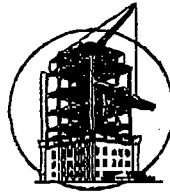


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April 2, 2009

Honorable Senator Donna Mercado Kim, Chair
 Honorable Senator Shan S. Tsutsui, Vice Chair
 Members of the Senate Committee on Ways and Means
 415 South Beretania Street
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RE: **IN SUPPORT OF HB 1628, HD1, SD1**
 Relating to the issuance of Special Purpose Revenue Bonds
 to assist BIOENERGY HAWAII, LLC.
 Hearing: Thursday, April 2, 2009, 9:30 a.m., Room 211

Dear Chair Mercado Kim, Vice Chair Tsutsui and the Senate Committee
 on Ways and Means:

For the Record my name is Buzz Hong the Executive Director for
 the Hawaii Building & Construction Trades Council, AFL-CIO. Our
 Council is comprised of 16-construction unions and a membership
 of 26,000 statewide.

The Council SUPPORTS the passage of HB 1628, HD1, SD1 that
 authorizes the issuance of special purpose revenue bonds to assist
 BioEnergy Hawaii, LLC, establish a cogeneration facility and related
 energy production facilities.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit this testimony in support
 of HB 1628, HD1, SD1.

Sincerely,

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