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Senators Pass Master Plan Updates

With much needed improvements to handle Guam's organic growth and the anticipated military buildup, the Port Authority is very pleased with the passage of Bill 398, now Public Law 29-125. The Port has just completed one of the most critical phases of our modernization plan and can now move forward with its expansion projects.

The Port Authority's plight to upgrade its master plan began in August 2007 when the services of Parsons Brinkerhoff International was contracted to update the 1999 master plan. In September 2007, the Port Authority hosted



the Port Development Conference in conjunction with the Chamber of Commerce.

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Employees Attend Training

Last September, three employees from the Port Authority had the opportunity to partake in two First Responder Trainings held

in New Mexico. Coordinated by Guam Homeland Security and funded by US Homeland Security, Frank Lujan (Commercial Division), Paul Cruz, and Lt. Higinio Camacho (Port Police) attended the Incident Response to Terrorist Bombing (IRTB) and Preventive Response to

Suicide Bomber Incident (PRSBI) First Responder Instructor course. The IRTB course took place from September 8 to 12 at Socorro, New Mexico while the PRSBI course took place from Sept 12 to 15 at the Playas Training Center, New Mexico.

The main objective of the "train the trainer" course was to provide

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Over 120 local, national, and international participants attended the 2 day conference intended to generate ideas and options from experts in the field of seaport operations and planning.

For the last 10 months, the Port Authority has brought its master plan to the community to garner support in the development of Guam's economic lifeline. Presentations were made to various organizations to include local leaders (Governor/Lt. Governor, Legislature, and Mayors' Council); civic organizations (Chamber of Commerce, Tumon Rotary Club, Guam Hotel and Restaurant

Association, Guam Contractors Association, Port Users Group); and the general public during the public hearings and village meetings held by the Civilian Military Task Force.

"We are very pleased with the response we've received from our government leaders and the community as a whole. On behalf of the Board of Directors and Management I'd like to thank Governor Camacho and the Senators of the 29th Guam Legislature for their support and sharing in our vision to modernize the Port," said General Manager Glenn Leon Guerrero. "The Guam Chamber of Commerce, Port Users Group and all stakeholders gave input to what

is now the community's master plan for our commercial seaport. Thank you for your cooperation throughout this process," he added.

But there is still much work to be done. Public Law 29 -125 granted the Port Authority conditional approval of the 2007 Master Plan Update subject to the submission of the Port's financial feasibility plan, economic impact assessment, and implementation plan. As required by law, the Port will be forwarding these documents to the Legislature for final approval.

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awareness training to attendees who in turn will train perspective agencies and departments on how to: 1) identify tactics, potential targets, and indicators associated with possible terrorist attacks using explosive devices; 2) recognize explosive and incendiary materials, devices, and device components and 3) apply the acronym RAIN (Recognize, Avoid, Isolate, Notify) to Pre and Post blast detonation. Attendees were also trained on how to identify the common

components of an IED (Improvised Explosive Device) and learned the cardinal safety rule concerning IEDs.

Sharing what they've learned, trainings on Weapons of Mass Destructions IRTB awareness have been conducted by Frank, Paul, and Lt. Camacho for different divisions of the Port. Divisions that participated in the September and November courses include all of Equipment Maintenance, Facility Maintenance, Operations, Human Resources, and Port Police.

The course scope dealt with the following issues: basic knowledge of weapons of mass destruction, focus on individual responder safety, and compliance with local policies. According to Frank Lujan, the training provided attendees with information and



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knowledge on the different of improvised explosive device(s) and how to identify, evacuate, and report suspicious activities relative to the employee's assigned area. "This training is an essential part of being vigilant in protecting our borders, tenants, port users, and most important, the safety of Port Authority of Guam employees," said Frank Lujan. Plans are underway to offer this course to PAG tenants and users.



Goodbye Gantry I

After a year of planning and coordinating the removal of Gantry I, the 31 year old crane is now gone from the Port's waterfront. Expected to be quick and straightforward, the project faced a number of obstacles ranging from the availability of heavy lift equipment to the safety of employees working on the project, thus taking some time to finish. But thanks to the efforts of the Port team who worked alongside Brand Inc. and Smithbridge, the project was completed safely. Led by Joaquin Pangelinan and assisted by Ray Santos, the Port

provided support in this endeavor from its beginning till the end. Kudos to the Port team for a job well done.



**May this
Christmas end
the present year
on a cheerful
note and
make way
for a fresh and
bright New Year.
Here's wishing
you and your
families a Merry
Christmas
and a Happy
New Year!**

PAGGMA Christmas 2008

Hats off to the Port's employee association for yet another successful Christmas party. PAGGMA's annual celebration was held on December 7 at the Tasi Ballroom, Nikko Hotel. Over two hundred employees, family, and friends enjoyed a night of dinner, dancing, raffle prizes, and games.

The highlight of the evening was a surprise performance by two renowned entertainers who were brought in by PAGGMA just for the occasion. The stunning and talented duo of Shanene and Shanana dazzled the crowd with their stylish dance moves and captivating singing. The crowd went wild with nonstop cheers as the duo performed to *I'm Coming Out* by Diana Ross and *I'm Every Woman* by Whitney Houston.

Employees who attended the party were also treated to numerous raffle prizes including gift certificates from Macys, Home Depot, Iconnect; hotel stays at PIC and Nikko Hotel. Dinner gift certificates, Salvatore Ferragamo and Coach purses, tools sets, a home security system, a microwave, a water dispenser and many more prizes were raffled off as well. The icing on the cake was the grand prize of three round

trip tickets for one to Manila compliments of Lujan, Aguigui, & Perez, and AM Insurance. These prizes were raffled off at the end of the evening to PAGGMA members who were still present. And to remember the night, portraits were taken by Expressions Studio with a beautiful White Christmas background complete with artificial snow.

Dankulu na si Yu'us Ma'as is extended to PAGGMA and the Christmas Committee (Human Resource Division & Information Technology Division) and their members for putting together an awesome party. Special thanks to our friends in the business community for all the donated gifts and for the endless support given to PAGGMA. And to the employees, family, and friends who helped make this night a great success, thank you for your attendance and participation. Hope to see all employees at next year's Christmas party.



