Resolution No. 2016-33

Relative to Authorizing GPA to Acquire Chamorro Land Trust Commission Property for Energy Storage Facility

WHEREAS, the Guam Power Authority (GPA) and NRG Energy, Inc. has entered into a 25 year agreement for the operations of a solar energy production located in Dandan, Talofofo; and

WHEREAS, the solar energy production has shown varying degrees of intermittency associated with cloud cover; and

WHEREAS, GPA has determined that an Energy Storage facility is required to mitigate issues caused by the intermittency of the solar energy production; and

WHEREAS, GPA has identified property owned by the Chamorro Land Trust Commission (CLTC) best suited for an Energy Storage facility, which will facilitate renewable integration into the islandwide power system (IWPS); and

WHEREAS, GPA has been working with the staff of the CLTC to secure land adjacent to the existing Talofofo Substation and Power Plant; and

WHEREAS, the CLTC, having agreed that GPA’s request for additional land for the required infrastructure development serves the public’s interest, is working with their board to support GPA’s request; and

WHEREAS, the CLTC has approved the Right of Entry as an interim measure to allow GPA access to the property to conduct required studies, surveys and necessary actions to begin the design for the required Energy Storage facility; and

WHEREAS, the CLTC, GPA, and the Office of Senator Tom Ada are developing draft legislation to acquire the property which will require fair and reasonable compensation for the acquired property; and

WHEREAS, the Consolidated Commission on Utilities fully supports GPA’s efforts in constructing an Energy Storage facility to facilitate renewable integration into the IWPS.
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Consolidated Commission on Utilities subject to the review and approval, if required, of the Public Utilities Commission as follows:

1. The General Manager of GPA is hereby authorized to develop legislation along with the CLTC and the Office of Senator Tom Ada to transfer to Guam Power Authority a portion of Lot No. 421-R26 (Proposed Lot 421-77), Municipality of Talofofo with an approximate area of 2100± square meters from the Chamorro Land Trust Inventory for the purpose of erecting an energy storage facility to mitigate the intermittency of renewable power production.

2. The General Manager of GPA is hereby authorized to negotiate with CLTC for the fair market value of the property to be acquired.

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Commission certifies and the Secretary of the Commission attests the adoption of this Resolution.

DULY and REGULARLY ADOPTED AND APPROVED THIS 24th DAY OF MAY, 2016.

Certified by:  

Attested By: J. GEORGE BAMBA  
SECRETARY

JOSEPH T. DUENAS  
CHAIRMAN

Date: ___________________  

Date: ___________________
SECRETARY'S CERTIFICATE

I, J. George Bamba Secretary, Consolidated Commission on Utilities hereby certifies as follows:

The foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of a resolution duly adopted at a regular meeting of the members of Guam’s Consolidated Commission on Utilities, duly and legally held at the meeting place thereof on May 24, 2016, at which meeting all of said members had due notice and at which at least a majority thereof were present;

At said meeting said resolution was adopted by the following vote:

Ayes: 4
Nays: 0
Absent: 1

Said original resolution has not been amended, modified, or rescinded since the date of its adoption, and the same is now in full force and effect.

SO CERTIFIED this 24th day of May 2016.

[Signature]

J. George Bamba
Secretary, Consolidated Commission on Utilities