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MONSANTO COMPANY, a Delaware corporation

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Petitioner MONSANTO COMPANY, a Delaware corporation

("Monsanto" or "Petitioner"), filed a Petition for Declaratory Order to Designate

Important Agricultural Lands ("Petition") on September 8, 2017, pursuant to Hawai'i

Revised Statutes ("HRS") §§205-44 and -45 and Hawai'i Administrative Rules ("HAR")

§§15-15-98, -99, -120 and -121 to designate approximately 1,550 acres of land situated at

Kunia, Island of O'ahu, State of Hawai'i, identified by Tax Map Key Nos. (1) 9-2-001:

001 (por.), (1) 9-2-001: 005, and (1) 9-2-004: 009 ("Petition Area") as Important Agricultural Lands ("IAL").

The State of Hawai'i Land Use Commission ("Commission"), having heard and examined the testimony, evidence, and argument of counsel presented during the hearings, along with the pleadings filed herein, hereby makes the following Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Decision and Order.

FINDINGS OF FACT

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

- 1. On September 8, 2017, Petitioner filed the Petition, Verification, and Exhibits 1 through 10 with the Commission, and submitted the \$1,000 application fee and electronic copy of the Petition, Verification, and Exhibits to the Commission.
- 2. On September 8, 2017, the Commission submitted a request for comments on the Petition to the Department of Agriculture, State of Hawaii ("DOA"), the Office of Planning, State of Hawai'i ("OP"), and the Department of Planning and Permitting, City and County of Honolulu ("DPP"), requesting that comments be submitted by September 28, 2017.
- 3. On September 22, 2017, the Commission conducted a site visit to view the Petition Area.¹

¹ An agenda giving written public notice of the site visit was provided pursuant to HRS §92-7, providing the community an opportunity to participate in the site visit.

- 4. On September 29, 2017, OP submitted its comments on the Petition to the Commission, and stated its support for the designation of the entire Petition Area as IAL ("OP's Ltr.").
- 5. On October 3, 2017, DPP submitted its comments on the Petition to the Commission, and stated it did not have any objections to the designation of the entire Petition Area as IAL, but indicated that DPP did not believe that Petitioner had offered a compelling reason to exclude approximately 557.927 acres of land owned by Petitioner from an IAL designation ("DPP's Ltr.").
- 6. On October 4, 2017, DOA submitted its comments on the Petition to the Commission and stated its support for the designation of the entire Petition Area as IAL ("DOA's Ltr.").
- 7. On October 4, 2017, Petitioner submitted its response to the comments of DPP, DOA, and OP on the Petition to the Commission ("Petitioner's Response Ltr.").
- 8. On October 9, 2017, Petitioner submitted its PowerPoint presentation ("Petitioner's PowerPoint") to the Commission.
- 9. On October 11, 2017, the Commission held a meeting on the Petition in Honolulu, Hawai'i.
- 10. Jennifer A. Lim, Esq., and Mark K. Murakami, Esq., appeared on behalf of Petitioner.

- 11. Dawn Takeuchi-Apuna, Esq., and Rodney Funakoshi appeared on behalf of OP.
 - 12. Raymond Young, Planner, appeared on behalf of the DPP.
- Petitioner's Petition, including Exhibits 1 through 10, Petitioner's PowerPoint, OP's Ltr., DPP's Ltr., DOA's Ltr., and Petitioner's Response Ltr.² The Commission also admitted into evidence the written comments on the Petition from the Japanese Cultural Center of Hawai`i; the Hawaii Crop Improvement Association; the Hawai`i Farm Bureau; Nalo Farms; the Hawai`i Agricultural Foundation; and the Hawaii Cattlemen's Council, Inc. The Commission heard public testimony on the Petition from Dean Okimoto, and from David Arakawa on behalf of the Land Use Research Foundation of Hawaii.
- 14. Petitioner called Dan Clegg; Thomas Witten; and Robert Starke, Ph.D., as witnesses. Mr. Witten was qualified as an expert in land use planning. Dr. Starke was qualified as an expert in agronomy and crop and soil sciences.

² At the beginning of the meeting, Commissioner Okuda disclosed that he was a personal friend of Karl Kobayashi, the chairman of the Carlsmith Ball law firm which represents Petitioner, and had business and social interactions with him, but that he did not know the specific attorneys that were representing Petitioner in this case. Commissioner Okuda noted that his relationship with Mr. Kobayashi would not affect his ability to make a decision in this case. There were no objections to Commissioner Okuda's participation in the proceeding.

Commissioner Ohigashi also disclosed that he knew the attorney representing Petitioner and was the law school classmate of her husband, and further that he had been with them on social occasions, but that this relationship would not inhibit him from rendering a fair and impartial decision in the matter. There were no objections to Commissioner Ohigashi's participation in the proceeding.

- 15. Earl Yamamoto of the DOA provided DOA's comments in support of the Petition.
 - 16. OP supported the designation of the Petition Area as IAL.
- 17. DPP did not oppose the designation of the Petition Area as IAL but objected to Petitioner's exclusion of approximately 557.927 acres of land that Petitioner owns from the Petition.³
- 18. Following the receipt of public testimony and Petitioner's case-inchief, and upon due deliberation, Commissioner Estes made a motion to approve the Petition in its entirety, which motion was seconded by Commissioner Cabral. Chair Wong proposed an amendment to the motion to clarify that Petitioner would comply with the representations made to the Commission that Petitioner was not seeking reclassification pursuant to HRS §205-45(b) in conjunction with this Petition to designate IAL, that Petitioner was voluntarily waiving all right to assert, claim or exercise any credits pursuant to HRS §205-45(h), and that within seven days of issuance of the Commission's Decision and Order, Petitioner would record same in the Bureau of Conveyances. The amendment was objected to by Commissioner Cabral.

Commissioner Ohigashi seconded the motion to amend the original motion. The

³ This acreage is used for Petitioner's processing facilities, office space, and seed corn production. It also includes an approximately 3-acre area that will be subdivided and dedicated to the City and County of Honolulu Board of Water Supply as a water tank site. Another portion of the acreage is currently being subdivided and will be deeded to the National Park Service for inclusion in the Honouliuli National Monument upon completion of the subdivision.

Commission then voted on the motion to amend the original motion, and there being a vote tally of 7 ayes, 1 nay, and 1 excused, the motion to amend the original motion carried. Commissioner Estes thereafter called for a vote on the original motion, as amended, and there being a vote tally of 8 ayes, and 1 excused, the motion carried unanimously.

DESCRIPTION OF PETITION AREA

- 19. The Petition Area consists of approximately 1,550 acres of land in Kunia, Island of Oʻahu, State of Hawaiʻi identified by Tax Map Key Nos. (1) 9-2-001: 001 (por.), (1) 9-2-001: 005, and (1) 9-2-004: 009.
- 20. Petitioner owns approximately 600.64 acres (which land is not in the State Conservation District) in the City and County of Honolulu that Petitioner is not seeking to have designated as IAL, and which is identified in the Petition as the "Remainder Land."
- 21. The Petition Area represents approximately 72 percent of the lands owned in fee simple by Petitioner on the Island of O'ahu.
- 22. Most of the Petition Area is currently in active agricultural production.
- 23. Approximately 1,158 acres, or 75 percent, of the Petition Area are in active seed corn and soybean production on a year-round basis. Approximately 95

percent of these fields are planted with seed corn, and the remaining 5 percent of the fields are planted in soybeans.

- 24. Approximately 276 acres, or 18 percent, of the Petition Area are leased to tenants who use that portion of the Petition Area for cattle ranching operations.
- 25. The remaining 116 acres of the Petition Area (or 7 percent of the Petition Area) consist of water and road infrastructure, soil conservation measures (such as detention basins, berms, and filter strips), and some gulch land, all of which are used in connection with the ongoing agricultural uses on the Petition Area.

DESCRIPTION OF REQUEST

- 26. Petitioner asks that the Commission designate the Petition Area as IAL pursuant to HRS §§ 205-44 and -45 and HAR §§ 15-15-98, -99, -120 and -121.
- 27. Petitioner is not seeking a reclassification of land pursuant to HRS §205-45(b) in conjunction with its Petition.
- 28. Petitioner represents that it is voluntarily waiving any and all rights to assert, claim, or exercise any credits pursuant to HRS §205-45(h), effective as of the date of its Petition, that may be earned by Petitioner. Petitioner has represented that this waiver is limited to the use of credits for the sole purpose of reclassifying other lands that are not the subject of the Petition pursuant to HRS §205-45(h), effective as of the date of its Petition. The waiver does not apply to any other credits, incentives,

rights or privileges that Petitioner may possess now or in the future, whether known or unknown.

CONFORMANCE WITH THE OBJECTIVES FOR THE IDENTIFICATION OF IAL

- 29. HRS §205-42 sets forth the objectives for identifying IAL, including contribution to the State's economic base and production of agricultural commodities for export or local consumption, and to support a diversity of agricultural activities and opportunities that expand agricultural income and job opportunities.
- 30. The growing of seed corn is "agricultural production" under HRS \$205-44.
- 31. Seed corn production is a "crop" under HRS §§205-2(d)(1) and 205-4.5(a)(1).
- 32. The seed industry in Hawai'i has a \$323 million total economic impact including multiplier effects on the economy of the State of Hawai'i.
- 33. Twenty percent of agricultural workers in the State of Hawai`i are employees of seed companies.
- 34. Petitioner employs 258 full-time employees with high wages and full benefits at the Petition Area.

CONFORMANCE WITH THE STANDARDS AND CRITERIA FOR THE IDENTIFICATION OF IAL

35. HRS §205-44(c) and HAR §15-15-120(c) set forth the standards and criteria for identifying IAL. Lands identified as IAL do not need to meet every standard

and criterion listed in HRS §205-44(c). Rather, lands meeting any of the criteria in HRS §205-44(c) shall be given initial consideration, and the designation of IAL shall be made by weighing standards and criteria with each other to meet the constitutionally mandated purposes in Article XI, Section 3, of the Constitution of the State of Hawai'i and the objectives and policies for IAL identified in HRS §§205-42 and -43.

36. <u>Land currently used for agricultural production - HRS §205-44(c)(1)</u> and HAR §15-15-120(c)(1).

The Petition Area has been in agricultural use since the late 19th century, first in sugar production, then pineapple production, and then for vegetable and seed corn production. Currently, most of the Petition Area is in active agricultural production. Approximately 1,158 acres, or 75 percent, of the Petition Area are in active seed corn and soybean production on a year-round basis. On the portion of the Petition Area that is too steep for row planted agricultural production (approximately 134 acres), a tenant of Petitioner's runs an active cattle ranching operation. Another ranching operation occupies another approximately 142 acres of the Petition Area. The remainder of the Petition Area, consisting of approximately 116 acres, or 7 percent, includes water and road infrastructure, soil conservation measures (such as detention basins, berms, and filter strips) and some gulch land, all of which are used in connection with the ongoing agricultural uses on the Petition Area. Petitioner intends to keep the Petition Area in these uses for the foreseeable future.

37. <u>Land with soil qualities and growing conditions that support agricultural production of food, fiber, or fuel- and energy-producing crops – HRS §205-44(c)(2) and HAR §15-15-120(c)(2).</u>

The Detailed Land Classification System and Agricultural Land Productivity Ratings by the Land Study Bureau ("LSB"), University of Hawai`i, are based on a five-class productivity rating system using the letters A, B, C, D, and E, with A representing the class of highest productivity and E the lowest. Approximately 54.7 percent of the Petition Area is rated A, 21.2 percent is rated B, 1.4 percent is rated C, 2.7 percent is rated D, 19.2 percent is rated E, and 0.8 percent is unclassified.

38. The following table below summarizes the productivity rating of the Petition Area:

| Productivity | Total IAL | |
|--------------|-----------|----------|
| Rating | Acres | % of IAL |
| A | 849 | 54.7 |
| В | 328 | 21.2 |
| С | 22 | 1.4 |
| D | 42 | 2.7 |
| E | 297 | 19.2 |
| Unclassified | 12 | 0.8 |
| Total: | 1,550 | 100 |

39. The mean annual solar radiation on the Petition Area ranges from 187 to 190 watts per square meter per hour, based on information from the Evapotranspiration of Hawai`i Final Report prepared in February 2014 by the Department

of Geography, University of Hawai`i at Mānoa, for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Honolulu District and the State of Hawai`i Commission on Water Resource

Management.

- 40. The soil on the Petition Area is very fertile, and, if not used for the growing of seed corn, could effectively be used for growing vegetables at a very high level.
 - 41. Land identified under agricultural productivity rating systems, such as the agricultural lands of importance to the State of Hawai`i (ALISH) system adopted by the board of agriculture on January 28, 1977 HRS §205-44(c)(3) and HAR §15-15-120(c)(3).

The Agricultural Lands of Importance to the State of Hawai`i ("ALISH") classification system was developed in 1977 by the DOA. The system was primarily, but not exclusively, based on the soil characteristics of lands and existing cultivation.

There are three classes of ALISH lands – Prime, Unique, and Other.

- 42. Approximately 89.3 percent of the Petition Area is classified under the ALISH system: 68.7 percent of that amount is classified as Prime, 0.1 percent is classified as Unique, and 20.5 percent is classified as Other.
- 43. The following table summarizes the ALISH classifications of the Petition Area:

| ALISH | Total IAL | П | |
|-----------------|-----------|-------|----------|
| Classifications | Acres | | % of IAL |
| Prime | | 1,064 | 68.7 |
| Unique | | 2 | 0.1 |
| Other | | 318 | 20.5 |
| Unclassified | | 166 | 10.7 |
| Total: | | 1,550 | 100 |

- 44. The balance of the Petition Area is not classified under the ALISH system but includes essential elements for active agricultural operations, such as streams and drainageways, water system infrastructure, roadways, and areas for soil conservation.
 - 45. <u>Land types associated with traditional native Hawaiian agricultural uses, such as taro cultivation, or unique agricultural crops and uses, such as coffee, vineyards, aquaculture, and energy production HRS §205-44(c)(4) and HAR §15-15-120(c)(4).</u>

The Petition Area is not associated with traditional native Hawaiian agricultural uses or unique agricultural crops and uses.

46. <u>Land with sufficient quantities of water to support viable</u> <u>agricultural production – HRS §205-44(c)(5) and HAR §15-15-120(c)(5)</u>.

The majority of the Petition Area is irrigated by a plantation era onsite irrigation system put in place by either Oahu Sugar Company, Ltd., or by Del Monte Fresh Produce (Hawaii), Inc., or a combination of both users. The western most portion of the Waiāhole Ditch irrigation system is located on the mauka boundary of the

Petition Area, including Reservoir 155 operated by the Agribusiness Development Corporation, a corporation authorized and created under HRS chapter 163D. Petitioner has a water use permit (WUP No. 828) that was issued in 2007 by the Commission on Water Resource Management, State of Hawai'i, allowing withdrawal of 2.636 million gallons per day ("mgd") of water on a 12-month moving average basis.

- 47. For the years 2013 through 2016, the 12-month moving average collective water usage of Monsanto and its tenants ranged from 1.815 mgd to 2.158 mgd per day. Water usage for 2017 is consistent with these numbers.
- 48. In addition to water from the Waiāhole Ditch system, the Petition Area receives a mean annual rainfall of approximately 26 to 34 inches of rain according to the Rainfall Atlas of Hawai'i.
- 49. The portion of the Petition Area used for cattle ranching operations by H. E. Bud Gibson is not irrigated but can be supplied by the Waiāhole Ditch System water under Monsanto's WUP No. 828. This area has a mean annual rainfall of 33 inches.
 - 50. <u>Land whose designation as important agricultural lands is</u> consistent with general, development, and community plans of the county HRS §205-44(c)(6) and HAR §15-15-120(c)(6).

The designation of the Petition Area as IAL is consistent with the State Land Use Agricultural District designation and the City General Plan, Community Plans, and zoning designation.

- 51. <u>State Land Use Designation</u>. The entire Petition Area is in the State Land Use Agricultural District and designation of the Petition Area as IAL will be consistent with such land use designation.
- 52. <u>County General Plan</u>. Designation of the Petition Area as IAL is consistent with the City General Plan by maintaining the viability of agriculture in the County, and particularly by preserving land in Central O'ahu for continued agricultural uses.
- 53. County Community Plans. The majority of the Petition Area is located in the 'Ewa Development Plan (2013), with the remainder of the Petition Area located in the Central O'ahu Sustainable Communities Plan (2002). The entire Petition Area is outside of the Community Growth Boundaries of the 'Ewa Development Plan (2013) and Central O'ahu Sustainable Communities Plan (2002). The current draft of the proposed Central O'ahu Sustainable Communities Plan (October 2016), which is currently in the process of community input, recommits the identification of the Petition Area as prime agricultural property.
- 54. <u>County Zoning</u>. The entire Petition Area has an AG-1 (Agricultural Restricted) designation under the City Land Use Ordinance.
 - 55. <u>Land that contributes to maintaining a critical land mass important to agricultural operating productivity HRS §205-44(c)(7) and HAR §15-15-120(c)(7).</u>

The Petition Area, consisting of approximately 1,550 contiguous acres of land, in and of itself contributes to maintaining a critical land mass important to agricultural operating productivity.

56. <u>Land with or near support infrastructure conducive to agricultural productivity, such as transportation to markets, water, or power – HRS §205-44(c)(8) and HAR §15-15-120(c)(8).</u>

The Petition Area is near support infrastructure conducive to agricultural productivity. In addition to onsite infrastructure, such as an irrigation system, drainage infrastructure, and internal roads used for agricultural production, the Petition Area has access to all of the necessary offsite infrastructure for long-term agricultural productivity, including access to Kunia Road and proximity to the Waiāhole Ditch, with applicable utilities available for use, as and when needed.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. The Commission has jurisdiction over the Petition pursuant to HRS §§91-8, 205-44, and 205-45 and HAR §15-15-98.
- 2. Pursuant to HRS §205-44(a), the Commission has the authority to designate lands as IAL as long as any of the criteria in HRS §205-44(c) are met.
- 3. The Petition Area is currently used for agricultural production in accordance with HRS §205-44(c)(1).
- 4. The Petition Area has soil qualities and growing conditions that support agricultural production in accordance with HRS §205-44(c)(2).

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- 5. A majority (68.7 percent) of the Petition Area includes prime agricultural lands identified under agricultural productivity rating systems, such as the ALISH system, in accordance with HRS §205-44(c)(3).
- 6. The Petition Area is not associated with traditional native Hawaiian agricultural uses or unique agricultural crops and uses, and therefore does not satisfy HRS §205-44(c)(4).
- 7. The Petition Area has sufficient quantities of water to support viable agricultural production in accordance with HRS §205-44(c)(5).
- 8. Designation of the Petition Area as IAL is consistent with the City's General Plan, the City's `Ewa Development Plan, and the City's Central O`ahu Sustainable Communities Plan in accordance with HRS §205-44(c)(6).
- 9. The Petition Area contributes to maintaining a critical land mass that is important to agricultural operating productivity in accordance with HRS §205-44(c)(7).
- 10. The Petition Area is near support infrastructure conducive to agricultural productivity, such as transportation to markets, water, or power in accordance with HRS §205-44(c)(8).
- 11. The designation of the Petition Area as IAL generally meets the purposes of Article XI, Section 3, of the Constitution of the State of Hawai'i by conserving and protecting agricultural lands, promoting diversified agriculture,

increasing agricultural self-sufficiency, and assuring the availability of agriculturally suitable lands.

- 12. The designation of the Petition Area as IAL meets the objectives of HRS §205-42(a)(1) because the Petition Area is capable of producing sustained high agricultural yields when treated and managed according to accepted farming methods and technology.
- 13. The designation of the Petition Area as IAL meets the objectives of HRS §205-42(a)(2) because the Petition Area contributes to the State's economic base and produces agricultural commodities for export.
- 14. The designation of the Petition Area as IAL meets the objectives of HRS §205-42(b) by contributing to the maintenance of a strategic agricultural land resource base that can support a diversity of agricultural activities and opportunities that expand agricultural income and job opportunities and increase agricultural sufficiency for current and future generations.
- 15. The designation of the Petition Area as IAL meets the policies of HRS §205-43(1) by promoting the retention of IAL in blocks of contiguous, intact, and functional land units large enough to allow flexibility in agricultural production and management.

- 16. The designation of the Petition Area as IAL meets the policies of HRS §205-43(2) by discouraging the fragmentation of important agricultural lands and the conversion of these lands to non-agricultural uses.
- 17. The designation of the Petition Area as IAL meets the policies of HRS §205-43(4) by limiting physical improvements on important agricultural lands to maintain affordability of these lands for agricultural purposes.
- 18. The designation of the Petition Area as IAL meets the policies of HRS §205-43(8) by promoting the maintenance of essential agricultural infrastructure systems, including irrigation systems.
- 19. The Petition Area meets the requirements of HRS §205-44 and HRS §205-45 for designation as IAL.
- 20. Any conclusion of law herein improperly designated as a finding of fact should be deemed or construed as a conclusion of law; any finding of fact herein improperly designated as a conclusion of law should be deemed or construed as a finding of fact.

DECISION AND ORDER

This Commission, having duly considered the Petition, the oral and/or written testimony of Petitioner, DOA, OP, DPP, the Japanese Cultural Center of Hawai`i; the Hawaii Crop Improvement Association; the Hawai`i Farm Bureau; Nalo Farms; the Hawai`i Agricultural Foundation; the Hawaii Cattlemen's Council, Inc.;

Dean Okimoto; and the Land Use Research Foundation of Hawaii, and a motion having been made at a meeting on October 11, 2017, in Honolulu, Hawai`i, and the motion having received the affirmative votes required by HAR §§15-15-98 and 99 and HRS §§205-44 and -45, and there being good cause for the motion,

HEREBY ORDERS that the Petition Area, consisting of approximately 1,550 acres of land situated at Kunia, Island of Oʻahu, State of Hawaiʻi, identified by Tax Map Key Nos. (1) 9-2-001: 001 (por.), (1) 9-2-001: 005, and (1) 9-2-004: 009 and shown on Exhibit "A" attached hereto and incorporated by reference herein, shall be and is hereby designated as IAL as governed by HRS chapter 205.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the designation of the Petition Area as IAL shall be subject to the following conditions:

- 1. Petitioner shall comply with the representations made to the Commission with respect to disclaiming any credits described in HRS §205-45(h) with respect to the Petition Area.
- 2. Within seven days of the issuance of the Commission's Decision and Order, Petitioner shall record it with the Bureau of Conveyances.



DATE: 8/28/2017

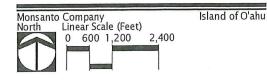
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ADOPTION OF ORDER

This ORDER and its ADOPTION shall take effect upon the date this ORDER is certified and filed by this Commission.

Done at Honolulu, Hawai`i, this 15th day of November, 2017, per motion on October 11, 2017.

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