

GUAM POWER AUTHORITY

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GUAM POWER AUTHORITY (GPA) ASSISTANT GENERAL MANAGER OF ADMINISTRATION JOINS AMERICAN PUBLIC POWER ASSOCIATION (APPA) BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The American Public Power Association (APPA) is the voice of not-for-profit, community-owned utilities that power 2,000 towns and cities nationwide. Public power serves 49 states and five U.S. territories. APPA advocates and advises on electricity policy, technology, trends, training, and operations. APPA represents public power before the federal government to protect the interests of the more than 49 million people that public power utilities serve, and the 96,000 people they employ. APPA stands on four main pillars which are, advocating for public power, moving public power forward, strengthening grid security, and promoting association excellence.

GPA General Manager, John M. Benavente, was elected to be in the Board of Directors for Region 10 of APPA, and he served as a director for two 3-year terms from 2016 to 2022. Region 10 is comprised of American Samoa, Guam, Commonwealth of the Northern Marianas, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands. At the time of his election, Mr. Benavente became the first director in Region 10 to represent the U.S. territories. He has upheld the position by reinforcing the significance of public power for our island's community and its residents.

Earlier this year, GPA Assistant General Manager of Administration, Mrs. Beatrice Limtiaco, was elected as an APPA Director of Region 10 to represent the territories after Mr. Benavente's allotted 6-year position. GPA is proud to congratulate Mrs. Limtiaco in succeeding Mr. Benavente's position as the new Region 10 director onboard. Mrs. Limtiaco will continue to uphold the integrity and mission to integrate Guam's accomplishments and endeavors into the fold with the APPA community, as well as the significance of public power presented in the other territories previously listed.

For more information regarding the APPA Board of Directors and the association's purpose, please refer to the following link: <u>https://www.publicpower.org/board-directors</u>

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