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July 18, 2006

Mr. George Tengan, Director Department of Water Supply County of Maui Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

Dear Mr. Tengan:

SUBJECT:

ACCESS THROUGH THE HANS MICHEL PROPERTY FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION OF KANAHA VALLEY STREAM (WR-27)

May I call your attention to the enclosed correspondence dated April 27, 2006, in which you advised Councilmember Jo Anne Johnson that the Department of Water Supply was "reviewing remedies" in response to areas of concern identified by Mr. Hans Michel.

May I request that you provide the Water Resources Committee with the status of the Department's efforts in this area. May I further request that you transmit your written response by July 31, 2006. I intend for the Committee to discuss this matter on August 2, 2006.

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 (David at ext. 7663, or Pauline at ext. 8039).

Sincerely,

MICHELLE ANDERSON, Chair

Water Resources Committee

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Enclosure

cc: Honorable Alan M. Arakawa, Mayor

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April 27, 2006

Honorable Alan M. Arakawa Mayor, County of Maui Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

For transmittal to:

Honorable Jo Anne Johnson Councilmember, West Maui Maui County Council Wajluku, Hawaji 96793 toting (Keith A. Regan

Dear Councilmember Johnson:

Subject:

Hans Michel

TMK: (2) 4-6-017: 001, Lahaina

Repair of Damages

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the damages at the Hans Michel property, and the Council's proposed \$150,000 claim to initiate repairs. The department relies on access through the Michel property to access the Kanaha Valley Intake, Wells and Tank for maintenance and operation.

During heavy rains, landslides in the valley above the intake sometimes occur. This blocks the intake, restricts water from reaching the Lahaina Water Treatment Plant, and requires a large excavator to walk up the valley to clear the intake. We experienced this condition a couple years ago.

Mr. Michel identifies two areas of concern: (1) A stream ford used to access the Michael property was damaged when the excavator walked across it, and (2) a dry stack rock retaining wall constructed by Mr. Michel was damaged when the excavator traveled too close to the wall.

The department is reviewing remedies, however, due to limited funds are not able to finance these remedies. Thank you for the Council's assistance to fund these remedies. Please contact us if you have any questions or require further clarification.

Sincerely,

GEORGE TENGAN, Director