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SUBJECT: A92-983 Halekua Development

Aloha.

The Land Use Commission ("LUC" or "Commission") has scheduled a comprehensive status report for January 24, 2024, with regard to this matter. The Petitioners, City and County of Honolulu Department of Planning and Permitting, Department of Agriculture ("DOA"), and the Office of Planning and Sustainable Development ("OPSD-LUD") are to appear before the Commission as parties in the proceeding.

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The impetus for this hearing concerns the 2023 Annual Report submitted by Haseko on October 5, 2023, and the Department of Agriculture's Comment Letter filed on March 31, 2023, raising questions about the progress on the required infrastructure to support the State's Kunia Agriculture Park.

On May 24, 2023, LUC Staff met with OPSD-LUD and Department of Agriculture to discuss the issues regarding the Kunia Agriculture Park. OPSD-LUD requested additional time to work with DOA and Petitioners. Since that time there has been no communication from OPSD-LUD on any resolution.

The Land Use Commission has questions about the following:

- 1) Progress on the "offsite infrastructure" as defined in the <u>Amended Decision and Order dated October 1, 1996.</u>
- The New Conditions Imposed on the Petition Area, <u>Conditions A1 through and including A3</u> which replace Condition No.19 of the Halekua Orders.

These are the Commission's preliminary concerns, and the list is subject to change. A staff report will be posted to the Land Use Commissions Website Docket Page closer to the date of the hearing with additional concerns.

Should you have any questions, please contact Scott Derrickson, AICP., at (808)587-3921 or via email at scott.a.derrickson@hawaii.gov.

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