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November 21, 2016

Honorable Alan M. Arakawa  
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For Transmittal to:

Honorable Gladys C. Baisa  
Chair, Water Resources Committee  
Maui County Council  
200 South High Street  
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APPROVED FOR TRANSMITTAL  
  
Mayor Date

Dear Chair Baisa:

**SUBJECT: WATER SERVICES (WR-20)**

This is in response to your letter dated November 10, 2016, in which you request information related to the review of building and plumbing permits by the Department of Water Supply. In response to your letter, we offer the following:

*Question: Why is a building permit application for a new structure not routed to the Department of Water Supply for approval?*

*Response: Only building permit applications for the first dwelling on property served by the County water system are not sent to the Department of Water Supply (DWS) for review. DWS has informed our office that their review is not required for the first dwelling. Building permit applications for other new structures on property served by the County water system are sent to DWS for review.*

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*Question: Are plumbing permit applications routed to the Department of Water Supply for approval? If not, please explain.*


**Response:** Plumbing permit applications are not routed to DWS for approval. Public Works does not send plumbing permits for review because DWS has informed our office that their review is not required.

*Question: Please provide me with a list of building permit applications routed to the Department of Water Supply that have not been approved by that Department. For each such application, please provide the reason for the application, and the reason for the Department's denial.*

**Response:** The requested information can be researched for individual permits. The Department can conduct a search if provided with permit numbers. Extracting the information in bulk will require assistance from the Information Technology Services Division (ITSD). We have engaged their services in obtaining the information you are requesting, but are unable to provide a report by your deadline. We will continue to gather the requested information and provide it to you at a later date.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at Ext. 7845.

Sincerely,

  
DAVID C. GOODE  
Director of Public Works