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May 31, 2022

Mahina Martin
Director, Government and Community Affairs
Hawaiian Electric
PO Box 398, Kahului, HI 96733

Dear Ms. Martin:

SUBJECT: UNDERGROUND UTILITIES AND POWER BY POLE

Please explain the difference between undergrounding utilities and power by pole?

Is there a difference in reliability? If yes, please explain the differences.

Is there a difference in cost? If yes, what is that amount?

Is the use of underground utilities a necessary decision or is it optional?

Is the Hoku'ula residential workforce housing project, located at TMK 2-5-003:029, an area that will experience high winds that will cause outages or safety hazard risks?

Lastly, may I request that you transmit this information no later than June 3, 2022? This will ensure that we have this information available for the Infrastructure and Transportation meeting on June 6, 2022. Thank you for your assistance with this request.

Mahalo,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tamara M. Paltin".

TAMARA PALTIN
Councilmember

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cc: Mayor Michael P. Victorino

IT Committee

From: Christian K. Balagso
Sent: Tuesday, May 31, 2022 11:25 AM
To: mahina.martin@mauielectric.com
Cc: Tamara A. Paltin; Angela R. Lucero; IT Committee
Subject: Transmittal about underground utilities
Attachments: HAWAIIAN ELECTRIC Transmittal 5.31.pdf

Aloha e Mahina,

I hope you're well. On behalf of Councilmember Paltin, I would like to submit the attached document for questions regarding underground utilities.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Mahalo,
Christian K. Balagso, District Office Aide
Office of Councilmember Tamara Paltin
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