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March 17, 2025

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

Dear Chief Ventura:

## SUBJECT: BILL 24 (2025), AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2025 BUDGET: ESTIMATED REVENUES; DEPARTMENT OF FIRE AND PUBLIC SAFETY, FIRE/RESCUE OPERATIONS PROGRAM (BFED-27)

Thank you for your participation in the Council's Budget, Finance, and Economic Development Committee's discussion of Bill 24 at its meeting of March 11, 2025.

May I please request you provide the following:

- 1. Are any of the costs from the July 2024 fires eligible for FEMA reimbursement under the Mayor's prior emergency proclamation? If so, what is the amount of FEMA reimbursement anticipated?
- 2. An update on the legal recourse for recovering fire-related costs from Hawaiian Electric Company or other responsible parties.

May I further request you transmit your response to bfed.committee@mauicounty.us by **March 24, 2025**. To ensure efficient processing, please include the Committee item number in the subject line.

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Should you have any questions, please contact me or the Committee staff (Kirsten Szabo at ext. 7662, or Pauline Martins at ext. 8039).

Sincerely,

Yuki Fei K. Sugimula

YUKI LEI K. SUGIMURA, Chair Budget, Finance, and Economic Development Committee

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