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The Honorable Colleen Hanabusa
President of the Senate
State Capitol, Room 409
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Dear Madam President:

I transmit to you a copy of our report, *Audit of the State of Hawai'i's Information Technology: Who's in Charge?*

With our consultants, Acuity LLP, we found that the State's IT leaders provide weak and ineffective management and that the State no longer has a lead agency for information technology. Among the consequences is the lack of a statewide strategic view of technology investment decisions and a solution to the serious risk posed by the lack of an alternate data center. We made several recommendations to the administration and the Legislature.

We hope that the report will assist you in reviewing the issues examined. We will place the report on our website, www.state.hi.us/auditor, and release it to the public and press, on Wednesday, April 1, 2009.

Sincerely,

Marion M. Higa
State Auditor

Enclosure

c: ✓ Carol Taniguchi, Senate Clerk