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NEWS RELEASE

PUC Approves Port's \$4.8M Warehouse 1 Maintenance Project

Piti, Guam, April 25, 2025: The Port Authority of Guam received the green light yesterday from the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) to proceed with the full execution of its Warehouse 1 Maintenance Project—an essential initiative aimed at addressing long-standing structural deficiencies at one of the Port's most critical operational facilities.

The PUC approved the Port's request to award the project to the lowest and most responsive bidder, BME & Sons, Inc., with a winning bid of \$4.837 million. BME & Sons, Inc. is already engaged in the Port's ongoing Waterline Replacement and Relocation Project and brings a proven record of accomplishment of performance on Port grounds.

Warehouse 1 currently houses vital sections of the Port's operations, including the Equipment and Maintenance Repair Section, Controlled Climate Storage Facility, Crane Mechanics Section, and Fleet Services.

"This facility plays a critical role in supporting our operational readiness, equipment longevity, and the Port's vital role in commerce and national security," said Port General Manager Rory J. Respicio. "The structural issues such as rusting rebars and spalling concrete pose long-term risks to safety and functionality. We are grateful for the PUC's continued support in ensuring that Port infrastructure remains strong and resilient. These projects, under the leadership of Governor Lou Leon Guerrero, Lt. Governor Josh Tenorio, and our Board, reflect a continued investment not just in facilities but in the people who keep them running. At the Port we remain focused on supporting a workplace that values our employees and their role in keeping Guam's supply chain strong."

The approved maintenance project will tackle the structural integrity of the aging facility, helping to extend its useful life and preserve the essential services it supports. With the contract now cleared for execution, work is expected to commence shortly.

The Port remains committed to modernizing its infrastructure and investing in safe, sustainable operations that continue to meet the needs of Guam's people and economy.

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