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NEWS RELEASE

Port of Guam to co-host APP conference this week

Port officials from across the Pacific will be on island for annual Association of Pacific Ports event



Piti, Guam, July 17, 2012: The Port Authority of Guam will be co-host to port experts from all over the Pacific this week during the annual Association of Pacific Ports Conference.

The theme of this year's conference is **Pacific Blue Continent Connections** and the event will be held at the Marriott Guam Resort from July 18-21. This 99th Annual Conference in Guam will be co-hosted by the Republic of the Marshall Islands (RMI) Ports Authority and the Port Authority of Guam. The APP President this year is RMI Board Member James Matayoshi.

Expert speakers will cover timely Pacific Port issues including:

- **Port Security throughout the Pacific**
- **Modernizing Stevedore Operations**
- **Expanding Trade with a Changing China**
- **Investing in Port Infrastructure**
- **Managing Military Partnerships with Ports**
- **Maximizing Renewable Energy Benefits**
- **Effective Commission/Board Governance**
- **Building Stronger Wharves**
- **Expanding & Updating Cruise Terminals**
- **Restructuring Taiwan Ports**
- **Adequate Port Insurance Coverage**
- **Deploying Successful Port Leadership**

Some of the speakers will include Port of Guam General Manager Mary C. Torres, Dan Allen the Ports and Harbors Practice Leader from Moffat and Nichol and Taiwan International Ports Corporation President Tai-Hsin Lee.

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The following is some additional information from Mr. Dave Hunt, Executive Director of the Association of Pacific Ports.

- ✓ About 75 Delegates from ports and port-related businesses from the Pacific Islands, Asia and the West Coast of the U.S. and Canada will be attending

- ✓ The theme is "Pacific Blue Continent Connections"

- ✓ Topics to be discussed include: Restructuring Taiwan Ports, Adequate Port Insurance Coverage, Deploying Successful Port Leadership, Expanding Trade with a Changing China, Investing in Port Infrastructure, Managing Military Partnerships with Ports, Maximizing Renewable Energy Benefits, Effective Commission/Board Governance, Port Security throughout the Pacific and Building Stronger Wharves.

- ✓ Delegates who attend will discover more about timely port industry issues and economic trends, hear firsthand perspectives from key port industry leaders, learn what's new at other ports, tour the Port of Guam's commercial and recreational harbors, build stronger trade partnerships by networking with colleagues, and enjoy beautiful Guam! During the business meeting, delegates will also elect APP officers and pass a budget for next year.

- ✓ The collective goal is Increased efficiency, effectiveness, and prosperity for Pacific ports.

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