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Guam Power Authority's Agenda Before the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) on January 25, 2024

(Fadian, Guam) - Guam Power Authority (GPA) is set to address critical issues before the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) tonight, Thursday, January 25, 2024, as part of its ongoing commitment to providing a reliable and sustainable power supply to the residents and businesses of Guam.

The following items are on the agenda for approval:

- Petition to Approve Purchase of Water System Diesel Generators
- Petition to Approve Levelized Energy Adjustment Clause (LEAC)
- Petition to Approve Amendment 2 to Hanwha Energy Corporation's Phase II, Renewable Energy Acquisition Power Purchase Agreement

Of particular concern to GPA customers is the vote on a slight increase from $0.23 to $0.26 to the Levelized Adjustment Clause (LEAC), or fuel surcharge. General Manager, John M. Benavente, P.E., stated, "It is never easy to recommend an upward adjustment because we are always mindful about the financial strain it places on our customers. The three-cent increase is intended to support GPA's continued need to purchase expensive fuel amidst continually rising oil costs." *GPA has absorbed $30.4M as of December 2023 in fuel costs which will be spread out over a longer period, or under - recovery, shielding its customers from drastic and steep increases in fuel costs.*

Benavente adds, "While the oil market and global events impact the fuel surcharge, GPA has not increased its cost to run its operation, we have maintained our base rate at $0.10 since 2013. Our priority is to keep our long-term goals for cleaner, reliable and more affordable energy. The sooner we can reduce our reliance on fuel, the sooner we can reduce power bills."

The upcoming PUC session also highlights GPA's ongoing efforts to meet its goals for more renewable energy and ensuring the functionality of customer water wells, sewer systems, and pump stations during disasters.

In addition to the current agenda, GPA looks forward to petitioning and advancing recent milestones to the PUC including the resolutions recently approved by the CCU, which address the restoration of Yigo Diesels, and procurement of temporary power, potentially adding up to 54 MW of energy to Guam's power grid. GPA also anticipates the return to service of the typhoon-damaged 20 MW Yigo Combustion Turbine by March 2024, adding a total of 74MW to the island-wide power system over the next 6 to 9 months. These strategic initiatives align with GPA's commitment to reducing the risk of load shedding and providing a crucial bridge to the anticipated commissioning of the Ukudu Power Plant around September 2025.

GPA will continue to keep the community informed about critical developments. For more information, please visit GPA's website at www.guampowerauthority.com and follow our social media pages.

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