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April 3, 2019

Mr. Eric Nakagawa, Acting Director
Department of Environmental Management
County of Maui
Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

Dear Mr. Nakagawa:

**SUBJECT: REQUESTS/QUESTIONS FROM THE APRIL 1, 2019
MEETING (EM-6) (EDB-1)**

At its meeting on April 1, 2019, the Economic Development and Budget Committee requested your Department's responses to the following requests/questions.

1. Relating to the Expenditure Summary for the Environmental Protection and Sustainability Fund (Program Budget, page 188):
 - a. What are the "Special Revenue Funds" listed under Operations? (SS)
 - b. Explain the proposed 250% increase of "Other Premium Pay" from \$7,500 (FY 2019 adopted) to \$26,251? (SS)
2. How does the Department calculate the cost per ton at the Hana landfill considering there is no weigh scale? Is the tonnage an estimate? (Program Budget, page 176) (SS)
3. Explain any change in expenses as a result of Anaergia operating and covering all maintenance for the Central Maui Landfill. (KK)
4. Relating to the two new positions, page 188 of the Program Budget:
 - a. Please justify the new Environmental Program Specialist and Office Operations Assistant II positions. (KK)
 - b. How will the two new positions be integrated with the Environmental Coordinator position? (KK)

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5. Relating to Expansion Budget Requests, Program Budget, page 184:
 - a. Please justify the nine new hires in the Solid Waste Operations Program. (KK)
 - b. With the addition of new staff, why is there a proposed increase in premium pay? Shouldn't this decrease significantly? (KK)
 - c. Is the replacement of 3,000 carts that are "well past their warranty period" part of a comprehensive plan? (KK)
6. Please provide background on the additional \$400,000 requested for electrical parts and supplies in Wastewater Operations. (Budget Details page 5-41, index code 919044B, sub-object code 6016) (KK)
7. Please explain the need for all Professional Services appropriations requested by the Solid Waste and Wastewater Divisions. (KK)
8. Besides the \$2,587,724 in carryover savings from the Environmental and Sustainability Fund, are there any other Department of Environmental Management carryover savings from FY 2019? (KK)
9. Provide the age, mileage, and estimated use life for all equipment being requested for FY 2020. (KK)
10. Provide a breakdown of Mechanical & Electrical equipment for all Wastewater Treatment Plants. (KK)
11. Please explain the need for a new \$70,000 wood chipper at the Hana landfill (Budget Details page 5-80, index code 919511C, item 7044, priority no. 19). (KK)
12. Please explain the need for a \$7,000 refurbished storage container on Molokai (Budget Details page 5-80, index code 919513C, item 7044, priority no. 14). (KK)
13. How much does it cost to clean wastewater pipes when they get clogged with grease? (KK)

May I further request that you transmit your response **no later than April 9, 2019**, to enable the Committee to comprehensively review the FY 2020 Budget.

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Thank you for your attention to this request. Should you have any questions, please contact me or the Committee staff (Leslee Matthews at ext. 7662, Shelly Espeleta at ext. 7134, Christy Chung at ext. 7137, or Yvette Bouthillier at ext. 7758).

Sincerely,



KEANI RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ, Chair
Economic Development and Budget
Committee

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cc: Mayor Michael P. Victorino
Budget Director

