



OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
HAGÁTÑA, GUAM 96910
U.S.A.

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2008- 08

**RELATIVE TO APPROVING THE 2008 UPDATES FOR THE JOSE D.
LEON GUERRERO COMMERCIAL PORT OF GUAM MASTER PLAN**

WHEREAS, the Jose D. Leon Guerrero Commercial Port was established as a public corporation and autonomous government agency on October 1975; and

WHEREAS, the Port is charged with the responsibility of providing for the needs of ocean commerce, shipping, recreational and commercial boating, and navigation within Guam and its waters; and

WHEREAS, with the anticipated military build-up, the Port is vested with the responsibility of overseeing the development of its assets and implementation of policies and strategies to facilitate a smooth transition to the new population base; and

WHEREAS, in addition to the continued support for the diversification of Guam's economy and positioning the island to participate in the growth of seaborne commerce and international trade that is expected to occur in the new millennium; and

WHEREAS, in August 2007, the Port contracted the services of Parsons Brinkerhoff International (PBI) to update the 1999 Port Master Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Port jointly sponsored the 2007 Port of Guam Development Conference with the Guam Chamber of Commerce to supplement the Port master planning process by stimulating constructive discussion on relevant issues facing the Port of Guam from the community; and

WHEREAS, on February 7, 2008, the Port issued the draft updated Master Plan for public review and comment; and;

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors, Port Legal Counsel and PBI conducted public hearings on February 14 and March 5, 2008 and received testimonies from the public on the draft updated Master Plan; and

WHEREAS, courtesy presentations were provided to the Governor and Lieutenant Governor, the Guam Legislature, shipping companies, Port Users, Guam Chamber of Commerce, Mayor's Council of Guam, Guam Hotel and Restaurant Association and formal presentations at the Guam Industry forums sponsored by the Joint Guam Program Office; and

WHEREAS, the finalization of the updated Master Plan is a momentous occasion and marks the beginning of a new era in modernizing the Port as a first class facility in the region and providing cargo handling services in a safe, efficient and sustainable manner; and

WHEREAS, the fine efforts and hard work of all who contributed to the update of the Port Master Plan are appreciated and acknowledged, with special thanks for the collaborative efforts of the Port staff and PBI;



NOW, THEREFORE, I, FELIX P. CAMACHO, *I Maga'láhen Guåhan*, Governor of Guam, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Organic Act of Guam, as amended, do order:

1. The attached Jose D. Leon Guerrero Commercial Port of Guam Master Plan Update 2007 Report adopted and approved by the Board of Directors on May 5 2008, is hereby approved.
2. The Master Plan approved herein shall be submitted to the Legislature for adoption. In accordance with 5 G.C.A. § 1206 the Legislature shall review and approve or disapprove the Plan or any of its elements within sixty (60) calendar days of its receipt. In the event of failure by the Legislature to act within such sixty (60) calendar day period, the Plan or any of its elements so submitted shall be deemed approved.

SIGNED AND PROMULGATED at Hagåtña, Guam this 16th day of May, 2008.

FELIX P. CAMACHO
I Maga' Láhen Guåhan
Governor of Guam

COUNTERSIGNED:

MICHAEL W. CRUZ, M.D.
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Lieutenant Governor of Guam

