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May 31, 2018

Mr. Anders Lyons, Chair Board of Water Supply c/o Department of Water Supply County of Maui Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

Dear Mr. Lyons:

SUBJECT: WELLHEAD PROTECTION OVERLAY DISTRICT (WR-18)

The Water Resources Committee is in receipt of your correspondence dated March 20, 2018, relating to the Board of Water Supply's comments on the proposed bill entitled, "A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 19, MAUI COUNTY CODE, TO ESTABLISH A WELLHEAD PROTECTION OVERLAY DISTRICT."

Your letter states the Board has concerns with how the ordinance will be implemented. May I request you explain the specific concerns the Board has with the ordinance and its implementation. Are these the same concerns the Board had in 2015, as outlined in the attached letter?

May I further request you provide your response no later than **June 22, 2018**. To ensure efficient processing, please include the relevant Committee item number in the subject line of your response.

Should you have any questions, please contact me or the Committee staff (James Krueger at 270-7761, or Stacey Vinoray at 270-8006).

Sincerely,

ALIKA ATAY, Chair

Water Resources Committee

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Attachment



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October 22, 2015

Mr. David Taylor Director Department of Water Supply 200 S. High Street, 5th Floor Wailuku, HI 96753

Dear Director Taylor:

SUBJECT: DRAFT ORDINANCE TITLE 19, MAUI COUNTY CODE

CHAPTER 19.94

WELLHEAD PROTECTION OVERLAY DISTRICT

After hearing numerous public testimony and presentations by the Department of Water Supply staff on this matter, the Board of Water Supply (The Board) at their October 21, 2015 meeting voted and by unanimous decision affirms and stands by their original decision of January 16, 2014 to not support the current Draft Ordinance Title 19, Maui County Code Chapter 19.94 Wellhead Protection Overlay District in its present form.

The Board reiterates their concerns as follows:

1. Requirement For This Ordinance

The Board has reviewed the forty (40) plus county, state and federal overlapping regulations meant to protect our groundwater systems as provided in recent testimony.

While the department's concern for additional protections is well intended, there did not appear to be any justifiable need, nor were there any historical examples presented during testimony that showed any failures of these current county, state and federal regulations. Adopting additional groundwater regulations, such as this ordinance before the Board, would be redundant unless there could be some clearly demonstrated scenarios presented by the department detailing prior failures within our current regulatory system. Neglecting to show such a need has become a primary source of our concerns for supporting this additional groundwater regulation.

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