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February 26, 2026

Mr. Shayne Agawa, Director
Department of Environmental Management
County of Maui
Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

Dear Mr. Agawa:

SUBJECT: BILL 30 (2026), AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2026 BUDGET: INCREASE ESTIMATED REVENUES, CARRYOVER/SAVINGS, GENERAL FUND; TRANSFER TO THE GENERAL EXCISE TAX FUND; DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT (CENTRAL MAUI REGIONAL WASTEWATER RECLAMATION FACILITY) (BFED-47)

The Council's Budget, Finance, and Economic Development Committee plans to discuss Bill 30 (2026), at its meeting of March 3, 2026.

May I please request your response to the following:

1. Why and when did State funds lapse? What specific deadline or condition caused the lapse?
2. What internal control changes are now in place to prevent a similar lapse? Please identify the owner, the tracking method, the escalation point, and how often the deadline review occurs.
3. Provide a timeline from the award to the lapse of State funds. Please include the following:
 - a. Award date and amount.
 - b. The date each grant agreement and contract were executed.
 - c. Dates and amounts of expenditures charged to the funds.
 - d. Dates reimbursement requests were submitted and paid.

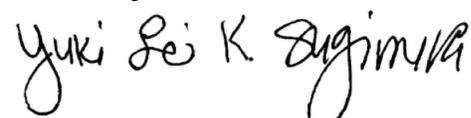
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- e. Lapse date, lapsed amount, and stated reason for lapse.
4. Did the Department request the State to reappropriate, or otherwise restore, the lapsed funds? If so, what was the response. If no, why not?
5. Mayor Bissen's request to the joint committees of Ways and Means and Finance is \$10.5 million for the project. Please provide your response to the following:
 - a. Does this request include the \$3.5 million that lapsed? Please explain.
 - b. What project phase, or scope, will the requested \$10.5 million fund? Please specify deliverables and the planned schedule.
 - c. Is the \$10.5 million request sufficient to complete the construction phase as currently scoped?
 1. If not, please identify the remaining funding gap and the County's plan to fund the remainder needed for the project.

May I further request you transmit your response to bfed.committee@mauicounty.us by **March 2, 2026**. To ensure efficient processing, please include the Committee item number in the subject line.

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

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cc: Mayor Richard T. Bissen, Jr.