



**DEPT. COMM. NO. 39**

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March 11, 2008

The Honorable Colleen Hanabusa  
President, Hawaii State Senate  
Hawaii State Capitol, Room 409  
415 South Beretania Street  
Honolulu, HI 96813

Dear Senator Hanabusa:

I respectfully request replacing the report of the Temporary Advisory Commission on Bioprospecting which was submitted to you on February 7, 2008 with the enclosed amended report.

The commission has added the word "Native" before "Hawaiian" wherever it appears, since the term "Native Hawaiian" meets international law parameters for indigenous peoples.

The commission deeply apologizes for any inconvenience this may have caused you and your staff.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Walter M. Heen".

Walter M. Heen  
Chair, Hawaii State Temporary Advisory Commission on Bioprospecting



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February 7, 2008

Hon. Colleen Hanabusa, President  
Hawaii State Senate  
Room 409, State Capitol  
Honolulu, HI 96813

Dear Senator Hanabusa,

I am pleased to transmit to you the final report of the Hawai'i State Temporary Advisory Commission on Bioprospecting approved by the Commission on February 5, 2008, and proposed amendments to Senate Bill 3256 which has been assigned to Senator Jill Tokuda's Committee on Agriculture & Hawaiian Affairs.

I trust that you will find the report and the proposed amendments informative and helpful. If you have any questions or desire further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully,

Walter M. Heen, Chair  
Hawai'i State Temporary Advisory  
Commission on Bioprospecting

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