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August 8, 2019

Thad E. Bond c/o Ka'ūpūlehu 87 MM Queen Kaahumanu Hwy Kailua-Kona, HI 96740

Dear Mr. Bond:

SUBJECT:

Annual Water Quality/Marine Life/Salt Pan Monitoring Report

Special Management Area (SMA) Use Permit No. 389 – Conditions 7 & 8

LUC Docket No. A93-701 – Conditions 3(d) and 21

Applicant: Ka'ūpūlehu Developments **Subject: Compliance with Conditions**

Tax Map Key: (3) 7-2-003:001

This is to acknowledge receipt of the 2018 and 2017 Annual Water Quality Monitoring Reports in Support of Development at Kalaemanō (dated February 2019 and March 2018 respectively) as well as the Quantitative Assessment of the Marine Communities Fronting the Kalaemanō Development – 2017 Annual Survey dated October 2017 in compliance with Conditions No. 7 and 8 of SMA Use Permit No. 389 and Conditions No. 3(d) and 21 of LUC Docket No. A93-701.

Submitted simultaneously with these reports is a letter stating "Rationale for not having carried out a marine biological survey for the Kalaemanō project site in 2018" which is in reference to the Quantitative Assessment of the Marine Communities Fronting the Kalaemanō Development annual reporting requirement. The Planning Department acknowledges that the current level of marine faunal monitoring by the Nature Conservancy and the University of Hawaii (and others) covers not only the twelve (12) sites monitored by Ka'ūpūlehu, but an additional 416 sites throughout the project areas coastal extent. To that end the Planning Department can consider that condition as "satisfied" with regards to the marine community monitoring and reporting requirement. However, the Planning Department would appreciate a review/discussion of future marine community monitoring reports conducted by other parties to be included in your annual progress report to ensure continued compliance with the conditions of approval.

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Additionally, in reviewing our files, the Planning Department has not received an updated annual progress report as required by Condition No. 25 of SMA Use Permit No. 389 (as amended) and Condition No. 27 of LUC Docket No. A93-701 (October 18, 2001). Please submit an updated annual progress report as soon as possible to satisfy the conditions of these approvals.

Thank you for your continued compliance in these matters. By copy of this letter, we will forward our response to the State Land Use Commission for their information.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Alex J. Roy at 808-961-8140.

Sincerely,

MICHAEL YEE

Planning Director

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