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D. NOELANI KALIPI
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UPC WIND MANAGEMENT, LLC

TESTIMONY ON S.B. 2990, SD1
BEFORE THE
HAWAII STATE SENATE
COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, CONSUMER PROTECTION AND AFFORDABLE HOUSING
ON
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2008
9:00 A.M. CONFERENCE ROOM 229

My name is D. Noelani Kalipi and I am the Director of Government & Community Relations for UPC Wind Management, LLC. UPC Wind Management, LLC is a wholly-owned subsidiary of UPC Wind Partners, LLC and provides administrative services to UPC Hawaii Wind, a partnership between UPC Wind Partners and Makani Nui Associates. UPC Hawaii Wind developed, constructed, owns and operates Hawaii's largest utility-scale wind farm, Kaheawa Wind Power, a 30MW facility located on the island of Maui. UPC Hawaii Wind is actively working to decrease Hawaii's reliance on fossil fuels for its electricity needs and has been working to develop additional wind generation facilities on the islands of Oahu, Kauai, Maui, and Molokai. **UPC Hawaii Wind supports the passage of SB 2990, SD1 as drafted.**

UPC Hawaii Wind supports the Hawaii State Legislature's efforts to increase the Renewable Portfolio Standard to thirty percent by December 31, 2020. We are fortunate in the State of Hawaii to have an abundance of natural resources that can generate clean energy through proven, viable technology such as wind power. We fully support efforts to decrease the State of Hawaii's reliance on fossil fuels to meet its electricity generation needs and support the passage of SB 2990, SD1.

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