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Honorable Richard T. Bissen, Jr. Mayor, County of Maui 200 South High Street Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

For Transmittal to:

Honorable Tom Cook, Chair Water and Infrastructure Committee Maui County Council 200 South High Street Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

Dear Chair Cook:

MAUI METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (WAI-1(4)) **SUBJECT:**

This transmission is in response to your letter dated May 11, 2023, requesting the following information be submitted:

1. Please clarify whether cruise ships that dock in or around Kahului or Lahaina Harbors are subject to County taxes or fees, and if so, please include the amount.

Response: Not to my knowledge, the harbors are operated by the State of Hawaii.

2. Please identify additional tourism-related taxes or fees, if any, that these cruise ships are responsible for.

Response: Not to my knowledge.

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Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at extension no. 7474 or Deputy Director Steve Tesoro at extension no. 7475.

Sincerely,

SCOTT K. TERUYA

Director of Finance