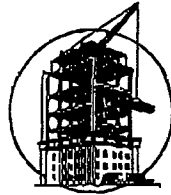


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April 2, 2009

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 427, HD1**
 Relating to Special Purpose Revenue Bonds to assist One Planet Pacific Energy, LLC, a processing enterprise.
 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 427, HD1 that authorizes the Issuance of \$40,000,000 in special purpose revenue bonds for One Planet Pacific Energy, LLC, to build a gasification facility adjoining the construction and demolition material solid waste landfill located in Nanakuli, Oahu.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit this testimony in support of HB 427, HD1.

Sincerely,

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