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## NEWS RELEASE

### Fuel leak at F1 pier contained

*Air monitoring samples at the site indicate normal air quality*

**Piti, Guam, September 2, 2011:** A fuel leak at the Port Authority of Guam's F1 Fuel Pier has been contained and officials report that the situation is under control and the area cleared.

The F1 Pier is owned by the Port Authority of Guam but is managed and operated by Tristar Agility. No injuries were reported.

According to Port Harbor Master Felix Pangelinan, the incident occurred at 11:20 this morning when the MT Gas Shuriken was off loading LPG gas at the pier.

"According to the Tristar pier operator, the gas tanker was discharging LPG gas through a hose into the F1 fuel line when the 6 inch hose ruptured," Pangelinan said. "Immediately after the rupture, the operator on the dock hit the emergency stop button which stopped the discharge and as a result minimal product was released into the air."

The hose that ruptured belonged to the company receiving the LPG product and not Tristar who is the pier operator and manager.

The Port Harbor Master Office, Port Police, Guam Fire Department and U.S. Coast Guard all responded to the scene.

"The Coast Guard immediately established a perimeter extending 800 meters on the waterside from Pier F1, and 300 meters on the shore side for safety reasons and Tristar began air quality monitoring of the pier and even as far as the GPA power plant due to the direction of the wind," Pangelinan said. "All air quality test samples came back negative."

At 2:10 this afternoon the Coast Guard cleared the scene and the safety perimeter was lifted. The Coast Guard will continue their investigation into the incident and Tristar will continue to conduct air quality monitoring of the area. Once given approval by the Coast Guard, the MV Gas Shuriken will resume operations.

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Cutline: The MV Gas Shuriken remains docked at the F1 Fuel Pier Friday afternoon while officials investigate a fuel leak that occurred when LPG gas was being discharged from the vessel into the pier fuel lines.



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