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## **NEWS RELEASE**

## Ground Breaking Ceremony for Container Yard Lighting

US DHS Port Security Grant Program funds project

**Piti, Guam, March 22, 2012:** The Port Authority of Guam held a ground breaking ceremony today to commence work on upgrades to its container yard lighting; a critical project will increase security and visibility at the island's only commercial sea port.

"This project is 100 percent funded by the U.S. DHS/FEMA Port Security Grant Program," said General Manager Mary C. Torres. "This project will enhance the Port and stakeholders' efficiency during night time container yard operations, and provide an added security measure within the restricted Port container yard."

Nine (9) bidders participated in the bid opening on November 29, 2011. With a total bid price of \$748,412.00 and meeting all procurement requirements, DCK Pacific was awarded the contract. Details of the project include the following:

Project Name:	Port Container Yard Lighting Upgrade
Designer:	AMOrient Engineering
Contractor:	DCK Pacific Guam, LLC, dba BISHMAN Continental Services
Construction	
Managers:	Port Authority of Guam
Project Cost:	\$748,412.00
Funding Source:	US DHS/FEMA Port Security Grant Program
Completion:	November 19, 2012

Project Description:

Funded by the US DHS/FEMA Port Security Grant Program, the purpose of this project is to upgrade the existing container yard lighting to comply with US Coast Guard and OSHA standard requirements and to enhance the Port's maritime security posture. To achieve this objective, the project will:

- remove existing corroded poles and replace with new hot dip galvanized steel poles with new stainless steel brackets;
- $\cdot$  modify existing foundations including anchor bolts as may be necessary;
- $\cdot$  provide lighting fixtures based on size and quantity,
- $\cdot$  re-use existing conduits and provide new wiring for lighting circuits.

Additionally new timer controls will be installed providing daily automatic on and off settings including skipping any desired day or days. Pre-set times can be programmed so that the system can be automatically turned on at dusk for night operations and likewise turned off before dawn for early morning lighting.

Torres added that she wanted to thank the staff and management of the Port Authority of Guam for working so diligently to obtain federal funds for these critical projects that provide for the needs of our Port and all the people of Guam.

Cutline: Port Management, Board of Directors, members of the 31<sup>st</sup> Guam Legislature, and project partners participate in the traditional "turning of the shovel" to commence work on the Port's container yard lighting upgrades. Left-right: Board Member Shelly Gibson, Board Member Mike Benito, MARAD Brian Varney, Mayor Vicente Gumataotao, USCG Capt. Casey White, DCK Pacific Louie De Maria, Board Chairman Daniel J. Tydingco, Governor Eddie B. Calvo, Senator Judith Won Pat, Senator Frank Blas Jr., AMOrient John Robertson, Deputy General Manager Anisia Terlaje, Operations Manager John Santos, Senator Tony Ada. Not visible in photo: General Manager Mary C. Torres, Senator Aline Yamashita, Senator Mana Silva Taijeron, Board Member Christine Baleto