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Possible Partial Implementation of Rotating Outage Schedule

Cabras 2 undergoing emergency repairs; Piti 9 operating at limited capacity

(Fadian, Mangilao) - The Guam Power Authority (GPA) is advising customers that a partial implementation of the May rotating outage schedule may be implemented over the next several days due to limited generation capacity. GPA is making every effort to avoid load shedding.

Baseload unit Cabras 2 was taken offline on Monday, May 20, 2024 to perform emergency repairs on a feedwater system valve and boiler tube leaks. GPA anticipates its return to service after the Memorial holiday weekend.

Additionally, early this morning at about 12:20 am, Baseload unit Piti 9 was de-rated causing a reduction in capacity from 43 MW to 24 MW. Although the unit is scheduled for an outage after Cabras 2 has returned to service, in the event it is required to be taken offline sooner to perform necessary repairs, this will further decrease generation capacity support peak demand.

GPA has been able to mostly stave off load shedding with the help of our U.S. Navy partners and large customers participating in the Interruptible Load Program (ILP). These customers voluntarily switch to their standby generators during peak demand periods, helping to minimize outages for other customers. GPA's Energy Storage System (ESS) also provides energy-shifting functions to support peak demand.

GPA continues to work on the remaining peaking units to restore generation capacity within the next few months to gain an additional 10-12 MW. In addition, the 20 MW Temporary Power plant has been progressing towards it commissioning by early July 2024.

Today and during these summer months as peak demands grow, GPA encourages its customers to practice energy conservation measures during peak hours of 5:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m. such as setting air conditioners to moderate temperatures, turning off water heaters, shutting off lights and electronics when not in use. Together, every small effort to conserve energy 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 appreciates your understanding and cooperation.

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