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GPA Prepares for New Round of Energy Credits

Six-month extension of energy credits becomes law

(Fadian, Guam) – The Guam Power Authority (GPA) announces that it is preparing for the new round of energy credits recently signed into law by Governor Lourdes "Lou" A. Leon Guerrero and passed by the 37th Guam Legislature.

On June 5, 2024, Gov. Leon Guerrero signed Bill 277-37 into law (Public Law 37-104) extending the *Prugråman Ayuda Para I Taotao-ta Energy Credit* program for another six months for a total of $600 in energy credits for GPA customers. The credits will be made in $100 increments for the April through September 2024 billings and will account for an additional $31.6 million in direct assistance. This is the sixth extension of the Prugråman Ayuda Para I Taotao-ta Energy Credits.

The Department of Administration (DOA) is the lead agency that will release the funds to GPA for the energy credits. Once the funds are received from DOA, GPA undergoes the process to expedite the uploading of the $100 energy credits to all active residential and commercial accounts. GPA will then make an announcement to confirm that the credits have been posted to all active accounts. Customers will see the credit listed in their online accounts immediately and on their next bill.

GPA General Manager John M. Benavente, P.E. said, "GPA thanks the 37th Guam Legislature for introducing this new round of energy credits for the GPA ratepayers and to Governor Lou Leon Guerrero and Lt. Governor Joshua Tenorio for passing the bill into law. Our customers have expressed gratitude for the upcoming six months of energy credits and ongoing support from our island's leaders. We are committed to working expeditiously with our partners at DOA to get the $100 energy credits applied to our customers' accounts so they can enjoy the savings as we enter the summer months."

Financial Assistance Programs Available to Customers

GPA notes that there are programs available from the Department of Administration and the Guam Energy Office for customers in need of assistance. DOA's Emergency Rental Assistance (ERA) Program Cycle 6 remains open for new and continuing applicants. Additionally, the Guam Energy Office offers assistance such as the Weatherization Program and the recently launched Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP). Customers should inquire or apply directly with the agency or organization.

GPA Encourages Customers to Continue to Conserve Energy in the Summer Months

As the island moves toward the summer months, GPA is reminding residents to prepare for warmer temperatures and learn how they can conserve energy and Beat the Peak between the high-demand hours of 5:00 p.m. and 11:00 p.m.

GPA provides tips for how customers can reduce their power bills further by managing their energy consumption and implementing energy saving tips.

For more information, visit GPA's customer service website (guampowerauthority.com), newsletters, and Facebook and Instagram pages (@guampowerauthority).

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