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April 5, 2023

Honorable Richard T. Bissen, Jr. Mayor, County of Maui 200 South High Street Wailuku, HI 96793 APPROVED FOR TRANSMITTAL

For Transmittal to:

Honorable Tom Cook, Chair Water and Infrastructure Committee 200 South High Street, Wailuku, HI 96793

Dear Councilmember Cook:

### SUBJECT: CURRENT SIX-YEAR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT (WAI-1(1))

In response to your request for information dated March 23, 2023, your request and the corresponding answer are provided below by the Department of Environmental Management (DEM):

## 1. What percentage of your Department's capital improvement project funding is derived from fees?

Wastewater Division is self-funded. Therefore, 100% of the division's CIP program is funded through sewer rates and fees. However, there are a few times we have received grants in the past, but very rarely.

For the SWD, approximately 70% of CIP funding is derived from fees.

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# 2. Please clarify the process for an individual to apply for the conversion of a cesspool to a septic system. Is the exclusively a State process under the Department of Health? Please briefly explain the County approvals required, if any.

The conversion of cesspools to septic systems is exclusively a State of Hawaii Department of Health process. No County approvals are required.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide you with information on this matter. Should you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to forward them to the Department of Environmental Management via transmittal through the Office of the Mayor.

Sincerely, Cn=Robert Schmidt, o=Deputy Director, ou=Dept of Environmental Menagement, enusi=Robert.Schmidt@co.meui.hi.us, cuts 2023 04 05 12:31:11 -10'00' SHAYNE R. AGAWA, P.E.

Director of Environmental Management

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