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Michael J. Molina, Committee Chair
Maui County Council
Governance, Ethics, and Transparency Committee
By e-mail to get.committee@mauicounty.us

Re: Appointment of Director of Water Supply, GET-1(4)
Jeffrey T. Pearson

Chair Molina, Vice-Chair Rawlins-Fernandez, and Committee Members:

This testimony is in support of the appointment of Jeffrey T. Pearson as the Director of Water Supply of Maui County. I am Lynn McCrory, Senior Vice President of Government Affairs for Pulama Lānaʻi. Pulama Lānaʻi is the entity that was set up by Larry Ellison to work with the community and government as we move the island of Lānaʻi toward sustainability.

We have worked with Jeff Pearson in his previous position as Deputy Director for Hawaiʻi Department of Land and Natural Resources for the Commission on Water Resources over the last few years. He came into the position at a point in time where calls for restoration of water in the streams across the State was being addressed. The review and decisions by his Department did not have the uproar and angst that has happened so many times in the past. That is one very important achievement.

While Lānaʻi does not have any streams, our working with the Department and Mr. Pearson over sustainable water levels, fulfilling conditions that had not been followed, and participation in a water workshop for the Lānaʻi Planning Commission were all handled clearly and with a level of professionalism that provided clarity and timely responses.

We look forward to continuing to work with the Jeff Pearson and the Department of Water Supply as it relates to our water system on Lānaʻi. We humbly ask that you support his appointment. Mahalo!

Me ke aloha pumehana
With warm aloha,

Lynn McCrory
Senior Vice-President of Government Affairs

C: Jeffrey Pearson