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August 26, 2024

Mr. Bradford Ventura, Fire Chief  
Department of Fire and Public Safety  
County of Maui  
Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

Dear Chief Ventura:

SUBJECT: **FIRE PREVENTION** (DRIP-2(10))

Thank you for participating in the Disaster, Resilience, International Affairs, and Planning Committee's discussion relating to fire prevention on August 21, 2024.

May I please request your response to the following:

1. Please provide an expense analysis that breaks down all direct expenses incurred by your Department associated with fires and on-scene firefighting efforts that have occurred within the 2024 calendar year. In your analysis, please consider:
  - a. Staff overtime pay;
  - b. Loss or damage of equipment in fighting the fire;
  - c. Usage of the Air 1 helicopter during fire rescue operations; and
  - d. The tax map keys that are associated with the location of each fire.

Further, for fires that have occurred at any location more than once, please also provide a sum of the total costs for those locations.

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2. For any expenses associated with a fire, is the Department able to recoup any of those expenses? Please explain.

May I further request you transmit your response to [drip.committee@mauicounty.us](mailto:drip.committee@mauicounty.us) by **September 10, 2024**. To ensure efficient processing, please include the Committee item number in the subject line.

Should you have any questions, please contact me or the Committee staff (Jarret Pascual at ext. 7141, or Maria Leon at ext. 7866).

Sincerely,



TAMARA PALTIN, Chair  
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cc: Mayor Richard T. Bissen, Jr.  
Deputy Fire Chief