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NEWS RELEASE

Port Creates Travel and Training Repository

New program allows PAG employees and general public to gain knowledge from others who travel off island

Piti, Guam, September 13, 2012: The Port Authority of Guam has launched a new program that will allow the information and knowledge gathered by those who travel off island and attend training on island to be shared with all other employees within the agency.

The recently launched "Port of Guam Travel and Training Repository" is housed within the Port's Human Resources Department and participation is now required of all employees and board members who travel on behalf of the Port. The documents stored at the repository are open for review by members of the Port, other government agencies and the general public.

"Our focus is to ensure that the knowledge gained by employees while off island and at training events on island can be shared with others," said Port General Manager Mary C. Torres. "It is not financially feasible to send all employees to training and this ensures that the money spent on those who do go is well spent since the information will continue to be shared with others and the training and knowledge can be utilized for the benefit of all the Port of Guam employees."

Each employee and board member who now travels is required to file a trip report detailing the training and information learned at the event. The Trip Report along with all collateral materials gathered at the event is required to be submitted to the Port of Guam Travel and Training Repository.

The Port of Guam is also working to have the information uploaded to the website at <u>www.portguam.com</u> to ensure a broader dissemination of the information. This also will allow other members of the Government of Guam and those in our community to share in the knowledge obtained from the training.

"Governor Calvo has always reiterated to cabinet leaders that we need to ensure that information and training is shared agency-wide and to make sure that it is accessible via the web so we are following his lead on this initiative," Torres said. "We continue to push forward on his policy of Openness and Transparency and this Travel and Training Repository is yet another way of ensuring that his commitment to the people is upheld."

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