



# HAWAII REGIONAL COUNCIL OF CARPENTERS

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State of Hawai‘i Land Use Commission

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SUBJECT: SP21-412 Mahi Solar, LLC (O‘ahu)

On behalf of the Hawai‘i Regional Council of Carpenters, I am writing in support of the Adoption of Findings of Facts, Conclusions of Law, and Decision and Order for SP21-412 (SUP No. 2020/SUP-7) application to modify.

As the most petroleum-dependent state in the nation, it is crucial that we move towards our renewable energy goals by supporting projects like the Mahi Solar Project. This initiative is projected to generate a reliable supply of electricity, avoiding the consumption of over 11 million barrels of oil and saving O‘ahu consumers approximately \$175 million over its 25-year lifespan—equating to nearly half a billion gallons of oil avoided.

This project creates jobs and allows skilled workers from our State to be involved in the construction and maintenance of this renewable energy infrastructure, fostering economic growth and a sense of pride within our community.

Additionally, the Mahi Solar Project is vital to our commitment to sustainability and reducing greenhouse gas emissions. It marks an essential step toward a cleaner energy future for Hawai‘i, helping us combat climate change while enhancing our energy independence.

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