

I MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
2009 (FIRST) Regular Session

Resolution No. 28 (COR)

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Relative to commending and congratulating Marianas Energy Company and Guam Power Authority on the occasion of the Tenth (10th) Year Anniversary of their Public-Private Partnership, and for their continued commitment to foster a better island community.

1 **BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF *I***
2 ***MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN*:**

3 **WHEREAS, *I Liheslaturan Guåhan*, during a Special Session on June 22,**
4 **1996, approved the Emergency Power Procurement Law authorizing the**
5 **Guam Power Authority to procure additional electric generation capacity, and**

1 in September 1996, Marianas Energy Company signed a twenty (20) year
2 Energy Conversion Agreement with the Guam Power Authority for the
3 development, construction and operation of an Independent Power Project in
4 Piti; and

5 **WHEREAS**, the total Independent Power Project costs, including
6 financing, was approximately \$155 million, forming the largest privately
7 owned power project on island. This represents approximately one-third (1/3)
8 of the total island power daily requirements that not only serves as a more
9 economical source of power generation for the Guam Power Authority, but
10 more importantly, is a major component servicing the power needs of our
11 island community; and

12 **WHEREAS**, Marianas Energy Company diligently worked to ensure
13 that the fast track power project reached the construction phase less than a
14 year after signing the agreement, and in February 1999, nearly two (2) months
15 ahead of schedule, it began operations of the eighty-eight (88) megawatt
16 power project in Piti, an operation that exceeds strict United States and Guam
17 Environmental Protection Standards; and

18 **WHEREAS**, for the past ten (10) years of its public-private partnership,
19 Marianas Energy Company has consistently provided cost-efficient and very
20 reliable power generation in an environmentally-preferred process, and the
21 company recruited and trained local residents, so as to allow technology
22 transfer; and

1 **WHEREAS**, Marianas Energy Company has consistently maintained an
2 excellent operation with high reliability and availability of its generating
3 station in Guam, and is also considered to have one of the best slow-speed
4 generators available globally; and

5 **WHEREAS**, under the Energy Conversion Agreement, Marianas Energy
6 Company guaranteed at least a ninety percent (90%) availability factor; while,
7 in fact, over the last ten (10) years, Marianas Energy Company's availability
8 has averaged over ninety-two percent (92%) and has consistently achieved a
9 high reliability of ninety-eight percent (98%); and

10 **WHEREAS**, Marianas Energy Company has assiduously and
11 proactively donated time and resources to local educational endeavors as
12 evidenced by its major sponsorship of the annual Science Fair at schools
13 island-wide for the past eight (8) years, its donations of computers, and the
14 donation of temporary classrooms for Jose L.G. Rios Middle School; and

15 **WHEREAS**, Marianas Energy Company consistently participates in our
16 island's environmental and beautification activities, such as: the Think Green
17 Campaign, Earth Week, *Na La Bonita* Guam, Life's a Beach, Guam
18 International Coastal clean up and numerous other cleaning and
19 beautification programs; and

20 **WHEREAS**, thousands of dollars spent by Marianas Energy Company
21 benefited the residents of Piti, with the construction of a basketball court, and

1 funds were donated to civic, non-profit organizations, including, the Make-a-
2 Wish Foundation, the American Red Cross, and the Salvation Army; and

3 **WHEREAS**, Marianas Energy Company and Guam Power Authority's
4 public-private partnership has and continues to lead the way in providing an
5 excellent model for successful privatization; and

6 **WHEREAS**, Marianas Energy Company is efficiently operated and
7 managed by well-trained and experienced personnel, who continue to direct
8 the project with exceptional performance results that have proven to be a
9 valuable resource upon which the island's future is sure to build upon; now,
10 therefore, be it

11 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'Trenta Na*
12 *Lihsaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Lihsaturan* and the people of
13 Guam, commend and congratulate the management and employees of the
14 Marianas Energy Company and the Guam Power Authority for their
15 successful Tenth (10th) Year Public-Private partnership, and for their
16 commitment to foster a better island community; and be it further

17 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on
18 Rules certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and
19 that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Marianas Energy
20 Company; to the Guam Power Authority; and to the Honorable Felix P.
21 Camacho, *I Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF *I MINA'TRENA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON THE 3RD DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2009.



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