

Testimony of Pacific Resource Partnership

Hawai'i Land Use Commission Honorable Chair Dan Giovanni and First Vice Chair Michael Yamane Wednesday, February 5, 2025

Subject: Support for petitioner's 2024 motion for approval of job credits (A89-651 Haseko Inc.)

Aloha Chair Giovanni, First Vice Chair Michael Yamane, and Members of the Commission:

On behalf of Pacific Resource Partnership (PRP), which represents thousands of unionized carpenters and hundreds of general contractors across Hawai'i, we strongly support Haseko's motion for approval of job credits.

As an advocate for Hawai'i's construction industry and workforce development, PRP recognizes the critical role this housing initiative plays in fostering economic growth and expanding job opportunities.

Haseko's commitment to fulfilling its obligations under the Land Use Commission's conditions demonstrates responsible development and investment in Hawai'i's workforce. By approving these job credits, the Commission will reinforce a model of development that prioritizes local employment, strengthens career pathways in the trades, and enhances economic resilience for working families.

With over 6,000 union carpenters and more than 250 general contractors in our network, PRP is dedicated to ensuring that Hawai'i's workforce thrives through projects that offer high-quality, well-paid jobs.

We urge the Commission to approve this motion to sustain momentum in workforce development and equitable economic opportunity for our communities.

Mahalo for your time and consideration.

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