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Please see my written testimony on this matter attached. Thank you.

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Honorable Riki Hokama, Chair Budget and Finance Committee 200 South High Street Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

Dear Chair Hokama,

SUBJECT: CIP COORDINATOR BUDGET AMENDMENT

As I have testified previously, the Department of Finance is tasked with negotiating the purchase of properties on behalf of the County of Maui and historically the CIP Coordinator position has assisted tremendously in providing expertise and guidance to Finance as relates to these purchases. They help us work through the "due diligence" process and in identifying important issues that could potentially hinder a purchase. They have knowledge and experience not only from an engineering perspective but also know and understand laws and rules regarding Special Management Area permits and Environmental Assessment requirements.

The CIP position was instrumental in assisting our DMVL in designing a low cost, maximum benefit solution for the expansion of our Kihei satellite office. With their assistance we were able to reduce the cost from \$325,000 to under \$100,000.

In short, this position provides great value to the Department of Finance and those departments that do not have CIP type personnel on staff. We strongly support the proposed bill to re-establish this position within the Department of Management.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide written testimony regarding this matter and should you have any further questions, please feel free to contact me at Ext. 7474.

Sincerely

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