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RE: SP21-411 AES West Oahu Solar, LLC

Wednesday, June 9, 2021, 9:00am
Via Zoom Webinar Virtual Meeting

Aloha Chair and Commissioners:

My name is Scott Enright and I am testifying in **support** of AES West Oahu Solar project. I have served as Hawaii Department of Agriculture's office of the chairperson during the Abercrombie and first Ige administration. In that capacity, I reviewed every application for solar projects on agricultural lands; this AES West Oahu project is the only one that leaves the current agricultural practices in place but improved.

Buddy Gibson and Rocker G Livestock have been successfully and sustainably running cattle on this project's proposed acreage for over 40 years. Although this property lacks rainfall levels and available agriculture water resources for intensive diversify agriculture, it does lend itself to the grazing practices employed by Mr. Gibson. Mr. Henry Edward "Bud" Gibson is known throughout Hawaii's cattle industry for his sustainable range management practices and is a member of Hawaii's Cattlemen Council Paniolo Hall of Fame. Mr. Gibson is an excellent agricultural partner to this solar project.

Further, in addition to the West Oahu Solar project leaving in place existing sustainable agricultural practices, it will also introduce apiary practices that will enhance pollinator activity. AES West Oahu Solar project presents a strong agricultural plan to compliment the alternative energy goals it provides our community. I request the commission approve this project.

Thank you for the opportunity to speak on this important matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Scott Enright", written in a cursive style.

Scott Enright