

**BEFORE THE GUAM PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

**IN THE MATTER OF:** )  
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**THE PETITION OF THE GUAM** )  
**POWER AUTHORITY FOR CREATION** )  
**OF CONDOMINIUM RATE** )  
**SCHEDULE.** )  
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**GPA DOCKET 20-10**

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Guam Public Utilities Commission [PUC] will conduct a public hearing on Guam Power Authority’s [GPA] Petition for Creation of Condominium Rate Schedule. The public hearing will commence at 6:30 p.m. on January 13, 2021, at Suite 202 GCIC Building, 414 West Soledad Avenue, Hagatna, Guam.

In GPA Docket 19-09, the President of the Guam Association of Realtors and Senators of the 35<sup>th</sup> Guam Legislature filled a Petition for Allocation of Residential Rate Schedule for Residential Multi-Family Accommodations. The Petition sought the establishment of a residential power rate for residents living in apartment buildings, condos, and other multifamily residential buildings. Such residents are presently charged at a commercial power rate. Based upon principles of fairness and equity, the Petition sought the creation of a new power rate schedule for residential multifamily accommodations so that residents in such accommodations are not charged higher rates than those that reside in single family residences.

GPA retained a consultant to conduct a cost-of-service study and financial projection. As a part of that study, the Consultant examined present rates for condos and apartments. It presented a proposal for creation of a Condominium Service, Schedule D, which would charge residents of multifamily accommodations in accordance with residential rates. Based upon its Consultant’s study, GPA determined that it would present its Petition for Creation of a Condominium Rate Schedule in this Docket. The GPA Petition is subject to the approval of the PUC, as all rate changes must be approved by the PUC pursuant to 12 GCA §12116.

The purpose of the public hearing will be to provide PUC with public input and comment to assist it in determining whether GPA’s proposal, to include Condominiums within a new Condominium Service Rate Schedule D, and to provide residents of condominium units power rates similar to those afforded to members of the Residential

Rate Class, should be adopted. Reclassification of residents of condominium and multifamily accommodations from current rate classes J3, P, and G1 will result in an estimated reduction of revenue to GPA in an amount of \$535,748. Various recovery options are available to recover such income for GPA. GPA's Consultant has presented different options, such as increasing all rate classes (except Navy) by 0.4%; applying an increase only to the residential class in the amount of \$1.05 per month; or postponing any adjustment to 2023, when the Consultant anticipates a base rate adjustment of 8.4% (however, to be offset by reduced fuel prices). After the public hearings, at its next regularly scheduled meeting, the PUC will determine the appropriate action to be taken on GPA's Petition, including which rate option to implement and when such rate increase should be effective.

Interested parties may review GPA's Petition for Creation of Condominium Rate Schedule at the PUC Website, [www.guampuc.com](http://www.guampuc.com), or at the PUC Office, Suite 207, GCIC Bldg., Hagatna. Copies of documents related to the Petition will be maintained at the PUC Office.

Interested persons may participate in the public hearing pursuant to Public Law 23-30:1, by application to the PUC at Suite 207, GCIC Building Hagatna. PUC will also welcome public comments, whether oral or written. Public comments will be entertained in the order registered with PUC staff at Suite 202 GCIC Building, commencing at 6:15 p.m. on the evening of the hearing.

PUC will also invite public comments on GPA's Petition at additional hearings, which have been scheduled for the public's convenience in accordance with Public Law 26-23 and will be held at the following locations and times:

5:30 p.m. January 14, 2021, Asan Community Center  
7:00 p.m. January 14, 2021, Dededo Senior Citizens Center

Public comments at the supplemental hearings will be welcomed in the order registered with PUC staff prior to the hearings.

Due to the current public health emergency, all persons attending the meeting will be required to wear masks. Social distancing protocols will be observed. Further information about the hearings can be obtained from the PUC's Administrator Lou Palomo at 472-1907. Those with disabilities who need special accommodation to attend the hearings should also contact Ms. Palomo.