



# News Release

## Port Secures Federal Funding for Yard Lighting

*Nearly \$1 Million to be spent on new container yard lighting system*

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The Port Authority of Guam has secured nearly \$1 Million in federal grants to install new container yard lights at the commercial sea port.

The funding, obtained from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, will be used to replace the aging 50 foot poles and lights with 80-foot steel reinforced poles and new lighting. The poles will be strategically placed throughout the container yard for maximum security and protection. The port was awarded \$834,016 for the upgrades.

“This is another example of how the Port is aggressively moving forward with much-needed improvements that will provide for the needs of our community,” said Glenn Leon Guerrero, General Manager of the Jose D. Leon Guerrero Commercial Port.

The Port has already embarked upon a massive modernization program with nearly \$200 Million in renovations and upgrades planned for the facility. The Port is preparing for the organic growth of our community along with increased demands that will come with the Guam military buildup.

“This new container yard lightening system falls in line with our plans to modernize our Port and transform our commercial port into a world-class facility,” Leon Guerrero said.

The Port’s Modernization Plan was unveiled in February of 2007 and outlines major capital improvement upgrades to the 34-year-old facility. The master plan received conditional approval from the Guam Legislature in December. The General Manager left today for Washington D.C. to seek federal funding for the modernization plan.

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