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The Port Report

August 2011

PAG Gets \$2.3 Million Grant

The Port Authority of Guam has been awarded \$2.3 Million in federal security grants to help secure our island's only commercial sea port.

In June of this year the Port applied for consideration in the FY2011 Port Security Grant Program. The agency was notified that it was awarded \$2,392,941.

"This is great news for the Port and the people of Guam as this money will be used to further strengthen the security of our port and the goods that flow

through our docks," said Governor Eddie Baza Calvo.

to acquire a Mobile Containerized X-Ray Screening System. The x-

The Port will use \$867,151 to purchase a 1500 KW Emergency Backup Generator for the Port's Load Center. Currently the Port's backup generator is only 500KW. This new generator will enhance the Port's capability during prolonged periods of time when island power is disrupted.

The remaining \$1,525,790 will be used



ray system will then be turned over to the Guam Customs and Quarantine Agency for utilization by customs officers.

Port General Manager said this grant award is the result of hard work by Port employees and the support of the Board and Governor Eddie Baza Calvo.

Kudos to the Planning Division and Joe Javellana's team for putting this grant application together. The team will submit another grant application for FY 2012 for 2 more emergency back up generators (1500 & 1250 KW) to support the Port's modernization program.



Legislative Briefing Continues

The Port Board and management went through another round of questioning during a legislative briefing on August 9 held by Senator Tom Ada, chairman for the Transportation Committee. The briefing which lasted more than two hours was a continuation of last June's session regarding status updates on the Port's modernization program. The informational briefing focused primarily on the port's implementation plan that is currently under review by the Maritime Administration. The plan outlines the way the Port and MARAD will handle more than \$50 million in Department of Defense funding for its modernization program.

The Power Point presentation delivered by different management staff also gave senators an update of the USDA loan status, crane acquisition, relocation of infrastructure needs, and potential legislative assistance for funding alternatives. Discussions focused on how changes with the military buildup will affect the Port's modernization and its execution strategy. Events

such as the Japan earthquake/tsunami and federal cutbacks on federal spending have caused a delay and reduction in some projects related to the relocation of marine forces to Guam.

Based on the current situation and changes with some of the initial assumptions and forecasts made when the master plan was approved, Phase IA projects have been reallocated. Projects to be undertaken with the \$50 million funding from DOD now include the following: expanded break bulk yard, F-5 structural repairs, new gate complex, utilities & infrastructure upgrades (water, lighting, storm, power), communications infrastructure, small container yard expansion, and security fencing. These upgrades were based on the Port's capacity and its sustainability to meet the impending influx of cargo related to the buildup and the island's organic growth.

Other projects to be undertaken through private financing include an updated information technology system

(terminal operating system, gate operating system, and financial management system), waterfront maintenance and repairs, purchase of new cargo handling equipment and the purchase of gantry cranes as required by Public Law 30-100.

The Port Authority and MARAD are towards an agreement on the Protocol Manual and the Implementation Plan. As preliminary environmental assessments are completed, we should soon see some construction activity take place.

To view the complete Power Point presentation, log on the Port's website at www.portguam.com and click on Modernization>Presentations.

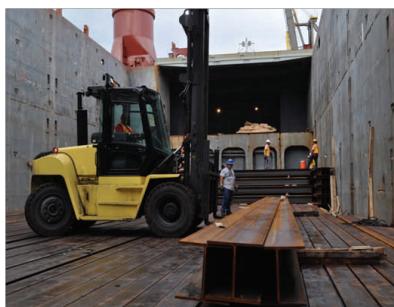


Ocean Atlas Operations

By: Jesse Aguigui

Port operation personnel exceeded all expectations this month when a ship full of massive and unique cargo was off loaded ahead of schedule.

On July 27, the Ocean



Atlas made its way to our dockside from Senboku Japan carrying approximately 7,325 tons of steel beams and sheet piles. The cargo is for the Naval Station renovation of Tango and Uniform Wharves, in preparation for the impending military buildup.

The biggest challenge of this operation was the rigging and discharging of the cargo in a safe and timely manner, said Operations Manager John B. Santos. According to Santos, Matson estimated 40 lifts per day would keep the vessel schedule on track for departure time.

Santos said the operation went well ahead of schedule thanks to the dedication of Stevedore Supervisor Patrick Alvarez and his crew.

Personnel were able to achieve 15 lifts in an hour and a half, which completed the operation a day ahead of schedule. Thank you Operation personnel for your hard work and dedication. Keep up the great work!

New Trash Receptacles

If you haven't noticed it yet, new trash receptacles have been placed at different locations within the Port compound. Twelve white trash bins have been placed in different locations of the parking lot and areas that are heavily traversed by employees, port users, and

customers. Preventive Maintenance Supervisor Terrance Aflague decided to take on this project after noticing trash sometimes scattered in the area or blown by the wind.

Once he got the okay to proceed, Terrance, with the help of co-workers from Preventive Maintenance and Facility Maintenance, collected and converted old 55 gallon oil drums into the new trash bins. The lids were made with old rubber tires that came from surveyed tractors and old rebar from past Liberation Day floats were used to secure the lids.



"I care about our area so I decided to do this project," said Terrance. "I'd like to instill some respect and pride in our work areas by keeping it clean," he further added. He keeps an open door policy and is willing to give a helping hand, even if it doesn't relate to his job. Terrance wants to make a positive contribution before he retires and leaves his Port family sometime next year.

Let's do our part to help make our Port clean and presentable for all who work and do business here by using the new trash receptacles.

PAG Website and Facebook Updates

Since the launch of the Port's redesigned website in September 2009, the site has been growing and providing a wide range of information to viewers from all corners of the globe. Most recently, the Marketing Division has added the social media site, Facebook, as another means of reaching the public and bringing awareness to

the Port's day to day activities and its efforts to modernize.

If you haven't done so yet, please visit www.portguam.com and see the comprehensive information contained in the website. Read about latest news, modernization updates, shipping schedules, and related links. Visit the Facebook page to check latest events and photos of employees. Feel free to "comment" and "like" the page.

Keeping up with the latest trend is a new feature, RSS feed, which is now offered on the Port's website.

An RSS feed allows you to easily stay informed by

retrieving the latest content from the sites you are interested in. You save time by not needing to visit each site individually and you ensure your privacy because you don't need to join each site's email newsletter.

In order to use the RSS feed feature, simply download a web-based feed reader from your computer or your smartphone such as [My Yahoo](#), [Bloglines](#), and [Google Reader](#). Once subscribed, you can see what information is updated on the port website as it happens. When you have your feed reader downloaded go to the Port website homepage and click on the RSS feed button and then you are done. Now all the information and updates on the site will be brought to you simultaneously as they happen!

Employees Paint Bus Shelters

Several employees volunteered their Saturday, August 20, to help paint bus shelters at the compound of



Department of Public Works before they were to be installed throughout the island. Lt Governor Ray Tenorio partnered with Isla Pain and Sherwin Williams to spruce up at least 20 of the 60 wood and tin bus stops. Thank you to Chief Doris Aguero and Officer James Sandlin from Port Police Division and Melissa Mussyal from Facility Division for representing the Port.



PAG Assists with JFK Opening

Last month, Port employees from Operations and Equipment Maintenance Division assisted Southern High School with structural and electrical repairs needed to pass inspection for the new school year. Again this month, employees from Transportation Division were deployed to assist with preparations at the new John F. Kennedy High School. They helped out school faculty and

staff in transporting office furniture, desks, tables, chairs and equipments to the newly constructed location in Upper Tumon. In spite of the inclement weather, employees continued working to ensure deadlines were met.

Thanks to their help, the school opened August 28. Kudos to all the



employees and the Port for always lending a hand whenever needed.

From : Incentive Awards



Employee Incentive Awards

EMPLOYEE OF THE QUARTER

January to March 2011

Category I – Therese R.T. Reyes, Port Police II
 Category II – Francisco A. Belmes, Crane Mechanic II

April to June 2011

Category I – Shawn B. Cepeda, Personnel Specialist II
 Category II – Joshua T. Tuituu

SUPERVISOR OF THE QUARTER

January to March 2011

Category I – Higinio N. Camacho, Jr., Port Police Supervisor
 Category II – Raymond C. Munoz, Building Maintenance Supervisor

April to June 2011

Category I – Carmelita C. Nededorog, Personnel Specialist III
 Category II – Anthony M. Blas, Stevedore Supervisor I

OUTSTANDING WORK CENTER OF THE QUARTER

January to March 2011

Category I – Port Police Division, Shift II
 Category II – Building Maintenance Section/Facility Maintenance

April to June 2011

Category I – No Nominations
 Category II – Stevedoring Division, Shift I

GOOD HOUSEKEEPING WORK CENTER OF THE QUARTER

January to March 2011

Category I – Human Resources Division
 Category II – Building Maintenance Division

April to June 2011

Category I – General Administration
 General Manager's Office
 Category II – Welding Section, EQMR



PAGGMA Updates

PAGGMA Officers would like to inform its members that financial statements and tax forms for years 2006 to 2010 have been filed with the Department of Revenue and Taxation. The association's income statement was also published in the August 17 edition of the Marianas Variety. These records are open for review to members and employees. To view PAGGMA's financial statements and tax forms, please contact Treasurer Jennifer Leon Guererro who will gladly make the records available.

What's Coming Up:

Happy Hour Fundraiser - September 2, 2011, 6:30 pm, Shots Lounge at the Ground Floor of Hafa Adai Exchange, Tamuning. For tickets or more information, please call Jenni Leon Guerrero at extension 240 or Carol Jenkins at extension 361.

Labor Day Picnic - September 4, 2011, Ypao Beach. PAGGMA will be coordinating the 2011 Labor Day Luncheon. The Port Authority will be located directly

behind the Guam Visitors Bureau building in Tumon. All employees, families, and friends are invited to celebrate the hard work we do for our community. It will be a day of fun filled activities; music, entertainment, tug-o-war competition, best table setting contest, best food competition and a volley ball competition. See you all there!

Port Week 2011 - Be on the lookout for Port events. Schedules will be announced once finalized.

Photo Highlights

