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UNDERGROUND PROJECT 95% COMPLETE

An underground (U/G) line project beginning at the Harmon Substation to the Tanguisson Power Plant is 95 percent complete. The contractor is JB Modern Tech with an estimated project cost of \$4 million dollars. The U/G project will provide two protected transmission lines and a fiber optic line directly connecting the Tanguisson Power Plant to the Harmon Substation.

“When this U/G project is complete, GPA will have in underground connection in lieu of the existing overhead transmission lines from the Tanguisson baseload units to Harmon Substation.” stated Joaquin C. Flores, P.E., GPA General Manager, “Undergrounding these lines will provide one less restoration step towards power recovery to GPA customers.”

The project is partially funded by FEMA Hazard Mitigation grant and is cost shared by the Authority as part of several projects to extend underground line protection to large load centers in the central part of Guam.

“Contractors are currently erecting riser poles (metal conduits) to connect the lines down to the power plant.” stated Flores, “We expect this project to be completed within budget by mid February 2009.”

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