 returned to service at 12:06 am today following completion of repairs.

In addition, yesterday's rain and overcast negatively impacted solar energy production for both utility scale and customer systems, also increasing demand.

To increase capacity and assist with generation shortfall, GPA is working with its Battery Operators to shift up to 16 MWh of Battery Energy Storage System (BESS). GPA is also requesting assistance from our U.S. Navy partners to help with additional capacity during peak hours as we bridge the gap to the new Ukudu Power Plant scheduled for commissioning by September 2025.

GPA continues to encourage its customers to implement conservation measures such as turning off water heaters and limiting full usage of air conditioning at their homes and offices. Enacting conservation plans reduces the demand for energy and can mitigate the need for outages.

GPA assures the community that the partial implementation of the rotating outage schedule is a last resort, and every effort is being made to restore service promptly. GPA thanks the community for its continued patience. GPA has provided a current potential rotating outage schedule if needed.

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