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August 31, 2006

Jack Whitten
Reg. IV, US NRC
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Dear Jack Whitten,

Matthew Blevins suggested to mail you letters of support for our proposed irradiator on Oahu.

Sincerely,


Michael Kohn
President
Pa'ina Hawaii LLC

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August 28, 2006

Mr. Michael Kohn
President
Paina Hawaii
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Dear Mr. Kohn:

This letter is in response to your query regarding our interest to have a second commercial irradiator in Hawaii preferably located at Honolulu International Airport.

As you know, Hawaii has a commercial irradiator on the Island of Hawaii treating tropical fruit and sweet potato for export to U.S. mainland markets. That irradiator has been in operation for approximately five years. The facility is owned by a papaya packer and exporter. In addition to treating papaya of its own production through land lease agreements with growers, the facility treats papaya for independent papaya growers on the island. Independent papaya growers must provide a minimum of 1,000 cases of fruit per week to receive treatment service, however, no more than 2,000 cases per week can be delivered to the facility for treatment.

The bulk of the throughput tonnage for the existing facility is provided by growers located on the Island of Hawaii. For growers elsewhere in the state, the location of the facility in Keeau on the Island of Hawaii has been a limiting factor for the expansion of production for export markets given the high costs of transportation and the limited access to markets from the Island of Hawaii.

As a result, there is great need for a second commercial irradiator in Hawaii, fully accessible to all potential users, located on Oahu, the central hub for transportation both air and sea for Hawaii.

Tropical fruit and vegetable commodities are highly perishable requiring the shortest possible time delay from field to market. Hawaii is also a high cost producer, and for growers in Hawaii to be competitive on the world market, quarantine treatment and other handling costs need to be kept to a minimum.

The location of the second facility at Honolulu International Airport will give our growers access to the widest range of mainland and foreign destinations with the shortest time delays from field and treatment to market.



Further, other initiatives are underway that beg for a second irradiator for Hawaii located on the Island of Oahu, preferably at Honolulu International Airport.

A major effort is underway to establish a new biosecurity system for the State of Hawaii. Hawaii has the dubious distinction of having more threatened and endangered species of any state in the union. Much of the environmental pressures that have resulted in the loss of biodiversity in Hawaii have been a result of the loss of native habitat to pest species. Some of these "pests" were intentional introductions; others arrived as hitch hiking pests, primarily on agricultural commodities as fresh fruits and vegetables, cut flowers and foliage plants, brought into the state to sustain the growth of our economy.

The need to keep pests out of the state is a top priority of the state and its federal, county and private sector partners. Recognizing this, the State Civil Defense has just approved a \$100,000 grant to the Hawaii Department of Agriculture for preliminary planning and design for a joint use inspection facility at Honolulu International Airport for State Plant Quarantine, USDA, APHIS, Plant Protection and Quarantine, and for Homeland Security, Customs and Border Protection. The purpose of this joint inspection facility, which could be several acres under one roof, is to assure the most efficient and effective inspection of agricultural products entering Hawaii by three plant quarantine (one state and two federal) agencies. The joint inspection facility is also a pilot effort to test information sharing and collaboration across jurisdictional lines, a national priority of Federal Homeland Security.

The joint use inspection facility for Hawaii is an important component of highly complex initiative to expand and make biosecurity orders of magnitude more effective and efficient in the state. To this end, the State Legislature doubled the staffing of State Plant Quarantine in FY 2006; we anticipate the program will be again doubled in size and resources in FY 2007. A consequence of this effort to assure that we find and prevent the movement of pests into the state is the dilemma of the find and the need to destroy or send back to sender agricultural products that otherwise have high value and quality except for the presence of hitch hiking pests "not known to be present in the state". The HDOA rejected 125 LD3 containers of fresh strawberries several years ago and continue to reject dozens of containers of strawberries and other commodities yearly as a result of pests of quarantine concern to Hawaii. These strawberries could have been treated in an irradiator at low doses that would have mitigated the pests risk at the same time extended the shelf life of the strawberries on market shelves. Hawaii is not in a position to regulate incoming produce as Japan or even California, based on a seemingly zero tolerance standard. Should Hawaii attempt to impose a zero tolerance standard, suppliers would most certainly choose to abandon the state. The expansion of state biosecurity to prevent entry of pests begs the need for post entry commodity treatment. Irradiation has the broadest application for post entry quarantine treatment and would be a critical component to assure the success of state and federal plant quarantine in Hawaii.

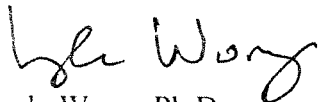
The state recently funded (FY 2004) a \$130,000 study to the University of Hawaii on the application of low dose irradiation for the treatment of cut flowers for pest control. Thousands of boxes of cut flowers and cut greens enter Hawaii each year for the florist trade, far more than can be visually inspected by inspectors. The treatment of flowers for pest control through an

irradiator at Honolulu International Airport is a viable alternative to visual inspection one box after another.

In addition to the above, you are well aware that Hawaii is a major supplier of sterile fruit fly pupae for "preventative release" programs in California to prevent the Mediterranean fruit fly from becoming established in that state. The rearing facility in Hawaii is owned and operated by the California Department of Agriculture. CDFA would like to double the size of its existing fruit fly rearing facility and to possibly increase capacity to 400 + pupae per week. Two Husman Cesium – 137 irradiators owned and operated by the USDA, APHIS, PPQ currently sterilizes the current production of the CDFA facility. Should CDFA expand its facility as planned, CDFA will need additional treatment capacity for the sterilization of the pupae on a timely basis. The Husman would take an estimated 16 hours of continued operation to sterilize 1,400 pounds of pupae per day and this is totally unacceptable. CDFA would have to build its own irradiator to meet its needs, or to contract out this service as an alternative. One option would be to ship the pupae to Keeau on the Island of Hawaii on a daily basis for the treatment. We understand CDFA as well as USDA would prefer to treat the pupae on Oahu to minimize delays and additional handling steps and to reduce the risk of mishaps in the handling of a highly fragile commodity that must be sterilized without room for error to avoid the release of fertile fruit flies on the U.S. mainland.

All the above said, please be advised that a second commercial irradiator in Hawaii is in the interest of the diversified agriculture in Hawaii, the biosecurity of the State of Hawaii, and critically important infrastructure need for the fruit fly rearing program in Hawaii, and therein, has the strongest interest and support of this department.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lyle Wong". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Lyle" and last name "Wong" clearly distinguishable.

Lyle Wong, Ph.D.
Plant Industry Administrator



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Ms. Sandy Kunimoto
Chairperson, Board of Agriculture
Hawaii State Department of Agriculture
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Sandy
Dear Ms. Kunimoto:

We write in support of the completion of an irradiator on Oahu to enable the expansion of agricultural exports from Hawaii to markets around the world. While there is an irradiator on the Big Island, access to that facility is limited, not only for growers on other islands but also for companies like ours that could use the irradiator for other purposes as well.

The establishment of another irradiator has been focused on the export of locally grown products to markets on the mainland or elsewhere but for a produce wholesaler like us, the accessibility to an irradiator would be extremely helpful for the importation of produce that requires postharvest treatment prior to entry into Hawaii. These include root crops (radishes, turnips, rutabagas) and other commodities such as lemon grass or passion fruit. There are also instances where strawberries brought in from the mainland are found to have some insects upon arrival. Those fruits could be treated here and sold rather than being destroyed.

We hope that this offers another perspective to the need for an irradiator close to the major markets and distribution networks.

Thank you for the opportunity to express our views on this issue which we feel is critical to the future of Hawaii's agriculture and overall economic viability.

Very Truly Yours,

Tish
Letitia Uyehara
Director of Marketing

Sandra Lee Kunimoto
Chairperson, Board of Agriculture
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Honolulu, HI 96814-2512

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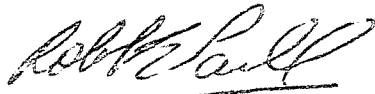
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We urge the completion of Pa'ina Hawaii's irradiator at the earliest possible date.

Signature:



Print name: Robert E. Paull

Date: 2006 March 14

Occupation: Professor & Chairman Tropical Plant & Soil Sciences UHM

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Signature: 

Print name: SAM HUBER

Date: 2/21/06

Occupation: WHOLESALE

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July 19, 2006

Pa'ina Hawaii LLC
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Honolulu, HI 96820

Dear Michael Kohn:

I own a produce distribution company on the island of Maui.

My immediate concern relates to the many imports we do from the US mainland. The number of shipments from this origin found to be infested with invasive species has gone up. When a shipment is found with invasive species we have only two choices: destruction of product or return to sender. Both choices are very expensive. Because of the frequency of positive tested shipments we are now at the point where certain items like strawberries become difficult to import.

I very much support the building of a gamma irradiator that could safely and economically treat our imports and hopefully also exports. The location near Honolulu and Maui Airports are important to quickly facilitate any treatment requirements.

Sincerely,

Roberto Berkowicz

Owner



*Puna-Hawaii King
Papaya Cooperative*

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October 28, 2003

JM Associates, LLC
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Mr. John Farias
Mr. Michael Kohn

Dear John and Michael:

The Puna-Hawaii King Papaya Cooperative is organized to meet the challenges of growing and marketing of Hawaii papayas in our fast changing world. Our goal is to become efficient in marketing our papayas direct from our fields. Based on our projection, our cooperative will have a combined production of about 15 million pounds in three years. Our expansion is geared toward supporting the irradiator with at least 5 million pounds of papayas annually. At present, our members have a combined acreage of about 1200 acres. The cooperative is also negotiating to lease another 800 acres.

In this regard, we have decided to support the irradiation to be built on Oahu. Some of our members, including me, are presently doing business with Michael's Equipment Team Hawaii.

We are ready for the next step. With our support, we are confident that you will pursue the goal of establishing an irradiator on Oahu to support growers like us to export our products to foreign countries that accept irradiation as quarantine treatment.

The potential is great. We believe that another irradiator will fully tap the potential of exporting agricultural products from Hawaii to the rest of the world.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,


ORLANDO MANUEL
Vice President



November 10, 2003

JM Associates LLC
P.O. Box 31264
Honolulu, HI 96820

To whom it may concern,

Caliman International is the largest distributor of papaya worldwide. Until now we have been selling exclusively Caliman papaya from Brazil. Caliman International distributes around 14 million pounds lb of fruits to the US and 15 million lb to Europe.

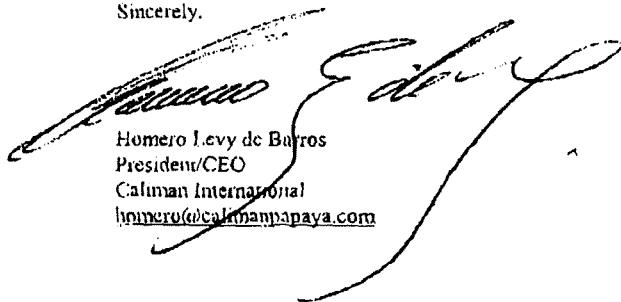
There is a need to find additional sources of papaya to satisfy the fast growing papaya market. A different variety such as the Hawaiian Solo papaya would be a welcome addition to be shipped to our large customer base in the US.

We have known Michael Kohn from Hawaii Fruit Company since 1991 and respect and trust his knowledge of the papaya industry. For some 3 years Michael and I have talked about the possibilities of Caliman International marketing irradiated papayas from Hawaii. However definite plans to market irradiated Hawaiian papayas were hindered by the fact that the future of the only irradiator in Hawaii had been in doubt.

It is our understanding that an irradiator will be built on the island of Oahu with far better promise to be economically viable than the facility on the Big Island. The location at Honolulu airport will also make it possible to directly reach all major US cities. We believe a volume of some 10 million pounds annually to be distributed in the US should be obtainable within a few years.

We sincerely hope your project will go through and look forward to the possibility to market Hawaii papaya.

Sincerely,



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As the most important cargo gateway in Hawaii, it is felt that the Honolulu Airport, the island of Oahu and the state's economy would benefit greatly from the construction and operation of a commercial irradiator on Oahu. It is felt that it would favorably impact the agriculture and transportation industries throughout the state and open up significant markets to Hawaii products throughout the rest of the United States and the Pacific region. It would also be consistent with the State's intent to diversify the economy by encouraging the further expansion of diversified agriculture.

Regards,

TRANSPACIFIC ASSOCIATES, INC.

David Tuttle



Super Foods, Inc.

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October 14, 2003

Mr. Michael Kohn
JM Associates, LLC
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Honolulu, Hawaii 96820

Dear Michael:

I am glad to hear that you plan to build a commercial irradiator on the island of Oahu. As a twenty-year veteran of the agriculture and produce industry, I'm fully aware that the farmers in the State of Hawaii will benefit greatly from a commercial irradiator. The irradiator on the Big Island has been proven to be a good example. The exportation of papayas, sweet potatoes, and other exotic fruits to the continental United States was almost impossible in the past, but thanks to irradiation technology, it is now a reality.

A commercial irradiator built on Oahu would not only solve the problem of having to ship produce to and from the Big Island in order to utilize their irradiator, but also save time and reduce the costs of exporting our products to United States. Once there is an economic way to ship products to other markets, we can expect a lot of new crops will be grown in the State of Hawaii and benefit the entire state.

I hope this letter expresses my support for a commercial irradiator built on Oahu. Should you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me at 834-1541.

Sincerely yours,

Tai Wang
President



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October 20, 2003

JM Associates LLC
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Re: Letter of Support for building a commercial food irradiator on Oahu.

Diversified agriculture presents the opportunity for Hawaii's farmers to keep the former sugar lands and other agricultural lands in economically viable production. Hawaii's warm growing climate offers great opportunity for the growth and marketing of high-value, high-quality tropical and subtropical fruits, vegetables and herbs. The warm climate also presents obstacles to market expansion. In particular the infestation of agricultural pests places limitations on the shipping and marketing of Hawaii produce outside of Hawaii without the need for disinfection.

Irradiation technology exists that can provide Hawaii's growers with an effective method for overcoming federal quarantine requirements. A commercial irradiator strategically located on Oahu, could serve growers from all islands by treating produce before air shipment from the Honolulu airport, Hawaii's major hub servicing the mainland as well as many major cities overseas.

Overcoming this impediment to the expansion of distant marketing and export of fresh Hawaii agricultural produce has the potential to further strengthen Hawaii's diversification of the agricultural sector and economy overall.

PacMar Inc. understands and appreciates the importance of a commercial irradiator and supports the idea of having a commercial irradiator on Oahu for the good of the state.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John Kaneko", with a long, sweeping horizontal line extending to the right.

John Kaneko
Project Director
PacMar Inc.

Sandra Lee Kunimoto
Chairperson, Board of Agriculture
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We urge the completion of Pa'ina Hawai'i's irradiator at the earliest possible date.

Signature(s): Norman L. Kia

Print name(s): NORMAN L. KIA

Date: 2-24-06

Occupation: RETIREE

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Signature:



Print name: Etta Manuel

Date: FEB. 16, 06

Occupation: PAPAYA PALMER

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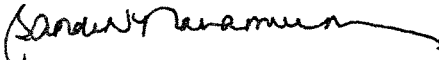
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Signature: 

Print name: Sandra Nakamura

Date: 3/1/06

Occupation: Banker

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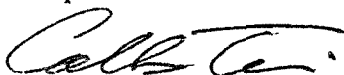
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Signature: 

Print name: Collins Tomei

Date: 3-2-06

Occupation: Banker

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Signature:

Jerry Julian

Print name:

JERRY JULIAN

Date:

3-4-06

Occupation:

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Signature(s): Karen Matthews

Print name(s): Karen Matthews

Date: March 1, 2006

Occupation: Retired

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1428 South King Street
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HAWAII DEPT OF AGR

08 MAR 10 AM : 40

DOA Chairperson, fax: (808) 973-9613

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Signature(s): Gail Nishimura

Print name(s): GAIL NISHIMURA

Date: 2-24-06

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Signature(s): Ronald M. Nishimura

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Signature(s): Noriki Otani

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Signature(s): Ms. Nancy Okimura

Print name(s): NANCY OKIMURA

Date: MARCH 1, 2006

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Signature(s): Doreen Usui
Print name(s): DOREEN USUI
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Signature(s): 

Print name(s): Geri L. Fernandez

Date: March 1, 2006

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06 FEB 21 AM : 56

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Signature:

Print name: Keith W. Perswig

Date: Feb. 17. 2006

Occupation: Military/Part-time farmer

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Keaau HI 96749

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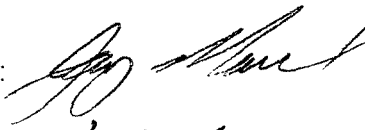
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Signature:



Print name:

JAY MANUEL

Date: FEB 10 2006

Occupation: FARMER

Address: 17-107 KULINARI. KEEAU HI 96749

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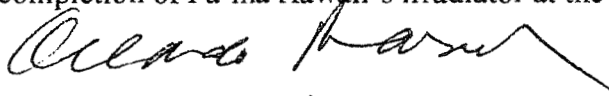
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Signature:



Print name:

ORLANDO MAOWER

Date:

FEB. 17, 2006

Occupation:

FARMER

Address:

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ICEAM, HI 96749

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Signature: *Florante Li Molina*

Print name: *FLORANTE LI MOLINA*

Date: *02/20/06*

Occupation: *PAPAYA GROWER*

Address: *P.O. BOX 1354 KEAHO HI 96749*

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HAWAII DEPT OF AGR

06 MAR 2 AM 11:32

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Signature: *Rodolfo Sibucan*

Print name: *Rodolfo Sibucan*

Date: *2/28/06*

Occupation: *Papaya Grower*

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Keeaau Hi-96749*

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Chairperson, Board of Agriculture
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HAWAII DEPT. OF AGR.

06 MAR 3 12:53

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Signature: Alberto Belmes

Print name: Alberto Belmes

Date: 3/2/06

Occupation: 22 year Papaya Farming

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Keeau HI 96749

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Signature:

William Julius

Print name:

William Julius

Date:

2-25-06

Occupation:

Farmer / Papaya

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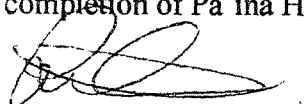
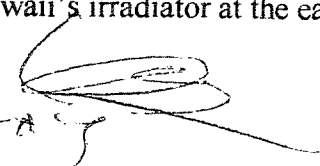
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Robert A. King

3/16/06
Papa Ya Farms

PO BOX 810 Koaale HI

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Signature:



Print name:

TAVARES, TROY

Date:

10 FEB 86

Occupation:

MILITARY, PAPAYA PICKER

Address:

P.O. Box 931 KEAAU HI.

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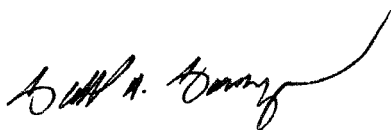
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Signature:



Print name: Scott Souza

Date: 2.10.06

Occupation: plumber/packer

Address: 15.1413 Kealan-Pahoa Hwy.
Kealan, HI 96749

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HAWAIIAN BOARD OF AGRICULTURE

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Signature: *Doreen Yamamoto*

Print name: DOREEN YAMAMOTO

Occupation: OFFICE MANAGER

Date: 4/3/06

Address: 2049 WALANA CT. CITE 716
HON HI 96819

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Signature:

Print name:

Occupation:

Date:

Address:

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Signature: *Barbara Wada*

Print name: *Barbara Wada* Date: *4/3/06*

Occupation: *DENTAL HYGIENIST* Address: *3049 UALENA ST. #71*
HON HI 96819

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Signature: *[Handwritten Signature]*

Print name: *DARINA FULIAS*

Occupation: *DENTAL ASSISTANT*

Date: *4/3/06*

Address: *3049 Waikena St #716
Hon, HI 96819*

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Signature:

Print name:

Occupation:

Alline Z. Lenon

ALLINE LENON

DENTAL ASST.

Date:

Address:

4-8-06

3049 MALENA

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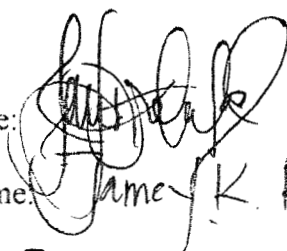
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Date:

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Address:


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17. 107 Kylene Road. Heaau, HI 96742

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Signature: 

Print name: Justin Manuel

Date: 2-12-06

Occupation: Labor

Address: 15-1647 Keeaau Highway 96749

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Signature:



Print name:

Jodie Arma

Date: 2.10.06

Occupation: house maker / packer

Address: 15-1413 Keeaau-Pahoa Hwy

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HAWAII OFFICE AIRPORT

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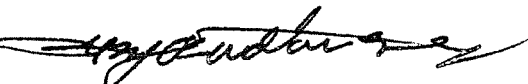
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Signature: 

Print name: JUNET OK WATANABE

Date: 3-14-06

Occupation: PAPA YA. PACKING.

Address: 1274. PUKI PA ST PEARL CITY. H. I 96782

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Signature: *Kyujin Kim*

Print name: KYU JA KIM

Date: 3-14-06

Occupation: Papaya Packing

Address: 1170 NANIWA AVE #1802 Yon HI 96817

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Signature: Veronica L. Shaffer

Print name: VERONICA L. SHAFFER

Date: 03/14/06

Occupation: Papaya Quality checker

Address: 131 Molly Pitcher Ct. 205
Wahiawa HI 96786

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Signature: *Marcela Selga*

Print name: *Marcela Selga*

Date: *03, 14, 2006*

Occupation: *Papaya Sticking*

Address: *91-1005 Kaahiki St Ewa Beach*

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DOA Chairperson, fax: (808) 973-9613

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Signature(s): Paula Harrington

Print name(s): Paula Harrington

Date: 3-3-06

Occupation: Sales

Address: 700 Kamelelehua Pmb 302
H10 HI 96720

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Signature(s):



Print name(s):

B. J. Tamm

Date:

3.3.06

Occupation:

Business owner

Address:

76 Kapiolani Ave

St. H. 96720

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HAWAII OFFICE

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HAWAIIAN STATE AGR

06 FEB 23 AM : 12

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Signature(s): Warren Marumoto

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HAWAII DEPT OF AGR

06 MAR 2 11:32

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Signature: 

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HAWAII DEPT OF AGR

06 MAR 2 AM : 31

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Signature(s): John T. Hamano

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Signature(s): Herbert T. Ishii

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Date: 2/23/2006

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HAWAII DEPT OF AGR

06 FEB 21 AM : 57

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Jane Manuel Gargano

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Date:

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HAWAII DEPT OF AGR

06 FEB 23 All : 12

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Date: 2/21/06

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